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## Dairy dilemmas

### Gooding fields exceed phosphorus limits

#### Dairy and ag officials question state standards

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

GOODING — Roughly 97 of 110 fields operated by dairies in Gooding County exceed the state's phosphorus levels, according to soil samples.

The results have both industry and state agriculture officials questioning Idaho's standards as well as the science that dairy operators rely on for devising their waste management plans. Although phosphorus does not harm soil, it can speed up the growth of algae in rivers and streams if it reaches surface water. To avoid having their permits revoked, dairy operators may need to find additional

land to handle waste from their facilities.

In June, the Ag Department sent letters to 12 Gooding County dairy operators who manage 110 fields, notifying them that at least one of their fields went over the phosphorus limit of 40 parts per million for the top foot of soil. The uppermost layer of soil is the most vulnerable to surface water runoff.

The North Side Canal Co. operates many of the surface water canals in Gooding County. The company has not seen elevated levels of phosphorus in the water it returns to the Snake River, said Larry Pennington, water quality specialist for North

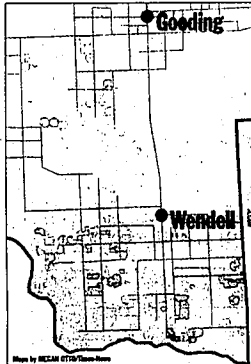


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#### Dairy fields exceed phosphorus levels in Gooding County

- 0-50 ppm
- 50-100 ppm
- 100-150 ppm
- 150 and above ppm

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture tested fields used by dairies for waste management in Gooding County. The colored areas mark fields that exceeded the phosphorus threshold of 40 parts per million in soil samples taken from the top 12 inches of soil. Twelve dairy owners have been advised that they need to reduce phosphorus levels in their fields or face losing their milk permits.

Side. Although some may worry that high levels of phosphorus would indicate elevated levels of other elements such as

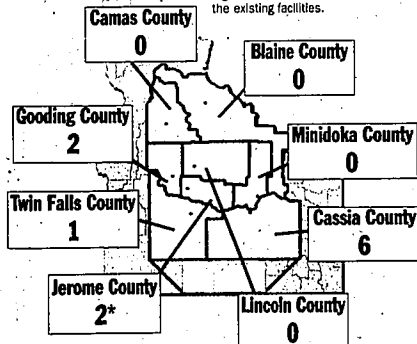
nitrate, that's not the case in Gooding based on annual groundwater testing there, says Marv Patten, head of the

state's dairy bureau. Idaho dairies need to abide by state standards. Please see GOODING, Page A3

## Magic Valley officials consider new dairies

#### Pending dairy applications in the Magic Valley

Requests do not include increasing the number of animals at the existing facilities.



\*The permits pending in Jerome County are for land expansions only.

### Cassia County board places a 90-day moratorium on new applications

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — As dairy waste issues popped up at one end of Magic Valley, officials in Cassia County put a temporary stop to permitting large animal operations at the other side of the region.

"The commissioners wanted to be sure we had a good, solid plan in place," said Kerry McMurray, administrator for Cassia County.

On Monday, Cassia County's board adopted a 90-day moratorium on allowing new or expanded confined animal feeding operations. The county has six applications for dairies in front of its planning and zoning commission — the most of any county in Magic Valley. Valley-wide, there are nine CAFO applications pending as well as two requests to expand operations' acreage only. Cassia County is updating its comprehensive plan, which includes a section on CAFOs.

Commissioners decided to wait to consider new applications until the plan is in place.

Of the six applications now on hold, only one is for more than 10,000 animals; it's a 25,000-animal unit dairy to be built near Raft River.

Gooding County's planning and zoning commission will hear two CAFO permit requests Monday evening. The county has been revisiting its CAFO ordinance since March 2005. Recent soil testing in the county shows that several fields used by dairies for spreading manure exceed phosphorus limits.

Minidoka and Jerome counties led the way this past year in approving CAFO applications — both gave the OK for at least 10 permits.

Although Twin Falls County officials have not seen many requests in recent times, they will consider a 15,120-animal unit dairy on the Cassia County line in the near future.

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## Couple found guilty in child case

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Erendira Cruz Martinez and Miguel Ortiz Morales were charged with felony injury to the boy, Eric Huerta, who was found bruised with a fractured rib and skull and numerous other injuries. Doctors said did not appear accidental. The couple testified Friday that they both did what they could to protect Huerta.



Martinez



Morales

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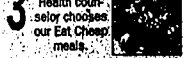
## 7 reasons to read this week

4-Hers and fashion: The lessons they learn.



Customization: What does yours say about you?

Jill's place: Health counselor chooses our Eat Cheap meals.



Play on, Bob! Shakespeare's Festival stages 'A Comedy of Errors.'

Magic Valley's favorite: Get the scoop on the football in a 2006-07 season.

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## Army now accepting older recruits

### Some make it a family affair

By Suzanne M. Schafer  
Associated Press writer

FORT JACKSON, S.C. — Margie Black had wanted to enter the military as a teenager, but having her first child at 19 put off her ambitions.

So when she learned the Army raised its enlistment age, Black, now a 41-year-old

grandmother, from West Columbia, Texas, didn't hesitate to join. The decision took "about 30 seconds," she said. On Friday, Pvt. Black worked on her marksmanship skills here, while her 21-year-old daughter was at Army basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

"I'm taking it one day at a time," Black said. "If I do that,

I can handle it." Older soldiers like her are showing up more often at Army training bases across the country since Congress gave the service approval earlier this year to raise its enlistee age limit, which had been 35, to just under 42 years. "We're finding there's a lot of people out there that wanted to join, and age was their only disqualifier," said Leslie Ann Sully, a spokes-

woman for the Army's local recruiting battalion near Fort Jackson.

"Lots of people, (over 35) are fit and are living longer, and they figure they can do this," Sully said.

The change came as the Army fell well short of its recruiting goals last year. It needs to bring in 80,000 recruits this year and is pushing a package of higher

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**TODAY'S FORECAST**

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**Complete weather report: See page C8**

**TODAY'S HAPPENINGS**

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

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

**FESTIVALS**

**Farm Work Appreciation Day**, with food booths and free entertainment, noon to 5 p.m., Rupert Square in Rupert, 678-3838 or 679-2002.

**OUTDOORS**

**Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities**, including Rock Shelter Audio Tour at 10 a.m., Junior Ranger "The Hunt Is On" at 11 a.m., Campfire at 8 p.m. and "A Night at the Movies" at 8:30 p.m., Redfish Lake Visitor Center, Redfish Lake five miles south of Stanley, no cost, 208-774-3376.

**Wood River Naturalist Activities**, Campfire Program "Surviving Salmon" at 9 p.m., Wood River Amphitheater, Wood River Campgrounds eight miles north of Ketchum, no cost, 208-727-5000.

To have an event (including on-going events) listed in the September monthly calendar, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number by noon Aug. 25 to Suzie Browne by e-mail [tosbrowne@maglevally.com](mailto:tosbrowne@maglevally.com); by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

**IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**



U.S. Rep. C.L. 'Butch' Otter and his new bride Lori Easley duck thrown bird seed as they make their way to a waiting limousine after their wedding at Holy Apostles Catholic Church, in Meridian on Friday.

**Otter and Easley exchange vows**

MERIDIAN (AP)—The colors were pale green and lavender, the music was supplied by a string quartet and security was tight Friday evening as U.S. Rep. C.L. "Butch" Otter, the Republican candidate for governor, married his longtime girlfriend Lori Easley.

Those attending the traditional ceremony at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in this Boise suburb lined up outside locked doors before being allowed into the church at 6:30 p.m., and the doors were re-locked by 6:45. No reporters or photographers were allowed inside, save for the wedding photographer hired by the couple.

"It's a private thing, you know what I mean?" Otter told The Associated Press a few days before the event. "That's what Lori wanted, and that's what she gets."

It may be the last chance for privacy for the couple, given Otter's bid for the governor's seat. He faces Democratic candidate and newspaper magnate Jerry Brady in the November election.

**OBITUARIES**

William Edward Roberts, 94, of Buhl  
 Harold L. Suchan, 78, of Buhl

**SPORTS**

**Minico girls drop soccer opener**

RUPERT — The Minico Spartans girls soccer team opened up their 2006 season against a talented Highland Rams squad and fell 5-1 on their first game played on the new Minico High School soccer field in Rupert.  
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**Gutierrez sharp in Bengals' scrimmage**

POCATELLO — A lot is being expected of transfer quarterback Matt Gutierrez and that may be unfair. After all one player does not a football team make. However it's tough to argue with those expectations when you put on a show like the senior did Saturday afternoon.

In Idaho State's second scrimmage of fall camp, an 80-play affair that simulated game conditions as closely as possible, Gutierrez went 15-for-19. He finished with 158 yards and a pair of touchdown passes.  
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**Tiger roars into PGA lead**

MEDINAH, Ill. — The PGA Championship has rarely looked so easy. With Tiger Woods atop the leaderboard, winning the final major of the year could still be as hard as ever.

His final birdie Saturday came on the par-3 17th hole, a 12-foot putt that nearly spun out of the side of the cup. Woods was walking to the hole when it dropped, then pointed his finger at the cup as if reminding his golf ball to behave.

It led to a 7-under-65, matching the course record at Medinah.  
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**Leinart starts strong, but fades**

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Matt Leinart looked like a Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback at the start of his NFL career. It didn't last.

Leinart spent the rest of Arizona's 30-3 loss to the New England Patriots on Saturday night resembling what he is — a rookie with almost no real practice experience.  
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**IDAHO/WEST**

**Killeen: New buildings could save millions**

BOISE — The new chief of Idaho's overcrowded prison system wants to build enough new bed space for 1,700 more inmates and says the state could save millions of dollars on the housing units by using a synthetic building material that's stretched over aluminum beams.  
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**Kick results in bikini-bar lawsuit**

COEUR D'ALENE — A dance floor incident at a northern Idaho bikini bar in July 2005 has prompted a lawsuit by a female performer who says she was injured when another dancer kicked her in the head.  
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**'Lost souls' turn up in cemetery records**

ELK RIVER — Since a 1952 blaze destroyed the original records from this northcentral Idaho town's hilltop cemetery, it's been unclear just who was buried here. A recent search of local historical records, including newspaper articles, has turned up the names of at least 45 people Elk River residents are now calling "the lost souls" — people whose remains were in the ground, but whose identities and histories were nowhere to be found in cemetery records.  
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**Outdoors crowd joins development debate**

RIFLE, Colo. — Fearing that energy development sweeping through the Rockies could permanently scar the landscape, hunters and anglers are forming alliances with environmental groups like The Wilderness Society and Sierra Club. The two sides, which have sparred in the past, are trying to protect such areas as northern Montana's Rocky Mountain Front and New Mexico's Valle Vidal.  
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**Weapons depot begins munitions destruction**

SALT LAKE CITY — The U.S. Army has begun the final phase of a munitions destruction project in Utah's west desert — draining and incinerating the first of thousands of containers of mustard gas held in storage.  
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**Helicopter crash in Washington kills pilot**

NEWPORT, Wash. — A logging helicopter crashed in the remote northeastern corner of Washington state, killing the pilot, the Pend Oreille sheriff's office said.

The male pilot was the only person on board, sheriff's Sgt. Alan Botzheim said in a statement.

The pilot was identified late Friday night as Bret W. Ahler, 24, of Walla Walla.  
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**NATION/WORLD**

**Israelis raid Hezbollah stronghold in Lebanon**

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Israeli commandos raided a Hezbollah stronghold deep in Lebanon, engaging in a fierce gun battle. The Lebanese government threatened to halt further troop deployments in protest and U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan called the operation a violation of the 6-day-old cease-fire.  
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**Democrats shake up primary calendar**

CHICAGO — Democrats shake up their schedule for picking a presidential nominee, vaulting Nevada and South Carolina to early season prominence in 2008 while diluting New Hampshire's influence. The goal is to give minorities a greater say.  
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**Arrest brings JonBenet's strange story full circle**

It is a blur of morbid fascination and speculation, of gross misjudgments and disturbing suspicions that make it difficult to remember the dark winter stillness in which it all started. It was 5:22 a.m. the morning after Christmas, 1996 — the moment JonBenet Ramsey's story simultaneously ended and began.  
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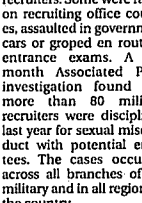


**Scores of female military recruits preyed upon**

More than 100 young women who expressed interest in joining the military in the past year were preyed on sexually by recruiters. Some were raped on recruiting office couches, assaulted in government cars or groped en route to entrance exams. A six-month Associated Press investigation found that more than 80 military recruiters were disciplined last year for sexual misconduct and incinerating the first of thousands of containers of mustard gas held in storage.

**County fair flush with toilet art**

WASHINGTON — Forget the 4-H prize apple pie, the best-in-show goat, the amateur paintings and photographs: the most memorable competition at the Montgomery County fair in Gaithersburg, Md., is the decorated toilet contest.  
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**Planet hunter dismayed by definition change**

PASADENA, Calif. — Michael Brown has spotted more than a dozen objects that might qualify as planets, if a new definition is accepted. So why is he upset? "When I was a kid, planets were special," he said. "This definition takes the magic out of the solar system."  
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**Wind farm gets approved in Mini-Cassia**

ALBION — Windmills still could whirl and hum on the ridge line above Albion, but not as soon as a developer had hoped.  
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**Home sale slowing**

TWIN FALLS — Home sales have slowed across the U.S., but that's not necessarily a bad thing, say some real estate brokers. "All we're doing is getting back to normal and I think it's healthy," said Rich Whitescarver, a local broker with Century 21.  
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**MAGIC VALLEY**

**Too much phosphorus**

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**Jerome car show attracts thousands**

JEROME — The bragging rights to the biggest car show in the state were secured Saturday as an estimated crowd of 13,000 spectators meandered through hundreds of classic automobiles and speed machines at Jerome's North and South parks during the 8th Annual Joe Mama's Car Show.  
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**Fire destroys home**

GOODING — Beepers alerting them to a major fire sent a dozen volunteer firefighters scurrying from their seats at the Gooding County Fair rodeo Friday night. Moments later, the announcer issued a somber directive.  
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**Back in ye olde time**

WENDELL — Minus the Black Plague and the Spanish Inquisition the Middle Ages might not have been so bad. That is if the time would have been spent with the members of the Society for Creative Anachronism.  
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# Army

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enlistment bonuses and pay levels for certain jobs, as well as financial incentives for former soldiers to re-enlist.

The limit to enter the part-time Army Reserve was raised to 40 in March 2005 and the Army raised it to 40 for active duty in January. Then, both organizations raised it to 42 in June.

"The Army has taken in 405 men and women in the active duty and 711 in the Reserves who were 35 or older as of Aug. 4, according to Douglas Smith, a spokesman for the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

In interviews, most of the older soldiers training at Fort Jackson said they were fulfilling ambitions put aside years ago.

It has always been a dream of mine to be in the military and now I am fulfilling that dream," Black said.

As she took a break from learning how to handle her M-16 rifle, the former corrections officer said her major challenge in the first three weeks of training was climbing and rappelling the 50-foot "Victory Tower."

Black is afraid of heights.

"I cried all the way up and all the way down, but my drill sergeant told me the whole time and got me through it," she said with a smile.

On the parade grounds here, about 5,000 family and friends gathered Friday to applaud the



One of the Army's oldest recruits, Russell Dilling, 42, right, greets his 19-year-old son Robert, left, after Robert graduated from basic combat training Friday, at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C. This was a rare occurrence until the Army decided several months ago to allow people under 42 to join the ranks.

1,000 soldiers who graduated from basic training.

Russell Dilling, 42, of San Antonio, and his 19-year-old son, Robert, had tears in their eyes as they hugged afterward. The younger Dilling graduated from basic training. Russell Dilling is scheduled to finish Oct. 6 and is hoping his knees hold out. He wants to become a small arms repairman.

"When he graduates, I am

sure I will be as proud of him as he is of me today," said Robert Dilling, who wants to train as a combat medic.

Russell Dilling said he got to Fort Jackson at 11 p.m. earlier this summer — one hour before his 42nd birthday and the Army's new deadline. "It's been tough physically, but my company has been pretty supportive," he said.

Dilling's drill sergeant,

Steven Proffitt, called the father "a real leader. He shows these kids how to do it."

Pfc. Kimberly Brown, 37, couldn't resist cupping her 18-year-old son Derek Noe's face in jubilation after they'd both been released from graduation formation. With five children to support, the work in the Army is welcome, she said. Her husband Robert, a retired Army first sergeant, supported

her, she said. Noe is returning to finish his senior year in high school in Boone, N.C., while his mother goes to Fort Eustis, Va., to enter helicopter mechanic training.

"They called me 'Mama's boy,' but I knew they were just messing with me," Noe said of his mother going to Fort Eustis. "It never got to me. I'm proud of what she's doing."

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# Gooding

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by a nutrient management plan, which specifies how much manure a dairy operator can spread on his fields to comply with environmental standards. Ideally, if a dairy operator follows his plan, his fields shouldn't exceed phosphorus limits. Patten and others now wonder if the plans are based on accurate science after 88 percent of the fields surpassed phosphorus limits.

"If the producer follows the plans as written, it appears that the information going into the plan wasn't accurate enough to provide a good plan to follow," Patten said.

Dale Westermann is a soil scientist with the USDA's Agricultural Research Service. He estimates that a 1,400-pound cow will excrete about 36 pounds of phosphorus annually. After the cow's waste is applied to land, the soil absorbs a certain amount of the phosphorus. Crpps raised

on that land absorb roughly 26 pounds of phosphorus per acre annually. Some studies suggest that a dairy operator would need at least one acre of land per animal to dispose properly of the waste, Westermann said.

However, accurately measuring phosphorus in soil has been difficult. Therefore, many of the fields that tested somewhat over the 40 ppm may not have excess waste.

More than half of the fields tested showed readings of 100 ppm and almost 40 percent came back with levels of 150 ppm or higher.

Fields that posted results of 200 ppm clearly demonstrate over-application, Westermann said. More than 18 percent of the fields testing in Gooding County tested at or above 200.

"There's no question they haven't paid any attention to

their plan," he believes. Westermann said, "Dairyman operators today are using feed laden with higher levels of phosphorus than what was accounted for in the nutrient management plans. To be accurate, the plans would need to be rewritten."

"That's really part of the problem — they don't know what they're applying," he said.

Bob Naerobout, executive director of the Idaho Dairyman's Association, thinks the testing in Gooding will lead to new technology to solve the problem. Otherwise, dairymen will need either to find more land for waste applications or to compost the material and sell it.

Neighboring states don't have the same stringency for phosphorus as Idaho does. Adjusting the state's regula-

tions is another option. "It didn't get this way overnight, and we're not going to reduce the levels overnight," Patten said.

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# Guilty

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The prosecutor did not charge them or the mother, Patricia Ortiz Reyes, with abusing the child. Reyes has pleaded guilty to felony injury to a child and is awaiting sentencing.

"We've got to ask yourself why his mother?" Prosecuting Attorney Suzanne Craig asked the jury in her closing arguments. "To cover up for somebody that you love because they've done something wrong. Someone in that house repeatedly hurt Eric and the others knew it was going on. It had to be obvious to everyone in that house."

To prove the couple's guilt, the state had to show beyond a reasonable doubt that while in their care, they had acted or failed to act to save the child, from a situation that was likely to cause him great bodily harm.

Martinez's defense attorney, Loren Bingham, said Craig had not shown the elements of her charges. "I don't believe there's evidence to show that they willfully placed him in a situation that would endanger the child," he said. "I don't believe that anybody can say the child was willfully harmed by anybody."

He also said the mother had not properly cared for the child.

Martinez and Morales are scheduled to be sentenced late next month. The maximum sentence for felony injury to a child is 10 years in prison.

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Remains of two people found in rural yard

DREXEL — The remains of at least two and as many as six people were found in a rural Missouri yard where investigators discovered bone fragments, sheriff's officials said.

The remains were found on the ground early Saturday on property northeast of Drexel in western Missouri after deputies working a theft case received information a tip, Cass County Sheriff's Cpl. Kevin Tieman said.

The deaths appeared to "drug-related" and were not "random acts," Tieman said. The most recent remains were several months old, he said.

One man was arrested Friday at a house on the property and taken into custody on unrelated charges. Tieman would not identify that man or say if he owned the property where the remains were discovered.

An anthropologist identified two separate sets of remains from the bone fragments, Tieman said, but authorities believed there were more.

"We are currently looking for six sets (of remains)," Tieman said.

NEW ORLEANS

Feds fulfill few promises to Gulf Coast

Nearly half of New Orleans was still under water when President Bush stood in the Crescent City's historic Jackson Square and swore he would "do what it takes" to rebuild the communities and lives that had been laid to waste two weeks before by Hurricane Katrina.

"Our goal is to get the work done quickly," the president said.

He promised to spend federal money wisely and accountably. And he vowed to address the poverty exposed by the government's inadequate Katrina response "with bold action."

A year after the storm, the federal government has proven slow and unreliable in keeping the president's promises.

"This is not something that is going to be able to be accomplished in 365 days," White House spokeswoman Dana Perino said. "The president has set the federal government on the course to fulfill its obligations."

ARIZONA

Man shoots at fire crew for not rescuing cat

KINGMAN — A man angry at firefighters who refused to rescue a cat from a tree was arrested after he started shooting at the fire crew, officials said.

Jeffrey Cullen, 58, was charged with four felony counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, Mohave County Sheriff's spokeswoman Irish Carter said.

A three-person fire crew went to Cullen's home Thursday when he reported a tree fire, but found no blaze, Hualapai Valley Fire Department spokeswoman Sandy Edwards said.

Instead, Cullen told firefighters he wanted a cat rescued from his tree and knew they would only respond to a fire call, Edwards said. A battalion chief told Cullen to call animal control or wait for the cat to get hungry and come down.

OKLAHOMA

Survivors recall original 'going postal' massacre

EDMOND — Former letter carrier Michael Bigler remembers the terrified screams of his co-workers 20 years ago when a disgruntled postal worker went on a shooting rampage that would come to define the term "going postal."

On Aug. 20, 1986, Patrick Henry Sherrill tucked two .45-caliber pistols into his postal satchel, locked the door of a post office in this Oklahoma City suburb and systematically killed 14 people, then committed suicide.

"The screams hurt me emotionally more than the bullet did when it hit my back," said

Bigler, one of six people wounded in the attack. "They screamed in terror when they screamed their last breath. He wanted to slaughter us all."

In the two decades since Sherrill's rampage, the U.S. Postal Service has tried to prevent worker violence, but there have been other attacks. Nearly 50 people have died in post office violence since the 1980s, including six postal workers who were shot in January at a mail-processing center in Santa Barbara, Calif., by a former postal worker who killed himself.

COLORADO

Media frenzy awaits John Mark Karr's return

BOULDER — Reporters and camera crews crowded the local courthouse grounds Saturday in anticipation of the arrival of John Mark Karr to face charges in the death of 6-year-old JonBenet Ramsey.

The intense media attention in the case that has fascinated the nation for nearly 10 years has outraged JonBenet's father and driven him to consider

moving out of the country, a family lawyer said Saturday.

Karr said in a televised statement after being arrested Wednesday in Thailand that he was with JonBenet when she was killed on the day after Christmas 1996 in the basement of the family's home in Boulder. He called the child's death "an accident."

Karr will face charges of first-degree murder, kidnapping and child sexual assault.

Authorities in Thailand said Karr, 41, would leave on a flight to the United States on Sunday. — The Associated Press



Alabama Wildlife Biologists Chris Mix and Chad Masley help load an 11-foot, 267-pound alligator back into a truck at 3 a.m. Saturday in Spanish Fort, Ala. This was the first night of a seven-day sanctioned alligator hunting season in the Mobile-Tensaw Delta.

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NATION



Entrants in the toilet decorating contest at the Montgomery County fair in Gaithersburg, Md. The winning entry, 'Camp Stinkalot Scouthouse,' is third from left.

# Maryland county fair flush with toilet art

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — In a quiet little corner of the loud and gaudy — 58th-annual-Montgomery County Agricultural Fair in Gaithersburg, Md., you will find the toilet decorating contest.

Start at the freak animals booth — with the midget cow and the two-headed raccoon — and walk up the midway past the airbrush tattoo tent, the Uncle Al kiddie ride, the Break 2 Plates game, the garment bazaar with the "I'm White Trash With Money" T-shirt, the mead-hall-size jumbo grilled turkey legs, the 550-pound wheel of cheddar, the aromatic animal barns, the Republican and Democratic tents with the fried Oreos stand in between, and you will discover a display of festooned porcelain thrones.

Forget the 4-H prize apple pie, the best-in-show goat, the amateur paintings and photographs. The decorated toilets — just outside the Arts, Crafts & Photography pavilion — are monuments to resourcefulness.

Anyone can make lemonade from life's lemons. It takes a special kind of person to turn toilets into treasures. Like

Karen Nelson, 36, and her three daughters — Emily, 11; Maggie, 10; and Caroline, 8 — from Germantown, Md. Their entry, "Rubber Duckies," was inspired by a "Sesame Street" song. Yellow rubber ducks are using an old toilet as their swimming pool.

"This was our first toilet entry," says Nelson. Her daughters saw the contest submissions last year and began planning this year's effort. "All the kids who go to the fair get so excited about the toilets," Nelson says.

Ideas that were flushed: a Spider-Man theme, a NASCAR version with cars racing

around the seat and a barnyard scenario. "The girls wanted the toilet to make noise," Nelson says, "but I drew the line there."

Among this year's entries, the objects d'art include the "Toilet Bowl," a paean to college football bowl games; "Dairy News," with a Holstein cow puppet reading a newspaper; "Old Glory," a patriotic entry with a flag on the tank; and "Hill's Horses," featuring a horseshoe on the back and toy horses on the seat.

This year's winner of the grand prize — \$25 and a purple ribbon — is the "Camp Stinkalot Scouthouse," con-

ceived and constructed by a couple of teen-agers, David McCredy and John Bell.

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Michael Brown, an astronomer at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif., on Friday talks about his planetary research.

## Planet hunter: New definition 'takes magic out of solar system'

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Few planet hunters stand to gain as much as Michael Brown if our solar system balloons to 12 planets under a new definition. He's spotted more than a dozen objects that might qualify as planets.

So why is he upset? "When I was a kid, planets were special," he said. "This definition takes the magic out of the solar system."

It was Brown's discovery of an icy rock bigger than Pluto that helped lead astronomers to rethink their definition of what a planet is. But Brown doesn't think his discovery — or even Pluto, which was spotted in 1930 — should qualify as true planets.

On his Web site, the California Institute of Technology astronomer muses about why Pluto has kept its title for so long: "I think that astronomers are as sentimental as the rest of the world and couldn't stomach removing Pluto. Probably they also couldn't stomach the criticism that would follow."

Last week, a high-ranking panel from the International Astronomical Union proposed that the solar system be expanded to 12 planets from the current nine, the first attempt at creating a scientific definition for planets.

Under the proposed definition, an object is a planet if it is at least 500 miles in diameter, orbits the sun, and has a mass at least about one-12,000th that of Earth.

Pluto would keep its planet-hood while three other bodies would be added, including Pluto's moon Charon, the asteroid Ceres and Brown's object 2003 UB313, which he nicknamed Xena.

Brown said the proposal — that a planet is basically anything round orbiting the sun — is too broad and amounts to "No Ice Ball Left Behind," cheapening the solar system.

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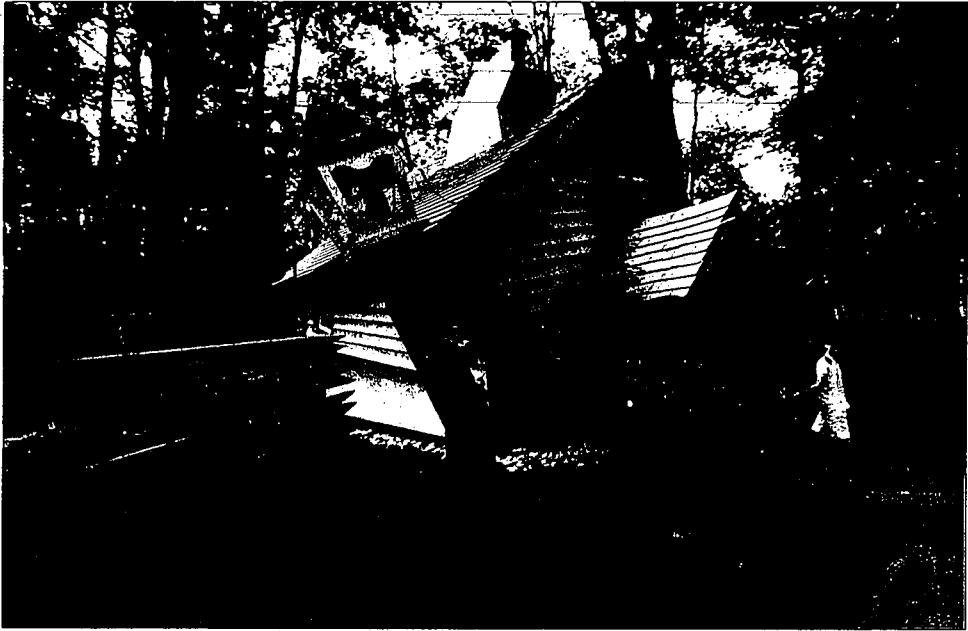
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# Once upon a time in Pennsylvania



The crooked house of nursery rhyme fame is shown at Story Book Forest in Idlewild Park on July 23 in Ligonier, Pa. Built in 1956, Story Book Forest is dedicated to taking youngsters through a land in which they can interact with their favorite nursery rhymes.

## Pennsylvania's Story Book Forest turns 50

By Jennifer C. Yates  
Associated Press writer

LIGONIER, Pa. — A doorway beckons visitors to pass through a book made of concrete that stands some 28 feet high. The simple verse on its open pages reads in part, "Here dreams are real ... and so are your story book friends."

"There are no massive roller coasters, bumper cars or swings that spin visitors high in the air at this 17-acre attraction, tucked into the rolling mountains of western Pennsylvania.

But for the little ones in the family — or anyone who is simply young at heart — you will find Mother Goose, Goldilocks and Little Red Riding Hood waiting to play at Story Book Forest. Part of the larger Idlewild amusement park, Story Book Forest this year is celebrating 50 years of making the characters and scenes in nursery rhymes from Alice in Wonderland to Snow White come alive.

"Everyone can enjoy it, because it taps into what everyone can relate to," said Jeffrey S. Croushore, who has worked at the park for about 13 years and authored a book about its history.

Story Book Forest was built in 1956, an era when many children's parks based on storybooks were sprouting up around the country. The

Pennsylvania attraction was created by Idlewild's then-owner C.C. Macdonald and Arthur Jennings, who was a performance clown at the park. Jennings had always said he wanted to create a theme park "based on emotion rather than motion."

The result was a winding path through a wooded area dotted with scenes from the most beloved nursery rhymes. The Good Ship Lollipop sits floating in a lagoon, Mary-Mary Quite Contrary sits in front of her water-tower-shaped house, and Snow White gives apple stickers to children who visit the cottage of the seven dwarfs.

Outside, the larger Idlewild and Soakzone park features more traditional amusement fare, such as games, rides and waterslides. Visitors can even ride a life-size red trolley through Mister Rogers' Neighborhood of Make-Believe, an attraction designed by the late Fred Rogers.

In 2005, Idlewild was named the second best kid's park in the world by readers of the trade journal Amusement Today. Only a handful of the children's storybook lands still exist across the country.

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Charlie Joe Rosemeyer, 3, of Pittsburgh, is given an apple sticker by Rebecca Doppelbauer, portraying the character of Snow White, in front of a replica of the cottage of the seven dwarfs in Story Book Forest at Idlewild Park July 23 in Ligonier, Pa.



Megan Samuels, of Pittsburgh, sticks her head through a giant replica of a piece of cheese that is part of Story Book Forest at Idlewild Park July 23 in Ligonier, Pa.

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6 p.m. is \$11.50. Free parking.

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## Kanye West headlines Seattle's Labor Day arts blowout, Bumbershoot

By Peggy Andersen

Associated Press writer

SEATTLE — The 36th Annual Bumbershoot Arts Festival — the end-of-summer blowout that brings tens of thousands of people to the sunny heart of the city — is being cut back to

three days this year, but organizers promise it will be bigger than ever.

There's something for everybody at Bumbershoot — a showcase for theater, visual arts, rock-poster art, dance, literary arts, comedy, short films, music, shopping and "general craziness" all over the 75-acre Seattle Center grounds, said art direc-

tor Michele Scoleri.

"I don't think anyone would feel excluded at the festival," Scoleri said. "Everyone's invited to our party."

Add food booths for every taste, kids of all ages, trees, grass, fountains and, towering over it all, the campy Space Needle, a 40-year-old vision of Century 21 — the theme of the

1962 World's Fair that inspired the center. The festival also spills into the spacey new Experience Music Project.

"Exposing someone to breaking and to later have them on their own time go check out some other form of dance — I think that's an amazing thing," Scoleri said.

Eliminating Friday, always a

quiet day at the Labor Day weekend event, frees up money to hire headliners like multiple-Grammy-winning rapper Kanye West.

"The rest of the festival had been subsidizing Friday," said festival producer Heather Smith, amid 35 years of Bumbershoot — memorabilia crammed into the offices of One

Reel Productions, which has produced Bumbershoot — billed as the biggest contemporary music & arts festival in North America — since 1980.

New this year: Roller derby! "This really does embody the spirit of Bumbershoot," said Smith of the Bumbershoot Flat

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TRAVEL

# Aqua Massage: 15 minutes of bliss — at Six Flags

By Beth J. Harpaz  
Associated Press writer

JACKSON, N.J. — I don't like being touched by strangers. Not even when they're massage therapists.

But touched by a machine? Now that's another story.

The setting for my tale of mechanical massage is an unlikely one — Six Flags Great Adventure theme park. There, for \$20, I bought 15 minutes of bliss in the form of an Aqua Massage — and didn't even get wet.

I was in the park as a parent chaperone on a class trip with 80 eighth-graders. The kids were allowed to go off on their own as long as they checked in at certain times. So I found myself wandering alone past the Whac-A-Mole game, the Dare Devil Dive and the Kingda Ka coaster. It was a warm day, I felt hot and sticky. My shoulders hurt from working at the computer the day before. My back ached from a heavy bag.

Then I noticed a sign: "Relaxation Station." I heard a soothing recorded voice promising a full-body water massage without ever getting wet. Ten to 15 minutes of invigorating water massage while you're fully clothed.

Inside, a few patrons sampled an aromatherapy/oxygen bar and massage chairs that resembled big comfy armchairs. But it was the Aqua Massage that I



This photo provided by Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson, N.J., shows employee Jenn Lawton demonstrating the Aqua Massage at the theme park's Relaxation Station, July 31.

wanted. I took off my tight shoes and put down my heavy bag. Then I lay face down on a narrow bed in a small dark room with a beaded curtain instead of a door. It felt private but not claustrophobic.

The attendant lowered the lid of the machine, over my body. Only my head stuck out. "Here we go," she said, and left the room.

A roar louder than a shower filled my ears. A soft sheet like a waterproof windbreaker was attached to the cover of the

machine; it conformed to the contours of my body and formed a barrier between me and the water. Waves and jets and needle spray began rolling over me, from my tiptoes to my aching neck, without my ever getting wet.

After a few minutes, my mind filled with images of water. I thought of waterfalls, rain falling on a tin roof, plunging my hot feet in an ice-cold river, diving into a lake and floating on a wave at the beach. Over and over the Aqua Massage

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undulated, cooling and kneading and flowing over me.

At first the noise seemed like an airplane engine rather than waves at the beach, but gradually I grew accustomed to it and became immersed in my watery dreams. (I later learned that most Aqua Massage stations supply soundproof headphones so you can listen to music instead of the machine.) Suddenly the roar stopped. The cover lifted. The attendant appeared.

I climbed out and put my shoes on. The ache in my back, shoulders and neck was gone. My feet never felt better.

Another customer stood waiting to take my place. She looked a little apprehensive.

"Don't worry," I murmured as I walked past. "You're going to love it."

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## Storybook

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Visitors to Story Book Forest enter through the giant book and are greeted inside by Mother Goose, played for the past 11 years by Beverly Leonatti.

"I love seeing the kids come up the path and they are so excited. Some days they'll stop in their tracks" when they realize she's not a statue, said Leonatti, dressed in a blue and white dress and holding a stuffed goose named Barbara Clarence which she introduces to each child.

Mother Goose's son — actually, Leonatti's son, Brandon, is general manager at the park owned by family-operated Kennywood Entertainment Corp. Her husband plays the part of Gepetto at the park, proudly displaying his toy creations — including Pinocchio

— in his workshop to visitors.

Brandon Leonatti said what distinguishes the park from others is its emphasis on family. Small parking lots skirt one side of the park, so patrons can park for free close to picnic areas. In a longstanding tradition, families leave small grills and picnic baskets full of goodies on wooden tables while they enjoy the park, then return later to feast.

He said generations of families have been coming to the park, making it a fun experience for kids as well as their parents and grandparents.

"When they come here, they have high expectations of us," Brandon Leonatti said.

Theresa Rohaly sits in a rocking chair playing the role of the old woman who lived in a shoe. One by one, kids approach her and sit next to her in a small orange chair. Behind her, a

giant shoe has openings where kids can explore.

"You can go in, sweetie, and check it out," Rohaly tells wide-eyed 3-year-old Katrina Thompson as she licks a lollipop. "You might even want to live here."

Katrina's grandmother, Dianne Thompson of South Park, smiles as she encourages the girl to go into the shoe house. Thompson snaps pictures of the tiny girl along the way. "The story books are really coming alive because we just started reading these to her," said Thompson, who was visiting the park for the first time.

Rohaly has been working at the park for eight years — and has loved every minute of it.

"This is the best job I've ever had," the gray-haired Rohaly said. "Where else can you sit in a rocking chair all day?"

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## Festival

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Key Arena on Sept. 2, the Saturday before Labor Day. The Rat City Roller Girls — Seattle's roller-dance league — are inviting seven other teams from around the country.

Montreal's Babberbands Dance Group is the dance headliner this year, and the Pacific Northwest Ballet also will perform.

The Seattle International Film Festival is curating the shorts, and Bumbershoot is expanding the comedy offerings initiated last year.

There's an ongoing effort to make the literary arts more salon-like, more conversational, and more accessible for people around the festival's fun-loving outdoor vibe. Scoler said. This year's literary big names include Greil Marcus, cultural critic, rock journalist and author of "Mystery Train" and the forthcoming "The Shape of Things to Come: Prophecy and the American Voice," and Mary Gaitskill, author of "Veronica," nominated for the National Book Award.

Among performers at the Center's multiple music venues are second-generation country singer Shooter Jennings, son of Waylon Jennings and Jessi Colter; Afro-Cuban world-beat artist Yerba Buena; Ivan Neville's Dumpstaphunk; indie rockers of Montreal, Gospel and Mates of State; and, as the saying goes, much, much more.

The crowds — the four-day festival had drawn about 150,000 people in recent years — are not for that many younger people are there because of the crowds.

"They don't necessarily care who's coming," Scoler said. "They know they're going to have fun, they're going to like what's there, and they know they're going to meet people."

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205/90R-15	53.28	225/55R-16	85.21	225/40R-17	72.68
175/90R-13	34.22	235/55R-16	81.05	215/40R-17	82.94
185/90R-13	36.22	185/55R-16	28.87	235/40R-17	84.55
195/90R-13	38.22	195/55R-16	31.06	245/40R-17	107.58
205/90R-13	40.22	205/55R-16	33.25	P255/40R-17	100.40
215/90R-13	42.22	215/55R-16	35.44	215/40R-18	104.12
225/90R-13	44.22	225/55R-16	37.63	215/40R-18	126.64
235/90R-13	46.22	235/55R-16	39.82	L2225/70R-16	118.80
245/90R-13	48.22	245/55R-16	42.01	L2225/70R-16	123.24
255/90R-13	50.22	255/55R-16	44.20	L2225/70R-16	127.68
265/90R-13	52.22	265/55R-16	46.39	L2225/70R-16	132.12
275/90R-13	54.22	275/55R-16	48.58	L2225/70R-16	136.56
285/90R-13	56.22	285/55R-16	50.77	L2225/70R-16	141.00
295/90R-13	58.22	295/55R-16	52.96	L2225/70R-16	145.44
305/90R-13	60.22	305/55R-16	55.15		

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P205/75R-14	71.24	71.24	L2225/70R-16	123.24	123.24
P215/75R-14	73.76	73.76	L2225/70R-16	127.68	127.68
P225/75R-14	76.28	76.28	L2225/70R-16	132.12	132.12
P235/75R-14	78.80	78.80	L2225/70R-16	136.56	136.56
P245/75R-14	81.32	81.32	L2225/70R-16	141.00	141.00
P255/75R-14	83.84	83.84	L2225/70R-16	145.44	145.44
P265/75R-14	86.36	86.36			
P275/75R-14	88.88	88.88			
P285/75R-14	91.40	91.40			
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P175/80R-13	51.58	P235/70R-15	66.42
P185/80R-13	50.68	P245/70R-15	68.99
P195/80R-13	49.78	P255/70R-15	71.56
P205/80R-13	48.88	P265/70R-15	74.13
P215/80R-13	47.98	P275/70R-15	76.70
P225/80R-13	47.08	P285/70R-15	79.27
P235/80R-13	46.18	P295/70R-15	81.84
P245/80R-13	45.28	P305/70R-15	84.41
P255/80R-13	44.38		
P265/80R-13	43.48		
P275/80R-13	42.58		
P285/80R-13	41.68		
P295/80R-13	40.78		
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210/55R-15	111.23	265/45R-17	204.41	235/25R-18	239.52
215/55R-15	113.38	275/45R-17	213.73	245/25R-18	242.35
220/55R-15	115.53	285/45R-17	223.05	255/25R-18	211.10
225/55R-15	117.68	295/45R-17	228.88	265/25R-18	199.43
230/55R-15	119.83	305/45R-17	234.71	275/25R-18	201.15
235/55R-15	121.98			285/25R-18	237.95
240/55R-15	124.13			295/25R-18	265.02
245/55R-15	126.28				
250/55R-15	128.43				
255/55R-15	130.58				
260/55R-15	132.73				
265/55R-15	134.88				
270/55R-15	137.03				
275/55R-15	139.18				
280/55R-15	141.33				
285/55R-15	143.48				
290/55R-15	145.63				
295/55R-15	147.78				
300/55R-15	149.93				
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255/70R-16	117.10	P235/70R-15	130.87	325/45R-24	269.42
265/70R-16	119.30	P245/70R-15	136.16	345/45R-26	185.00
275/70R-16	121.50	P255/70R-15	141.45	365/45R-28	202.66
285/70R-16	123.70	P265/70R-15	146.74	385/45R-30	220.58
295/70R-16	125.90	P275/70R-15	152.03	405/45R-32	238.50
305/70R-16	128.10	P285/70R-15	157.32	425/45R-34	256.42
315/70R-16	130.30	P295/70R-15	162.61	445/45R-36	274.34
325/70R-16	132.50	P305/70R-15	167.90	465/45R-38	292.26
335/70R-16	134.70				
345/70R-16	136.90				
355/70R-16	139.10				
365/70R-16	141.30				
375/70R-16	143.50				
385/70R-16	145.70				
395/70R-16	147.90				
405/70R-16	150.10				
415/70R-16	152.30				
425/70R-16	154.50				
435/70R-16	156.70				
445/70R-16	158.90				
455/70R-16	161.10				
465/70R-16	163.30				
475/70R-16	165.50				
485/70R-16	167.70				
495/70R-16	169.90				
505/70R-16	172.10				
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# Home sales getting back to normal

Market is still going strong in Twin Falls

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Home sales have slowed across the U.S., but that's not necessarily a bad thing, say some real estate brokers.

"All we're doing is getting back to normal and I think it's healthy," said Rich Whitescarver, a local broker with Century 21.

Alex LaBeau, chief executive officer of the Idaho Association of Realtors, agreed.

"It has slowed somewhat, but not to the point it's troublesome," LaBeau said. "People are saying, 'Wow, I can actually take a breath now.'"

Compared to home sales in bigger cities, the Twin Falls market is still going strong. There were 134 single-family homes sold in Twin Falls County during the month of July, compared to 124 homes the same month a year ago, according to the Intermountain Multiple Listing Service (MLS).

"Sales have still been real brisk," said Walt Hess, a broker with Gem State Realty. "We still have a lot of out-of-state folks coming in and looking at the community. But it's not like it was a year ago. All of 2005 was a banner year. It created a buying frenzy. I think there were so many people coming into the real estate market all at once buying, it pushed the number of homes available down."

There were a total of 1,438 sold listings in Twin Falls County in 2005, up from 1,264 in 2004.

The local home market hasn't seen the same drastic



Nationally, home sales were down 7 percent in the April-June quarter this year compared with the same period in 2005, the National Association of Realtors said Tuesday in its latest state-by-state look at housing conditions around the country. Though home sales in Twin Falls County are beginning to level off, the local market is still going strong, brokers say.

changes seen in large cities like Phoenix, Las Vegas, Seattle and Los Angeles.

"Their markets have literally gone in reverse," Whitescarver said.

In 2005, the Las Vegas home sale market had a 15-day inventory, which means if you took one day's listing of homes, it would take an average of 15 days to sell all

of them. "Now, they have an over-seven-month supply," Whitescarver said.

Here in Twin Falls, single-family homes sold in July had been on the market an average of 111 days, compared to 99 days the same month a year ago.

Since many home buyers and investors are coming to

Twin Falls from large cities, what happens in those cities affects the local home market.

"What's happening is sellers there are having to lower home prices in order to get their homes moved in those markets," Whitescarver said. "So, they're coming to Twin with less money in their pockets."

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## Housing sales fall in 28 states

By Martin Crutcher  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The nation's once-booming housing market slumped even further in the spring with sales declining in 28 states, led by big drops in the formerly red-hot areas of Arizona, Florida and California.

Sales of existing homes fell nationwide to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 6.693 million units in the April-June quarter, down by 7.5 percent from the record rate of 7.193 million units in the spring of 2005, the National Association of Realtors reported Tuesday.

And in further evidence that the boom is over for housing, the National Association of Home Builders said its monthly survey of builder sentiment fell to its lowest level in more than 15 years.

The decline, which pushed the index down seven points to 32, was blamed on rising unease among home builders about record levels of unsold new and existing homes and increased cancellations of contracts for new homes. It marked the seventh consecutive drop.

"An increasing number of potential buyers are adopting a wait-and-see attitude because of uncertainty about where the housing market is headed," said David Selders, chief economist for the home builders.

The slowdown is occurring after a lengthy boom in which sales of both new and existing homes set records for five straight years as buyers flocked into the market, lured by the lowest mortgage rates in more than four decades.

But mortgage rates have been climbing for most of this year, reflecting a two-year campaign by the Federal Reserve to push interest rates higher as a way of slowing the economy and keeping inflation under control.

The Fed last week refrained from raising rates for an 18th time, spurring hope that the rate hikes will end before they do more damage to interest-rate sensitive sectors of the economy such as housing.

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spring, compared to the same period a year ago. By comparison, sales were down in just five states and the District of Columbia in the spring of 2005.

The biggest sales declines this spring occurred in states that had the hottest markets last year. Sales fell 26.9 percent in Arizona, 26.7 percent in Florida, 25.3 percent in California, 23.9 percent in Virginia and 23.5 percent in Nevada.

However, some other areas of the country where previous gains had been more modest continued to enjoy increases. Twenty states reported sales gains, led by Alaska, which enjoyed a 48.6 percent increase, fueled by the boom in the oil industry, followed by Arkansas, Texas and North Carolina.

"States with moderately priced areas that have experienced healthy job creation are seeing sales gains," said David Lereah, chief economist for the Realtors.

Lereah predicted that the slide in existing home sales would soon come to an end as reluctant home sellers start cutting their asking prices, which he said should spur a sales rebound.

Sellers, however, said he looked for new home sales to continue sliding for several more months before it stabilizes. He predicted that new single-family home sales, which set a record of 1.28 million units last year will drop by about 12.8 percent this year.

In a separate survey of price changes in 151 metropolitan areas, the Realtors reported that 26 metro areas experienced outright price declines while 37 areas were still enjoying double-digit price increases.

Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com, said he looked for more widespread price declines in coming months as the housing market adjusts to fewer speculators buying up homes in hopes of making quick profits.

## HOME BUYERS GET CREATIVE

Young adults react to housing costs that can dwarf a starting salary

By Martha Irvine  
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Some are buying homes with friends or siblings. Others barter for rent — or live in buildings where residents share occasional meals, childcare and sometimes a car.

In particularly pricey areas, such as Manhattan, still others are "living in dorms for adults."

Housing costs that can dwarf a starting salary are prodding young adults in many parts of the country to get increasingly creative about their living arrangements — well beyond the moving-back-with-the-folks scenario.

They do it to save money, share resources and, when possible, to build equity. Along the way, many also see it as a chance to build community in the impersonal, big city.

"We live in a world, nowadays, where you're encouraged to isolate yourself," says Brian Gleichauf, a 30-year-old high school teacher who grew up in suburban Chicago. "You live in your own little home and you have your quarter-acre of grass to mow and everybody owns their own lawn mower and everyone has their own cars."

"It seems like an incredible waste to me."

Among other options, he and wife Jenny, a 27-year-old pastor, are looking into Prairie Ono Cohousing, a small group of Chicagoans who are considering converting a vintage apartment building near Lake Michigan into multigenerational, environmentally friendly housing. Building on an idea that originated in Denmark, residents would buy or rent their own units, but share common areas and who ever resources and duties they agree upon.

Creating community is a driving force in their case. But for some, sharing resources — and a mortgage — is a simple matter of economics, especially as interest rates have risen since spring.

"I quickly, quickly realized I wasn't going to get anywhere on my budget," says Jennifer Quilt, a 25-year-old public relations professional. After her apartment building went condo, she bought a one-bedroom house in Apopka, Fla., with brother Jason, a 27-year-old



Jason Quilt and his sister Jennifer walk outside the home they bought in Apopka, Fla. The Quilt siblings, who bought the house together this summer, are among a growing number of young adults who are getting more creative about their living arrangements as housing costs rise.

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accountant. They plan to rent the third room to a friend to help with expenses — with hopes of selling in five years to buy their own places.

Of course, such arrangements represent a small fraction of all housing deals. "My sense is that it's a growing trend, but it's still a pretty small number," says Paul Bishop, manager of real estate research for the National Association of Realtors.

More often, experts say, young adults are stretching themselves to buy property with little or no down payment and using interest-only loans. Those financing options became increasingly popular during the recent housing boom, but also carry risks such as a heavier debt load and an eventual day of reckoning.

Tougher to track are the cheaper housing deals made among friends or family or set up online, where bartering on such sites as Craigslist and TradeAway is in vogue.

After making an online posting, 26-year-old Christopher Stone is considering an offer of a two-bedroom house in Andover, Mass., in exchange for providing 15 hours of childcare a week for the family that owns the house. He's then looking to rent the second bedroom to someone who could provide some care for his own young children.

In another case, Ian McIntyre says he and friends have flitted around the world since college, staying in touch by cell phone, MySpace and e-mail to set up mutually convenient housing situations. Now in Boulder, Colo., he has landed back with a platonic girlfriend he's lived with on and off for the past five years.

"We agree that we probably will live together until one of us gets hitched. The convenience is huge, the companionship is huge and the financial rewards don't suck either," says McIntyre, who's 25.

Companionship — or that need for community — is key for many. "It's one reason Karen Falcon, an apartment building owner in New York, decided to try the 'dorms for adults' approach by renting rooms instead of entire apartments.

Charging \$725 to \$825 per room in a four- or five-bedroom apartment — cheap by New York standards — Falcon goes with her gut when placing tenants with other strangers.

"Some people are kind of short or snappy. I don't rent to those people," she says. "You can hear in a person's voice if they're respectful, considerate, kind of sweet."

In three years, she says she's only had a problem with one tenant.

Still, these creative housing arrangements aren't always perfect, as the Quilt siblings in Florida have found. After they bought the house in June, they quibbled over who would get the master bedroom and bath. Jennifer eventually won, but only after she agreed to take the smaller of the two common living areas as her own.

# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### Family Health Services

TWIN FALLS — Family Health Services announced the addition of three new employees.

• G. Brad Greaves, M.S., assistant certified, will provide medical care at the Jerome clinic at 133 W. Ave. A, Suite B. He is a Twin Falls High School graduate and attended the Physician Assistant Primary Care Program at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif.



Greaves

• Bret S. Gochmour, doctor of osteopathy, will provide medical care at the Rupert clinic located at 1024 Eighth St. He is a graduate of Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine in California.



Gochmour

• Michael A. Larsen, doctor of dental sciences, will provide dental services at the Burley clinic located at 1320 Bennett Ave., Suite B. Dr. He attended Brigham Young University and University of Iowa College of Dentistry.



Larsen

homemaker and became the director of homemaker services in 1981. In 1989, she was director of homemaker services as well as director of case management. In 1990, the Idaho Commission On Aging required separate directors and she then became the director of case management. In 1995, she became the director of home and community-based services, which at that time included case management, adult protection and information and assistance. In late fall of 2002, adult protection was removed and she has since become the director of home and community-based services.

gram director. Stanger has more than three years experience in various aspects of the social work field. She has a bachelor's degree from Idaho State University and a master's degree from Walla-Walla College.



Stanger

• Marilou Wentz is a professional mental health worker, currently assigned to provide psychosocial services.



Wentz

### Sarah Higley

BOISE — Branch Manager John Lee announced the addition of Sarah Higley to the downtown Boise team of John L. Scott Real Estate. She was born and raised in Twin Falls. Higley and husband, Ryan, enjoy the exciting field of real estate. They both have experience buying and fixing up homes.



Higley

These services are designed to provide support and education for the mentally ill who are living in Twin Falls and surrounding communities. Wentz studied at the Far Eastern University of the Philippines, and the College of Phoenix in Phoenix, Ariz. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology and is currently studying at the College of Southern Idaho for her nursing degree.

### Lupe Castaneda

TWIN FALLS — Obenchain Insurance Inc. announced the addition of Lupe Castaneda as account executive. Castaneda has lived in Twin Falls for over 10 years. She is married and has two boys.



Castaneda

### Liberty Care Center

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Liberty Care Services, a mental health clinic, announced the addition of two new employees.

• Sandra Stanger is a licensed clinical social worker and has been hired as the pro-

### Judy Gerard

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho, Office on Aging announced the retirement of Judy Gerard. Gerard started with the Office on Aging in 1978 as a

## IN THE WORKPLACE FINDING THE RIGHT BOSS

By Mary Ellen Slayter  
The Washington Post

New jobs are always risky. Even if you hated your last job, there's a chance that this one, somehow, could be even worse. And there's nothing you can do about it.

Except there is. It's called the job interview. While we spend most of our interview energy worrying about how to be the candidate of choice, we forget that we have a choice of our own to make, our next boss.

"Too often, we get caught up in an attitude of 'pick me, pick me, pick me,' when we really should be giving more thought to whether a place is right for us," said Bill Pullen, a career coach in Washington.

Few things have more impact on your happiness at work than the person you answer to every day. And while experienced workers might feel they have more leverage to be discriminating, it's really the younger ones who should be most careful. "Your first boss, if they are a good mentor, is worth the biggest salary in the world," said Robin Ryan, a career counselor in Newcastle, Wash.

Here are a few signs to watch for during your next interview to help you find a boss you respect:

- Meetings with all the right people. If you don't have an interview with the person who will be your direct supervisor, watch out. "I would never take a job if I hadn't met the person who would be my boss," Pullen said. It doesn't matter if the employer gives a seemingly innocent excuse for why your prospective boss isn't on the interview schedule, such as an illness or vacation. Offer to come back and meet with her when she returns. The not-so-innocent scenarios include a boss who has just been sacked, or worse, one who the human resources staff is afraid would scare off prospective employees.

- A willingness to talk about himself. It's not appropriate to grill the interviewer about his qualifications, but it's perfectly acceptable to ask about his education and experience, and how he wound up in his job. You're trying to get a sense of whether you can learn from this per-

son, Ryan said. Also, ask about his management style and what kind of employee he works best with. Weigh that against what you know about your own personality.

- A positive vibe about the person who held the job before. Ask your prospective boss what happened to the last person who held the position for which you're applying. Did he get promoted? Leave the company for a competitor? Head back to grad school? Does this trajectory match where you would like to go? Also, what's the prospective boss's attitude about this person? Does she seem proud of her former charge? Did she help him move into the new job? If the last person was laid off, consider that a major red flag, Ryan said. "If the company is replacing someone who had 10 years of experience with someone fresh out of school, that's a sign the business is in trouble." Be wary.

- A strong career of his own. You want a boss who is considered a rising star, Ryan said. "Ask around to see what sort of reputation he has within the company, as well as his field." Is he getting regular promotions? Does he have a strong internal network? "You really want to be near the movers and shakers, if possible," she said.

- Encouraging nonverbal cues. Was the person on time and attentive? Did she look you in the eye? Is her attention focused on you during the interview? If not, don't get your hopes up.

- A good hunch. A big part of finding the right job is pure chemistry. A job may seem great intellectually, but if you have a bad feeling about it, there's probably a reason, even if you can't articulate it. It's a mistake to overlook that. Pullen said. "We're not trained to listen to our instincts." And that's too bad, because our gut can often tell us when a situation is trouble long before our brains can.

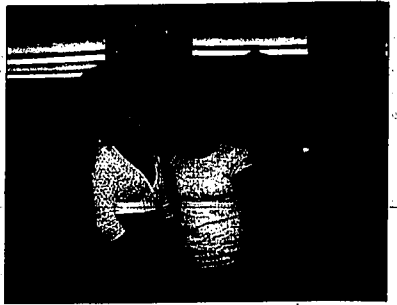
Most important, you need to adjust your mindset during the job search. "You want to shift your perspective from desperation to something more equal," Pullen said. "You'll come across as more powerful, more professional."

And you're more likely to find a job you really love.

## MILESTONES

### Halo Zen Hair and Nail Art opens in Burley

Halo Zen Hair and Nail Art is a new business at 121 W. 19th St. in Burley. The business is owned and operated by Jason and Leslie Bos. The couple moved to the area from Sacramento, Calif. Leslie Bos has been a licensed cosmetologist for 10 years in California. She trained at Elite Academy. Jason Bos has been in management for 10 years in the design industry. He has branched into his own drafting design business which he has done for the past two and a half years in addition to owning and managing the salon. The business offers cut, color, styling, coloring and perms for hair, manicures, pedicures and tanning, including vertical tanning booths. They also sell a variety of products for hair and nails.



Halo Zen Hair and Nail Art's owners and staff include, front row, from left: Couzle Johnson, nail technician; Samantha Nay, cosmetologist; Alicia Stoker, stylist; and Mikea Knopp, nail technician. In back row, from left, are Leslie Bos, owner; Jason Bos, owner; and Robert Barrera, stylist.

### Arnold Machinery opens expanded facility

A ribbon cutting was held for Arnold Machinery at 464 Washington St. S. in Twin Falls by the Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors. Arnold Machinery can service the state of Idaho with Volvo construction equipment and Hyster forklifts from facilities in Twin Falls, Idaho Falls and Boise. In 2001, the need for construction equipment continued to grow and it became necessary to expand Arnold's facility to include a branch for the construction and mining equipment division. For more information, call 733-1715.



Attending the ribbon cutting for Arnold Machinery were, front row, from left: Sandy Darling, Al Richer and Russ Fleming. In back row, from left: Kayden Bell, Tom Younger, Mel Weston, Larry House, Garry Lee and Steve Morrison.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### Wells Fargo gives \$5,000 to housing program

Wells Fargo recently donated \$5,000 to South Central Community Action Partnership for its Transitional Housing Program. Families who participate in SCCAP's Transitional Housing Program pay a program fee calculated at 20 percent of their adjusted gross income, allowing them to pay down past bills and save for permanent housing. Participating families also are enrolled in the Family Development Program to increase their job skills, education, family stability and to gain permanent housing or home ownership.

### Idaho Central donates \$1,250 to local groups

Idaho Central Credit Union donated \$1,250 to local, nonprofit organizations as part of its Coins That Care program. Organizations from the Magic Valley that received donations were Valley House and Safe Harbor.

The Coins That Care program was designed by Idaho Central as a way to let its members vote for the nonprofit organization they'd like to see



Shown receiving the check for \$5,000 from Rob Atkins, Wells Fargo vice president (center), are Leanne Trappen, SCCAP community service director (left); and Ken Robinette, SCCAP executive director.

receive a donation from the Credit Union. Idaho Central chooses two local nonprofit organizations in the community. Voting boxes are then placed in the lobby at each branch location representing these organizations.

When Idaho Central members use "Penny," the coin-counting machine in the branch, they receive a gold voting token. Members then

cast their vote by depositing the coin in the voting box for the organization they'd like to see receive a donation. Each quarter, the Credit Union counts the votes and makes a donation to the organizations.

Nonprofit organizations interested in being part of the Coins That Care program may pick up an application at any Idaho Central Credit Union branch.

## Annual review is no time to get whiny

The Washington Post

Questions from Career Track Live. Mary Ellen Slayter's online discussion about issues affecting young workers.

Question: I have my annual review coming up shortly, and I need some advice on how to really make this productive. I usually handle myself pretty well, but at times I feel that I tend to get a little whiny when I bring up issues I have at work. Or my boss sugarcoats my review to keep me happy so he doesn't lose me. I don't have any major issues; I just want to move up in the office and get a honest answer about things. If it helps any, I work in a small office (about 20 people), and I work a lot with my boss, so he's familiar with my work.

Answer: You're asking too much of the annu-

al review, which should just be an official appraisal of your accomplishments for the past year and a chance to set goals for the next one. It's also the best time to ask for a raise. The annual review is definitely not the time to air your "issues" at work. There's nothing productive about that, so knock it off.

Also, your boss isn't "sugarcoating" your review by not surprising you with negative information. Unless his or her goal is to sack you soon, there's no reason to put your faults down on paper. A boss who wants to keep you is a good thing, you know?

The kind of honesty you crave comes from the normal feedback you get on your regular projects and assignments. Because you are working closely with your boss, I suspect you're getting it even if you don't recognize it as such.

## Business casual has just one rule: Be creative and thoughtful with your work clothes, guys

By Molly Selvin  
The Washington Post

Still confused by what you guys should be wearing in a world that is business casual, but only sort of?

Look no further. Robin Givhan, who is The Washington Post's Pulitzer Prize-winning fashion critic, has kindly offered her opinion.

Listen up:

- I think the tragedy of business casual is that men didn't take it as a mandate to be creative and thoughtful with their work clothes. Instead, most of them have simply shifted from one uniform — a suit — to another, khakis and a polo shirt. There are so many other options that involve sport jackets, cardigans, sport shirts, less formal suits — and the list goes on.

- I think for most men, a tie connotes professionalism and formality. But rather than see a guy put a tie on with a short-sleeved shirt — blech! — I think he'd do himself a favor and forgo the tie and perhaps just pull on a sport jacket.

It seems to me the idea is to look polished, not to follow a dress-by-the-numbers mandate. Under no circumstances should a tie be worn

with a short-sleeved shirt unless one is also wearing a pocket protector and is employed by the Geek Squad. I say if a man is going to suffer through a tie on a boiling hot day, then buck up and put on a dress shirt with it.

- I love the look of cotton trousers and cotton jacket with an informal shirt. Comfortable, sophisticated, polished and simple. In some offices, a-guy could probably get away with

denim — dark, no holes or fraying, not sagging off his rump — and a smart jacket. Pull out the button-down shirts, which shouldn't be worn with a tie anyway. Wear loafers instead of wingtips.

And if something is so comfortable you feel like you could slouch into a La-Z-Boy with a remote control in one hand and a beer in the other, don't wear it to the office.

# Plans for hotel raises concern in Oregon wine country

By Sarah Skidmore  
Associated Press Writer

McMINNVILLE, Ore. — Yamhill County is a sweet sip of Oregon's natural beauty.

Green vines stripe its hillsides, and farmlands blanket its valley. Wineries that produce legendary pinot noir sprinkle the hills. And the sweeping landscape is largely uninterrupted because of long-standing state laws that protect agricultural land.

It's a sight-inducing sight that businessman David Kahn wants to share.

Kahn plans to build the area's first luxury hotel, with a spa and restaurant. The 50-bed hotel nestled in the hills is based on the Auberge du Soleil in Napa Valley, where rooms rent for \$500 to more than \$1,000 a night.

The project, Khan said, will help capture the growing number of travelers interested in high-end wines who want high-end accommodations to match.

Yamhill county officials recently approved the plans to rezone agricultural land for the hotel.

But a number of wineries and land conservationists say the hotel will intrude on agriculture and compete for its water. They see a dangerous precedent in a state that has long tried to keep commercial development from supplanting pastoral uses.

"If we want to be taken seriously as a place to grow grapes, we have to respect the land it comes from," said Jason Lett, director of Ertle Vineyards and son of David Lett, who planted the first pinot noir grapes in the Willamette Valley in 1965.

Lett has organized a group of wineries, including large wineries like Willamette Valley Vineyards and boutique names like Sokol Blosser, to fight the project.

They say the hotel is on prime agricultural land in the Dundee hills and such development should be restricted to towns and commercial areas. Kahn argues the hotel needs this spot to work — it is secluded, has a priceless view and is conveniently nestled among the wineries.

He said the property has never been successfully farmed, but that argument doesn't wash with the area's vintners.

"If there are farms here, here and here," Lett said as he points around the proposed site. "Then the problem is not with the farmland but with the farmer."

## Opening the door

A number of wineries are growing grapes within walking distance that are used in \$40 to \$50 bottles of wine. Kahn agrees that at least part of the land can be farmed, and he plans to grow grapes there.

Opponents are also concerned about the competition for water and potential runoff from treated water that could harm viticulture. The hotel's water plan has not been developed yet.

But on a larger level, opponents worry that it opens the doors to projects that might be waiting in the wings for access to agricultural land.

"We run the risk of downgrading the wine that we've worked so hard for," Lett said.



Pinot Noir grapes grow in the 'South Block' of the Ertle vineyards in Dayton, Ore., Thursday, where the first grapes in the Willamette valley were planted in 1965.

"We're not going to allow that to happen."

The controversy has quickly become about something more than a view on the hill.

The Oregon wine country has an estimated \$1.4 billion economic impact on the state. Nearly everyone, including Kahn's opponents, want a hotel and support tourism. But they are finding it difficult to strike the balance between needs of the agriculture and the demands of growing tourism.

"(Agriculture) is the driver of the economy at this point," said David Adelsheim, president of Adelsheim Vineyards. "It is what has made land values go up, brought tourism here — the whole driver is agriculture. The reason this is a desirable place to live and a desirable place to visit is agriculture."

The wine industry started from scratch in Oregon only decades ago and grew incrementally. But the hotel proposal, the recent sale of a small winery to Ste. Michelle Wine Estates and talk of a wine train running through the region all indicate the area becoming something much larger.

It's a particularly tricky task to manage development in Oregon, where land use laws have historically limited growth and the state prides itself on its laid-back, rusty-in-the-corners ambience.

"Oregon has this moment to decide what it wants to be," said David Millman, managing director at Domaine Drouhin, which would be the closest neighbor to the hotel. "It's not about David Kahn, it's not about development, it's about something bigger."

## 'Napafication' under way

Oregon put laws in place in the 1970s that protect agricultural land and require development to remain in line with state goals. This is overseen by the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development, which does not support Kahn's project, saying it does not meet the goals.

"There was an Eden-like quality to what we did in the '70s here, and we've left that behind," Adelsheim said. "The world has changed. We always wanted more people to recog-

nize what we've done here, and now they have — be careful what you wish for."

Adelsheim said there is a bit of "Napafication" under way in Yamhill County. And he said the county needs to think about its goals more clearly, as development is likely to continue.

Any future project would have to go through the same lengthy approval process, but critics say Kahn has created the blueprint.

Among the potential sources for rural development in wine country is the controversial voter-approved Measure 37. Under it, landowners can claim compensation or a waiver of rules if the rules were imposed after the owner acquired the land.

Kahn's reasoning was not based on the measure, however.

Development is not something to be feared, Kahn's opponents say, but it is something that needs to be managed. "I can understand the concern," Kahn said. "But this is rather modest; we are not a Wal-Mart, we are not a Motel 6.

If executed properly, it should fit in with the area."

The county's decision is subject to appeal, which could tie up the project for months.

"We have those checks and balances in place right now, and to say the brakes are going to stop working if one hotel goes up, it's preposterous," said a supporter, Jack Czarniecki, owner of the famed Joel Palmer House restaurant in the town of Dayton.

High-end restaurants like Joel Palmer and others have popped up around the valley in recent years, and Czarniecki said further growth in what he calls the "last great place" is necessary — and inevitable.

The struggle extended even to the county commissioners who cast the votes to approve the hotel.

"No one wants Yamhill County to be Napa County," Commissioner Mary Stern said at the deliberations. "It's a great place, but we are better in many respects here. (But) we can't ignore that like Napa, being the hub of California's wine country, Yamhill is the hub of Oregon's wine country."

# Greeting card business not all rosy and sweet

By David Colker  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Heidi and Susie Bauer had a 1970s Sherman Oaks childhood steeped in creativity.

While their friends were playing sports and going to the mall, the Bauer sisters were encouraged to design their own clothes, toys, gifts and even some of the furniture for their rooms.

Their self-sufficiency has served them well. With no commercial design or publishing experience, they started a greeting card company in 1983, naming it Rock Scissor Paper, after their favorite game as children.

"We had both worked for other people," said Susie Bauer, 39. "But there was something in us that made us want to create something of our own."

Last year, Rock Scissor Paper, based in a Los Angeles warehouse, had \$600,000 in sales, and its products — emblazoned with the Bauers' colorful retro designs — made it into 1,100 gift and stationery shops across the U.S.

The Bauers had 11 years of growth before sales flattened in 2005. They see it as part of an industrywide slowdown and are making changes.

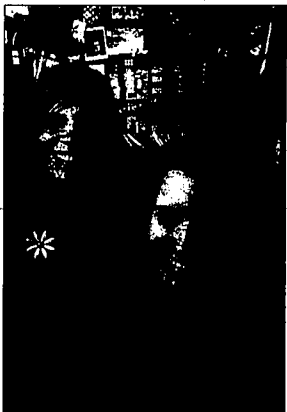
They are moving into new products and new ways of marketing their designs. They have introduced a line of pins, spiral-bound notebooks for children and coloring books for adults, featuring architectural and interior design motifs. They have also licensed their artwork for party goods.

But creativity may not be enough. It also takes perseverance for a small player to stay afloat in the \$7.5 billion greeting-card industry. As in many businesses, it has become tougher for independents to thrive at a time when mass merchandisers have eclipsed stand-alone retailers.

The card business is also facing an aging customer base.

"Teens and young adults don't have a history of sending something by mail," said Erik Thoresen, an analyst at Mintel International Group, a Chicago market research firm. "It's a tradition that is slipping away."

"A 2004 Mintel report forecast that the industry's revenue, adjusted for inflation, would decrease 9.7 percent by 2009.



Sisters Susie, left, and Heidi Bauer founded their gift card company, Rock Scissor Paper, after spending their childhood designing their own clothes, toys and furniture.

The two companies that dominate the industry are feeling the pinch. Hallmark Cards Inc. reported sales of \$4.2 billion for 2005, down from \$4.4 billion the previous year. American Greetings Corp., with \$1.9 billion in sales, was also slightly down.

Third-largest was Paramount Cards Inc., based in Rhode Island. But last month it closed down.

The card business is spread among about 3,000 companies, according to the Greeting Card Association. Most are small and many don't survive past five years.

The Bauer sisters, with only three employees, help with shipping and other chores at the warehouse. They also run their retail Web business, which last year accounted for about 22 percent of their revenue.

The sisters are used to working as a unit. When they were growing up, they spent plenty of time together creating elaborate toy worlds.

"Our favorite was an entire pet hospital that we made," Heidi Bauer, 36, said, "including a detailed X-ray machine, charts, medical records. Our stuffed animals were the patients."

The two women laugh at the memory. But that period was a difficult time in their lives. For much of their childhood, their mother was in and out of real hospitals, struggling with cancer.

"We learned to do things on our own," Susie Bauer said.

# Pocket ashtrays aim to help keep cigarette butts off the streets

The Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Smoking is hardly allowed anywhere, so cigarette butts are piling up everywhere: outside doorways of public buildings, on bus platforms and outside subway stations — all the places a smoker might take one last drag before entering a smoke-free zone.

The battle of the butts has become the focus of a nationwide anti-litter campaign that is distributing handy portable ashtrays that allow smokers to cleanly pocket smoked cigarettes.

"Traditionally, people who smoke aren't litterers, but they don't think of their habit as producing litter when they throw it down on the ground," said Jim Pavel, who is heading Buffalo's cigarette litter prevention efforts as part of the larger Keep America Beautiful campaign.

Buffalo is one of about 50 cities participating in the campaign this year. Volunteers in the next few weeks will give away 1,000



The pocket ashtray.

portable ashtrays to start. After that, smokers or companies will be able to buy them at City Hall at cost, under \$1 apiece. About two dozen cities kicked off the program last year.

The palm-sized ashtrays have a sliding door which reveals a metal compartment in which a cigarette can be snuffed and stored. The lid shuts snugly to protect clothing. The compartment is big enough for a few butts.

Similar ashtrays are more widely used in Europe, though some are available commercially in this country.

"I'd probably use it," said Shirley Barker, echoing the sentiments of several others smoking during a break outside a Buffalo office building Monday. Even though ashtrays were visible on the plaza, cigarette butts were plentiful underfoot.

The campaign, with funding from Phillip Morris, is meant to raise awareness that cigarette filters are not biodegradable, as is commonly thought. Although they look like cotton, they are actually plastic. Besides being ugly, they can be dangerous, experts said.

Its very purpose is to trap chemicals, so in those butts there are chemicals that can leach out into the soil and groundwater," said Rob Wallace of Keep America Beautiful, headquartered in Stamford, Conn.

Litter experts say cigarettes are, by far, the country's most tossed object, outpacing fast-food wrappers, caps and lids, and soda bottles, which come in a distant 2nd, 3rd and 4th, respectively.

# Housing

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Which means they're taking more time to shop around, and when they do choose a home, it's probably going to be smaller than the home they would have chosen a year ago, Whitescarver said. So those smaller homes are getting harder to find.

"There are more homes in the upper price range (\$200,000-plus) than in the lower price range," Hess said.

Price tags have also gone up. According to the Intermountain MLS, the median price of a single-

family home sold in July in Twin Falls County was \$134,900, up from \$123,300 the same month a year ago.

"Home prices are being inflated because the demand exceeds the supply," Whitescarver said.

Whitescarver said one reason for last year's boom in new home sales was the large number of investors who were buying up homes to rent them out.

That created a lot of competition for young people, who were looking for starter homes, but couldn't afford

them because the high demand upped the price.

Whitescarver sees that changing.

"We're not going to see as many investors," he said. "This will be good for people. Salaries will catch up. Again, we're just getting back to normal in the whole country where there's about as many buyers as sellers."

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# Democrats add Nevada, South Carolina to early 2008 primary calendar

By Jim Kakhanan  
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CHICAGO — Democrats shook up tradition on Saturday by vaulting Nevada and South Carolina into the first wave of 2008 presidential contests along with Iowa and New Hampshire — a move intended to add racial and geographic diversity to the early voting.

The decision by the Democratic National Committee leaves Iowa as the nation's first presidential caucus and New Hampshire as the first primary, but wedges Nevada's caucuses before New Hampshire and South Carolina's primary soon afterward.

The move also packs all four state contests into a politically saturated two weeks in January. The change means a potentially huge cast of Democratic presidential candidates could winnow quickly by the beginning of February.

Party officials embraced the change, though New Hampshire Democrats joined several likely presidential candidates and former President Clinton in opposing the move.

worry within the party that Iowa and New Hampshire, which are predominantly white, were not representative of the country's population and key Democratic constituencies. Blacks and Hispanics have complained they haven't had an adequate voice in the early contests.

In choosing to squeeze Nevada caucuses between Iowa's Jan. 14 caucus and New Hampshire's Jan. 22 primary, party leaders kept in mind the state's large Hispanic population as well as its heavy labor union presence.

South Carolina, with its large black population, could hold its primary as early as Jan. 29. But the primary calendar may not be final.

New Hampshire objected loudly to the lineup and has threatened to leapfrog over the other contests to retain its preeminent role.

"The DNC did not give New Hampshire its primary, and it is not taking away," New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch said. Secretary of State William Gardner has said he will decide next year whether to move the New Hampshire primary earlier.

Eager to avoid such a rebellion, Democrats also adopted sanctions to punish presidential candidates by penalizing who campaign in states that cut in line. Under that plan, candidates who venture into states that ignore party rules would not get any delegates from those contests.

But even DNC members

were unsure how effective such a sanction would be, particularly if the states doing the leapfrogging are small and have few delegates to offer.

Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid of Nevada, who led efforts to move his state earlier in the voting, said: "This will be an enormous undertaking, but our state party is up to the challenge."

And South Carolina Democratic Chairman Joe Erwin praised the move, saying: "There's great regional diversity in four events strung out over a period of a couple weeks."

Democrats rejected a proposal that would have boosted the number of convention delegates for states that don't leapfrog into an early position.

Opponents complain that adding contests in Nevada and South Carolina crowds the early stages of the nomination process and the party's nominee could be determined by the beginning of February, before most states even get a chance to vote.

Other Democrats agreed the schedule needed change, but argued the selection of Nevada and South Carolina ignored the populous and union heavy industrial rust belt.

"Unless we have a candidate who can win in the industrial

states, we can't win the presidency," said Mark Brewer, the chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party.

Dennis Goldford, a political scientist at Drake University in

Des Moines, said the proposed schedule would make Iowa's influence even more disproportionate.

"If there was a big stretch between the caucuses and

New Hampshire, you have time to recover from a stumble and, if you do well, you have time to show some real weaknesses further down the road," he said.



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Democratic National Committee Rules and Bylaws co-chairs, Alexis M. Herman, left, talks with reporters during the DNC's summer meeting in Chicago on Saturday.

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EDITORIAL

Risch's plan delivers relief, but will surpluses continue?

In over 25 years as a state senator, lieutenant governor, and now governor, Jim Risch has never been a piker in waging — and winning — the biggest battles in state government. Now Risch's short stint as Idaho governor could be largely defined by a one-day special session in the Legislature. But don't think for a minute that it comes down to a game of chance.

In defending his pitch for property tax relief before the Times-News editorial board last week, Risch made a several points knocking out public concerns and media criticism (including ours) for property tax relief. The governor's bold pitch for shifting the local property tax for schools' maintenance and operations over to the state is more convincing when broken down. But it's not by any means perfect.

That's still OK with Risch. "If you're looking for perfection, you need to pull out the Holy Bible, because you're not going to find it in the Idaho state tax code," the governor said.

Risch's plan builds on the foundation laid by House legislators in March, which was to shift the 3 mil M&O tax levy (which assesses \$3 per \$1,000 of property assessed value) to the state general fund. That would create \$260 million of permanent property tax relief for Idahoans.

To keep local districts whole, Risch's plan would raise the state sales tax from 5 to 6 percent. That 1 percent increase generates \$210 million for the districts. To make up the difference for \$260 million, legislators would plug in \$50 million of the tax surplus from fiscal 2006 — a surplus that totaled \$200 million on July 1.

Legislators say that \$200 million surplus has enabled property tax relief to move forward, through the setting aside of a \$100 million public education stabilization fund for education, should the economy see a sudden drop.

Risch makes valid points on the reliability of the sales tax, which has proven to be a driving force in Idaho's economy. Shifting money away from local property tax creates more reliance on state sources. But that reliance has been growing for years. Today, the state general fund accounts for 80 percent of education funding, the M&O accounts for about 20 percent.

As for the loss of local control, Risch called the argument "bogus." Local control of schools is a principle created by the state constitution. Funding doesn't alter the philosophy of managing it.

"There isn't anybody at the state level that wants to run local districts. We have jealously guarded letting districts run themselves."

But Risch's most salient point lies in the connection of the M&O to Idahoans' growing discontent for property tax assessments. State law limits most taxing districts to 3 percent annual growth with some side measures. But the M&O levy has no limit. So if a property assessment doubles in value, the .00033 levy rate applies to that jump in value.

"The minute they assess your property, nobody has to do anything — you're going to get a tax increase."

It's that inability to stop assessments that has angered property taxpayers in north Idaho, Treasure Valley and resort areas of Idaho. But the trend is already starting to hit more parts of the state.

"That's the most important thing is that this is permanent and it disconnects the 3 mils to the value."

If Risch's plan still has a major flaw, it's with the assumption that Idaho will collect \$50 million of surpluses each year to keep the M&O budgets whole. Risch virtually guarantees that the \$50 million will be a certainty. "There's absolutely no argument that the economy isn't growing that strong."

That assumption is hard to swallow. Idaho's economy may be going gangbusters today. But in a global and national economy, an oil shutdown, a terrorist attack, a change in labor trends, can hit any time and jolt state economies. You don't bet on winners before a horse race, and you don't banking a state's future on potential surpluses.

As for the session's timing, Risch denies this is a rush job, and he's arguably right. These legislators studied property taxes thoroughly in interim committees last summer, then debated the issue repeatedly in winter.

Should this Legislature stand idle as assessments keep rising, it would open the door to a voter initiative cutting property taxes and limiting all government growth. That's not a solution, but potential chaos to education and all of state government.

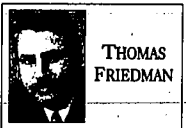
"We think on balance this is going to rebalance the tax system, which needs it," Risch said. "The fact is times are different today than they were back when the property tax came on."

Our view: Gov. Jim Risch's property tax reform falls short of perfection, but delivers the key demand for tax relief. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Oil keeps repressive governments afloat

I'm not sure yet who's the winner in the war between Hezbollah and Israel, but I know who's the big loser: Iran's taxpayers. What a bunch of suckers.

Isn't it obvious? As soon as the reckless war he started was over, Hezbollah's leader, Hassan Nasrallah, declared that Hezbollah would begin paying out cash to the thousands of Lebanese families whose homes were destroyed.



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"We will pay compensation, a certain amount of money for every family to rent for one year, plus buy furniture for those whose homes were totally destroyed," said Nasrallah. "These number 15,000."

Nasrallah also vowed that his organization would help rebuild damaged houses and businesses, promising those affected that they will "not need to ask anyone for money or wait in queues" to get relief funds. To paraphrase the All-State commercial, "You're in good hands with Hezbollah."

But wait — where will Hezbollah get some of the \$3 billion-plus needed to rebuild Lebanon? Last time I checked, Hezbollah did not have any companies listed on the Nasdaq. The organization doesn't manufacture anything. It doesn't tax its followers. The answer, of course, is that Iran will dip into its oil income and shell cash to Nasrallah, so that he will not have to face the wrath of Lebanese for starting a war that reaped nothing but destruction.

Yes, thanks to \$70-a-barrel oil you can have Katyusha rockets and butter at the same time. When oil money is so prevalent, why not Hezbollah and Iran are like a couple of rich college students who reined Lebanon for the summer, as if it were a beach house. "O'migod, let's smash up the place," they said to themselves. "Who cares? Dad will pay!"



The only thing Nasrallah didn't say to the Lebanese was, "Hey, keep the change."

In the cold war, Russian taxpayers were the suckers who rebuilt Arab armies every time they got crushed by Israel. Now Iran's citizens will foot the bill with their oil income — assuming the ayatollahs actually put their money where their mouth is. (Iran was always happy to spend money on Hezbollah rockets. Let's see if it will pay for schools and clinics.)

This is why I am obsessed with bringing down the price of oil. Unless we take this issue seriously, we are never going to produce more transparent, accountable government in the Middle East. Just the opposite — we will witness even more reckless, unaccountable behavior like Nasrallah's and Iran's.

Been to Syria lately? Why do you think it can afford to shrug off U.S. sanctions? It also is not making microchips. It is, though, exporting about 200,000 barrels

of oil a day, and that is what keeps a corrupt and antiquated regime in power. The Syrian regime subsidizes everything from diesel to bread. As in Iran, almost half of Syria's people are teenagers, and without real economic reforms, widespread unemployment and unrest are just around the corner — but for now, oil money postpones the reckoning.

Iran is OPEC's second-largest producer, selling the world about 2.4 million barrels of oil a day and earning the regime some \$5 billion a month — the government's main source of income. To buy public support, Iran's regime subsidizes housing, gasoline, interest rates, flour and rice.

According to an Aug. 2 report on Bloomberg.com, "Iran spent \$25 billion on subsidies last year, or more than half the \$44.6 billion it collected through crude oil exports." But Iran actually has to import more than one-third of its gasoline, because it can't refine enough itself. This became so expensive the regime wanted to ration subsidized gas but feared a public

backlash. No wonder. Bloomberg reported that subsidized gasoline in Iran is 34 cents a gallon.

Repressive governments like Iran's and Syria's use oil money to buy off their people and insulate themselves from the pressure of political and economic reform. When oil prices get high enough, they can even buy a monthlong war in Lebanon. Why not? It's like a summer sale. "Now, this summer only: 34 cents a gallon gasoline and a war with the Jews and new living room furniture for Lebanese Shites! Such a deal!"

If we could cut the price of crude in half, it would mean that all of Iran's oil income would go to subsidies — which would be unsustainable and therefore a huge threat to the regime. It would also make Iran's purposes, like Nasrallah, think three times about launching wars with Israel that might ravage Lebanon again.

Too bad we have a president who tells us we're "addicted to oil" but won't do anything about it. That sort of hypocrisy just makes Nasrallah's day.

Macaca happens to Sen. George Allen

Sen. George Allen's macaca moment has granted the reptilian term the status of mass murder and provided a new vocab word for the zeitgeist.

For those who somehow slept through the Sturm und Drang surrounding Allen's recent use of the word "macaca," the story is this: He was, stumbling in Virginia with about 100 fans when he decided to recognize a young volunteer for his Democratic opponent, James Webb.

The fellow had been following Allen's tour, filming him, as is customary for both campaigns.

"This fellow here, over here with the yellow shirt, Macaca, or whatever his name is... He's following us around everywhere. And it's just great," Allen said to appreciative laughter.

Doubtless no one present knew what "macaca" meant, but subsequently, those three syllables have caused a tectonic shift in the political plates.

Literally, it's the name of a monkey common to North Africa and Asia; figuratively, it's a racial slur in some parts of the world.

And in the U.S., effective last Friday, it's an acronym for "major political boo-boo."

The young man at the center of this pre-JonBenet media phenomenon is S.R. Sidarth, an



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American of Indian descent. Which is to say, he is a person of color and the only one present that day in an otherwise 'pale crowd.'

Sidarth charged that Allen singled him out on account of his complexion — and not because he was holding a video cam — and the incident has exploded as a racist-in-America story. Everyone from political scientists to linguists to Tarent card readers has weighed in: Is Allen a racist? Has he ruined his chances for president in '08? Was he or wasn't he mean to his siblings in 1958?

Allen has apologized for hurting Sidarth's feelings, while his spokespeople have said that "macaca" was a made-up word Allen's staff created as a way of referring to the interlocutor.

According to one version, Allen was trying to say "mohawk," referring to Sidarth's hairstyle, which is also the subject of much debate.

Is it a mohawk, or is it a mullet? Another version holds that

macaca is a combination of the "mo" in "mohawk" and "caca," Spanish for what often follows the English word "bull" when one is unimpressed or another's sincerity or truthfulness.

The latter sounds more likely. Mohawk-to-macaca doesn't quite pass the tongue-tied test. "Macaca" for "—head," sounds about right for the sort of nickname that goes on in the back of campaign buses.

Allen's campaign manager, Dick Wadhams, told me that Allen didn't know the meaning of macaca and credibly argued that no politician — especially one with presidential aspirations — would use a racial slur in such a public way.

"Why would he do that, period? It doesn't make any sense. The camera was on him. This wasn't a case where a politician thinks no one is watching. He knew that was going out. Why would he endanger his entire trip by making a comment that would come back to haunt him?"

And so. The macaca mystery is upon us. Did Allen know that macaca means monkey? Did he know it is often used as a slur? Is he a racist? Allen owns a Confederate flag, as nearly everyone has mentioned during his tenures. He also reportedly plastered his high school car with a Confederate bumper sticker and wore a

Confederate flag lapel pin in his high school senior picture.

I don't know if Allen is a racist. I do know that owning a Confederate flag is not a damning offense if you're a collector of Southern memorabilia, as Allen is. And high school is, well, high school.

Here's what we may fairly conclude from Allen's macaca meltdown: he was a rude cad. And, despite his Confederate accoutrements, his cowboy boots, his chaw, his good ol' boy persona, Allen is missing the key ingredient in his Southern thick: you gotta be a gentleman.

The mark of a gentleman — Southern or otherwise — is graciousness toward others less fortunate or less powerful. Singling out a young person for ridicule — a lone Democrat in a crowd of rowdy Republicans — is behavior unbecoming a gentleman, a senator and certainly a president.

For his sin, Allen should write a sincere note of apology to Sidarth — the gentlemanly thing to do — and then chill the heck out. Surely even bubbas are bored with Bubba by now.

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President wrongly opposes research

Sometimes political logic is incomprehensible to anyone else.

Stem cell research can be done with afterbirth that is now thrown away. We have laws that will prevent babies being killed for research purposes.

Europe is going ahead with research and Bangkok is building a \$3 billion-plus facility to carry on this work.

When they complete and patent cures or preventive medicine for these terrible diseases, the pot of gold will be about the size of the Queen Mary.

No control by our government and once again the flow

of money is going out.

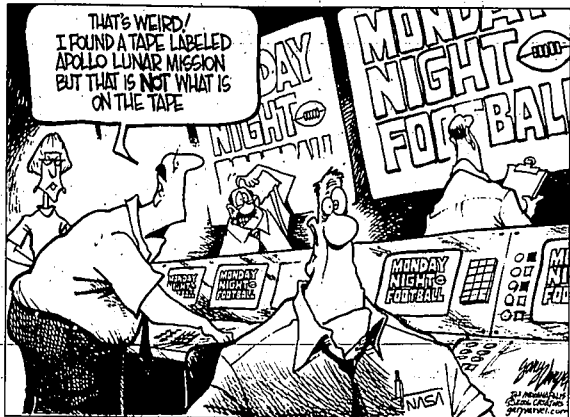
Can you possibly imagine that if George Bush's dad got Alzheimer's and the Orient had a pill to cure this disease that George would say, "My no, it is against my Christian beliefs to save my dad." Bush now wants to cut Medicare as a solution to our financial worries. All we need is a bunch

more of those cheap emergency medical bills.

That is not cheaper, George.

The rich must need another tax cut, but that is not the way to do it. Figure out another increased fee for the middle class that is so unnoticeable. MATT SMITH Twin Falls

LETTER



## AIDS care without the bias

You definitely see and hear it all at an international AIDS conference. But amid the cacophony, some constructive voices can still be identified.

The 24,000 conferees all want to be visible and vocal — as do some who aren't even here. On Aug. 13, for example, Robert Gallo, co-discoverer of the AIDS virus back in the 1980s, was quoted on the front page of The Toronto Star as saying that the conference was "irrelevant" and "silly."

He added that if it takes celebrity star power (Richard Gere, Alicia Keys) to get people to come to such a conference, "then you've got the wrong people coming."

Needless to say, Gallo isn't here, and he wasn't invited. Others are here, offering even more criticism. Stephen Lewis, a longtime fixture on the left wing of Canadian politics, has managed to secure himself a gig as the United Nations' special envoy for AIDS in Africa. But he seems to spend most of his time not in Africa, but lecturing Western governments about their shortcomings. It's hard to imagine that Lewis is helping Africa by bashing the big donor countries, especially when he doesn't even have his facts straight.

On Wednesday he decried President Bush's pro-abstinence policies, describing them as "incipient neo-colonialism." Never mind that abstinence is just one aspect of American policy; the Bush administration is also the leading funder of condom distribution programs worldwide, having paid for more than 2 billion of them.

Such political posturing doesn't help. What does help is a relentless focus on the real problems, and on that score, it's possible to learn a lot by listening, as opposed to talking.

Perhaps the most impassioned and persuasive speaker I have heard here is Dr.



JAMES P. PINKERTON

Richard Horton, editor of The Lancet, the London-based medical journal.

Decrying the "complacency" he sees creeping into these proceedings — including the complacency of giving the same speeches over and over again, conference after conference — Horton noted that one of the biggest problems for world public health is coming as an unintended consequence of AIDS spending: namely, the diverting of expertise from other health-care fields.

"We need 1 million more health workers in southern Africa," Horton declared, noting that the gusher of AIDS money has pulled workers away from other vital areas, without increasing the overall labor supply.

"It's not HIV versus malaria and TB," he insisted. "It's HIV and malaria and TB."

A similar point was made by Laurie Garrett, who, while at Newsday won a Pulitzer Prize for writing on infectious diseases, including AIDS, before becoming a fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. Garrett told me that the economics of foreign aid are such that if a "health-care worker" becomes an "AIDS worker," he or she will enjoy a 10-fold pay raise, because of all the money pouring in. But the problem, of course, is that other killers, such as the diarrhea that comes from poor sanitation and hygiene, are now shunted aside by the AIDS rush.

There are other problems, too, that are worth learning about — and doing something about. Africa consists of 53 countries; that's 53 different regulatory systems, 53 different opportunities for

Guided by a spirit of realistic compassion, people should convene to consider what is and is not working on AIDS, putting aside their bile and bias.

Murphy's Law, and 53 different honey pots for possible corruption. Clearly, some sort of rethinking of multilateral aid structures, by recipients as well as donors, is called for.

Yet amid all this need, there's no shortage of mindless knee-jerk stridency.

At one panel discussion hosted by a nongovernmental organization called World Growth, a questioner from the audience addressed a drug company official and demanded, "Just give the products away!"

Here's a better plan: Guided by a spirit of realistic compassion, people should convene to consider what is and is not working on AIDS, putting aside their bile and bias.

Some of that is happening here — more than one might have thought.

And that gives us hope.

### Does Idaho really want to change school funding?

A very important turning point is coming to education, and we all need to be informed about the law that is soon to be passed at our capitol in Boise.

Gov. Jim Risch is convening a special session of the Legislature on Aug. 25 to change our property-tax structure. It sounds really good to have our taxes reduced, but do we understand the price we will be paying to save ourselves a few hundred dollars a year?

According to recent newspaper articles, the only real winners will be big businesses like Micron, large land owners and people who own very expensive houses. Renters, who make up about 27 percent of Idahoans, are not likely to have their rent reduced at all. They are the biggest losers.

Politics being what they are, this is another way for government to extend its control over education. Parents have always considered local control to be essential in running a school district, but if the purse strings are held by the state government instead of locally, more decisions will be made at the state level with more strings attached. Do we really want education to go that route?

As I tell my son, if we don't make a decision, we are in actuality making a decision, but it might not be the one we wanted. If we do nothing, we are saying yes, we want the state to run our local school districts.

If this letter has made you curious, find out more. Then hold your legislators accountable. Most of them are already quietly in support of this bill, or Gov. Risch would never have called a special session.

RUBY GEBHART Burley

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## LETTERS

### Glenns Ferry event a big success

What a day we had Saturday (Aug. 13)!

The participants and attendees of the Glenns Ferry Three Island Crossing would like to thank so many of those who made last weekend's crossing such a great success:

To Mother Nature, who arranged for beautiful 80-degree weather to Marv Wootan, whose memory we honored that day and will every day in the future; to Dale Jeffries, the reason so many of us have come to participate over the years. This year especially to Dale Smith, who has so capably taken over the reins and made it possible for this wonderful event to continue with increased support and enthusiasm from the thousands of people who

came to share in the re-enactment and cheer on the participants.

And most of all this year to Idaho Power, who sent us Fran to make this year's final practice and the actual crossing the safest ever. You made our day a real joy, instead of a stomach lurching unknown as has been the case so many years in the past.

And lastly, to Will Sites of the Times-News, who wrote a truly beautiful column, wonderfully written from such a unique but accurate viewpoint. It truly captured both the historical and current relevance of the day, and we thank you. With such great support, we can continue to make this an event to be enjoyed for many years and future generations to come!  
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## Children's Feet

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**WORLD**

# Israelis raid Hezbollah stronghold

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli commandos raided a Hezbollah stronghold deep in Lebanon on Saturday, engaging in a fierce gunbattle, and the Lebanese government threatened to halt further troop deployments in protest as the 6-day-old U.N.-brokered cease-fire was put to a critical test.



Israeli soldiers, two of them displaying an Israeli flag, return to Israel from southern Lebanon early Saturday.

Israel said the raid was launched to stop arms smuggling from Iran and Syria to the militant Shiite fighters, while Lebanon's Prime Minister Fuad Saniora called the operation a "flagrant violation" of the U.N. truce. An Israeli officer was killed during the raid, and two soldiers were wounded, one seriously.

There were no signs of further clashes, but the flare-up underlined worries about the fragility of the cease-fire as the U.N. pleaded for nations to send troops to an international force in southern Lebanon that is to separate Israeli and Hezbollah fighters.

A contingent of 49 French soldiers landed in the south Saturday, providing the first reinforcements for the 2,000-strong U.N. peacekeeping mission known as UNIFIL that has been stationed in the region for years. About 200 more were expected next week.

They were the first additions to what is intended to grow into a 15,000-soldier U.N. force to police the truce with an equal number of Lebanese soldiers. France leads UNIFIL and already had 200 soldiers in

Lebanon before the reinforcements.

But with Europe moving slowly to provide more troops, Israel warned it would continue to act on its own to enforce an arms embargo on the Lebanese guerrilla group until the Lebanese army and an expanded U.N. peacekeeping force are in place.

"If the Syrians and Iran continue to arm Hezbollah in violation of the resolution, Israel is entitled to act to defend the principle of the arms embargo," Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Mark Regav said. "Once the Lebanese army and the international forces are active ... then such Israeli activity will become superfluous."

Lebanese Prime Minister Fuad Saniora said he would take the issue up with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

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# Israel cracks down on Hamas, arrests Palestinian deputy prime minister

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Israeli soldiers burst into the home of the Palestinian deputy prime minister before dawn Saturday and took him away for questioning, detaining the highest-ranking Hamas official in a seven-week-old crackdown against the ruling Islamic militant group.

Palestinian officials condemned the arrest of Nasser Shaer, a former university professor known as a pragmatist

in Hamas, and accused Israel of undermining their efforts to form a broad government coalition.

Israel launched its latest crackdown against Hamas, which controls the Palestinian legislature and Cabinet, shortly after Hamas-allied militants from the Gaza Strip captured an Israeli soldier in a cross-border raid June 25. Despite an ongoing Israeli military offensive in the coastal area, the soldier has not been freed.

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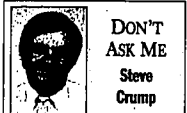
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## It can always wait 'til Tuesday

**T**ruth-telling time: You don't want to trim the shrubs, paint the awning or Round-Up the weeds this afternoon, do you? You're thinking about ways and means to avoid it, but there are no good options: Your son's away at college, the teenager next door has traded in his lawnmower for a job at McDonald's, and your dogs too short to wield a paint-brush.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

So, naturally, you put it off. You steal Tuesday evening. Tuesday has been the target of opportunity of choice of weekend procrastinators for generations. It's close enough to make it seem as if you're not trying to avoid the tasks at hand, but distant enough that you don't have to think about it when the Seahawks are nine points down to the Indianapolis Colts.

Trouble is, within 48 hours or so, Tuesday evening shows up.

What do you do now? You can't just go sit on the couch and watch "House," before the opening credits have rolled, you'll hear your wife ask, "What the hell do you think you're doing? It's Tuesday evening."

I've tried all of the dodges over the years — illness, injury, fire in the neighborhood — and none is particularly effective. But I've discovered that while you can't actually avoid work Tuesday evenings, you sure can minimize it.

Plan on, fellas, and learn: 1. Get home a half hour later than usual. Blame traffic, blame your boss, blame your truck. Besides the 30 minutes of backyard work you've saved, you'll get to waste another half hour explaining your tardiness to your spouse.

2. Change clothes slowly. "Honey, I can't find my yard-work jeans," will gain you about 15 minutes — provided that you've already hidden your yard-work jeans somewhere she won't look, like the pile of leaves out in the back yard. And once it's established that your yard-work jeans are lost, you can waste another 15 minutes arguing with your beloved that you should be excused for lack of proper equipment.

3. As you walk toward the living room toward the back door, stop in your tracks and stare at the TV as if you'd just seen Sasquatch streaking across the screen. Doesn't matter what's on: Just stand stock-still for 45 seconds and proclaim, "I didn't know that West Nile virus is at near-epidemic proportions!"

Your wife, of course, who will be trailing behind you to make sure you actually get out door and go to work, will reply — incredulously — "What are you talking about?" That's your cue for a 15- to 20-minute discussion of current events and world affairs.

4. When you finally make it out to the grass, fire up the ol' Briggs & Stratton, make a pass or two across the yard, then drop to your knees and begin searching frantically for something on the ground.

"What now?" your wife will want to know.

"Lost my contact lens!" you'll shriek.

All of the above requires that you keep your wife about you, though. Earlier this summer, I tried that contact lens trick and it just plain backfired.

Turned out I was wearing my glasses at the time.

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## Fire interrupts visit to rodeo

By Rick Bessley  
For the Times-News

**GOODING** — Beepers alerting them to a major fire sent a dozen volunteer firefighters scurrying from their seats at the Gooding County Fair rodeo Friday night. Moments later, the announcer issued a somber directive. "Larry Kimmes, if you're in the audience you need to get home — now!"

Kimmes, a well-known Gooding farmer, arrived at his

home three miles east of town a few minutes later to find the dwelling completely engulfed in flames. Seventeen firefighters from the Gooding Rural Fire Department, already at the scene, attacked the building with hoses from two sides and quickly brought the blaze under control. Nevertheless, Fire Chief Pat Bishop said the house, a 1970s-era manufactured home and all its contents — including works of African art and a valuable firearms

collection — were lost. "I don't think I'd ever seen tears in a man that big before," Bishop said the next morning as he and a state fire marshal sifted through the remains. "But Larry has a lot of support from his friends and family and I think he'll do fine."

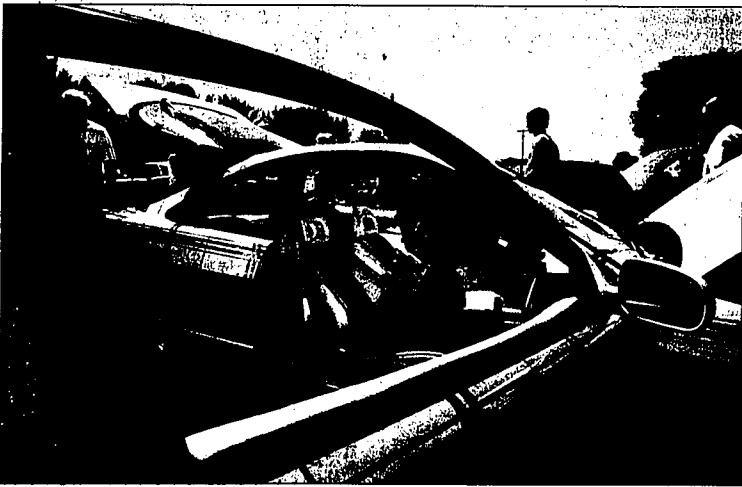
Neighbor Duane Kuhn called 911 at 9:45 p.m. after seeing flames rising above a nearby tree line. Other

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Members of the Gooding Rural Fire Department extinguish a blaze Friday night at the Larry Kimmes residence about three miles east of Gooding.

## A CLASSIC ACT



Isiah Hargray, 2, of Jerome sits in father Hector Hargray's 1994 Acura Integra that he entered in the 8th Annual Joe Mama's Car Show Saturday in Jerome.

## Jerome car show keeps getting bigger and better

By Will Sites  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** — The bragging rights to the biggest car show in the state were secured Saturday as an estimated crowd of 13,000 spectators meandered through hundreds of classic automobiles and speed machines at Jerome's North and South parks during the 8th Annual Joe Mama's Car Show.

With something for everyone — including the usual lot of the popular Camaro, Corvette and 1957 Chevy — the free show also showcased some of the fastest wheels on Earth. Motorcycle champion racer Pat Fenderson fired-up the crowd with his nitro-fueled Harley-Davidson and Ken Marley blew fire and smoke for a city block with

his 12,000-horsepower funny car.

But for most, the increasingly-popular show highlighted the sweat and effort of those dedicated to preserving the past.

Phil Labat earns a living in Twin Falls doing auto body and paint, but his passion for restoring a 1970 Chevy El Camino SS caused more than a few arguments at home.

"It took me a year working seven days a week," said Labat, standing next to his bright yellow fully-restored classic. "There were a lot of arguments over the amount of time I spent with the car."

Labat's wife, Stephanie, agreed but shrugged it off.

"There were a lot of late nights with him and the car," Stephanie said, as people looked inside and out of a car

that Phil rescued from a field near Burley. "Eventually I knew there would be an end, but I didn't care because it kept him out of my hair."

The husband and wife, who own Pro Image Body and Paint in Irwin Falls, agreed that there should be a marital understanding before getting into serious restoration.

"When I first pulled up to the house with this rusty old car, my wife thought I was crazy," said Phil. But a year and about twenty grand later, the couple are proud of the fact that the old Chevy has a few life that they (and others) can appreciate.

"I see people get into a project and they become passionate about what they are doing, even young people are getting into it," said Phil.

And participants that have never been to Idaho before were pleasantly surprised by the turnout.

Truman and Sharon Burger of Kokomo, Ind. brought the NASCAR Michael Waltrip No. 99 Nextel Cup Dodge to Jerome. "This is our first time in Idaho and it is great," said Sharon. Her husband added that some shows have many more cars, but not as many spectators.

"The James Dean in central Indiana has a lot of cars, but the amount of people here today is very impressive."

The show's founder and director, Joe Skaug, told the *North Side News* that he believes in welcoming all visitors and participants.

"That attitude has worked, gauging by the growth of the show," said Skaug.

## Red Cross needs more blood to maintain supply

By Kevin Otzberger  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — Nearly everyone will need a blood donation at some point in their lives. Yet only about 5 percent of the eligible population of the United States donates blood each year.

This trend is a nationwide problem, and is no different for southern Idaho. To provide an adequate supply of blood for both routine operations and daily emergencies, Idaho requires at least 228 blood donations per working day.

"In Twin Falls, this year, there has been a growth in population, which increases the need for a strong blood supply," said Debi Mahler, donor recruitment representative for the American Red Cross. "But there has not been an increase in participation with our blood drives."

Hospitals in the area typically try to maintain a three-day supply. However, this summer the supply has dipped at times to only one day's worth.

"We have to maintain that supply," Mahler stressed. "We need to be prepared to not only serve our community's needs, but have a strong supply in case of a disaster where we need to ship extra units elsewhere."

Mahler noted that support Please see BLOOD, Page A3

## To get involved...

**WHAT:** Twin Falls Community Blood Drive  
**WHERE:** First Presbyterian Church, 209 5th Ave. N.  
**WHEN:** Monday, 4 to 7 p.m.; Tuesday, noon to 8 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
**APPOINTMENTS:** call Sherie: 734-4566

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## Group celebrates the Middle Ages in annual festival

By Karissa M. Fitzgerald  
Times-News writer

**WENDELL** — Minus the Black Plague and the Spanish Inquisition the Middle Ages might not have been so bad.

That is if the time would have been spent with the members of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Saturday, SCA members from Idaho, Utah and Montana gathered at Niagara Springs State Park south of Wendell. They engaged in armored combat, drank from pewter tankards and dressed as the characters they've created to learn about and celebrate the Middle Ages and the Renaissance period of world history.

"We reenact the Middle Ages as they should have been," said local SCA leader Tony Palmer of Kimberly,

"Just the fun stuff." Palmer said group members share their research about life between 650 and 1650 A.D.

"From the fall of the Roman Empire to the death of Queen Elizabeth," he said.

They try to keep their costumes, tools and toys as close to authentic as possible. While some members admit to buying the supplies for their regalia at local fabric stores, others go as far as raising the sheep to get the wool to weave, the fabric for an item of clothing.

Most often, Palmer said, SCA members will find a costume they really like and then learn all they can about the costume and its place in history. From that they create a persona to go with it. They choose a name for the per-

sona and once in their "garb" they stay in character. That character might have a hobby, like making clothing, jewelry or tools — done as close to the traditional way as possible.

Michele Wolf of Boise, known as Gillana Attewatry, makes pewter pins and coins. Most often her creations are used as souvenirs for SCA gatherings or as prizes in group contests.

She uses a propane torch to melt lead-free pewter that she then pours into molds carved out of soap stone. While she's on the road, like this, she allows herself to use the modern conveniences of propane and welding gloves. At home, she says, her methods are a little closer to authentic.

Please see FESTIVAL, Page A3



Brianna of Bartonswood, aka Victoria Burton helps Theodoric, aka Robert Hazy, adjust his armor as he prepares for armored combat at the Society for Creative Anachronism's hour-long event Saturday at Niagara Springs south of Wendell. Scott Johnson, rear, served as a judge in the combat games. Members of the SCA dress in costume and create alter egos in celebration of their love of history of pre-17th Century Europe. The event concludes today.

**OBITUARIES**

**Kathryn Frost, once Army's highest-ranking woman, dies**

By Suzanne Gamba Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Retired Maj. Gen. Kathryn George Frost, who was the highest ranking woman in the Army when she stepped down last year after a 31-year career, died Friday of breast cancer. She was 57.

Frost, wife of former Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, had been battling cancer for four years.

"Kathy was a woman of incredible strength," the former congressman said in a statement. "I will miss her deeply.

Frost was commander of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, or AAFES, which operates the commissaries and post and base exchanges on military installations nationally and overseas, including Afghanistan and Iraq.

**"Kathy was a woman of incredible strength."**  
— Former Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas

"She was well-known for her work to champion personnel policies, education and leadership innovations for the U.S. Army," said Army spokesman Paul Boyce.

"She will certainly be missed by those who worked with her and those who benefited from her expertise and vision."

Before becoming AAFES commander, Frost served four years as the Army adjutant general and commander of the eastern sector of the Military Entrance Processing Command.

She worked in Berlin on the staff of then-Gov. Colin Powell when he was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. She also worked as a White House social aide during the administrations of President Reagan and the first President Bush.

Her husband was a 26-year congressman who lost his 2004 re-election bid after Texas' congressional districts were redrawn. The Frosts were married in August 1999 in the U.S. Capitol.

They moved from Dallas to Washington last year to be near Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where Kathryn was undergoing treatment. Earlier this year, the couple bought her childhood home in Latta, S.C.

Frost graduated from University of South Carolina in 1970 and earned a master's degree in counseling at Wayne State University in Michigan while on active duty with the Army.

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Edward Purser**

MALTA — Edward Purser, 88, of Malta, died Thursday, Aug. 17, 2006, at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, at the Malta 2nd Ward building. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Burial will be held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Ririe Shelton Cemetery in Ririe. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**Loma Martha Williamsen**

RICHFIELD — Loma Martha Williamsen, 97, of Oxnard, Calif., and formerly of Richfield, died Wednesday, July 26, 2006, in Oxnard. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at Demary's Shoshone Chapel, 404 W. B St. in Shoshone. Inurnment will follow at the Richfield Cemetery.

**Donald William Holmquist**

TWIN FALLS — Donald William Holmquist, 86, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Aug. 18, 2006, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. A service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, at the 5th Ward LDS Chapel, 421 Maurice Ln. in Twin Falls.

Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Family will greet friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

**June Divine**

HAGERMAN — June Divine, 82, of Hagerman, died Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, at home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

**Jennifer Dawn Bennett Hansen**

JEROME — Jennifer Dawn Bennett Hansen, 30, of Jerome, died Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, in Wendell. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

**Nita K. Morgue**

TWIN FALLS — Nita K. Morgue, 90, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, at SunBridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

**Molly Jarvis**

RUPERT — Molly Jarvis, 93, of Rupert, died Friday, Aug. 18, 2006, at Autumn Haven Assisted Living. A memorial service is pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**SERVICES**

Leo M. Zimmers of Notus and formerly of Buhl, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the First Presbyterian Church, 516 Main St. in Buhl; dinner following at the Moose Lodge, 1101 Main St. in Buhl.

Steven A. Helton of Buhl, celebration of life at 5 p.m. today at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Doris Ann Passey Williams of Logan, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls, funeral at noon Monday at the Logan 6th Ward Chapel, 94 W. 600 S.; friends and family may call from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday at the church (Nelson Funeral Home in Logan).

Noel Bills of Paul, funeral at 10 a.m. Monday at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis St.; viewing for family, and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the service Monday at the church; graveside service at 4 p.m. Monday at the Murray City Cemetery in Utah.

Anthony M. Humbach of Yuma, Ariz., and formerly of Jerome, graveside service at 1 p.m. Friday at the Jerome Cemetery.

Sunny Kay Dick of Pasco, Wash., and formerly of Shoshone, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome LDS Church, 825 E. Ave. B.

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This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday for Sunday publication. Call weekly to retain your request.

and training, call Susan or Grace at 734-4064 or stop by the office at 826 Eastland Drive in Twin Falls.

**Lawnmower/Clothing** — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is in need of a self-propelled lawnmower in good condition, and clothing of all sizes for all ages. Donations to the Refugee

Center are tax deductible. To donate items, drop them off from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1526 Highland Ave. E.; the office is closed from noon to 1 p.m. Call 736-2166.

**Volunteers** — Lend a hand to some of the community's most vulnerable children by becoming a CASA volunteer.

BUHL — William Edward Roberts, 94, of Buhl, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2006, at his home in Buhl.



He was born Jan. 12, 1912, in the wooded hills of Crofton, Kentucky. He was the oldest son, and second child of six children of Lawson E. Roberts and Pearl Jane Clark. Growing up he worked on the farm, their main crop was corn and tobacco. They started cropping for several years before coming west to Buhl, Idaho, when he was seventeen. He lived in Buhl for his remaining 78 years.

His first job in Buhl was at the old casein plant. He worked at various jobs during the Great Depression and was blessed with work when jobs were scarce.

He was working for 15 cents an hour when he got married, sorting potatoes. He sold cars for a few years, and worked at Frozen Foods. During these times, he also had a small farm. He always had cattle and milked cows. He also enjoyed his horses.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He was married and sealed for time and eternity to Golda Hunt in February of 1932 in the Salt Lake City, Utah Temple. They were married for 74 years. They were blessed with seven children: one son and six daughters.

They were also blessed with the presence of another boy in their life; they are proud to call a son, Tommie. He was as honest as the day is long; his word was his bond. He never met a stranger. He was generous to a fault and

helped many people who were down on their luck. He was never impressed with worldly things. Even though he was on crutches, he irrigated his seven acres and took care of his cattle up until shortly before his death. His spirit was willing, but his flesh was weak.

He is survived by his wife of 74-plus years; a son, William J. Roberts and wife Dawn of St. George, Utah; daughters, Shirley and Larry Hulme and Sharon and Bruce Wegener, all of Buhl; Nancy and Jim Guest of Boise; and Gloria and Rod Weir of Twin Falls. They lost their oldest daughter, Darlene, wife of Herbert Montforth of Boise in December of 1991, and lost a baby girl Julie Ann. They also lost a granddaughter, Dawn Louise Roberts of St. George, Utah.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Victor,

and a sister, Nellie. They have 33 grandchildren, and 74 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers, Norman and Maryetta Roberts of Twin Falls, and Leroy and Emma Roberts of Union Star, Mo., and one sister, Imogene and Eugene Montgomery of Buhl; and many nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

Services for William will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 21 at the 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, 501 Main St., Buhl, with Bishop Gene Montgomery Jr. officiating. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

A visitation will take place from 9 to 10:45 a.m. Monday morning at the church. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls.

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**Harold L. Suchan**  
BUHL — Harold L. Suchan, 78, passed away Aug. 12, 2006, at his home in Buhl. Harold was born Jan. 9, 1928, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Anton and Blanche (Hejtmánek) Suchan. Harold graduated from Castelford High School as valedictorian. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Idaho and completed his master's and doctorate at the University of Illinois. Harold worked for DuPont as a Senior Research Associate. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Marvin McCall of Kremmling, Colorado. Memorials in Harold's name may be given to a charity of your choice. A graveside funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21, at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Arrangements are under the care of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

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**Twin Falls Scout receives Eagle honor**

TWIN FALLS — Wyatt Stanton Detweiler of Troop 180 has received his Eagle Scout award. Detweiler, 17, is the son of David and Lynda Detweiler of Twin Falls. For his Eagle project, he built and installed a large bulletin board in the upstairs foyer at L.B. Perrine Elementary School. He has earned 23 merit badges

and attended the 2005 National Scout Jamboree in Fort AP Hill, Va. He is a member of the Idaho Trappers Association and will be a senior at Twin Falls High School. Troop 180 is sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Twin Falls 18th Ward.

**Education Association awards scholarships**

TWIN FALLS — Each year, the Twin Falls Education Association holds a raffle at the opening meeting of the Twin Falls School District for a scholarship fund. The money generated is given to seniors going into the field of education. This year's recipients are Charlotte Dolecheck and Ashley Dewitt, 2006 graduates of Twin Falls

High School. Dolecheck is the daughter of Thomas and Sue Dolecheck and will attend the College of Southern Idaho. Dewitt is the daughter of Steven and Marie Dewitt and will attend Boise State University. The recipients will each receive \$700 to be used during the fall semester.



IDAHO

# 'Lost souls' turn up in Idaho cemetery records

ELK RIVER (AP) — Since a 1952 blizzard destroyed the original records from the now-closed, central Idaho town's highest cemetery, it's been unclear just who was buried here.

A recent search of local historical records, including newspaper articles, has turned up the names of at least 45 people Elk River residents are now calling "the lost souls" — people whose remains were in the ground, but whose identities and "histories" were nowhere to be found in cemetery records.

The new discoveries, which include two Civil War veterans and another soldier from the Spanish-American War, bring the number of people known to be buried in this isolated outpost east of Lewiston to at least 188.

Cemetery officials say the

site is so beautiful, people from New York City have mullied their ashes here to be interred.

"The cemetery's one of our tourist attractions," Dawn Tillson, a cemetery district board member, told the Lewiston Tribune.

It all started in 2004.

That's when Tillson and cemetery district secretary Della Kreisher were combing through historical artifacts, and found a photograph showing a little girl — identified only as "Baby Hill" — being buried.

"I knew there was no Baby Hill in the records," said Tillson.

The photograph triggered a search that resulted in finding information about the baby, as well as learning the identities and stories of other people buried here.

"We've recovered fathers,

mothers, babies, and now veterans," said Avis Trott, the U.S. Post Master in Elk City, who helped out with the records search.

The three military men, William McNew, Francis Carmen and John Sibbets, will be honored Sunday during a ceremony conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars posts in Orofino and Moscow to dedicate new headstones on their graves.

McNew, who died at the age of 79 in March of 1925, was a member of the Quarter Master Corps during the Civil War and "was honorably discharged at the close of the great conflict," according to the obituary Trott and Tillson discovered in the Elk River News.

Carmen died six months later in September 1925. He served "during the 7th

Wisconsin Infantry and, according to his obituary, was captured by Confederate forces.

Sibbets, who was a well-known musician according to local lore, died in February 1920.

He was in the United States Cavalry, and served in the Philippines during the Spanish-American War that began in 1898.

"These three men have been lost since 1952," Trott said.

That's when a fire burned the local Independent Order of Odd Fellows hall, where the cemetery records had been kept.

Knowing these 45 souls were "lost" for 54 years, Tillson, Trott and others involved in the search aren't taking any chances, this time.

A record of those buried

here, including the new discoveries, is being kept at the new cemetery district office, with copies archived at the

Idaho State Historical Society. Tillson also has a third set at home, she says, just for safe keeping.

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## Military police unit set to return to Boise

BOISE — A 13-member team of military police from the Idaho Air National Guard facility at Gowen Field is wrapping up six months of deployment, including a stint providing security at Kuwait's international airport.

They're due to return to Boise on Sunday, after having been part of the Air Force's 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, the Idaho Air National Guard said.

After training in Indian Springs, Nev., starting last February, the security police had been part of an active-duty Air Force and Air National Guard group that protected the area around the Kuwait International Airport from possible enemy attacks.

As part of their mission, the Idaho airmen worked in a training team, helping teach U.S. Army and Marines personnel how to search and clear buildings and how to move quickly and safely in an urban combat area.

**Cattle rustling alive and yell in Bovill**

BOVILL — Cattle rustlers snaggled 10 cattle from a grazing allotment on federal land near this northcentral Idaho town, and the rancher who lost the animals is offering \$1,000 reward for information leading to a conviction.

Dan and Greg Stout, from

Idaho briefs

Uniontown in neighboring Eastern Washington, said the lost cattle — five cows, four calves and one Charolais bull with French bloodlines — are valued at about \$8,000.

"I'm hoping that if we get enough information out people might squeal on somebody," Dan Stout said.

"The cattle market is one of the bright spots right now," Greg Stout added. "I wish they'd rob on pea fields."

The cattle carry the RS-brand, and were stolen from a corral where they'd been penned last week for relocation. When the herder arrived to transport the animals, they'd disappeared.

Cattle rustling in Idaho is a grand theft felony carrying a maximum fine of \$5,000 and 14 years in prison.

**Sex offender locked up for his own protection**

LEWISTON — A northcentral Idaho sex offender who shot himself in the head just hours after his conviction last month has been locked up again in Nez Perce County jail because law enforcement agents believe he's a danger to himself.

On July 28, Harold E. Grist Jr., 47, was convicted of seven counts of lewd conduct with a

child under 16, two counts of sexual battery of a child 16 or 17 and one count of sexual abuse of a child under 16. He faces life imprisonment.

At about 7:20 p.m., that evening, he shot himself through the roof of his mouth with a .380-caliber semiautomatic "pocket pistol" at the top of the Lewiston Hill. The bullet exited Grist's skull above his left eye.

He was hospitalized, but recently released.

Friends with whom Grist was staying while recuperating had grown concerned he poses a danger to himself, said Nez Perce County Prosecutor Daniel L. Spickler. Grist was picked up at a Lewiston shopping mall early Friday morning.

Second District Judge Jeff M. Brudie authorized lifting the personal recognizance release that he issued for Grist following the July 28 trial.

"We certainly don't want the man to hurt himself or anybody else," Spickler said.

**Canyon County inmates moved after incidents**

CALDWELL — Deemed too dangerous and violent for Canyon County's overcrowded jail, 10 high-security inmates have been moved to the Ada County Jail after several incidents left jail deputies with

minor injuries.

"Jail managers and myself are deeply concerned for the safety of our employees," Canyon County Sheriff Chris Smith said, adding that these incidents of violence inside the Caldwell facility have escalated in the past several weeks.

The jail is made to hold just 361 prisoners. After Friday's transfer, it has 472. A bond referendum to build a new jail, which has already failed once, is expected to go before voters again in 2007.

Just last weekend, a sheriff's department emergency response team that is activated during crisis situations was deployed four times in two days.

None of the jailers involved in the scuffles with inmates were hospitalized.

Law enforcement officials have been using alternatives to jail time, including a work-release program, to alleviate overcrowding and allow frustrated inmates to let off steam. Still, Smith said the transfer could not be avoided.

— Compiled from wire reports

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# Outdoors crowd plays big role in West's development

By Judith Kohler  
Associated Press writer

RIFLE, Colo. — Outdoors guide, Keith Goddard remembers when he could go for hours or even days and not see another person on top of western Colorado's Roan Plateau.

"Up until a few years ago, you could stand right here all day long, and if you'd seen one or two vehicles, you'd seen a bunch," Goddard said, peering from a field of wildflowers to rocky, wooded slopes below.

As he spoke, three 18-wheelers sped by in a noisy reminder of the natural gas boom many expect to get even bigger in this stretch of land 180 miles west of Denver. It is prized by both energy companies and by people like Goddard, a 42-year-old member of the so-called "hook and bullet" crowd that is wielding more and more clout when it comes to managing public land — clout that's being noticed by industry officials and politicians on both sides of the aisle.

Fearing that energy development sweeping through the Rockies could permanently scar the landscape, hunters and anglers are forming alliances with environmental groups like The Wilderness Society and Sierra Club.

The two sides, who have sparred in the past, are trying to



Bob Elderkin, a hunter and Bureau of Land Management retiree, discusses his concerns about the effects on the Roan Plateau, background, from energy development, July 13 near Rifle, Colo. Fearing that energy development sweeping through the Rockies could permanently scar the landscape, hunters and anglers are forming alliances with environmental groups

protect such areas as northern Montana's Rocky Mountain Front, Wyoming's Jack Morrow Hills and New Mexico's Valle Vidal.

Standing on the Roan, where there are already some 30 natural gas wells on private land, Goddard said he doesn't want his favorite hunting ground developed, but sees it as inevitable. He said he just hopes the impact is minimized and drilling is banned in the most wild and environmentally sensitive areas.

"If they do it heavy-scale and take a shotgun approach on the

Roan and it's real tight density and spacing it will put us out of business and it will disperse the deer and elk herds," Goddard said.

The Roan Plateau, which straddles two Colorado counties, generates an estimated \$5 million a year for the local economy from hunting, fishing and wildlife watching, according to the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

It could also provide enough natural gas for 4 million homes for the next 20 years, according to the Colorado Oil and Gas Association trade group.

Canadian-based Encana Corp. and Tulsa, Okla.-based Williams Cos. are among the companies drilling on private land on the plateau.

Trout Unlimited, a group historically focused on the nation's trout and salmon fisheries, recently toured the plateau before the Bureau of Land Management releases its final environmental impact statement — in essence, the management options — for drilling public land in the area. That report is expected next month.

"For the last three years, we've been organizing hunters and anglers all over the West on energy-related issues because there's just been an unprecedented amount of gas and oil development going on all over the West in some of our last remaining wild places," said David Stalling, Trout Unlimited's Western field coordinator based in Missoula, Mont.

The efforts have been noticed. At a recent energy forum in Denver, Ken Winstolen of the oil and gas association called the alliance of outdoors groups and environmentalists an effective marriage of convenience.

"It's something we have to address very seriously," Winstolen said.

Politicians have noticed, too. Bill Ritter, the Democratic

gubernatorial candidate in Colorado, has sent letters to sportsmen, pledging to be a good steward of public lands. His Republican opponent, Rep. Bob Beauprez, has also met with hunting and fishing groups. Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont., looked in a tight re-election race, has introduced legislation to ban new oil and gas drilling on federal land along the Rocky Mountain Front.

This kind of bipartisan opposition in the West helped scuttle a plan by the Bush administration to sell 300,000 acres of national forest, said Daniel Kemmis, a senior fellow at the Center for the Rocky Mountain West, at the University of Montana.

"That was as stillborn a proposal as you could find, in large part because so many Western Republicans opposed it," Kemmis said. "They saw these broad-based coalitions that are now just too politically potent to ignore."

Alliances among environmentalists, loggers, ranchers and hunters have evolved as

environmental groups realized they needed local support, Kemmis said. He said he believes more industries will follow timber companies in working with grass-roots activists.

More than 25 Colorado groups ranging from the Colorado Environmental Coalition to the Colorado Bowhunters Association have written guidelines they believe would minimize drilling's impacts on wildlife and habitat.

Bob Elderkin, a retired BLM employee and hunter who helped draft the proposals, said circulating the guidelines in an election season was intentional.

"When our elected officials start realizing there's a large united bloc of the voting public that's serious about this, then they'll become serious about what we're proposing," Elderkin said.

Elderkin, who worked on the Roan Plateau while with the BLM, said he wants strong rules in place to make sure development leads to good examples across the West.

## Weapons depot begins final munitions destruction project

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The U.S. Army has begun the final phase of a munitions destruction project in Utah's west desert — draining and incinerating the first of thousands of containers of mustard gas held in storage.

Begun Friday, the project at the Desert Chemical Depot will last six to 10 years. It involves burning about 6,200 tons of liquid blister agent and

is complicated by the presence of an estimated 800 pound of toxic mercury.

At one time, the Tooele County depot housed more chemical weapons than any other storage site in the United States. To comply with the International Chemical Weapons Convention, the U.S. government began weapons destruction at the facility in 1996.

Mustard gas, which is a liquid at room temperature, was first used during World War I. The agent causes severe blisters, internal and external bleeding and strips the mucus membranes from airways. Those exposed to it may have

an increased risk of cancer and birth defects.

Workers will first drain and incinerate the 1-ton mustard gas containers with low concentrations of mercury, depot spokeswoman Alaine Southworth said.

## Helicopter crash in northeastern Washington kills Walla Walla pilot

NEWPORT, Wash. (AP) — A logging helicopter crashed in the remote northeastern corner of Washington state, killing the pilot, the Pend Oreille sheriff's office said.

The male pilot was the only person on board, sheriff's Sgt. Alan Botzheim said in a statement.

The pilot was identified late Friday night as Bret W. Ahler, 24, of Walla Walla.

The helicopter was owned by Horizon Helicopters of LeClude, Idaho, and crashed Friday afternoon while working at a logging site near Sullivan Lake, the statement said.

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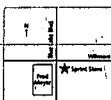


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Burley woman endured much but stayed positive

By Trena Tegan For the Times-News

BURLEY — Helen Katherine Schorzman Wolf endured many hardships, but never let them affect her positive outlook on life.

She passed away Aug. 11 at the age of 90.

Helen was born in Kinima, one of nine children, born to Julius "Joe" Franz Schorzman and Margaret Guttmiller Schorzman.

Her parents had come to the area in 1914. They lived in a small grainery the first year until they built a home on the homestead. Helen and her siblings attended the Adelaid School, which was where the best dump is now located between 200 and 300 west of Rupert near the railroad tracks.

Their farm was one of 350 dry farms that depended on the rain, as there was no irrigation in the area. Due to jackrabbits eating the fall and spring wheat, Joe and Margaret lost their farm in the early 1920s. In the search for a new home for the family, they moved to the Project.

Joe found a farm to rent in Declo. Lloyd Franklin Wolf began working for Helen's father driving a tractor during the hay harvest.

Helen and Lloyd began dating and several years later on April 12, 1937, the two were married.

It was ironic that Helen's sister had married a man named Chet Behr, which became a great sense of enjoyment for father Joe to joke about having "Wolfs and Behrs" at his door.

aLife remembered

Helen Katherine Schorzman Wolf

Born: Nov. 26, 1917 Died: Aug. 11, 2006

Survivors: Her sons Joe Wolf and Richard (Karen) Wolf, and her daughter, Shirlene (Arlen) Adams, nine grandchildren: Brenda, Brent, Denise, Staci, Ty, Stephanie, Cory, Karrie, and Travis, 22 great-grandchildren with one more due in November, and one sister-in-law, Millie Schorzman.

Helen and her siblings embraced their German heritage. Their grandparents were Germans from Russia, today's Ukraine.

She valued the fact that they had sacrificed all they owned at the beginning of the Bolshevik Revolution to come to America for freedom. They came to the Dakota Territory in the early 1870s.

During World War II, five of Helen's brothers were in the war at the same time. One brother, Maurice, was shot down over the Ploesti oil fields in Romania and was a prisoner of war for some time. Her younger brother, Wallace, joined the Navy after the war ended.

Being of German descent was not easy in America during the war and prejudice was not to evade her family. At one



Helen Katherine Schorzman Wolf was one of the original settlers in Mini-Cassia. From left are, back, Bill, Herman, Raymond and Maurice; center, Miriam, Lydia and Helen; and front, Nolan, Joe (Helen's father), Margaret (Helen's mother) and Wallace Schorzman.

time during the war when the family lived west of Paul, someone callously and spitefully placed a Nazi flag in their field.

However, Helen and her family did not let a thing like this make them bitter. They forgave and still appreciated what they had and embraced

being Americans. Helen and Lloyd had four children, Joe, Richard, Gary and Shirlene. Helen was a loyal daughter, a good mother and a loving friend. She was a true role model for her children, leading by example, not just with words. Helen was also a great cook

and gardener. She did a lot of canning and preserving the fruits of her garden. She could also sew and crochet with the best of them. Out of her early beginning with the German Reform Church in Adelaid, she became a devout Catholic. Family and heritage were

very important to her. She kept in touch with cousins and relatives, enjoyed family reunions and never missed an Old Settlers dinner.

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Windland Inc. targets 2008 for turbines near Albion

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News correspondent

ALBION — Windmills still could whirl and hum on the ridgeline above Albion, but not as soon as a developer had hoped.

Any time may be too soon for Albion Valley residents who remain opposed to developing nearly 100 wind turbines on the picturesque Coterrel Mountain. Talk of legal action in an attempt to stop the project has emerged.

In recent developments, first there was word that Idaho Power instead will award an energy contract to an Oregon wind farm.

Boise-based Windland Inc. suffered that setback, but was followed by good news last week for the company — federal land managers approved the project.

Albion residents were left with mixed messages: The turbines have been approved, but there isn't a buyer for the power.

In the words of Albion resident Jim Wahlgren, "BLM is still willing to give away our mountain. The only thing temporarily at least, is they don't have anyone to give it to."

Windland said late last week that it still plans to erect the turbines. To do that, it must try again to win a contract with an electric utility. But this time it will have a federal permit in hand that took four years to get.

The Bureau of Land Management authorized a right of way for the project on about 4,500 acres, or seven square miles, of public land.

"That's a huge step forward,

and we're pleased with that," said Michael Heckler, director of marketing and development for Windland.

About 352 acres of ground actually will be disturbed. The development includes windmills along 14.5 miles of ridgeline.

The turbines will be between 210 and 262 feet tall with rotor spans that add as much as 164 feet to their height. Combined they will be capable of producing up to 200 megawatts of electricity. That is enough power to supply 40,000 to 50,000 homes for one year without damming a river or emitting fossil fuel pollution. It is the biggest wind farm approved on federal land in the past 25 years.

Hopeful for the Idaho Power contract, Windland had planned to begin generating energy on Coterrel Mountain in 2007. But Idaho Power's decision only represents a delay, not an end to the project, according to Windland.

"All three of the major investor utilities in Idaho — Idaho Power, PacifiCorp, and Avista — have indicated that they will procure additional amounts of wind-power generation," Heckler said.

Construction on Coterrel Mountain could begin in 2007, and turbines could be generating power by 2008, he said.

Opposition to the project has been strong in the Albion Valley. Chief among concerns is that the turbines will obstruct the view. The valley is narrow. The turbines will sit on the ridge above and will be visible for miles, including from

areas of Burley about 20 miles away.

"When the project is built I think everyone will recognize the visual impacts are much less than our opponents suggest they will be," Heckler said. But Wahlgren and other Albion residents disagree. The project should not be situated on a pristine ridge, and there is talk of joining forces to take legal action, Wahlgren said.

The written details of BLM's final decision are not yet available but should be soon, said Scott Barker with the BLM in Burley. Changes are few. Among them are additional monitoring requirements for sage grouse, raptors and migratory birds, he said.

The mountain offers habitat for big game, amphibians and reptiles, and 81 known avian species including sage grouse, golden eagles and peregrine falcons. Windland will contribute half a percent of the wind farm's earnings to an environmental mitigation fund. That is estimated to be about \$150,000 annually at forecast power rates.

Money pumped into the local economy includes an

Wind farm blueprint

- Number of turbines: 61-98 Turbine capacity: 1.5-3 megawatts Generation capacity: 147-243 megawatts Turbine height: 210-262 feet Rotor diameter: 230-328 feet Length of turbine strings: 14.5 miles total New roads: 19.5 miles Buried power lines: 18 miles Transmission lines: 19.7 miles Land disturbed: 352 acres Total Windland right of way: 4,500 acres

Wind farm's financial profile

- Figures are estimates based on projected costs and wind energy prices. Construction cost \$200 million Annual revenue \$30 million Annual operation costs \$4.5 million Annual mitigation fund payment \$150,000 Annual land rental fee \$338,100-\$558,900 The rental amount paid to the BLM is based on \$2,300 per megawatt of nameplate capacity. The actual figure will depend on how many turbines Windland installs.

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TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTS

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

**FELONY SENTENCINGS**

Dylan T. Bronson, 29, Twin Falls; forger; pleaded guilty; six years penitentiary; two years determinate; four years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$800 suspended; \$97.50 costs; 90 days in jail, 45 to be held in abeyance; apologize to victim; \$200 public defender fee; \$200 for prosecution costs; \$376 court compliance fees; \$1,104 restitution; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms.

Timothy J. Kellog, 20, Twin Falls; grand theft by possession of stolen property; pleaded guilty; six years penitentiary; two years determinate; four years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; apologize to victim; \$300 public defender fee; \$300 for prosecution costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms; 100 hours community service.

Bryan N. Deisher, 32, Twin Falls; burglary; pleaded guilty; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; apologize to victim; \$400 public defender fee; \$400 for prosecution costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms; 120 days in jail, 90 days to be held in abeyance.

Solomon Hanks-Christensen, 18, Twin Falls; one count burglary; pleaded guilty; four years penitentiary; two years determinate; two years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$250 costs; apologize to victim; \$250 public defender fee; \$250 for prosecution costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms; 50 hours community service; obtain mental health evaluation; \$753.21 restitution; one count burglary; amended to petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$250 fine with \$250 suspended; \$72.50 costs 365 days in jail with balance suspended; \$100 public defender fee; 24 months probation.

Chalee H. Giles, 35, Jerome; two counts grand theft; pleaded guilty; ten years penitentiary, per count; three years determinate; seven years indeterminate; concurrent; suspended; three years probation; 180 days in jail; \$97.50 costs; apologize to victim; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms; seven counts grand theft; dismissed by prosecutor.

**FELONY DISMISSALS**

Brent W. Higley, 18, Shoshone; aid/abet robbery; dismissed by prosecutor; without prejudice.

**CHILD SUPPORT CASES**

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services have filed claims against the following:

Denessa J. Ellis. Seeking \$185 monthly support plus 55 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$817.58 for public assistance and child support costs.

Denessa J. Ellis. Seeking \$98 monthly support plus 46 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$856.71 for public assistance and child support costs.

William E. Ellis Jr. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$228 monthly support plus 54 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$996.58 for public assistance and child support costs.

David H. Collins. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$273 monthly support plus 67 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance.

Shedwell A. Skogle. Seeking estab-



lishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$134 monthly support plus 46 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$2,277 for uncovered medical costs.

Dani L. Campbell. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$833.67 for foster care and child support costs; \$569 for support for a prior period.

Michael E. Wilson. Seeking determination of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$10,609 for medical assistance payment; \$687 for support for a prior period.

Amarda J. Evans. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$362.70 for foster care and child support costs.

Dawn M. Shores. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$465 for foster care and child support costs.

**DIVORCES FILED**

Jessi Gardner-McAlexander vs. Rusty L. McAlexander.

David W. Kelly vs. Joeli D. Kelly.

Pamela N. Cervantes vs. Miguel R. Cervantes.

Andrea A. Brower vs. Terrell D. Brower.

Clinton J. Palmer vs. Angela M. Palmer.

Kimberly N. Scheindler vs. Tyler S. Scheindler.

Deiliah Granillo vs. Paulo L. Granillo.

Jeffrey Krohn vs. Suzanne Krohn.

Lorraine P. Jesser vs. John F. Jesser.

Brian Merrill vs. Brandon Hutchinson.

Dayann E. Blackman vs. Pizzard M. Tynd.

Nick A. Thompson vs. Leann Thompson.

Jennifer R. Roberts vs. Karsten J. Roberts.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS**

Emilio Aceuda-Morales, 45, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school.

Joe C. Avelar, 49, Buhl; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; Alfred plea; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol.

Zachary S. Bulkley, 22, Buhl; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Michael A. Gray, 56, Jerome; one count driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 120 days in jail with 110 suspended, credit for two days served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; one count open container; dismissed by prosecutor.

Mike H. Hoelscher, 42, Kimberly; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; Alfred plea; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 120 days in jail with 110 suspended, credit for two days served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; one count open container; dismissed by prosecutor.

costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school.

Jose D. Rosales, 19, Jerome; one count driving under the influence, under age 21; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school; one count open container; \$100 fine.

**MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS**

Matthew A. Kopyciowski, 24, Kimberly; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/careless driving; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 60 days in jail with 60 suspended; six months probation.

Rory L. Davis, 19, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation.

John P. Baskin Jr., 45, Twin Falls; failure to give immediate notice of an accident; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 60 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation; \$4,823.64 restitution.

Sean T. Casner, 21, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation; no alcohol.

Karel A. Benitez, 29, Twin Falls; frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 60 days in jail with 59 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation.

Patty J. Dennis, 25, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Ashlee M. Jensen, 28, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee.

Gerald S. McConnell, 41, Filer; one count driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 90 days in jail, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; dismissed by prosecutor; concurrent with other case.

Roel Garza Jr., 33, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 177 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; six months probation.

Gregory D. McCreary, 28, Hansen; one count felony domestic battery; amended to misdemeanor; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 167 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation; no alcohol; obtain evaluation from Canyonview; no contact with victim; one count felony malicious injury to property; amended to misdemeanor; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; 180 days in jail with 167 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation; \$500 restitution; concurrent.

Jason L. Pragnell, 25, Buhl; one count possession of a controlled substance; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 100 hours community service; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation; no alcohol; one count open container; \$72.50 costs; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; dismissed by prosecutor.

Michael L. Caraway, 22, Twin Falls; one count felony grand theft; amended to petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$1,000 fine; \$72.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; 365 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation; no alcohol; no contact with victim; \$1,820 restitution; \$330 court compliance fee; one count one count felony burglary; amended to petit theft; 365 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation; concurrent; one count unlawful entry; 180 days in jail with balance suspended; concurrent.

Loren W. Levesque, 39, Kimberly; one count domestic battery; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 180 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation; one count violation of no contact order; dismissed by prosecutor.

Shannon M. Ferguson, 33, Twin

Falls; assault or battery upon certain personnel; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 360 days in jail with 180 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation; no alcohol.

Jerry T. Schwenson, 60, Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; six months probation; \$422.07 restitution.

Terry J. Kingston, 41, Kimberly; petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation.

**MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS**

Theresa E. Gonzalez, 34, Hansen; battery; dismissed by prosecutor; interest of justice.

Douglas L. King, 37, Twin Falls; violation of no contact order; dismissed by prosecutor.

Felony Sentencings: Jason M. Feaverly, 32, Escadada. One; possession of a stolen vehicle; pleaded guilty; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$97.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no firearms; 20 hours community service; \$312 restitution.

**CIVIL FILINGS**

State of Idaho, Industrial Commission vs. Keystone Construction and Sealing and Jared D. Nielson. Seeking judgment against the defendant for \$8,925 plus additional penalty accruing if matter should be contested; defendant be enjoined and restrained from operating a business with employee; while any default exists; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that defendant has failed to provide workers' compensation insurance for his employees.

State of Idaho, Industrial Commission vs. Acladit Emperitiz Maldonado, doing business as Henry Burrito. Seeking judgment against the defendant for \$2,350 plus additional penalty accruing if matter should be contested; defendant be enjoined and restrained from operating a business with employees while any default exists; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that defendant has failed to provide workers' compensation insurance for his employees.

Tammie and Matthew Hank vs. James R. Lynch, Heritage/Woodstone Retirement Center, Martin Dean Stigall, Dean's Segal Coating and Paving. Seeking judgment against the defendants for past and future medical expenses and economic loss; general damages for personal injuries; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that Tammie Hank was injured after she tripped over a metal rebar stake sticking out of the ground near a parking barrier while delivering medication to the center.

Rachael D. Hayes vs. The State of Idaho. Seeking post conviction relief for a penitentiary sentence, for aid and abet burglary and for-gery charge. Plaintiff alleges that her counsel failed to petition the court for Rule 35, reduction of sentence.

Eileen Steele vs. Jimmy L. and Debbie K. Koch. Seeking judgment against the defendant for \$10,000; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that the lent defendant's \$10,000 and they have failed to repay her.

Arnando Dominguez vs. Jose T. Ontivero, also known as Eduardo Mendoza; Mike and Connie Thompson; doing business as Standing 16 Ranch Inc. Plaintiff seeking judgment against the defendant for past and future medical expenses, lost wages, general damages in excess of \$10,000; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges he was injured at work and that defendants were negligent in failing to train and/or supervise plaintiff in the safe operation of the equipment he was using at the time of said injury.

Jerry Garcia vs. Nicholas G. Arington and Rebecca Arington. Seeking judgment against the defendant for special damages for medical expenses; general damages for pain and suffering; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.

Jason and Jamie Troubridge Individually and as parents of Jordan Troubridge vs. Samuel Ogden M.D., St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Seeking judgment against the defendants for special and general damages; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff's allege that due to defendants' negligence their baby was born developmentally delayed and has been diagnosed with cerebral palsy.

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Rupert woman to celebrate 80th birthday

RUPERT — Eunice Baird of Rupert will be honored at an open house for her 80th birthday from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Richard Baird residence, 223 S. F St.



Baird

In case of bad weather, the event will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Rupert 3rd and 10th Ward, 526 S. F St. The family requests no gifts.

Birthday greetings and well-wishes can be sent to her at 223 S. F St., Rupert, ID 83350. She was born Aug. 28, 1926, in Taunton, Somerset, England. She married Daniel Elbert Baird in 1945. She arrived as a war bride in Minidoka in 1946 and has lived there since.

She served in the Auxiliary Territorial Service and worked at Roper's store doing alterations.

Baird enjoys quilting, knitting and sewing for family and humanitarian service.

Her children include James (Carolyn) Baird and Eugene (Colleen) Baird, both of Orem, Utah; Richard (Anita) Baird, Mirvyn (Carolyn) Baird and Betty (Tony) Delapais, all of Rupert; Dan (Sandy) Baird of Kennewick, Wash.; and Rosann Baird of Twin Falls. She

### has 25 grand children and 14 great-grandchildren.

### Rupert blood drive produces 104 units

RUPERT — The American Red Cross blood drive took place at the Rupert Christian Church on July 24. One hundred and four units were drawn, one short of the goal. Volunteers included the Lions Club, Mindoka Memorial Hospital volunteers and Boy Scouts of Rupert 2nd Ward.

Receiving gallon pins at the drive were: One gallon, Marie Hansen; two, Michelle Parkin; three, Dick Galbraith; six, Harold Cameron; seven, Bruce Berry; nine, Virginia Hansen; and 12, Jerry McGregor. The next blood drive will be Oct. 2 at the Rupert Civic building.

### Toastmasters holding tall tale, speech contest

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Toastmasters' annual tall tale and humorous speech contest is from noon to 1:10 p.m. Tuesday at Bridgeview Estates. Light refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome and may bring sack lunches.

Starting in September, regularly scheduled meetings will be changed to noon every Tuesday at the Golden Corral. For more information, call Donna at 736-1025 or go to [www.magicvalley.free-toasthost.info](http://www.magicvalley.free-toasthost.info).

### Woolley-Buggers 4-H Club holds fundraiser at fair

FILER — The Woolley-Buggers 4-H Club is raising money to purchase books and supplies and to help cover costs incurred at fair time.

The club will sell raffle tickets for \$1 each or six for \$5 during the Twin Falls County Fair. Anyone interested in purchasing raffle tickets can also call 423-4629 or 423-4976.

The club, which is in its third year, also will display its projects at the fair. Their projects have ranged from sheep to shooting sports to scrapbooking with members from Cloverhood age-all the way up to Teen Leader.

The club also stuffed 1,500 Easter eggs for the annual Easter egg hunt in Hansen, and on Johnny Horizon Day, cleaned up trash on an 8-mile stretch of road outside Hansen.

### State veterans officers is available Tuesday

JEROME — State Veterans service officer Mit Smith and Jim Kimball, Jerome County's veterans service officer, will meet with veterans by appointment from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday.

To make an appointment, call 324-5377.

They will discuss and answer questions about benefits, pensions and health issues.

## TWIN FALLS ROTARY CLUB UPDATE



Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Rotary Club

New Twin Falls Rotary Club Dan Olmstead inducts new Rotary member Ken Wakenood, who is district manager with Waddell and Reed Financial Services. Earlier, past Rotary President Mark Koffer passed the gavel to 2006-07 President Olmstead. Other 2006-07 club board members are president-elect Gary Camard, treasurer Richard Cook, secretary Kevin Bradshaw, past president Mark Koffer, Nancy Noonce, Kevin Trainor, Fozzie Fisher and Craig Nelson.

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## Tiger roars into lead



Tiger Woods watches his drive on the fourth tee during the third round of the PGA Championship golf tournament at Medinah Country Club Saturday in Medinah, Ill.

## Woods fires 65, shares top spot with Donald at PGA

The Associated Press

MEDINAH, Ill. — The PGA Championship has rarely looked so easy.

With Tiger Woods atop the leaderboard, winning the final major of the year could still be as hard as ever.

His final birdie Saturday came on the par-3 17th hole, a 12-foot putt that nearly spun out of the side of the cup. Woods was walking to the hole when he stopped, sighed when it dropped, then pointed his finger at the cup as if reminding his golf ball to behave.

It led to a 7-under 65, matching the course record at Medinah.

And it left him tied at the top with British-born Luke Donald, who knows as well as anyone that Woods is 11-0 when he has at least a share of the 54-hole lead in the majors.

"His numbers are obviously impressive and that's why he's the best player in the world," Donald said after his 66. "He knows that just playing his game is going to be good enough, usually."

But this is a new game for Woods. The notion of par being a good score in the Grand Slam events was laughable at

### PGA Championship Leaderboard

	Third Round	Total
Tiger Woods	69-68-65—202	-14
Luke Donald	68-68-66—202	-14
Mike Weir	72-67-65—204	-12
Geoff Ogilvy	69-68-68—205	-11
Sergio Garcia	69-70-67—206	-10
Shaun Micheel	69-70-67—206	-10
K.J. Choi	73-67-67—207	-9
Chris Dimarco	71-70-67—208	-8
Phil Mickelson	69-71-68—208	-8
Ian Poulter	70-70-68—208	-8
Tim Herron	69-67-72—208	-8

Medinah, where soft greens have allowed Woods, Donald and everyone else to take dead aim at the flag, forcing them to make birdies simply to stay in the hunt.

Both made their share to finish at 14-under 202, matching the record in relation to par for this major. David Toms led at 14-under 196 when he won the PGA Championship five years ago in Atlanta.

"Most majors ... you're just trying to survive and make pars," Woods said. "Tomorrow, I think anyone who wants to win this championship has to make some birdies."

Mike Weir made nine of them and also shot 65, putting him two shots behind at 204. U.S. Open champion Geoff Ogilvy recovered from a double bogey on his first hole to shoot 68 and was at 11-under 205. Another shot behind was Sergio Garcia, runner-up to Woods at Medinah seven years ago, and former PGA champion Shaun Micheel.

Whatever the case, all eyes are on Woods. "It's going to take a low round, because you know Tiger is playing flawless golf," Micheel said. "He's going to be a tough man to catch."

Woods soared into the lead with a string of splendid shots, starting with a 3-iron from 250 yards over Lake Kadajah to 6 feet on the par-3 13th. Then came a bunker shot to 2 feet on the par-5 14th, and a 9-iron from a sand-filled divot to 3 feet on the 15th.

All that went wrong was a three-putt bogey on the next hole, ending his streak of 50 holes at par or better.

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## Gutierrez looks sharp in Bengals' scrimmage

By Mark Liptak  
Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — A lot is being expected of transfer quarterback Matt Gutierrez and that may be unfair. After all one player does not a football team make. However it's tough to argue with those expectations when you put on a show like the senior did Saturday afternoon.

In Idaho State's second scrimmage of fall camp, an 80-play affair that simulated game conditions as closely as possible,

Gutierrez went 15-for-19. He finished with 159 yards and a pair of touchdown passes.

In two scrimmages thus far the Michigan transfer is an impressive 21-for-30 for 296 yards and five touchdowns. Small wonder the media

voiced him the Big Sky's top quarterback on the preseason team even though he's yet to take one snap in his Bengal career.

On the opening drive of Saturday's scrimmage, Gutierrez went 5-for-6 and capped the nine-play affair with an 8-yard toss to Clyde Logan. On the second drive he drove the offense downfield and hit Akilah Lacey for a 9-yard score. He also led a drive for a field goal. All together he was in for five drives.

The defense also was somewhat impressive. They recorded an amazing 10 sacks on the afternoon with Doug Hurst picking up three and, while Geo Simmons and Chris Perri had 2.5 apiece.

D.J. Clark, one of the few returning defensive backs, picked off Gutierrez in the back of the end zone for his first interception of the fall practice season. It was the only real mistake on the day for Gutierrez.

Last season Idaho State led the conference in rushing and with all the hoopla over Gutierrez, that fact has almost become an afterthought. Today the backs tried to move back to the forefront as the ground game picked up 132 yards on 25 carries. Running backs Turill Engelman and Clint Knickrehm both ran for a touchdown.

With two weeks to go before opening the season at UNLV, it appears all systems are go for Idaho State. This week will be another full round of practices capped off by the final scrimmage of the session next Saturday. Then the team switches its focus to UNLV in preparation for kickoff on Sept. 2.

## First of fall: Minico ladies drop opener

Times-News

RUPERT — The Minico Spartans girls soccer team opened up their 2006 season against a talented and talented Rams squad and fell 5-1 on their first game played on the new Minico High School soccer field in Rupert.

The Rams got things going early, scoring the first goal 3 minutes, 40 seconds into the game. Senior striker Keisha Lloyd netted Minico's goal in the 17th minute of the second half. Lloyd was the Spartans' leading scorer two years ago, but missed all of last season due to injury. Spartans head coach Arnold Tapia will look for his defense to get and push the ball up to Lloyd and fellow forward Dany Ramirez as the season marches on.

"There were a few mistakes, but they looked pretty good," Tapia said. "I think they'll get a lot better once they focus on the defensive side. I have a whole new defense this year."

The 0-1 Spartans will look for their first win of the season on Tuesday when they host Preston at 4:30 p.m.

### Local golf

#### Gasser wins T.F. Muni Ladies

TWIN FALLS — Jackie Gasser shot an 89 to take the Twin Falls Muni Ladies Gross Golfer of the Month award. Colleen Thiel shot a net 70 for Net Golfer of the Month.

Virginia Undhjem took first gross with a 75, while second gross went to Jackie Gasser. Charlotte Brunelli and Barbara Frith tied for third gross with a 96. Patty Lee took first net with a 65. Colleen Thiel was second and JoAnn Musto-Anderson finished third.

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WEDNESDAY

SPORTS

# Leinart sharp early, but fades in NFL debut



Arizona Cardinals rookie quarterback Matt Leinart (7) runs downfield during a broken play against the New England Patriots in the second quarter of their preseason NFL football game in Foxborough, Mass., Saturday.

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — Matt Leinart looked like a Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback at the start of his NFL career. It didn't last.

Leinart spent the rest of Arizona's 30-3 loss to the New England Patriots on Saturday night resembling what he is — a rookie with almost no real practice experience.

Five days after reporting to the Cardinals' training camp, the 2004 Heisman winner entered Arizona's exhibition game with 1-09 left in the first half. He promptly drove the Cardinals 54 yards to set up Neil Rackers' field goal, scrambling for 29 yards on two runs and completing 3 of 6 passes for 20 yards on the drive.

That was against a New England defense made up mostly of regulars. The starters should have stayed in the game. In the third quarter, he was just 1-for-5 — a 25-yard completion to tight end Eric Edwards — and was sacked twice by New England backups. He finished the game 4-of-11 for 49 yards.

### Dolphins 13, Buccaneers 10

TAMPA, Fla. — Daunte Culpepper was more than ready for the next logical step on his comeback trail.

The Miami quarterback took the first real hit since undergoing knee surgery, then absorbed a second and a third while helping the Dolphins to a 13-10 preseason victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Saturday night.

The eighth-year pro played into the second quarter, completing 7 of 9 passes for 66 yards and leading a nine-minute touchdown drive after producing little offense on his team's first three possessions.

Culpepper played one series in Miami's preseason opener against Jacksonville, completing one pass

for 2 yards. This appearance lasted 23 plays, 14 of them on the 70-yard march that Sammy Morris finished with a 2-yard TD run.

### Panthers 17, Jaguars 10

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — David Garrard's worst game came at an inopportune time. It also ended whatever outside shot he had at supplanting starter Byron Lettwich.

Jacksonville's backup quarterback mostly struggled with — and against — the starters Saturday night, fumbling three times, throwing an interception and getting sacked once in a 17-10 preseason loss to the Carolina Panthers. He threw another interception in the third quarter against Carolina's second-team defense.

### Vikings 17, Steelers 10

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers' preseason couldn't be going much better. Their offense is barely scoring.

Brad Johnson and rookie Tarvaris Jackson each threw for a touchdown and the Minnesota Vikings got production from starters and backups alike in beating the Steelers, winning 17-10 Saturday night in the Steelers' first home game since their Super Bowl championship.

Ben Roethlisberger, a surprise starter because of his right thumb injury, threw for a touchdown on the Steelers' opening drive before the offense basically shut down for the rest of the game.

### Texans 27, Rams 20

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mario Williams looked less like a mistake-prone rookie and more like the No. 1 pick of the draft in his second preseason game.

Williams, who made a negligible impact in his professional debut last week, got the attention of the St. Louis Rams' offensive line in the Houston Texans' 27-14 victory on Saturday night. Williams drew the Rams into a pair of penalties, batted down a pass to force a punt and tackled running back Tony Fisher for a 3-yard loss.

### Jets 27, Redskins 14

LANDOVER, Md. — Derrick Bylock made a promising bid to win the New York Jets' starting running back job — while Chad Pennington probably remains the favorite at quarterback — even though he didn't play.

The Washington Redskins? They're still looking for a score from their first-team offense. The Jets tried again to sort out two of their marquee positions in Saturday night's 27-14 victory over the Redskins. A pair of fourth-round draft picks scored first-half touchdowns on big plays, but it was the play of Bylock and quarterbacks Patrick Ramsey, Brooks Bollinger and emerging rookie Kellen Clemens that mattered most as the regular season approaches.

### Packers 38, Falcons 10

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre and the Green Bay Packers' offense found their punch in a preseason game against the Atlanta Falcons on Saturday night.

Favre led the Packers on their first two touchdown drives of the preseason in the first half, and Green Bay beat the Falcons 38-10 one week after being held to a field goal in San Diego.

"We drove the ball really well," Favre said in quotes distributed by the Packers. "We had some good drives. That was a good feeling."

# Nothing wrong with the PGA as a major

The volunteers manning the scoreboard just off the third green at Medinah Country Club didn't stand a chance.

It wasn't just that they were running out of red numbers, which they were. So many players were going so low that there wasn't enough room for all of them on the board.

Not that you could blame the people keeping score. They came here expecting to work a major championship. Instead, a Bob Hope Classic broke out.

About the only thing missing was the late comedian and his buddies playing alongside Tiger Woods.

As easy as Medinah was playing, they might have had a chance to get under par, too.

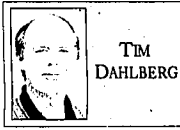
Everybody else seemed to be on a humid Saturday in the third round of the PGA Championship, where birdies were flowing more freely than the beer in the corporate hospitality tents.

It was so easy that even Woods couldn't bring himself to say he grinded this one out.

"In most major championships, you make pars and sprinkle in a couple birdies here and there, you're looking pretty good," Woods said.

Today you would have just been run over.

Woods, of course, was doing a lot of the running. His 65 seemed effortless, which had to give pause to Luke Donald, who shares the lead with him at 14 under after



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three rounds.

By now we expect that kind of thing from Woods. He is, after all, arguably the greatest golfer ever.

Mike Weir is another matter. Sure, he's got a green jacket, but the short-hitting Canadian wasn't supposed to be flirting with a major championship record or shooting a round of 65 himself on a course stretched out to 7,561 yards.

Golf purists had to be aghast. Major championships are supposed to be tests of survival, with the winner dripping in sweat and caked in dirt after navigating his way through thin fairways, thick rough and hard-baked greens.

That's the way they do it at the U.S. Open, where Geoff Ogilvy never sniffed a round in the 60s and won despite shooting 5-over-par at Winged Foot. The 11th hole was so hard that Phil Mickelson and Colin Montgomerie almost didn't finish it.

The folks at the U.S. Golf Association like that kind of thing because it tends to separate the Tigers and Phils from the Shaun Micheels and K.J. Chois, who, not surprisingly, are on this leaderboard.

"We're not trying to embarrass the best players in the world," former USGA official Sandy Tatum once famously said. "We're trying to identify them."

The stuffed shirts who run the Masters feel the same way. They began growing rough and injecting holes with steroids after Woods and his fellow long hitters began taking advantage of a course that offered little resistance to modern balls and titanium drivers.

Bobby Jones wouldn't recognize the par-1 11th hole at Augusta National, which has now grown to 505 yards. The way things are going, they'll have to knock down a few Waffle Houses on the main road next to the course to keep the long knockers at bay.

There aren't any such worries at the PGA Championship, which welcomed players this week with a course almost as accommodating as the catered suites that line fairways to give the wealthy a spot to get away from the unwashed masses.

The rough was respectable, but it wasn't that difficult to find a golf ball in it, assuming you somehow miss the wide fairways. The greens were soft to begin with, but rain on Friday made them look as though players were shooting Velcro balls from the fairway.

Conditions were ripe for scoring. And the best players in the world didn't wait long to take advantage of them.

A record 60 of them were under par the first day. That record lasted until the second day, when 61 were in red numbers.

On Saturday, there were so many good shots that CBS had trouble keeping up with them. On the course, roars came from so many corners that fans looked like bubble-head dolls trying to follow the action.

And you know what? It didn't cheapen the last major of the year a bit.

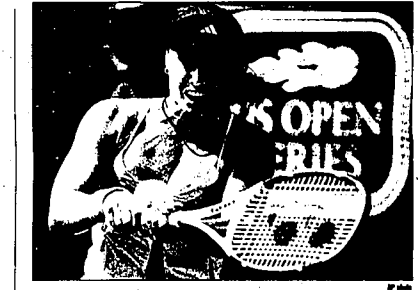
The best player in the world was still on top of the leaderboard, a good indication that the game of golf was somehow still intact. Apparently you can identify the best players by letting them make birdies as well as you can by forcing them to grovel for pars.

Know something else? It was fun.

Fans like seeing players at their best. They want to see Woods hit a 3-iron 250 yards over water to within 8 feet of the hole, as he did on the par-3 13th. They enjoy watching Mickelson making four birdies in the first seven holes to get in contention.

The drama on Sunday figures to extend deep into the back nine because everyone who sees it believes he has a chance to shoot 65.

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Martina Hingis hits a return to Anna Chakvetadze of Russia during semifinal play at the Rogers Cup Montreal on Saturday.

# Hingis reaches Rogers Cup finals

MONTREAL (AP) — Martina Hingis reached the Rogers Cup final when Anna Chakvetadze quit during the second set Saturday because of an injured right arm.

Hingis will have to wait to find out her opponent in the finals because a driving rain forced postponement of the other semifinal between Ana Ivanovic and Dinara Safina with Ivanovic leading 6-1, 3-1.

The Ivanovic-Safina match was rescheduled for 11 a.m. EDT Sunday, with the final to follow. Rain is forecast all day.

Hingis led 6-3, 3-1 when her 19-year-old Russian opponent informed the chair umpire she did not continue. Chakvetadze stopped after her fourth on-court visit from a trainer, prompting a smattering of boos from the Uniprix Stadium crowd.

"It's kind of disappointing to win a match like this, but I was already up a set and 3-1," Hingis said. "She was hurting, but she continued. You still have to keep your focus and make her play because you don't know how much it's hurting."

Chakvetadze was the seventh player in the tournament to either withdraw from a match or fail to finish because of injury. Several stars pulled out even before the hard-court event began.

Hingis, the Rogers Cup champion in 1999 and 2006, will play for the title Sunday against the winner of the semifinal between Ana Ivanovic of Serbia and Dinara Safina of Russia.

### Roddick powers into finals in Ohio

MASON, Ohio — Andy Roddick sent a 138 mph message to anyone who has written him off.

Powering up his vintage serve-and-volley style, Roddick overwhelmed Chile's Fernando Gonzalez 6-3, 6-3 on Saturday night to reach the finals of the Western & Southern Financial Group Masters.

It looked and felt like old times.

"I haven't felt like this on a tennis court in a long time," he said.

The American is back on the attack just in time for the U.S. Open. He dropped out of the picture this summer, when he was sidelined by injury and hearing suggestions that he was a thing of the past at age 23.

# Pressel shares Safeway lead

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — With a 25-foot putt from the fringe on the final hole of the day, LPGA Tour rookie Morgan Pressel grabbed a share of the lead in the Safeway Classic going into the final round.

Pressel finished the second round with a 69 for a 7-under 137 at Columbia-Elkewater Golf Club. She joins Jenna Daniels, Jeong Jang and Candie Kung on top heading into Sunday.

Six others were one stroke off the pace at 6 under atop a crowded leaderboard on the par-72, 6,327 course near Portland International Airport.

Daniels had a 1-under 71 on Saturday. She bogeyed her first three holes, but recovered with the help of six birdies — including a key birdie on No.

17 after a tee shot into the trees.

Kung shot a 66 while Jang had a 68 in a threesome with Allison Hanna.

### Pooley leads on Champions Tour

SNOQUALMIE, Wash. — Don Pooley shot a 7-under 65 and took a one-stroke lead over Scott Simpson, first-round leader Mussy Kuramoto in the Boeing Greater Seattle Classic.

Pooley, who turns 55 next week, finished at 12-under 132 on the TPC at Snoqualmie Ridge course. Simpson, the 1997 U.S. Open champion, was at 11 under following a career-best round of 61 that included 11 birdies, seven on the back nine.

# PGA

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But he bounced back with the birdie on the 17th, and Donald matched his birdie with a 6-iron into 4 feet.

"In most major championships, you make pars and sprinkle in a couple of birdies here and there and you're looking pretty good," Woods said. "Today you would have just been run over, which is different."

They still have plenty of company, and some of those fans are familiar.

Weir shared the 54-hole lead with Woods '99 at Medinah. Garcia played in the final group with Woods last month at Royal Liverpool, won easily by the world's No. 1 player for his 11th major.

Ogilvy spent the first two days matching Woods shot for shot, and the 29-year-old Aussie is not daunted by Woods' record.

"He's not going to win them all," Ogilvy said. "He's pretty special, but he's not unbeatable."

But he starts with Woods, going for his third straight victory and second straight major title against a fresh face. Donald won his second PGA Tour event in February at the Honda Classic, but has struggled in the Grand Slam events.

"It's going to be a little different, I haven't really contended in a major before," said Donald, who stayed in Chicago after going to Northwestern, where he won the NCAA title in 1999.

# SCOREBOARD

## AUTO RACING

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**RICE TO RETIRE WITH 49ERS**  
SAN FRANCISCO — Receiver Jerry Rice will retire as a member of the San Francisco 49ers next week.

Rice, who holds most of the significant NFL

**Dallas Cowboys head coach Bill Parcells listens to questions during the team's opening news conference before training camp on Friday, July 28.**

receiving records, won three Super Bowls during 16 years with the 49ers. He will sign a contract Thursday at the 49ers' training complex before

**SAPPORO, Japan — The United States wanted to make a statement as it opened the world championships against Puerto Rico. However, it took the Americans most of the first half Saturday to get it going.**

Carmelo Anthony scored 21 points, and LeBron James and Kirk Hinrich each added 15 as the U.S. overcame a sluggish start before rolling

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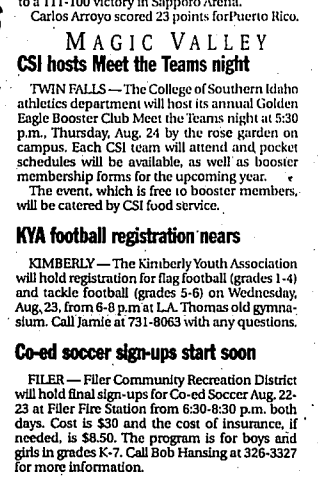
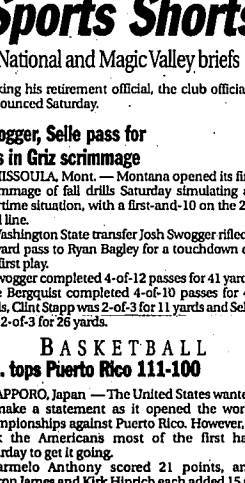
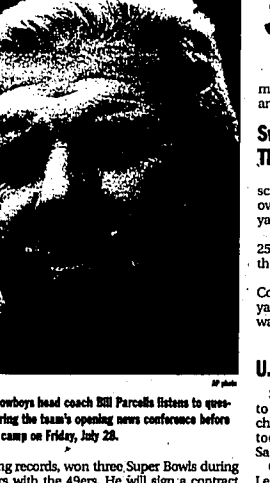
**CSA hosts Meet the Teams night**  
TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho athletics department will host its annual Idaho Eagle Booster Club Meet the Teams night at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 24 by the rose garden on campus. Each CSI team will attend and pocket schedules will be available, as well as booster membership forms for the upcoming year.

The event, which is free to booster members, will be catered by CSI food service.

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# Yankees rough up Red Sox, 13-5

**BOSTON (AP)** — Johnny Damon again punished his former team, hitting three doubles and sparking a five-run, tie-breaking rally in the sixth to help the New York Yankees beat Boston 13-5 on Saturday and extend their lead in the AL East to a season-high 4½ games.

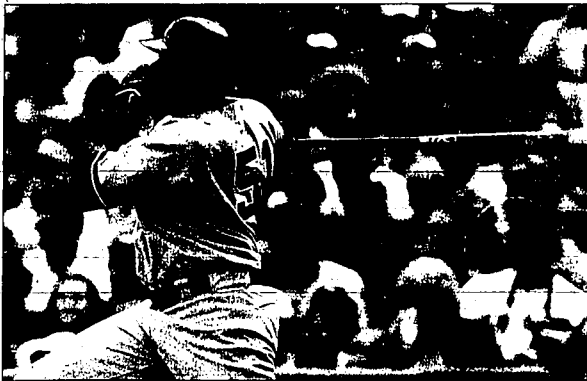
The Yankees scored at least 12 runs in winning each of the first three of the five-game series, evoking memories of the 1978 "Boston Massacre" a four-game September sweep that erased the rest of what had been a 14-game deficit in the AL East. The Yankees won the division that year on Bucky Dent's pop-up homer in a one-game tiebreaker.

Randy Johnson (14-9) took a no-hitter into the fourth before allowing all four of his hits during a temporary lapse of control that preceded Manny Ramirez's three-run homer. But the 6-foot-10 left-hander settled down and fasted seven innings, allowing five runs on six walks and a hit batter, to rescue a New York bullpen that sloughed through nearly nine hours of baseball on Friday.

## Orioles 15, Blue Jays 0

**BALTIMORE** — Daniel Cabrera pitched a five-hitter for his second career shutout, Kevin Millar drove in five runs, and Baltimore became the last major league team this season to win a fourth straight game, beating Toronto.

Nick Markakis homered to ignite a seven-run first inning, and Miguel Tejada and Brian Roberts also connected for the Orioles, who previously failed four times to extend a three-game winning streak.



New York Yankees center fielder Bernie Williams follows through on his second-inning home run off Boston Red Sox starter Josh Beckett during Saturday's game at Fenway Park in Boston.

## White Sox 4, Twins 1

**MINNEAPOLIS** — Jon Garland pitched 7 2-3 strong innings, retiring 14 straight at one point, to help the White Sox beat the Twins.

Rob Mackowiak homered for Chicago, which won for the seventh time in 10 games and increased its lead over the Twins in the wild card race to two games.

Jon Garland (14-4) allowed five hits and one unearned run, while striking out five and walking just one. He won his major-league leading 10th game on the road. Bobby Jenks got the final three outs for his 35th save in 37 chances.

## Athletics 7, Royals 2

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** — Barry Zito pitched eight strong

innings and the surging Athletics beat the Royals.

Zito (13-8) gave up two runs and eight hits while striking out seven and walking two.

Oakland has won 13 of 16 despite being swept by the Royals in a doubleheader on Friday night.

After getting only nine hits in the doubleheader, Oakland had 13 on Saturday night.

## Rangers 3, Tigers 1

**TROIT** — Mark Teixeira homered and Robinson Tejeda returned from Triple-A to combine with four relievers on a five-hitter as Texas defeated the Tigers.

The Rangers have taken the first two games of the three-game set against Detroit and have won eight of their last 11 overall.

## Indians 5, Devil Rays 3

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.** — Jeremy Sowers won his fourth consecutive decision and Jhonny Peralta had a two-run triple during a three-run fourth as the Indians beat the Devil Rays.

Sowers (5-3) gave up two runs and four hits in six innings. He is 4-0 in last six starts.

# Nevin single lifts Cubs past Cardinals in 10

**CHICAGO (AP)** — Phil Nevin's game-winning single in the 10th inning gave the Chicago Cubs a 5-4 win over the St. Louis Cardinals on Saturday.

The Cubs have won seven of six and the Cardinals saw their two-game winning streak end. They are 1-8 at Wrigley Field this season.

Jacque Jones led off the 10th inning with a double off Cardinals reliever Jason Iringhausen (3-6). Jones moved to third on Angel Pagan's bunt single. Then with bases loaded and one out, Nevin hit a shot over the head of draw-in left fielder Scott Spiezio to end the game.

Michael Wuerztz (1-0) got four outs for the victory.

## D'backs 5, Padres 3

**SAN DIEGO** — Claudio Vargas combined with three relievers on a five-hitter and helped himself with a two-run double to lead Arizona over San Diego.

The defending division champion Padres lost for the



Chicago Cubs batter Phil Nevin hits the game-winning RBI single against the St. Louis Cardinals in the 10th inning of Saturday's game in Chicago. The Cubs defeated the Cardinals 5-4.

ninth time in 12 games. The inconsistent Padres, who beat the Diamondbacks 8-2 on Friday night, managed only three hits and one run off Vargas (10-8) in seven innings. The right-hander struck out five and walked two in his third straight strong start.

Tony Pena got the final out for his first career save.

## Phillies 11, Nationals 2

**PHILADELPHIA** — Ryan Howard sparked an eight-run

inning with his NL-best 43rd home run and rookie Cole Hamels struck out seven in six strong innings, for Philadelphia.

Shane Victorino had three hits and three RBIs, Jimmy Rollins had three hits and Howard finished with three RBIs for the Phillies, who remained 2½ games back of Cincinnati in the NL wild-card race.

## Brewers 5, Marlins 3

**MIAMI** — Brian McCann

had three hits and three RBIs. Chipper Jones doubled twice and scored twice and Atlanta Braves won their third straight for the first time in a month.

Jeff Francoeur and Edgar Renteria added RBI singles to back Braves starter Chuck James (6-3).

The rookie left-hander allowed two runs — one earned — and five hits, while striking out five in six innings. He improved to 4-1 on the road.

## Brewers 6, Astros 4

**MILWAUKEE** — Dave Bush pitched seven solid innings and capped a rally with a Milwaukee single to lead

Bush (9-9) allowed four runs and eight hits with five strikeouts and no walks. Francisco Cordero, who has not allowed a run since being acquired July 28 from Texas in the Carlos Lee deal, worked the ninth for his ninth save.

The Brewers broke a three-place tie with Houston in the NL Central and trail wild-card leading Cincinnati by four games.

## Major League Baseball

American League										
East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
New York	73	48	.603	-	64	W-3	39-23	34-25	10-8	
Boston	69	53	.566	4½	46	L-3	39-22	30-31	16-2	
Toronto	65	58	.528	9	26-4	L-2	38-24	27-34	9-9	
Baltimore	55	68	.447	19	25-5	W-4	32-31	23-37	9-9	
Tampa Bay	49	74	.398	25	4-8	L-1	31-29	18-45	11-7	

Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Detroit	79	44	.642	-	37	L-2	38-21	41-23	15-3	
Chicago	73	49	.598	5½	2-3	W-1	41-23	32-26	14-4	
Minnesota	71	51	.582	7½	2-5	L-1	43-20	28-31	16-2	
Cleveland	55	67	.451	23½	2-3	W-1	32-30	23-37	8-10	
Kansas City	45	80	.360	35	4-6	L-1	28-34	17-46	10-8	

West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Oakland	69	54	.561	-	73	W-1	36-26	33-28	8-10	
Los Angeles	64	59	.520	5	5-5	W-2	29-28	35-31	7-11	
Texas	64	60	.516	5½	2-2	W-2	31-31	33-29	7-11	
Seattle	56	66	.459	12½	1-9	L-9	31-29	25-37	14-4	

National League										
East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
New York	74	48	.607	-	2-6	W-3	37-22	37-26	6-9	
Philadelphia	60	62	.492	14	4-4	W-2	32-25	28-27	5-13	
Atlanta	59	64	.478	16	6-3	W-3	25-31	33-33	5-10	
Florida	56	66	.459	18	4-6	L-2	27-30	29-36	9-9	
Washington	54	69	.439	20½	4-6	L-1	30-30	24-39	7-11	

Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
St. Louis	65	57	.533	-	4-6	L-1	35-24	30-33	5-10	
Cincinnati	63	60	.512	2½	2-5	W-1	32-32	32-28	6-9	
Milwaukee	59	64	.496	6½	4-4	W-2	36-25	23-39	6-9	
Houston	58	67	.463	8	1-7	L-2	34-31	24-34	7-11	
Chicago	53	69	.434	12	5-5	W-1	26-32	27-37	4-11	
Pittsburgh	47	76	.382	18½	5-5	L-1	23-30	15-46	3-12	

West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Los Angeles	64	58	.525	-	2-3	L-2	39-26	25-32	5-10	
Arizona	62	61	.504	2½	2-5	W-1	30-31	30-31	4-11	
San Diego	61	62	.496	3½	3-7	L-1	29-36	32-36	7-8	
San Francisco	59	63	.480	5	5-5	W-5	32-28	27-35	8-7	
Colorado	59	64	.480	5½	4-6	L-2	32-29	27-35	11-4	

AMERICAN LEAGUE										
Saturday's Games										
N.Y. Yankees 13, Boston 5										
Baltimore 15, Toronto 0										
Texas 3, Detroit 1										
Oakland 7, Kansas City 2										
Chicago White Sox 4, Minnesota 1										
Cleveland 5, Tampa Bay 3										
Seattle at L.A. Angels, late										

Sunday's Games										
Texas (Koronka 7-7) at Detroit (Bonderman 11-5), 11:05 a.m.										
Cleveland (Westbrook 9-8) at Tampa Bay (Seo 1-5), 11:35 a.m.										
Toronto (Haley 15-3) at Baltimore (Beard 12-8), 11:35 a.m.										
Oakland (Santoso 5-8) at Kansas City (Hernandez 3-7), 12:10 p.m.										
Chicago White Sox (Vazquez 11-7) at Minnesota (Santana 14-5), 12:10 p.m.										
Seattle (Woods 3-4) at L.A. Angels (E-Santana 12-6), 2:05 p.m.										
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 13-5) at Boston (Schilling 14-5), 3:35 p.m.										

NATIONAL LEAGUE										
Saturday's Games										
Chicago Cubs 5, St. Louis 4, 10 innings										
Arizona 5, San Diego 3										
Atlanta 5, Florida 3										
Cincinnati 14, Pittsburgh 7										
Milwaukee 6, Houston 4										
Philadelphia 11, Washington 2										
N.Y. Mets 7, Colorado 4										
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, late										

Sunday's Games										
Atlanta (Comer 2-4) at Florida (Willis 7-10), 11:05 a.m.										
Colorado (Jennings 7-9) at N.Y. Mets (D.Hernandez 8-9), 11:10 a.m.										
Pittsburgh (Santos 5-7) at Cincinnati (Barag 12-8), 11:15 a.m.										
Washington (Astacio 3-2) at Philadelphia (Wolf 1-0), 11:35 a.m.										
Houston (Clemens 4-4) at Milwaukee (Davis 9-6), 12:05 p.m.										
St. Louis (Gardner 11-6) at Chicago Cubs (Watts 4-3), 12:20 p.m.										
Arizona (Ballista 10-5) at San Diego (Rogers 8-9), 2:05 p.m.										
L.A. Dodgers (Lowe 10-8) at San Francisco (Morris 8-10), 2:05 p.m.										

Houston's Willy Taveras extended his hitting streak to 22 games in the first with a single.

## Mets 7, Rockies 4

**NEW YORK** — Lastings Milledge had a homer and three hits in driving in five runs in New York's six-run sixth inning, and the Mets beat Colorado after honoring their last championship team on Saturday night.

Michael Tucker walked with the bases loaded to bring in the go-ahead run and Jose Reyes followed with a bases-leading walk to cap the Mets' beginning, which featured four walks, two Rockies' errors and a passed ball.

Yorvit Torrealba hit a solo

## Reds 14, Pirates 7

**CINCINNATI** — David Ross homered and drove in a career-high five runs to help Cincinnati.

Brandon Phillips also homered as the Reds sent 10 batters to the plate in two separate innings and maintained their one-game lead in the National League wild card race. They also cut St. Louis' lead in the Central Division to 2½ games. The Cardinals lost to the Cubs 5-4 in 10 innings at Chicago Saturday afternoon.

# Backman still trying to get back into baseball after Arizona controversy

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Wally Backman has fond memories of winning the 1986 World Series with the New York Mets. His memories of his four-day stint as the manager of the Arizona Diamondbacks still sting.

Backman received a warm welcome as he joined most of his teammates on the 1986 Mets on the field at Shea Stadium for an anniversary celebration before Friday night's game against the Rockies. He made his way through the stands along the third-base line, giving high-fives as fans cheered despite a steady rain.

Darryl Strawberry, Lenny Dykstra, Mookie Wilson and Howard Johnson got the loudest applause as they made

their way through the crowd, which chanted "Lenny! Lenny!" for Dykstra and thundered "Mookie!" when Wilson was introduced.

While many of his former teammates still work in baseball, Backman is trying to get back on the field after an embarrassing episode in 2004. Arizona hired him as manager in November 2004 then dismissed him four days later because of evidence that arose from off-the-field problems, including two arrests and several financial problems.

Time has done nothing to change how the fiery Backman feels about what happened, saying Arizona handled the situation extremely poorly.

"That's basically the way that I feel and that won't change,"

Backman said. "The stuff that they put my family through, so many half-truths, the way the media took care of that in Arizona. ... It was very unprofessional."

Backman, who hit .320 with one homer and 27 RBIs in 1986, was a minor league manager for seven seasons, including 2004 in the Diamondbacks' organization when he was "The Sporting News" minor league manager of the year at Class-A Lancaster.

Arizona would have been the first major league managing job for Backman, a second baseman who played 14 seasons. Backman said he talked to some teams at baseball's winter meetings and hopes to get a job with a club in the next year, but what happened with

Arizona has damaged his reputation.

"It was bad," he said. "I mean, you can see today, I'm not in the game and I should be in the game. I really feel I should be in the game and I'm sure that somebody's going to give me an opportunity."

Backman was arrested in 2001 after a fight at his home involving his wife and one of her friends in Prineville, Ore. He pleaded guilty to misdemeanor harassment and was sentenced to 12 months' probation, ordered to undergo an anger management evaluation and donate \$1,000 to the local Boys and Girls Club.

Backman also was arrested, and later convicted, on a driving charge in Kennewick, Wash.,

winning the NL East by 2½ games. They won a thrilling NLCS against the Houston Astros, then lost the first two games of the World Series at home before recovering to beat the Red Sox in seven.

"We definitely didn't take anything lightly when we stepped on the field," said Strawberry, who hit 27 homers and drove in 93 runs in 1986.

"We were about business when we stepped on the field. We had a swagger about ourselves."

Strawberry and World Series MVP Ray Knight homered in New York's 8-5 victory over Boston in Game 7. Knight, manager Davey Johnson and pitcher Dwight Gooden were among the notable absences from the reunion.

# Liukin wins another one

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — When her winning score popped up, Nastia Liukin was the most surprised girl in the gym. And the second-place finisher, Natasha Kelley, got a firsthand look at how the not-so-perfect world of gymnastics really works.

Liukin won her second straight national title Saturday despite closing her night with a wobbling, warbling beam routine that belied her usual elegance and excellence.

"I can't really tell you what happened," Liukin said. "I've never really done that before and hope I won't do it again. At one point, I'm falling over, my legs came up and the next thing I knew, I was in a handstand."

Well, almost a handstand. She scored a 15.55 despite touching the beam — normally a huge deduction — and that allowed her to finish with 123.7 points. She won by .5 over Kelley, who appeared to get underscored on her vault to close the night.

"It's the politics of gymnastics," said 1994 Olympic champion Mary Lou Retton, whose daughter trains with Kelley. "I felt the scoring was unfortunate. I believe Natasha Kelley should have won this competition. She was strong. She hit all four events with confidence."

While Kelley, a 16-year-old who is new to the senior circuit, would have been thrilled with a national title, this was little more than a warmup for Liukin, who has won four Championships on her mind.

Same goes with reigning world champion Chellise Memmel, who finished fourth — pretty much what she expected to do after watering down her routines to protect her recovering shoulder.

"I'm very happy with my performance," Memmel said. "There were a few mistakes out there, but that can be fixed."

Jana Bieger, a member of last year's world championship team, finished third while Alicia Sacramone, the defending world champion on floor, finished fifth.

All are pointing to Worlds in October and, of course, to the Olympics in 2008, so the result of this event wasn't the most important thing.

Still, there was a gold medal on the line. And this was the first major event contested in America under the sport's new and confusing scoring system. The system was revamped after the Athens Olympics in an attempt to reduce subjectivity and favoritism.

On this night, though, it may not have worked. The panel of American judges took a full two minutes to post Liukin's score — about a minute longer than usual. A few minutes after the meet, Kelley looked as if she'd been crying.

She took the high road when asked if she was disappointed.

"I guess a little bit, because everyone wants to win," she said.

Her coach wasn't so diplomatic. "You have to earn your place," Dan Baker said. "We thought we had it won. We made a good start. Doing as well as she did, it will help her in the future."

It certainly should and really, the judges' natural bias toward the big-name athletes should help the Americans in the long-run. They are, after all, the team with the defending world champion in Memmel and with Liukin, who finished .001 points behind Memmel last year.

It might have looked bad for America to send a relative no-name to this year's



Nastia Liukin performs on the balance beam Saturday at the U.S. Gymnastics Championships being held in St. Paul, Minn. Liukin won the overall title for the women.

worlds as the national champ. Either way, it's hard to deny Liukin is very, very good, even when she makes mistakes.

"Though this wasn't as good as night for her as Thursday's preliminaries, her fabulous toe points on bars, her graceful dancing on the floor and her solid landing on the vault were all stunning to watch, too much for anyone to over- come."

Her beam routine, meanwhile, looked more like a high-wire act. "She made a pretty big mistake," national team coordinator Martha Karolyi said. "But she shows world-class form in everything she does. She gets rewarded for that and deducted for the mistake."

Kelley, meanwhile, probably didn't get full credit for a rather difficult Yurchenko double-full vault, one she executed well, save a fairly significant wobble on the landing. Her score of 14.85 forced Liukin to make a 15.1 to beat her, and Liukin can-

pretty much do that in her sleep.

"I knew I was two-tenths behind with nothing to lose," she said. "It didn't quite happen the way I planned it. But I'm not afraid to lose. I don't compete to win competitions. I only compete to do my best and show all the judges I've got new routines to take it to another level."

Undoubtedly, she'll get there. Kelley might, too. Just not on this night. "If I were Natasha Kelley," Retton said, "that would make me want to go back to the gym, work my tail out to show I'm that much better so they can't do something like that to me again."

Ropes and Mats® The men's program named its World Championship team Saturday. On it are national champion Sasha Artemev, Guillermo Alvarez, Jonathan Horton, Justin Spring, Clay Strother and rings specialist Kevin Tan. ... The women's world team will be named in October, after a pair of training camps at the Karolyi ranch.



Sheffield United midfielder, Paul Hill, left, challenges for the ball with Liverpool's Matt midfielder, Mohamed Szasok, centre and Dutch midfielder Bolo Zenden during their English Premier League soccer match at Bramall Lane, Sheffield, England, on Saturday.

# Liverpool ties Premier opener

LONDON (AP) — Liverpool needed a late penalty kick to escape with a 1-1 tie at Sheffield United on Saturday in the opening game of the English Premier League season.

Robbie Fowler scored the tying goal in the 70th minute after a foul on Steven Gerrard. Rob Hulse had given the hosts the lead in the 46th.

Liverpool, which has a Champions League game against Israeli champion Maccabi Haifa on Wednesday, lost two key players to ankle injuries in the opening 34 minutes. Defenders Jamie Carragher and Jon Arne Riise had to be replaced.

Liverpool fell behind in the opening minute of the second half when Hulse headed in a free kick from David Unsworth.

Sheffield United goalkeeper Paddy Kenny then saved a header from Craig Bellamy midway through the second half, but he was beaten three minutes later. Gerrard got into the area and Kenny saved his weak shot. However, the Liverpool captain's leg had been caught by Phil Jagielka, and Fowler made the penalty kick.

The game at Bramall Lane was the first in the top tier of English soccer in 12 years.

Sheffield United manager Neil Warnock watched from the stands. He was banned from the bench for the opening two games for arguing with the referee and Leeds United manager Kevin Blackwell during a League Championship game near the end of last season.

U.S. goalkeeper Tim Howard, on loan from Manchester United, made his league debut with Everton in a 2-1 win over Watford. Andy Johnson and Mikel Arteta scored for Everton.

Reading, starting with U.S. players Marcus Hahnemann and Bobby Conway, overturned a two-goal deficit and beat Middlesbrough 3-2 in its first game in the Premier League.

Arsenal got a tying goal from Gilberto Silva in the 84th to hold Aston Villa to a 1-1 tie in the first league game at Emirates Stadium. Olof Mellberg put Villa in the lead with a header in the 53rd minute.

Portsmouth beat Blackburn 3-0, despite U.S. goalkeeper Brad Friedel saving a penalty kick during injury time.

Werder Bremen wins in Bundesliga

BERLIN — Werder Bremen beat Bayer Leverkusen 2-1 in the Bundesliga, with Brazilian Diego setting up both goals. Diego first sent a free kick to Miroslav Klose for the tying goal in the 26th minute, and then assisted on Hugo Almeida's winner in the 77th. Leverkusen had taken the

lead in the 15th on Paul Freier's penalty kick, and came close several times soon after.

Hamburger SV needed a late goalkeeper blunder to salvage a 2-2 tie against promoted Energie Cottbus.

Hamburg got its tying goal in the 71st when Cottbus goalkeeper Tomislav Piplica ran out and missed Rafael van der Vaart's corner, leaving Nigel de Jong to head a shot into an empty net.

Boubacar Sanogo put Hamburg ahead in the 38th minute, with Cottbus' goals coming from Vlad Munteanu in the 56th and Sergiu Radu in the 69th.

## Marseille downs host Auxerre

PARIS — Franck Ribery scored his first goal since the World Cup, helping Marseille beat host Auxerre 3-0 in the French league.

Tifloiu Mavroulidis and Mickael Pagis also scored for Marseille, which has seven points in three games and is atop the league standings due to goals differential. Le Mans, which rallied from two goals down to beat Valenciennes 3-2 at home, is second.

Ribery, who wanted to leave the club before the season started, gave Marseille the lead in the 45th minute with his first goal since he tied the score against Spain in the second round of the World Cup.

## Rangers blank Hearts in Scottish league

GLASGOW, Scotland — Chris Boyd scored two goals in three minutes to lead Rangers over Hearts 2-0 and into first place in the Scottish Premier League.

Boyd gave Rangers the lead two minutes after halftime when Robbie Neilson tripped Dado Prso inside the penalty area. Boyd beat goalkeeper Craig Gordon from the penalty spot.

Three minutes later, he headed in a free kick from Lee Martin.

Rangers leads the league with eight points, one more than St. Mirren, Falkirk, Hearts and Kilmarnock.

## Rivaldo leads Olympiakos Piraeus

ATHENS, Greece — Brazilian star Rivaldo scored twice to help Olympiakos Piraeus come from behind and beat Xanthi 2-1 Saturday in the opening round of the Greek Super League.

Giorgos Barkogiou gave Xanthi the lead in the 5th minute. In the day's other match, AEK Athens played to a scoreless draw against PAOK Thessaloniki.

The Athens club plays Scotland's Hearts in a Champions League qualifier at home Wednesday after winning the first leg 2-1.

# Notre Dame investigating athletes

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Notre Dame is looking into whether student-athletes, including football and basketball players, violated NCAA rules with comments promoting a local sports talk show on the CBS affiliate here.

John Heister, Notre Dame's senior associate athletic director, said Saturday he became aware of possible violations when contacted Friday afternoon by a reporter for The Journal Gazette of Fort Wayne. Heister said the school has not seen the spots, promoting "Sports Dogz" on WSDT-TV, so it does not know if it violates NCAA rules.

"We're just trying to figure out what this is," he said. "I don't know if we know for sure it's an NCAA violation."

Jennifer Kearns, associate director of public and media relations with the NCAA, said she could not comment on specific cases, or whether the Indianapolis-based organization was investigating the students.

Kearns said that in past situations when a student-athlete did not know they were breaking an NCAA rule it had been deemed as a secondary violation.

"The NCAA is trying to get student athletes the benefit of the doubt," Kearns said. "If they say, 'I didn't know this was happening,' we try to work with them and do what's best for them."

Heister said school officials would ask WSDT-TV to provide copies of the promotions.

Last year USC quarterback Matt Leinart had his eligibility temporarily revoked after appearing in a promotional segment on ESPN. Leinart was reinstated after Southern California petitioned the NCAA. The NCAA said Leinart's actions were "unintentional and inadvertent."

Coach Charlie Weiss said Saturday that the television spots by the Notre Dame players might be different because the comments weren't as promotions outside of the program.

"This is something run during the show, so it's a totally different," he said. "Weiss said he is depending on Notre Dame's compliance officer to determine whether any rules were violated."

# Your Scores and Stats

**BOWLING**  
**BOWLING ROME - TWIN FALLS**  
**HALF & HALF**  
 MEN'S SERIES: Dennis Seckel 476, Don Parsons 451, Stephen Innan 403.  
 MEN'S GAMES: Don Parsons 181, Dennis Seckel 171, Stephen Innan 129.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Sylvia Innan 492, Michele Seckel 446, Joy Galan 388.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Sylvia Innan 176, Michele Seckel 165, Joy Galan 140.  
**BOYS' SERIES:** Nick Parsons 601, Zach Black 559, Luke Silionis 388.  
**BOYS' GAMES:** Nick Parsons 225, Zach Black 199, Luke Silionis 178.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Miranda Curtis 123, Angela Hubbsmith 114, Amber LaCroix 145, Melanie Beruch 143, Pam Taylor 142.

**SPECIAL FORCES II**  
 MEN'S SERIES: Chris Fay 354, Jason Frisby 314, C.J. Jennings 292, Kelly Clark 285.  
 MEN'S GAMES: Chris Fay 209, Jason Frisby 172, C.J. Jennings 165, Kelly Clark 163.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Katie Arnold 183, Mercedes Sheen 115, Natasha Yerton 95, Dawn Kraft 94.  
**BOULAPALOOZA**  
 MEN'S SERIES: Dennis Seckel 645, Jerry Seabolt 638, Ray LaPointe 570, Dan Shepherd 476.  
 MEN'S GAMES: Jerry Seabolt 257, Dennis Seckel 236, Ray LaPointe 226, Dan Shepherd 165.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Michele Seckel 533, Ann Shepherd 467, Natelle Campbell 352.

**LADIES GAMES:** Michele Seckel 193, Natelle Campbell 173, Ann Shepherd 165.  
**MAJIC BOWL - TWIN FALLS**  
**MONDAY NITE HITRO**  
**GAMES:** Joe McClure 642, James McClure 256, Ryan Cleer 221, Bryan Price 219, Kite Schroeder 216.  
**TUESDAY MIXED**  
**MEN'S SERIES:** Joe McClure 663, Charles Lewis 545, Blaine Ross 539, Byron Wayment 528.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Joe McClure 235, Blaine Ross 198, Charles Lewis 190, Byron Wayment 184.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Marie Stewart 562, Tracy Jones 446, Kathy McClure 444, Nancy Lewis 442.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Marie Stewart 197, Kathy McClure 187, Angie Wayment 167, Cheryl Kerr 165.

AP INVESTIGATION

# Sexual misconduct a hidden problem in recruitment

By Martha Mendoza  
Associated Press writer

More than 100 young women who expressed interest in joining the military in the past year were preyed upon sexually by their recruiters. Women were raped on recruiting office couches, assaulted in government cars and groped en route to entrance exams.

A six-month Associated Press investigation found that more than 80 military recruiters were disciplined last year for sexual misconduct with potential enlistees. The cases occurred across all branches of the military and in all regions of the country.

"This should never be allowed to happen," said one 18-year-old victim. "The recruiter had all the power. He had the uniform. He had my future. I trusted him."

At least 35 Army recruiters, 18 Marine Corps recruiters, 18 Navy recruiters and 12 Air Force recruiters were disciplined for sexual misconduct or other inappropriate behavior with potential enlistees in 2005, according to records obtained by the AP under dozens of Freedom of Information Act requests. That's significantly more than the handful of cases disclosed in the past decade.

The AP also found: —The Army, which accounts for almost half of the military, has had 722 recruiters accused of rape and sexual misconduct since 1996.

—Across all services, one out of 200 frontline recruiters — the ones who deal directly with young people — was disciplined for sexual misconduct last year.

—Some cases of improper behavior involved romantic relationships, and sometimes those relationships were initiated by the women.

—Most recruiters found guilty of sexual misconduct are disciplined administratively.

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ly, facing a reduction in rank or forfeiture of pay; military and civilian prosecutions are rare.

—The increase in sexual misconduct incidents is consistent with overall recruiter wrongdoing, which has increased from just over 400 cases in 2004 to 630 cases in 2005, according to a General Accounting Office report released this week.

The Pentagon has committed more than \$1.5 billion to recruiting efforts this year. Defense Department spokeswoman Lt. Col. Ellen Krenke insisted that each of the services takes the issue of sexual misconduct by recruiters "very seriously and has processes in place to identify and deal with those members who act inappropriately."

In the Army, 53 recruiters were charged with misconduct last year. Recruiting spokesman S. Douglas Smith said the Army has put much energy into training its staff to avoid these problems.

"To have 53 allegations in a year, while it is 53 more than we would want, is not indicative of the entire command of 8,000 recruiters," he said. "We take this very seriously and we take appropriate action as necessary to discipline these people."

The Associated Press generally does not name victims in sexual assault cases. For this story, the AP interviewed victims in their homes and perpetrators in jail, read police and court accounts of assaults and in one case portions of a victim's journal.

A pattern emerged. The sexual misconduct almost always takes place in recruiting stations, recruiters apartments or government vehicles.

The victims are typically between 16 and 18 years old, and they usually are thinking about enlisting.

They usually meet the recruiters at their high schools, but sometimes at malls or recruiting offices.

"We had been drinking, yes. And we went to the recruiting station at about midnight, begins one girl's story.

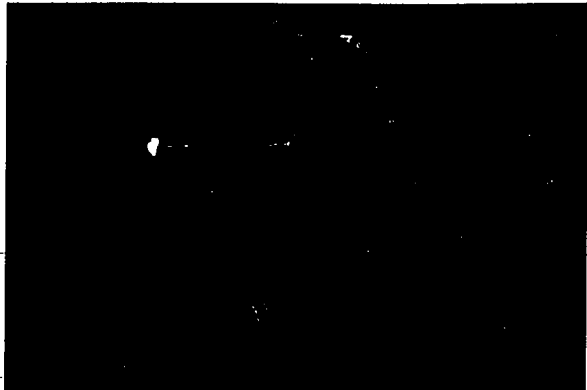
Tall and slim, her long hair sweeping down her back, this 18-year-old from Ukiah, Calif., hides her face in her hands as she describes the night when Marine Corps recruiter Sgt. Brian Fukushima climbed into her sleeping bag on the floor of the station and took off her pants. Two other recruiters were having sex with two of her friends in the same room.

"I don't like to talk about it. I don't like to think about it," she says, her voice muffled and breaking. "He got into my sleeping bag, unbuttoned my pants, and he started, well..." Her voice trails off, and she is quiet for a moment. "I had a freak-out session and just passed out. When I woke up I was sick and ashamed. My clothes were all over the floor."

Fukushima was convicted of misconduct in a military court after other young women reported similar assaults. He left the service with a less than honorable discharge last fall.

His military attorney, Capt. James Weirick, said Fukushima is "sorry that he let his family down and the Marine Corps down. It was a lapse in judgment."

Shedrick Hamilton uses the same phrase to describe his own actions that landed him in Oneida Correctional Facility in upstate New York for 15 months for having sex with a



Former U.S. Marine recruiter Shedrick Hamilton is overwhelmed with emotion during an interview at the Oneida Correctional Facility in Rome N.Y., June 26. Hamilton was convicted of raping a 16-year-old girl who wanted to enlist.

16-year-old high school student he met while working as a Marine Corps recruiter.

Hamilton said the victim had dropped her pants in his office as a prank a few weeks earlier, and that on this day she reached over and caressed his groin while he was driving her to a recruiting event.

"I pulled over and asked her to climb into the back seat," he said. "I should have pushed her away. I was the adult in the situation. I should have put my foot down, called her parents."

As a result, he was convicted of third-degree rape, and left the service with an other-than-honorable discharge. He wipes the collar of his prison jumpsuit across his cheek, smearing tears that won't stop.

to deal with," he says, dropping his head. "It's very, very hard to deal with."

Sometimes these incidents are indisputable, forcible rapes.

"He did whatever he pleased," said one victim who was 17 at the time. "... People in uniform used to make me feel safe. Now they make me feel nervous."

Other sexual misconduct is more nuanced. Recruiters insist the victims were interested in them, and sometimes the victims agree. Sometimes they even dated.

"I was persuaded into doing something that I didn't necessarily want to do, but I did it willingly," said Kelly Chase, now a Marine Corps combat photographer, whose testimony helped convict a recruiter of sexual misconduct last year.

Anita Sanchez, director of communications at the Miles Foundation, a national advocacy group for victims of violence in the military, bristles at

the idea that the enlistees, even if they flirt or ask to date recruiters, are willingly having sex with them.

"You have a recruiter who can enable you to join the service or not join the service. That has life-changing implications for you as a high school student or college student," she said. "If she does not do this her life will be seriously impacted. Instead of getting training and an education, she might end up a dishwasher."

All of the recruiters the AP spoke with said they were routinely alone in their offices and cars with girls. They also all agreed that the lines were clear: Recruiters do not sleep with enlistees.

"Any recruiter that would try to claim that, 'Oh, it's consensual,' they are lying, they are lying through their teeth," said former Marine Corps recruiter Ethan Walker. "The recruiter has all the power in these situations."

## Meeting cute girls, seeing future Marines part of the pull for recruiters

By Martha Mendoza  
Associated Press writer

SAN JOSE, Calif. — On a warm spring Tuesday, a 19-year-old girl walks into the Marine Recruiting Office and flings herself into the fake leather chair, adjusting a spaghetti strap on her skimpy tank-top.

Marine Corps Sgt. Edward Green, in a pressed and neat uniform, greets her warmly, with a genuine smile and a handshake. Green has long dark lashes, tight shoulders and the chest of a wrestler. He's 23, opens doors for women and remembers everyone's names.

"If girls are flirting with him, he says he doesn't notice. And he certainly doesn't respond."

This girl had filled out an online form from the Marine's recruiting web site asking for more information. Green called her up and invited her in.

For the next hour, an intense conversation ensues. She talks fast, her voice shaking at times as she explains that her father is urging her to enlist, that he wants her to have some structure in her life.

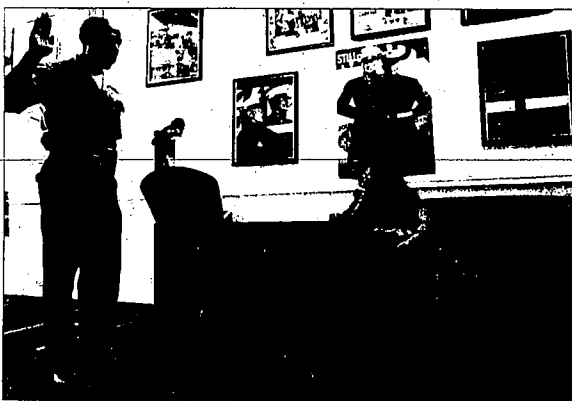
"I want the courage to stand up for myself," she says. "I never looked up to my mother. She was nothing. She never did anything. I don't want to stay at home like my mother. But I can't do a push up, just to let you know. I don't know how. Can you teach me?"

She slouches forward onto the table, leaning her chin onto her folded hands and pouting for a moment.

He asks why she wants to be a Marine.

"I just want to be hot. I just want to be buff. I want to be fit," she says. "Do you think I'll lose a couple of pounds in boot camp? Do you think I will?"

Green loves the Marines. He loves the institution, the



Mariel Ortega, 17, of San Jose, Calif., gets some military pointers from Marine Sgt. Edward Green at a recruiting center in San Jose, Calif. on July 11.

"It's easy to stay out of trouble at this. All you do is stay professional. Every day, all the time. I'm a Marine all the time, not just sometimes. I take that very seriously."

— Marine Corps Sgt. Edward Green

public service, the noble tradition dating back to the American Revolution. He even loves his uniform. He's done two tours in Iraq, and is now putting in a few years as a recruiter, which is one way to increase his chances of being promoted.

Like his fellow military recruiters around the country, Green spends hours a day making cold calls to high school students whose names are on lists provided by high schools as mandated by the No Child Left Behind Act.

He also walks around high school and junior college campuses, and has one-on-one meetings in the recruit-

ing offices with potential enlistees.

It's far more stressful than it sounds. The military calls it one of the toughest assignments a servicemember can have. There is immense pressure on recruiters to meet their mission: their numbers. In Sgt. Green's case, this means two new recruits each month.

Increased hostilities in Iraq make it tough to persuade young people to join. Further, Defense Department researchers estimate that more than half of the people in this country between 16 and 21 don't meet the military's eligibility requirements.

Recruiters who fail to meet their mission can be yelled at, harassed and humiliated. They rarely take vacations, and they are often isolated, living off base in the communities where they recruit.

Half of the recruiters in this country say they are dissatisfied with the job and three out of four say they would choose another assignment if they were allowed to, according to a 2005 internal Defense Department survey of recruiters, released in part last week in a General Accounting Office report.

But drugs and alcohol are a problem among recruiters in all branches. So is sexual misconduct.

"Look," says Green, grabbing a quick sandwich between recruiting sessions. "It's easy to stay out of trouble at this. All you do is stay professional. Every day, all the time. I'm a Marine all the time, not just sometimes. I take that very seriously."

## Some prosecutors, victims seeking justice outside military system

By Martha Mendoza  
Associated Press writer

Dissatisfied with the military's handling of sexual assault cases involving recruiters, some local prosecutors and victims are challenging the misconduct on their own, charging everything from a violation of an Indian treaty to racketeering.

Most such cases are handled administratively by the military — for example, 13 of the 19 Air Force recruiters whose misconduct was confirmed since 2004 received letters of reprimand in their personnel files and fines that ranged from \$200 to \$1,200.

In seeking greater penalties, victims and local authorities have taken unusual tactics.

In South Dakota, a young Oglala Sioux woman, Leveeta Elk, is suing the federal government under an 1868 treaty which says that if "bad men" among government officials commit "any wrong" upon the person or property of any Sioux, the United States will reimburse the injured person for the loss sustained.

Elk chose to have her name released when she filed her lawsuit. She says she was assaulted by Army recruiter Sgt. Joseph Kopf in his government car, when he stopped in a remote area while driving her to a military evaluation center. Kopf has been demoted and reassigned within the Army, officials said. Kopf could not be reached for comment.

"I decided to file a lawsuit because I know I'm not the only girl he did this to. I want to put a stop to it," Elk said. "He has no excuse for what he did. It shouldn't happen to anybody."

Her attorney Adam Horowitz said this is the first time this law has been tested. In April, a federal judge denied the government's request to dismiss the lawsuit.

In another case, prosecutor

Barbara Trathen of Hamilton County, Ind., has charged National Guard recruiter Sgt. Eric Vetses — accused of assaulting seven young women — with racketeering along with 31 charges of rape and sexual battery. His trial is scheduled for later this summer.

Vetses, a married father of three, met most of his alleged victims, ages 16 to 20, while recruiting at Indianapolis-area high schools, according to the indictment. Victims told the grand jury he threw them against a wall of the armory, raped them on a counterop and forced them to fondle him.

Trathen said she charged him with racketeering under the section that bans corrupt business influence and official misconduct. "It's rape, yes, and it's sexual assault. But it's more than that. He had a pattern of misusing his position of power," she said.

In another case, two teenage women who claim a pair of former Marine Corps sergeants raped them in a recruiting office sued the military in federal court in San Francisco in May.

They're seeking a requirement that all Marine Corps recruiters receive proper training and supervision.

One of the victims, 17, shared portions of her handwritten journal with the AP. "I lost my virginity to (the recruiter) ... in the back room on the sofa. I didn't want to have sex but I didn't want him to be upset with me and make me go all the way back to my old recruiter. He was also the type of guy to bad mouth a person if he didn't get what he wanted," she wrote about their first encounter.

Both recruiters were demoted after court-martial proceedings, but acquitted of the most serious charges they faced. Both have since left the military.

FOCUS: JONBENET RAMSEY

An arrest brings JonBenet's story full-circle

By Adam Keller Associated Press writer

Ten years later, it is a blur of morbid fascination and speculation, of gross misjudgments and disturbing suspicions, a torrent of bold type and flashing images that makes it difficult to remember the dark winter stillness in which it all started.

It was 5:22 a.m., the morning after Christmas, 1996 — the moment the story of JonBenet Ramsey simultaneously ended and began.

In the 15-room Tudor home at 755 15th St., Patsy Ramsey picked up the phone and dialed 911. Please help, she implored the Boulder, Colo., police dispatcher; someone had stolen her little girl.

When police arrived at the home in the upscale Chautauqua neighborhood, not far from the University of Colorado campus, they were told they were looking for a 6-year-old with shining eyes and flowing blonde hair, a diminutive beauty queen. They studied a ransom note found inside.

"Mr. Ramsey? Listen Carefully!" it began. "At this time we have your daughter in our possession. She is safe and unharmed, and if you want to see her in 1997, you must follow our instructions..."

In that moment, the case, horrific as it was, was at least fairly straightforward. By afternoon, even that dubious bit of reassurance would be lost.

Nearly a decade has passed since then. But the uproar unleashed this past week by the arrest in Thailand of John Mark Karr, a 41-year-old itinerant teacher who says he killed JonBenet, makes it clear that fascination with the case has never really diminished.

And it provides just one more disconcerting twist to a case that continues to both repulse and intrigue in a way that few other notorious cases have ever done.

"We move on (from other cases) because they get replaced. They're almost generic. But how many, involve victims of this degree of wealth? How many involve ... parents of victims who call press conferences (to) keep it alive?" says Andrew Vachas, a best-selling author of crime novels that are an outgrowth of a career spent defending the rights of children.

"It's so bizarre on its surface ... and now you have this very forensic-minded public which you didn't have before," he said.

It is not at all clear that Karr is guilty. His confession is peppered with contradictions and inconsistencies. Doubts and questions have been raised about whether Karr, who has not lived in Colorado, was ever in the state, let alone at the time of the murder. Authorities, urging patience and caution, will not say whether DNA tests have revealed any connection.

It is all very strange. But looking back on the JonBenet case, is it also all too typical?

The doubt that now twists around the case took root



Karr John Mark Karr, 41, the suspect in the 1996 slaying of JonBenet Ramsey, was arrested Wednesday, a day after he began teaching second grade in Bangkok.

Trail of a suspected killer

1996-2001: Resume claims that Karr taught elementary school students at U.S. institutions. 2001: Arrested on child pornography charges; Karr disappears. 2002-03: Posted resume says Karr was a private teacher in Germany, the Netherlands, South Korea, Costa Rica and Honduras. 2004-05: Another resume claims he recruited new English teachers. June 5 - Arrives in Bangkok from Malaysia to look for a teaching job. Aug. 11 - U.S. authorities inform Thai police that an arrest warrant was issued for Karr. Aug. 16 - Arrested in Bangkok.

hours after police reached the Ramsey's home. As police searched the scene that Thursday afternoon, detectives allowed Patsy's husband, John, to re-enter the house alone.

He emerged a few minutes later, JonBenet's body limp in his arms.

That was the first of what would be criticized as a series of inept mistakes by investigators. It set the scene for the Ramseys to launch their own parallel campaign for clues, even as they straight-armed Boulder Police Chief Tom Koby's department. And, as supermarket tabloids and cable networks swarmed over the case, a bizarre dynamic began to take shape.

"The family is cooperating," a Boulder city spokeswoman assured reporters early on. "Even as it is in Boulder under protective custody. They are not under house arrest."

By New Year's Eve, the Ramseys had hired an attorney, their own publicist and their own investigators. Soon, they drew into seclusion, shifting between friends' homes week to week, their movements and possible motivations the subject of court headlines in the tabloids.

"Cops: Mom Confesses 'It's My Fault,'" cried the front page of The National Enquirer, two months after the murder.

Investigators began to signal their frustration. The case would take months to solve, Koby said.

Five months after the murder he would remove two detectives from the case, including the first one to arrive at the Ramsey home. Later, he would acknowledge mistakes had been made in the early going. Eventually, he would retire in disgrace.

As the months dragged on, little headway appeared to be made. Handwriting samples were taken from both of JonBenet's parents. But by their thrust and parry with investigators intensified, as the two sides negotiated publicly about where detectives would be allowed to interview the couple — at their home together or at the police station, recorded on tape.

Not until more than four months after the murder did the family sit down with police for formal interviews. After that, it would be more than a year before the couple and their 9-year-old son, Burke

— under the "umbrella of suspicion" along with his parents — were interviewed again.

Even as it began to appear that the murderer might never be identified, prosecutors sealed a grand jury to examine the case in spring of 1998.

As the case entered its third year, the grand jury even sought records on the books that JonBenet's parents bought. But in late 1999, prosecutors announced that no indictments would be issued, citing a lack of evidence. A former Boulder detective went on TV, declaring that she knew who the murderer was, but that the killer would never be brought to justice.

By the end of 2000 — four years after the murder — with investigators exhausted, vast amounts of time and money spent and no apparent progress made, many observers believed the case might never be solved.

"JonBenet Ramsey has been dead for 1,441 days," wrote Chuck Green, a columnist for The Denver Post. "The investigation into her murder has been dead for just as long."

That is the case that Mary Lacy inherited when she became the new district attorney for Boulder County, promising to revisit JonBenet's death.

"I would expect her to carry out what I believe is her responsibility, which is to tell the public the plain and simple

truth — that there is insufficient evidence to file charges against anyone, specifically John and Patsy Ramsey," an attorney for the couple told reporters at the time.

Instead, the case entered a three-year period of relative quiet. In 2003, after the Ramseys moved to Georgia, a federal judge in Atlanta concluded that evidence in the case was far more suggestive that an intruder had killed JonBenet than one centering on her mother, who had become the prime suspect in many minds. Lacy agreed.

Still, the case appeared to be going nowhere. In 2004, tests on DNA found in JonBenet's underwear were compared with a national database of offenders, with no match. This June, weeks before Karr's

arrest, Patsy Ramsey died of ovarian cancer.

Without an arrest, the story outwardly seemed to be winding down. But, behind the scenes it turns out investigators were piecing through a long chain of e-mails exchanged by a University of Colorado professor, Michael Tracey, and a stranger with a deep and increasingly disturbing interest in JonBenet's death.

Over a period of four years, the man confided in Tracey that he had been the subject of an investigation for molesting and murdering children. But it was not until this spring that Tracey, alarmed by something in one of those e-mails, went to the district attorney's office, which determined the sender to be Karr. Tracey will not say what so

disturbed him and has refused to disclose the contents of any of the e-mails. But on Friday, the Rocky Mountain News published excerpts of the e-mails obtained from what it called a source close to the investigation.

In one of those e-mails, Karr asked Tracey to go to the Ramsey house last December and recite a poem he had authored for the girl. It could be the last chilling clue in the case and, true to pattern, one that raises at least many troubling questions as it answers.

"JonBenet, my love, my life. I love you and I shall forever love you," Karr wrote. "I pray that you can hear my voice calling out to you from my darkness — this darkness that now separates us."

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An arrest in the JonBenet murder case

When 6-year-old JonBenet Ramsey was taken to her home in Boulder, Colo., home on Dec. 26, 1996, the first act of a decade-long investigation that captured the nation's attention and eventually led to the arrest of former teacher John Mark Karr in Bangkok on Wednesday.

Dec. 26 - JonBenet is found dead in the basement of her home. Mother Patsy Ramsey calls 911. Ransom note demanding \$118,000 for her daughter.

John and Patsy Ramsey speak during a news conference in May 1997.

Feb. 24, 1997 - A federal judge in Atlanta concludes the evidence is more consistent with the intruder theory.

April 18 - DA Alex Hunter says family members of JonBenet Ramsey are removed from the case.

June 23-25, 1998 - Ramseys queue in front of police, their first interviews in more than a year. JonBenet's brother Burke, 9, at the time of her death, is interviewed for six hours.

Oct. 13, 1999 - District attorney says no indictments will be issued; cites a lack of sufficient evidence.

Dec. 20, 2002 - New DA takes over case.

March 31, 2003 - A federal judge in Atlanta concludes the evidence is more consistent with the intruder theory.

June 24 - Patsy Ramsey dies at 49, following a long battle with ovarian cancer.

Aug. 16 - Suspect in JonBenet's slaying arrested in Thailand, later confesses.

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**MISCELLANEOUS**  
  
**Sun Valley Resort has multiple job openings for seasonal and peak workers for the 2006-2007 Winter Season. Job Locations: Sun Valley Village and Dollar Mountain in the City of Sun Valley; Bald Mountain adjacent to and within the City of Ketchum; all in Blaine County. Please find the positions listed with their Job Listing Number:**  
**Alpine Instructor, 15 Positions, Job Listing Number 1227985**  
 Teach students, individually and in groups, how to ski; explain and demonstrate use of ski equipment and skiing techniques; observe students and correct mistakes; explain and enforce safety rules. The position is generally subject to rotating shifts ranging from 1 to 6 hours from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Current PSA Level III or equivalent required. Entry level wage \$14.00/hr. Job opening dates for this position are from December 1, 2006 through April 10, 2007.  
**Children's Alpine Instructor, 15 Positions, Job Listing Number 1228017**  
 Teach Children (ages 4-14) in groups and individually how to ski; explain and demonstrate use of ski equipment and skiing techniques; observe students and correct mistakes; explain and enforce safety rules. The position is generally subject to rotating shifts ranging from 1 to 6 hours from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Current PSA Level I or equivalent required. Entry level wage \$10.00/hr. Job opening dates for this position are from December 1, 2006 through April 10, 2007.  
**Snowboard Instructor, 10 Positions, Job Listing Number 1228021**  
 Teach students, individually and in groups, how to snowboard; explain and demonstrate use of snowboard equipment and snowboarding techniques; observe students and correct mistakes; explain and enforce safety rules. The position is generally subject to rotating shifts ranging from 1 to 6 hours from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Current AASI Level I or equivalent required. Entry level wage \$14.00/hr. Job opening dates for this position are from December 1, 2006 through April 10, 2007.  
**Children's Snowboard Instructor, 15 Positions, Job Listing Number 1228023**  
 Teach Children (ages 4-14) in groups and individually how to snowboard; explain and demonstrate use of snowboard equipment and snowboarding techniques; observe students and correct mistakes; explain and enforce safety rules. The position is generally subject to rotating shifts ranging from 1 to 6 hours from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Current AASI Level I or equivalent required. Entry level wage \$10.00/hr. Job opening dates for this position are from December 1, 2006 through April 10, 2007.  
**Ski Lift Operator, 30 Positions, Job Listing Number 1228100**  
 Operate ski lifts; help guests on and off lifts; maintain lift ramps; assist guests with special needs. The position is generally subject to one shift: 8:00am - 4:30pm. No experience is required. Entry level wage \$6.23/hr. Job opening dates for this position are from December 5, 2006 through April 15, 2007.  
 Dorm housing is available. Dorm housing rates are as follows:  
 • Quad room without bathroom: \$70/month  
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 Pre-employment drug testing is required for safety sensitive positions. Random drug testing is conducted throughout the season on all employees. Subcontracted authorized medical professionals perform the pre-employment drug testing.  
 Shuttle buses are available between mountain facilities and dorm facilities from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. daily. Free local municipal bus service (KART) is available for all employees on a scheduled basis.  
 Interested parties are to contact:  
**Idaho Commerce and Labor Central Office, Attn: Bill Reed or ALC Unit**  
**317 W. Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735**  
**Fax: 208-332-7417, Email: [William.Reed@cl.idaho.gov](mailto:William.Reed@cl.idaho.gov)**  
**Referral instructions will be available from any Idaho Commerce and Labor Office with the Job Listing Number.**

**MANAGEMENT**  
  
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**Center for Independent Living**  
 •Seeking qualified individual to work with developmentally disabled children.  
 •Applicant must possess bachelor's degree in social sciences.  
 •Must have one year's experience working with developmentally disabled children.  
 •\$20/hour. No benefits  
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**JUVENILE DETENTION**  
 The Snake River Juvenile Detention Center is accepting applications for part-time and full-time Corrections Specialists.  
 \$11.26/hr with increase after POST Certification. Ideal candidates will have a sincere interest in working with at risk juveniles, possess excellent communication skills, have a strong work ethic, be able to handle multiple responsibilities while modeling high standards of behavior and upholding professional standards within a teamwork environment.  
 Applicants must be 21 years of age and meet the basic Idaho Peace Officer's Standards and Training requirements. Job Description and applications available online at [www.twinfallscounty.org](http://www.twinfallscounty.org) or at the Human Resources Office on the 4th Floor of the Twin Falls County Courthouse. Twin Falls County offers a full benefit package for full-time employees and some benefits for part-time employees. Drug Free Workplace/EEO

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
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 (208) 934-9881 direct line  
 934-4433 ext. 1109  
[zlmerrm@slrnc.org](mailto:zlmerrm@slrnc.org)


**NEWSPAPER**  
**Sports Writer**  
 Times-News  
 The Times-News is seeking a part-time Sports Writer to help with coverage of high school and community sports. Responsibilities would include covering games, as well as some office work, typing up game reports and box scores. Must be available to work evenings and some weekends. Journalism experience preferred by not required.  
 To apply, contact  
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 Mike Christensen, Times-News,  
 132 Fairfield St W.  
 Twin Falls, ID 83301 or by e-mail at [mikec@magicvalley.com](mailto:mikec@magicvalley.com)

**GENERAL**  
  
**CLERICAL**  
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 Part-time openings for immediate and ongoing positions.  
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**EDUCATION**  
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 Please address all legal advertising to:  
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 Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548  
 email to  
 legal@magicvalley.com

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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT**

Notices hereby given by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association that the first application period for the year 2007 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit has been opened. Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. September 8, 2006. During this application period, approximately \$1,600,000 in credit will be available.

Non-targeted Credit	\$1,200,000
Non-profit Self-Aided	\$ 360,000
Rural Self-Aided	\$ 240,000
Total	\$1,800,000

Developers of affordable housing interested in applying for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Reservation may obtain a copy of the 2006 Allocation Plan and application form by contacting the Multifamily Finance Secretary, Idaho Housing and Finance Association, P.O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899, telephone (208) 331-4769 or (800) 210-2285 or for hearing impaired, (800) 545-1833. A copy of the Allocation Plan and application is also available on the Internet at [www.ihfa.org](http://www.ihfa.org) under Developer Toolbox/Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

PUBLISH: August 20, 2006

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**

The Twin Falls Rural Fire Protection District will hold its annual Budget Hearing for 2006-2007 on Tuesday, August 22, at 10:00 AM at Fire Station #1, 345 Second Ave. E. in the Training Room.

Dated 8/1/07	2006-2007 Budgeted	323,295.00
Contract Services		12,000.00
Contract Services Commissioners		1,000.00
Contract Services E911/SIRC/COMM		7,200.00
Contract Services Bookkeeper		200.00
Postage		1,000.00
Office Supplies		1,200.00
Travel & Meeting		400.00
Advertising		5,500.00
Liability Insurance		1,000.00
Legal Fees		2,500.00
Accounting Fees		
Bank Charges		
Election Costs		
Sea/Treas Bonding Fee		90.00
Special Equip Purchase		6,000.00
Membership Dues		800.00
Vehicle Purchase		
Misc. Vehicle Repairs		2,500.00
Misc. Expense		1,000.00
Building Fund		100,000.00
Equipment Fund		100,000.00
Equipment Payment		
TOTAL		\$70,685.00

Twin Falls Rural Fire Protection District Budgeted Operating Revenues for Fiscal Year 2006-2007

2006-2007 Comial/oner Proposed	\$426,685.00
Real property Taxes-Current	\$426,685.00
Occupancy value	
Subtotal	\$426,685.00

PUBLISH: August 17 and 20, 2006

**Legal**

**LOST** Australian Shepherd/Blue Heeler - K - Female - 6-1/2 years old. Just clipped, short black and white mottled hair color, fluffy tail, small build, 49 lbs. Wearing blue collar. Lost in the area of Park Way Dr and North Collier. Her name is Scouty, very sweet. Needs her medicine. Marie 606-0720 or 734-3538

**FOUND** Chows (2) Golden colored. Friendly & affectionate. Need loving home. Unable to keep them. Call 825-5014.

**FOUND** dog, Weimaraner, in beer field 200 N. of Rupert. Female, gray in color. Call 436-6023.

**LOST** (1) chocolate Lab male with cameo collar, (1) black Lab female, no collar, brown tint to coat. South East of Jerome. Call 208-308-4110

**LOST** Australian Shepherd 1 year old male, black & white. Quincey & Filer St. area in Twin. Call 208-731-5681

**LOST** Australian Shepherd near Ridley's in Rupert. Black, white & brown. Wearing red collar. 208-260-1610

**LOST** Border Collie 1 mt. W. of Burger King in Burley. 10 mo old male, black and white, wearing red collar. Reward 879-5464.

**LOST** Boxer, German short nose, female, dark orange, black right leg was broken. 4 years old. Lives in Indy, last seen near CSI. Reward. Call 208-734-8035

**LOST** Boxer/Heeler cross, male, black & white with nose, neck & belly. Small white spot above left eye. Maybe lost around KWIK Service in Jerome on 8-12-06. Missed very much. Call 208-644-1448 or 208-539-3976.

**LOST** cat in the Mini-Cassia area on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Female, white with tiny spots, born paws declared Born hitch hiker, very friendly. \$100 reward! Call 208-431-7387.

**LOST** German Shepherd female 2 years old. Turquoise green collar. Robert Stuart School area. Reward! Call 208-490-0529

**LOST** OR STOLEN 4-man paddle boat. White on top, green on bottom. Pelican brand. Suspect it was dumped somewhere. If found please call Doug at 431-1587.

**LOST** Rotweiler puppy, 2 months old, on Normal Ave in Burley, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Call 312-0181 or 208-877-2961.

Abbreviations can lead to confusion. Make sure readers will understand your ad completely. Spell it out. Classifieds: 733-0631

**Legal**

**LOST** wallet, brown w/ gold. I.D., driver's license, social security card, Costco card. If found on or around the Jerome Fair grounds after Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> please call 733-6491 and leave message.

**LOST** Yorkshire Terrier female about 4 years old on Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup> south of Farnham Corner. Call 208-678-4746. Reward!

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 420 Victory Ave.  
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 736-2299  
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**FOUND**  
 1. Older German Shepherd male, 400 block of Addison.  
 2. German Shepherd cross, male, black, Depot Grill, is microchipped.  
 3. Older Fomeritan, brown.  
 4. Female Pit Bull, -400 block Walnut  
 5. Pointer brown and white male, 400 block Quincy.

**ADOPTIONS**  
 1. Pit cross, female, young adult.  
 2. Gold Lab Retriever cross, female, 5 month pup.  
 3. Border Collie Heeler cross, neutered male adult.  
 4. Beagle cross, neutered, male.  
 5. Border Collie Spaniel cross, neutered male.  
 6. Heeler cross, red and blue speckled female.  
 7. Lab cross, female, active.  
 8. Lab Hound cross, black and brown, male.  
 9. Lab cross, neutered male, nice big dog.  
 10. Pit Pointer cross puppies.  
 11. Lab Cocker cross, female pup.  
 12. Border Collie cross, male, exc dog.  
 13. Heeler Pit Bull cross pup.  
 14. 2 Border Collie cross pups.  
 15. Lab cross blond female.

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**402 Special Notices**  
**AUCTION BENEFIT** Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> 2pm Blue Room Bar in Rupert Idaho

**403 Pregnancy Alternatives**  
**PREGNANCY CRISIS** Free Tests. Always Confidential. 734-7472.  
**404 Professional Services**  
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 SWM, 39, 6'4", 180lbs, brown/blue, Pisces, smoker, fun-loving, romantic, likes movies, swimming, horseback riding, travel, seeks WF, 30-45, smoker, independent, possible romance. Hollister **990896**

**THIS COULD BE IT**  
 Hard-working SWM, 46, homeowner, 5'9", likes camping, movies, hunting, fishing, camping, mountains, seeks WF, 40-50, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. Buhl **114615**

**OUTDOOR ENTHUSIAST**  
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**THE ONE FOR YOU**  
 Outgoing SWM, 44, 5'8", physically fit, blond hair, likes fishing, walking in the rain, seeks WF, 30-50, for friendship, possible romance. Twin Falls **114319**

**JUST AN ORDINARY GUY**  
 HM, 41, short, dark, and handsome, very hard-working, seeks a woman, 25-45, to connect with. Hollister **899654 @ pokerpro**

**GIVING IT A SHOT**  
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**TRAVEL FOR A LIVING**  
 SWM, 42, 6'2", average build, Scorpio, N/S, seeks woman, 25-40, N/S, for friendship, possible LTR. Midland **955971**

**IS THIS YOU?**  
 SWM, 23, 6'0", financially stable, N/S, seeks WF, 19-28, for friendship, possible romance. Hollister **957677**

**THE GUY YOU WANT TO KNOW**  
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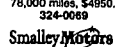
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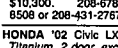
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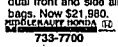
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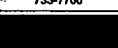
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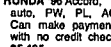
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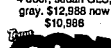
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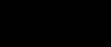
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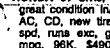
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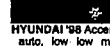
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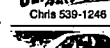
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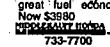
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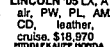
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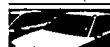
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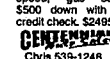
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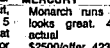
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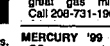
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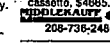
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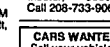
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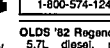
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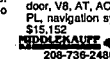
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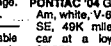
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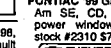
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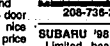
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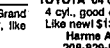
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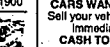
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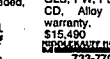
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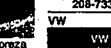
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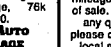
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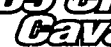
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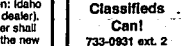
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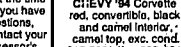
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# Get out in the Wood River Valley

Part four of our summer adventure series

## Matt's picks

The Wood River Valley is a haven for some of Southern Idaho's premier outdoor activities — and not just during the ski season.



Matt Christensen

This summer, you can bike, hike, walk or fish in our favorite local playground.

But the Wood River Valley isn't just for outdoorsy folks. It also offers great food, enlightening culture and a rich history.

To help you find an activity that suits your fancy, the *Times-News*

presents a summer adventure series in which our reporters highlight prime summer spots in Southern Idaho.

This week, I reveal my top choices in Wood River Valley.

Our "Get Out" series runs every Sunday until Labor Day, with our feature reporters pointing out their favorite spots in different areas of Magic Valley.

Next week, look for Virginia Hutchins' picks on the North Side.



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## 1 Blaine County Historical Museum, Hailey

Blaine County Historical Museum curator Marilyn Moore can't tell an F-sharp from a C, but she sure can play a mean piano — with her feet. Thanks to an old, and still functioning, player piano, Moore fills the museum with ragtime melodies when she pumps the foot pedals. Ask nicely, and she might let you spin a roll, too.

The most interesting exhibit in the museum is under the glass cases to your right when you enter. The museum is home to the world's second-largest collection of political buttons, following only the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

The buttons, dating back to 1824, were donated by private collector Joe Fuld.

Nearly every president, and the corresponding election loser, is represented.

At least one of the pins, Moore claims, is worth hun-

dreds of thousands of dollars, though she isn't sure which one.

Other oddities include a chair made from buffalo horns, an 1880 hearing aid that looks like something out of a Dr. Seuss book and a rifle used in 1884 to shoot a ram-paging elephant named Sampson. Ask Moore — she'll tell you the story.

Get there: 218 N. Main St. in Hailey, at the corner of Main and Galena.

Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays, and Wednesdays through Saturdays. It's closed Tuesdays and open 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Sundays.

Cost: Free, though donations are encouraged.

Don't miss: The virtual tour. Visit [www.bchistoricalmuseum.org](http://www.bchistoricalmuseum.org) to preview the museum from home before you make the trip. Using your mouse, you can control where the camera goes and what you see.

## 2 Taqueria al Pastor #1, Bellevue

Picking up an inexpensive lunch in Wood River Valley can be an adventure in and of itself. That's why I like to grab a plate of tacos at Taqueria al Pastor.

At \$1.50 each, these corn-wrapped delights are the perfect fillers for a stomach emptied after a morning of hiking. My favorite is pork, though you can get lots of other fillings such as fish, beef, even beef tongue. Sure, the restaurant also has most traditional Mexican fare: burritos, enchiladas, etc. But I'm telling you, don't miss the tacos.

The atmosphere is authentic — the TV is always on a

Spanish channel — and the lunchtime crowd is mostly Spanish. The service is friendly and speedy, too.

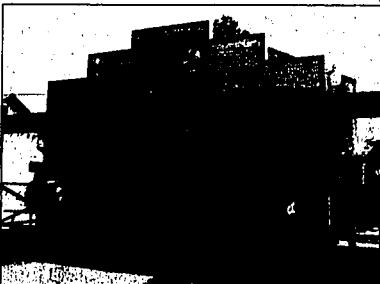
Get there: 321 S. Main St. in Bellevue. You can't miss the building, on the east side of Main. It's painted a bright blue and yellow.

Hours: Taqueria al Pastor opens at 11 a.m. Mondays through Saturdays and is pretty full by noon, so come early for

a good seat; it closes at 9 p.m. Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Cost: Tacos, the restaurant's specialty, are \$1.50 each; I ate three to feel full. Most other meals are under \$7.

Don't miss: Porch seating. Taqueria al Pastor's front patio faces Bellevue's main road, and the shaded outdoor seating area offers a perfect spot to soak it all in.



## 3 Sawtooth Botanical Garden, Ketchum

Established just 12 years ago, the Sawtooth Botanical Garden is still growing into its location. New plants are added each season, and this year yarrow, potentilla, monkey flower, lupine, rabbit brush, watercress and dock are blooming.

This time of year, annual wildflowers are blossoming, too, and the garden is aglow with bright reds, yellows and

blues. Find a bench near the wildflowers to your right from the parking lot, and watch hummingbirds flutter through the aspen foliage and wild blooms.

Take a few moments to examine what grows in the community gardens, where locals raise their own plants. And the kids will get a kick out of the full-size tepee near the garden's entrance from

### From tacos to trails

Watch a video tour of these Wood River Valley attractions at [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com).

Gimlet Road.

The choice spot, however, is the Garden of Infinite Compassion. This serene place, my favorite, is home to a hand-carved Tibetan prayer wheel. It's the only one in North America that's been blessed by the Dalai Lama, which he did on his visit to the Wood River Valley last fall.

Please see GARDEN, Page E2

FAMILY LIFE

# Get out in the Wood River Valley

## Garden

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Resting in a wooden gazebo that bridges a rushing stream and surrounded by giant boulders that enclose the wheel from the rest of the garden, this area is perhaps

the most soothing in the valley.

Turn the prayer wheel to wish peace and compassion upon the rest of the world.

Get there: No. 11 Gimlet Road. From Idaho Highway

75, turn east on Gimlet Road just south of Ketchum proper.

Hours: You're welcome during daylight.

Cost: Toting the garden is free.

Don't forget: Your camera.

## 4 Chair lift at River Run Lodge, Ketchum

The snow is still a few months away at Bald Mountain, but the chair lift isn't taking a summer break. In fact, between 200 and 400 people buy lift tickets every day at River Run Lodge to ride to a point more than 9,000 feet above Ketchum.

I'm from the mountain-less Midwest, so I'm impressed every time I make the ride. First, the view is astounding. You can see the entire town of Ketchum from the top, as well as acres of pine forests. Birds buzz the lift, and, if you're lucky, you'll spot other wildlife bounding through the trees below.

It's the coolest ride in Southern Idaho.

The temperature at the top

is usually at least 20 degrees colder than at the base. It's amusing to spot people making the trip down pulling jackets tighter, as you ride up wishing you'd worn shorts. I recommend not wearing shorts and bringing a jacket if it's 80 degrees or cooler at the bottom. The ride from the top is even more breathtaking than the ride up, unless, of course, you're among the 20 percent of passengers who mountain bike down.

Numerous trails make Baldy a premier biking spot in Wood River Valley. But if you decide to bike, make sure you say so when you buy your lift ticket. Bikers are required to sign a release and wear a helmet.

Get there: From Idaho Highway 75, turn onto

Serenade Lane in Ketchum and follow the road to Wood River Lodge. Buy your ticket in the ski shop across from the lodge.

Hours: The lift starts at 9 a.m. daily and stops taking upgoing passengers at 3:15 p.m. If you come that late, though, you'll have to turn around at the top and ride right back down.

Each trip, up or down, takes about 25 minutes.

Cost: Round-trip adult lift tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. No discount, for biking down.

Don't miss: The restaurant at the top. It's newly renovated and has big windows so you can enjoy the view while you dine. But come early for lunch, because it usually closes early in the afternoon.

## 5 Wood River Trails, throughout Ketchum

Idaho is known for its miles of hiking, biking and walking trails, and the Wood River Valley is Southern Idaho's trail mecca.

I'm no expert climber, so I like to stick to the tame ones — the Wood River Trails near the foot of Bald Mountain near River Run Lodge.

They're good for families, too, because they're paved and mostly flat.

But that's not to say they're not as cool as some of the steeper mountain trails on the outskirts of Ketchum.

Shaded by aspens and meandering along the Big Wood River (and sometimes over it across wooden bridges), these trails are also excellent for long bike rides. In fact, each time I'm out there, I meet lots of cycling families.

Watch for worn dirt paths off the main trails.

Some of these lead to secluded waterfront fishing



and picnic spots. No matter which path you take, you're sure to encounter gorgeous views with mountain backdrops. Get there: From Idaho Highway 75, turn west onto Serenade Lane in Ketchum and follow the road to River Run Lodge. I park in the first lot to the

left and take the marked trail south along the river.

Hours: Anytime. Cost: Free.

Don't miss: The wooden bridges along the trails.

They're old and beautiful, and most offer excellent views of the river. A warning: Some bridges are not in-line skate friendly.

## 6 Hemingway Memorial, on Sun Valley Road

The Wood River Valley was once home to famed writer Ernest Hemingway. In fact, he died here and is buried in the Ketchum cemetery.

His former house is not open to the public, his grave a bit hard to find, so I go to the Hemingway Memorial beside Sun Valley Golf Course to pay my respects.

Just east of Sun Valley, the memorial is well marked from the road. Park in the small gravel lot and follow a trail about 20 yards long to a deep and narrow stream. (No bicycles allowed.) There, you'll

find a man-made rock seating area that faces a statue and plaque on the other side of the water. This spot looks out over a few manicured fairways on the golf course and is well shaded. It demands solemnity.

A family was there when I stopped, and we sat in silence, listening to the rushing stream and chirping birds.

Atop the statue is a bronze bust of the grizzled writer, on his face a sorrowful expression. A plaque at the base reads: "Best of all he loved the fall, the leaves yellow on the cottonwoods, leaves floating on the trout streams, and above the hills, the high blue

windless skies... now, he will be a part of them forever."

Get there: From Idaho Highway 75, turn east on Ketchum's Third Street. Third becomes Sun Valley Road, and the memorial is on your right about two miles past the Sun Valley Village. Watch for the sign.

Hours: Anytime. Cost: Free.

Don't miss: A small wooden bridge that spans the stream. Follow the bridge to the other side and down the hill near the golf course. It offers a different perspective of the memorial statue and a better look at the face.

# Teens swap legal drugs at 'pharming' parties

By Liz Damp Knight Ridder News Service

In so many ways it sounds like any other teenage party. Kids gathered in an abandoned Florida warehouse where strobe lights flashed and liquor flowed. But then from pockets and purses, the pills appeared.

Vicodin. OxyContin. Xanax. All legal drugs destined for illegal use. Shannon Johnson, 17, a middle-school dropout, was part of the scene. He popped four or five Xanax, washed them down with vodka and was ready to party.

Not so long ago, kids raided their parents' liquor cabinet when they wanted a quick high.

Today, it's the medicine cabinet. They're stocking up for "pharming parties," get-togethers sans parents where teens' barter legal drugs and get high.

It's better when you're with other people," says Shannon, a slender youth, lost in a pair of baggy jeans and oversized shirt. "I don't like doing this by myself."

There's nothing new about kids abusing prescription drugs. But "pharming parties" are a new social twist that contribute to the growing problem of prescription drug abuse, which has worked its way into pop culture via message boards, song lyrics and even T-shirts. The number of users has mushroomed even as use of illegal drugs, such as heroin and marijuana, has dipped, according to a report by Columbia University's National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse.

The center says that about 2.3 million kids, 12 to 17, took prescription drugs illegally in the past year, based on 2003 figures. That's a whopping 212 percent increase from 1992.

Shannon tumbled into the drug world at 10 with his first puff of marijuana. He's tried a cornucopia of drugs since, including Xanax from the family medicine cabinet, he says. But the kids who snag the family pills share no cookie-cutter look.

"There's no specific group you can pinpoint," says Doris Carroll, community coordinator of the Palm Beach County (Fla.) Substance Abuse Coalition. "It's not just dropouts. It's not just popular kids. It's not just football players."

Much of the problem is linked to easy access, she says. Indeed, some kids come by the drugs legally. Maybe they're taking Ritalin for attention deficit disorder or painkillers after losing their wisdom teeth or breaking a bone.

Others pillage medicine cabinets for forgotten pills. Some buy from kids. For others, drugs are a click

away on the Internet.

Between 1992 and 2002, while the U.S. population grew 13 percent, the number of prescriptions filled for controlled drugs — those with an abuse risk, such as morphine — increased by 154 percent, according to the study.

Shannon slumps in a chair at the Starting Place, a treatment facility in Hollywood, Fla., where he's spending three months trying to shake his habit. Beside him sits Kyle Kahler, a fast-talking, energetic 16-year-old who squirms in his chair.

School dropouts at 14, they're both pharming party veterans. And addicts.

Kids like Shannon and Kyle can easily get addicted to painkillers, such as OxyContin or anti-anxiety medicines such as Xanax. But even if their drug use doesn't land them in treatment, it can put them in the hospital. When properly prescribed and taken as directed, opioids such as OxyContin safely relieve pain. Depressants, including Xanax, ease anxiety. And stimulants such as Ritalin increase attention and energy.

But taking such powerful drugs without supervision or mixing them with others, including alcohol, is a recipe for disaster.

"They can make breathing difficult or cause a rapid drop or increase in heart rate. They can impair senses so that everyday activities, such as driving a car, are hazardous.

In addition, kids up the danger factor by taking pills in unsafe ways. OxyContin, for instance, is supposed to be released into the bloodstream over several hours for long-term pain relief. But kids crush the pills for a quicker, and potentially more harmful, rush.

About 75 percent of prescription drug abusers also take other drugs or drink, according to the Columbia University report. Shannon and Kyle are no exception, routinely mixing legal pharmaceuticals with illegal drugs.

"You feel like you're on some kind of truth serum," says Kyle, who started smoking marijuana at 10 before moving on to prescription drugs as a teenager. "You have no inhibitions or fears. You feel like you can fight the biggest guy."

School or on the street, word of a pharming party drifts like smoke. Maybe they'll meet at someone's house when the parents are gone or rent a hotel room or find an abandoned warehouse.

### By the numbers

Compared with the rest of their peers, teens who abuse prescription drugs are ...

- Twice as likely to use alcohol.
- 5 times likelier to use marijuana.
- 12 times likelier to use heroin.
- 15 times likelier to use Ecstasy.
- 21 times likelier to use cocaine.

Source: National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University.

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**Biological clock ticks for dads, too**

The Washington Post

Risk of miscarriage increases with the father's age, not just the mother's, suggests a study in the journal "Obstetrics & Gynecology."

Investigators looked at 13,865 women between 1964 and 1976 and found the risk of spontaneous abortion was 60 percent greater when the father was age 40 or older than when he was 25 to 29 years old — regardless of the mother's age. Even for men in their 30s, miscarriage risk was about three times greater than for those under 25. The study adds to growing evidence that men's age can affect their partner's pregnancy.

**SINUSITIS or ALLERGIES?**

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Fever	Sometimes	Sometimes
Headache	Sometimes	Sometimes
Pain in upper teeth	Sometimes	NO
Bad breath	Sometimes	NO
Coughing	Sometimes	Sometimes
Nasal Congestion	Yes	Yes
Sneezing	Sometimes	Sometimes

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## Far-fetched excuses for dumping pets

By Denise Flain  
Newsday

Here's a question as bedeviling as that zen koan about the sound of one hand clapping.

What is the most pathetic excuse for giving up an animal?

Living as we do in an epidemic of tepid commitment and laser-sharp detachment, people routinely discard companion animals. Some reasons — like a child's allergies or sudden homelessness — are understandable. — But many aren't — at least not to those who consider animals family members, a status not usually negotiable. Rescuers — you know them by the plastic airline crates in their hatchbacks, and the Milk-Bones in their glove compartments — are in the non-profit business of cleaning up messes people make with the beings they've brought into their lives. With big hearts and tiny budgets, they fight their teeth as clueless, often obnoxious owners hand over the leash — or cage, or tank. Excuses — they have heard them all before. But maybe you haven't.

Moving is a perennial reason for dumping animals. "It's everyone's favorite," says Barbara Williamson of Best Friends Society. "Nobody can even begin to understand how you move into a place that doesn't accept pets when you have pets." (Another head-scratcher: The person who returned a cat to the Utah sanctuary because its neurological condition "wasn't bad enough." In other words, the cat wasn't special-needs enough.)

Another common catalyst is the arrival of a sweetest, new lover or spouses who hate dog hair or slobber issue ultimatums, and their not-so-better halves comply. The dissolution of a marriage is a prime reason for relinquishing animals, as is the arrival of diminutive twologgers. "When the excuse is that the owner is having a baby, I send her to the president of Alaskan Malamute Rescue of New England," says Malamute fancier Susan Conant, who writes dog-centric mystery novels. "She is the mother of triplets." Yep, family ties can be nooses for some animals. Marjorie Lipson of Long Island, N.Y.-based Second Chance Labrador Rescue offered up the interesting approach of blaming the kids: "My youngest child is now in college — the dog that we purchased 14 years ago," one owner told her as he turned over his gray-faced dog. "We never wanted a dog — the kids did."

Norwegian crahound fancier Lexiann Grant of southeastern Ohio had this doozy: "An Akita was surrendered because the family decided to do away with their current Japanese landscaping and go with a southwestern theme."

If you find it hard to believe that people can be that superficial, consider this chestnut from Barbara Sawyer-Brown, a Ridgeback breeder and long-time rescuer from Chicago: "We redecorated, and the dog no longer matches the decor."

File this under "craven compassion": Pam Denton, author of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Positive Dog Training," had a friend who took in an 18-month-old Schnauzer. "She had a kidney problem, and the owners loved her so much they couldn't bear to watch her die." (Postscript: The friend kept the dog and switched her to a raw-food diet, and five years later, the dog is still going strong.)

People dump their bunny rabbits with such infuriating regularity that Mary Cotter of the House Rabbit Society keeps a list of common excuses. Some have simply given a cold-hearted calculation: "He's sick — we're not going to pay \$50 for a vet visit for a pet that cost \$15."

Debra J. White of Tempe, Ariz., started volunteering at animal shelters in 1989. "I have seen and heard the most dumb, pathetic and lame excuses," she says. "The cat meows. The dog barks."

But nothing prepared her for this bait, delivered by a pregnant woman who was jettisoning her child substitute to make room for the real thing. "My fetus," she proclaimed, "is allergic to the dog."

### Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### Menus:

Monday: Beef stew, biscuit, sliced tomatoes and cucumbers, fruit salad, bread pudding.

Tuesday: Ham and pineapple, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, bread, strawberry shortcake.

Wednesday: Lasagna, vegetables, green salad, french bread, fruit pie.

Thursday: Fish or chicken, au gratin potatoes, vegetables, broccoli salad, cornbread, cobbler.

Friday: Sloppy juce over a bun, vegetables, coleslaw salad, banana pudding.

#### Activities:

Sunday: Dance, 2 to 5 p.m.

Monday: Quilting

Monday Bridge Club

Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday

Blood pressure

Exercise class

Wednesday: Quilting

Liki's Card Club

Birthday dinner

Music by Haak

Friday: Blood pressure

Lunch bingo

Quilting

Saturday: Super bingo

#### West End

### Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl

#### Menus:

Today: Barbecue pork dinner, 1 p.m.

Monday: Soup and sandwich

Tuesday: Lemon pepper cod, au gratin potatoes, vegetables, cornbread, fruit, dessert.

Wednesday: Cook's choice

Thursday: Spaghetti, green salad, vegetables, fruit, bread, dessert.

#### Activities:

Today: Buffet, 1 p.m.; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for under 60 and \$3 for children 12 and under.

Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m. Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.

Farmers market, every Wednesday through September

Spudnuts, every Wednesday through September; call to order or pick up at 4:30 p.m. in the parking lot.

Thursday: Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.

### Flier Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.

#### Menus:

Tuesday: Chicken breast, baked potato, green salad, fruit, bread, Jell-O with topping

Wednesday: Smorgasbord

Thursday: Pork chops, scrambled potatoes, peas, carrot-raisin salad, peaches, ice cream

#### Activities:

Monday: Shopping at Wal-Mart, 7 to 9 p.m.; must sign up

Tuesday: Walking club, 8 a.m.

Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.

Cards, 1 p.m.

Wednesday: Walking club, 8 a.m.

Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Cards and games, 1 p.m. Thursday: Walking club, 8 a.m.

Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. State fiddlers Bingo, 1 p.m. Friday: Tour of Massacre Rocks, lunch at a restaurant, stop at Fort Hall Casino; cost is \$3 plus lunch money; leave at 9 a.m.

### Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

#### Menus:

Monday: Beef stroganoff over noodles, mixed vegetables, fruit, cookies

Tuesday: Taco salad, fruit, chips and salsa, carrot cake

Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, green beans, Jell-O with fruit, tapioca pudding

Thursday: Barbecue chicken, scalloped potatoes, corn, fruit salad, applesauce cake

Friday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, peas, green salad, fruit, cake and ice cream

#### Activities:

Monday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.

Gem State Fiddlers

Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Snack bar, 6 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Thursday: Bingo, 1:15 p.m.

Friday: Birthday dinner

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee, juice and tea served.

#### Menus:

Full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; take-out available; \$4 for seniors 60 and above, \$5 for under 60, \$2.50 for children under 12.

Monday: Sausage gravy over biscuits, scrambled eggs, hash browns, orange juice

Wednesday: Oven-fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, beets, cake

Friday: Hamburger enchiladas, Mexi-corn, cheeseecake

#### Activities:

Monday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

AA meeting, 8 p.m.

Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.

Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.

Friday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Bingo, 11:50 a.m.

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

#### Menus:

Monday: Pizza, green salad, oranges, custard

Tuesday: Ham and beans, carrot salad, Jell-O, cornbread

Wednesday: Hamburgers, corn on the cob, chips, vegetables, brownies

Thursday: Meatloaf, parsley potatoes, peas, cheesy broccoli salad, rhubarb cobbler, rolls

#### Activities:

Monday: Open pool Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.

Wild one, 6 p.m.

Tuesday: Open pool Hand and foot, 6 p.m.

Bridge, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Open pool Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.

Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.

Open pool TOPS, 4 p.m.

Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Friday: Bridge, 1 p.m.

Bowling, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday: Rebecca pinochle, 7 p.m.

### Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is: \$3 for seniors; \$4 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12.

#### Menus:

Monday: Chicken breast, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, baking powder biscuits, dessert

Wednesday: Potato bar with chili, vegetables, salad, fruit, cottage cheese, bread, dessert

Friday: Meatloaf, potato wedges, vegetables, salad, fruit, rolls, dessert

### Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden

Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

#### Menus:

Tuesday: Build-your-own submarine sandwich, ice cream sundae

Thursday: Liver and onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, fruit

#### Activities:

Wednesday: Bake day

Bingo, 7 p.m.

#### Golden Years Senior Citizen Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

#### Menus:

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily

Tuesday: Hot roast pork sandwich, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, apple turnover

Wednesday: Ham salad sandwich, fries, watermelon, pineapple, canteloupe, grapes, Jell-O pie

Friday: Roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, squash casserole, green salad, homemade bread, birthday cake, ice cream

#### Activities:

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.

Coffee, 9:30 a.m.

Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Wednesday: Family night, dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by bingo

Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Richfield Senior Center

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Monday: Barbecue pop-corn chicken, potato salad, baked beans, fruit Jell-O with whipped topping

Thursday: Submarine sandwich, cream of broccoli soup, orange chiffon pie, canteloupe, watermelon

### Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

#### Menus:

Tuesday: Baked chicken with dressing, carrots, jellied cranberry sauce, hot rolls, banana pudding

Wednesday: Hamburgers and hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, watermelon, iced brownies

Friday: Roast turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, coleslaw

hot rolls, cherry pie, ice cream

Activities: Monday: Trip to Baldy, 10:30 a.m.

Dinner at the Pioneer, 5 p.m.

Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

Exercise, 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday: Movie matinee; time will be announced

Thursday: Exercise at the American Legion Hall in Ketchum, 1:30 p.m.

Bingo, 5:30 p.m.

### Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Rides are available by phoning the center at 365-2051. Suggested donation is: \$3 for seniors; \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Monday: Chicken breast, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, baking powder biscuits, dessert

Wednesday: Potato bar with chili, vegetables, salad, fruit, cottage cheese, bread, dessert

Friday: Meatloaf, potato wedges, vegetables, salad, fruit, rolls, dessert

#### Menus:

Monday: Crispy fish fillet, au gratin potatoes, corn, mixed vegetables, peaches, cornbread

Tuesday: Chicken chow mein over rice, soy sauce, Oriental vegetables, mandarin orange salad, roll, fortune cookies

Thursday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, parsnip carrots, fruit crisp, bread

Activities: Wednesday: Cookie bake for the rest area, 7:30 a.m.

Friday: Tops, 9 a.m.

### Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Cost of the meal is \$3.50 for children under 10 pay \$2. The suggested donation for those 60 years and older is \$2.50.

Monday: Turkey a la king, biscuit, potato sticks, cottage cheese, peas, strawberry rhubarb crisp

Wednesday: Meatloaf, cheddar potatoes, creamed peas, assorted salads

Thursday: Beefy tomato macaroni, corn, hard roll, coleslaw, strawberry shortcake

Friday: Clam chowder, noodles, Italian vegetables, bread, assorted salads, fruitcake

Activities: Monday: Pool Exercise

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.

Radio show, 9 a.m.

Exercise Community bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Exercise Thursday: Pool Exercise

Community pinochle, 6 p.m.

Woodcarving, 6 p.m.

Friday: Pool Exercise

Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Bingo, 1 p.m.

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FAMILY LIFE

# Mediation turns sisters against each other

**DEAR ABBY:** This is a bit complicated. I was trying to help my sister, "Bree," last year when she was separated from her husband. (It was like a mediator.) I was her maid of honor when they were married years ago. We were close.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

Bree is now accusing me of telling her ex about a man she was seeing while they were separated. I did not! She also claims I tried to sleep with her husband. I didn't do that either, Abby. He's not even my type. She keeps fabricating lies to hurt me, and I keep rebutting them. I feel our relationship is irreparably damaged. Our parents want us to fix this. I really want to mend the rift, but I won't tolerate any more abuse from her. I have done nothing malicious. I almost hate her.

Bree and I live too far apart for counseling. Her young children will be visiting me in a couple of weeks. I love them very much. Do you think I have a chance of fixing our relationship when the kids come? I don't want to put any stress on them. They've been through enough.

— TWISTED SISTERS IN FLORIDA

**DEAR SISTER:** It would be interesting to know who filled your sister's head with the false information. If it was her ex-husband, it can be chalked up to his trying to cause as much damage as he could as a form of retaliation against you for "meddling" in his family problems. Under no circumstances should you involve your sister's children in this mess — and that includes giving them any "messages" for their mother. You should, however, either try to reason with her via telephone, e-mail, a personal letter — or even a meeting in person, if she's willing. And that's all up to you or anyone can do for your sister.

**DEAR ABBY:** Two years ago, my only child, "Gwendolyn," who is now 32, had her first baby. Unfortunately, the baby was born during the exact week that my husband — her stepfather — and I attend his family reunion. (It is something we have done for the last 15 years.) Gwendolyn is now incensed because we plan to attend the reunion instead of her baby's birthday party. (We were with her for the baby's birth and his first birthday party.)

I offered to compromise by having a separate celebration either before or after the reunion week, but she refused. She accuses me of putting my husband's family ahead of her and does not understand why we can't postpone or change our plans. About my husband's family is scattered across the country and this is the only time we see them. Can you offer me any advice?

— PULLED IN TWO IN S. CAROLINA

**DEAR PULLED IN TWO:** Only this Alternate. Next year attend the birthday party, the following year go to the reunion, etc. Do not attend at either one or the other and should not be a command performance.

**DEAR ABBY:** When you have a houseguest visiting in your home and you are invited to another person's home for a party, what's the polite way to deal with the visiting guest? What would you do?

CURIOUS IN CINCINNATI

**DEAR CURIOUS:** If it were me and the invitation came during the visit, I would explain to my prospective hostess that I had a houseguest staying with me. That would be the party planner's cue to say, "Why don't you bring your friend? I'm sure we'd love to meet him/her." And if that didn't happen, I'd politely refuse the invitation because I already had a previous social obligation to my houseguest.

# Receiving the deep impact massage

**A**h, the apricot tea, the ping-pong New Age music, the waffle robes, the nubby sandals, the little bracelets holding keys to the lockers where we just left our clothes and our cell-phones and our wallets and our lives behind.

Ah, spa. We are back, this time to celebrate Nancy's birthday. It has become a deliciously indulgent ritual: Each time one of us reaches an age divisible by five, we treat her (and ourselves) to the treatments.

In a moment the elevator door will open, and out will pop the treaters. The massage therapist and the pedicurist and the seaweed-wrap artist and the healing riki kila reflexologist and the hydrating yang-yang shinedress-ist. Each will call one of our names and escort us to a special room, with special potions and more ping-pong music and a promise we have chosen to believe.

Believe. In this waiting room it's easy to pick out the women who are not sure they believe. The freshmen class. Three of them, all blond, sit in the corner whispering, laughing as they imagine the best and the worst. "What if I get a man?" one says. "Oh, my God, do they have men who do the



**PERSONAL FILE**  
Jeanne Marie Laskas

treatments?"

"Honey, you have to ask if you want a man," my friend Beth says with a smile. I'm not sure where the "honey" is coming from. Maybe a sign of sisterhood? She tells the newbies that for massage it's best to get a man, and I agree, while Nancy, Wendy and BK say they go both ways.

"I asked for a man," I say, "but they said they didn't have a man who could do a deep-tissue. Can you believe that?"

"How about for a Swedish?" Nancy asks.

"Yeah, and also for a sports, but I'm all about deep-tissue." I am proud of my lingo in front of the freshman class. I ask them, "So what are you getting?"

"Aroma Body Paraffin," says one. "Lavender indulgence," says the other. "Spa Sauna Body Bliss," says the third. "with French clay, aromatic oils and papaya."

"Uh-huh," I say politely, thinking how cute that is. I

remember these days. In the beginning, it's all about detox, dips-into this or that. You move up to scrubs. You're trying to get rid of stuff. Surely, you think, the answer is exfoliation.

It isn't. But when you are a freshman you hardly understand anything about mind/body harmony, which, soon enough, you will come to reject as hokey anyway. Sophomore! You move beyond. Massage is the only answer. Swedish, shiatsu, sports, anything to get into those muscles holding all that stress. Looking at these freshmen, I'm adding everything up. My friends and I have passed through our sophomore spa-going years, and so what are we now, juniors?

We now have actual health problems. Between us, we've had one lumpectomy, one hysterectomy, a knee operation, a spleen removal and a few basal cell carcinomas scraped from our skin. So, in addition to our massages, some of us have chosen our spa treatments accordingly: nutrients for sun-damaged skin, replenishing oils for the rash that the estrogen patch led, a gentle hot-stone massage to ease post-surgical stress. But, for me, it's just to

Big Daddy: a deep-tissue massage to annihilate 9,000 bells of stress currently lodged in my upper back.

"Oh, my God!" I say to my little group of friends. "We're seniors!"

They have no idea what I am talking about. "Do you know how long we've been coming to this spa?" I say. "We're like, seniors!" We used to be scared, we used to be excited, we used to be thrilled. Now we simply need this. "We are old," I say, feeling stress ball 9,000 make itself known.

Mercifully, the elevator doors open. And when my name is called, I meet Tiffany, the woman assigned to give me my Big Daddy deep-tissue massage. Tiffany? She is all of 5 feet tall, and she has liquid, innocent eyes. Oh, honey, I think I wanted a man. When we get to our special room, she asks me if I have any special needs, and I tell her I need a gorilla to jump up and down on my back. I know she's not capable, and I try to be forgiving. But, I wanted a man. I lie down on my stomach. Soon there is not one, not two, but three gorillas on my back, a gorilla stampede. Tiffany? "You're so strong!" I say.

"I hear that a lot," she says. "I get, like, big football players coming in here. They look at me and get disappointed. Then they'll say, 'Give me all you got.' And so I do. They can't take it. They tell me to lighten up." Challenged, I don't tell her to lighten up.

The stress balls disintegrate, detonate, explode.

After it's over, we all reconvene in the waiting room, all of us hydrating our limp, relaxed bodies with fresh lemon water, thoroughly zoned out. "I'm speechless," says one of the freshmen. "I don't know what to say about the beauty of what just happened to me."

No need to speak. Nancy instructs, closing her eyes. "Carpe diem," Wendy offers. "Shhh," Beth says.

We are the seniors, leading by example. "Believe," says BK.

I want to follow up on that point but have not the strength.

"Tiffany," I utter. "Gorilla." "Know what it sounds like. The freshmen will think I'm having a senior moment. And I am."

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.



Evelyn Roman, 76, visits Sunset Station casino 'all the time.' 'I'm retired,' she says. 'It gets you out. You talk to people.' In Las Vegas, the casino is also a community hub.

# Where the community rec center is a casino

By Sooyea Gels  
The Washington Post

**LAS VEGAS** — Freddy Granado likes to gamble every once in a while, but that's not why he went to a neighborhood casino one recent evening with his wife and five children. They went for the movies. Sometimes they go to bowl. And their 8-year-old loves to play at the child-care center.

"It's a good family place for us," Granado's wife, Veronica, said of Sunset Station as all seven Granados waited in line for movie tickets. "We live down the street from here. This is like an overall hang-out for us."

In an other city on a Tuesday night, the family might go to a mall or a community center or a local theater. But this is Las Vegas. Three-quarters of the city's movie theaters are in casino complexes. The restaurants are here. Business luncheons, weddings and bar mitzvahs are held here. Nineteen public high schools hold graduations in an arena attached to a casino. The community is here.

Neighborhood casinos have sprouted like mushrooms in the suburbs of Las Vegas, the fastest-growing city in the nation. They cater to locals and serve as substitutes for senior centers, parks or street life. They offer bowling alleys, arcades, restaurants, multi-screen movie complexes, inexpensive child care,

nightclubs and sometimes extras such as ice rinks along with the slot machines and card tables.

Ten years ago, half a dozen of these full-service casinos dotted the landscape off the Strip. Today there are 20, with at least six more in development.

On a continuum of casino attractions, they lie somewhere between the two dozen gigantic gambling palaces, such as the Bellagio and MGM Grand, that line the Strip and draw tourists from around the world and the clusters of slot machines found in nearly every bar or grocery store in Nevada. The neighborhood places are fun, but not wild.

"In a city like Las Vegas, where most people have moved here fairly recently and they don't have the kind of family structure you might find in an older community," casinos are central social spaces, said David G. Schwartz, director of the Center for Gaming Research at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas. "If you win, people are happy to know you. If you lose, they're happy to commiserate with you. You can talk about the intricacies of video poker

or about the slot machines, so you have something in common."

Shamy Badal, 68, goes to the Orleans casino about once a week to gamble, eat a meal and socialize with friends, she said from a seat in front of a slot machine. Badal said she budgets \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year for gambling, considerably more than the \$1,480 that market researchers estimate the average southern Nevada spends on gambling every year. "My retirement money," she said with a sheepish laugh. "I come just to play for fun, not to win big. It's just for fun. You sort of forget all your problems."

At Sunset Station, across an acre of busy carpet and a maze of slot machines from the movie theater where the Granado family stood, Evelyn Roman, 76, played a Monopoly gambling machine. She perched on a stool, one hand busy with a cigarette in a long holder, the other working the big shining buttons.

"I'm here all the time," she said. "I'm retired. It gets you out. You talk to people. If you're living alone and you're a senior, you could sit there all day and not talk to anybody."

# Exercise is as good for the mind as for the body, Taurus

**HOROSCOPE**  
Jeraldine Saunders

**IF AUG. 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You are a powerhouse of determination and relentless stamina in the year to come. Your personal charm will help you make a good impression on others from September through the end of the year, so romance could blossom. Because you possess dynamic energy, you can make any business situation a success — especially between December and January, and then again during May and June. Avoid making any important plans that must be launched next July and August, as challenging Saturn will be in your part of the zodiac causing conditions ripe for setbacks.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Go after what you want. If the gas tank is full, there is no reason to delay beginning a journey. Your desires are like the tides and can be counted upon to carry you to shore.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Exercise is just as good for the mind as it is for the body. Put your skills to good use around the house. Your gentleness can be employed as a lever to pry a family member out of a funk.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Remember the golden rule. Treat others with the same respect and consideration that you would like shown in return. Get bills paid today to avoid mix-ups later.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Row, row, row your boat. Spend blissful moments with a loved one today, especially if the two of you share the same enthusiasm or cooperate on a pet project of some kind.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Be Michelangelo. Tap into a reservoir of endless energy to pursue constructive activities. Chip away at the bad things like a sculptor; leave just the best parts where a relationship is concerned.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It

takes two to tango. Pay attention to the urgings of others and follow the lead of a companion. Explore uncharted areas of relationships or back alleys of your neighborhood.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Bill and coo. Birds of a feather can flock together successfully under these stars. A loved one might use imaginative ways to provoke your interest. Enthusiasm is the keynote to accoutre.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Have shrimp on the barbie. Enjoy physical energy and high animal spirits under these stars. It is a poor week to wheel and deal, but a good time for outdoor amusements.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Paint the prettiest picture. Remember, everyone sees what you do. Your actions will be on display whether they rate a blue ribbon or rotten tomatoes. While you can run, you can't hide.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Rhyme doesn't always need a reason. To get into the mood for fun or love you might need to suspend disbelief or cynicism. You could undermine your own efforts by thinking in circles.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Play your hand. It is a good day to stretch your arm "as or follow your desires. You are the side my energy with a little encouragement, so do things that require a little imagination.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Win, win, win. You can compete successfully on the playing field of business or the tennis court of love. Actually getting out in the fresh air for some exercise might be good for you.

**"Real Estate Corner"**  
**KEEP INSURANCE TILL CLOSING**  
by Laura Fitzgerald  
Re/MAX American Dream Realty

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THE BUTLERS

**TWIN FALLS** — Phillip J. and Vonna Butler of Twin Falls were honored July 29 for their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives celebrated with them at a dinner held at the Twin Falls park in the canyon.

Phillip Butler and Vonna Davis were married July 29, 1946, in Reno, Nev. They were sealed in the Salt Lake Temple in 1951.

They have lived in Hayward, Calif., and in Twin Falls for the past 16 years.

He worked at Westinghouse for many years and she was a homemaker.

They have been active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



Vonna and Phillip Butler

The event was hosted by their children, Lorrie (Gary) Garville of Sandy, Utah; Lynn (Grant) Maughan of Twin Falls; Mike (Hiroke) Butler of Kuna; and Shauna (Troy) James of Kuna.

The couple has 20 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

THE FIETS

**WENDELL** — Floyd and Elaine Fiet of Wendell celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their family in June.

Floyd Allen Fiet and Mary Elaine Hanks were married Aug. 19, 1946, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He was raised in Roy, Utah, and she was raised in Nampa. He was discharged from the Army Air Force in November 1945, and joined his family who had moved to Nampa.

They have been in the farming business all their married life, with part of the time on a homesteaded north of Rupert.

They now live in Wendell and he still runs a hawmwood stacker.

They have six children, 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.



Floyd and Elaine Fiet



Floyd and Elaine Fiet

Weddings can be the start of a beautiful friendship

By Jerry Zezima  
Special to The Stamford Advocate

When my daughters were young, they went through a period, roughly between kindergarten and college, in which they not only didn't want to be seen with me, they didn't want other people to know I existed. I didn't take it personally because this happens to all parents, even my wife, who sometimes doesn't want to be seen with me herself.

But that is nothing compared with what happens when you are introduced to the parents of the person your son or daughter intends to marry. My wife and I were in this situation recently during our much-anticipated "wedding week" weekend in Boston.

Sue (my wife) and I (her husband) had never met Jane and Bob Shaw, parents of Dave, fiancé of Katie, older daughter of Sue and Jerry, the aforementioned Zezimas, if you are scoring at home.

Sue and I had spoken with Jane and Bob on the phone after Katie and Dave got engaged and found them to be very nice. But that was only a long-distance meeting. The ultimate challenge would be a face-to-face encounter.

The scene was a bar on a rainy Friday afternoon. Sue and I had picked up Katie at work and walked to the downtown establishment, which I thought was the perfect meeting place, not only because it had a convivial atmosphere, but also because (and this was very important) it had an unlimited supply of alcohol.

Five minutes after we arrived, Dave and his parents walked in. Katie, who had already met her future in-laws, smiled at Sue and then looked at Dave. Her expression was like that of a deer caught in the headlights of a car. She seemed to be thinking: "Please, God, don't let him say anything stupid." Dave walked up and kissed Katie. Then he kissed Sue, shook hands with me and introduced us to his folks. Jane hugged Sue and then me, after which she did the same. We hit it off instantly.

Pretty soon we were chatting and laughing as if we had known each other for years. I could see Katie's abject fear begin to melt away, but there still were about 36 hours to go in the Great Parent Summit. Maybe, I could imagine her expression was like that of a sudden attack of laryngitis.

We all had dinner that evening in a terrific Chinese restaurant, where Bob and I decided to get down to the nitty-gritty and have a frank discussion about the subject that must be dealt with by men whose children are getting married. So we talked about baseball. The women chatted about shoes or something.

The next day, another rainy one, was extremely eventful. First, we all went on a Duck 'n' Tow aboard an amphibious vehicle from World War II that drove through downtown streets before converting to a boat that cruised the Charles River.

Capt. Johnny Baggadonitz allowed two boys, who were about 5 and 10 years old, respectively, to take the wheel. He did the same for a cute blonde who will be a college freshman in Boston this fall, when Katie and Dave will be married. I was going to ask if I could take command because I have captained every boat I have ever been on, including (this is absolutely true) a cruise ship. My sole qualification: I have a New York state driver's license.

But I thought better of it because with my luck, I'd hit a bridge or another boat and we would sink into the river, which would have ruined the wedding plans and put a real damper on the weekend.

Afterward, in the atrium of a nearby hotel, Sue said to me: "We're splitting up." "What?" I spluttered. "After 28 years of marriage? What message will this send to Katie and Dave?" Sue rolled her eyes. "The women are going shopping and you men can go to a cigar bar," she said. Later, in a store, Jane reportedly said to Sue, "Jerry is very weird. To watch both Sue and Katie respond, 'We just ignore him.' After our respective excursions, we all went to the reception hall, which Jane and Bob had never seen, and then had dinner at a great Italian restaurant.

The weather may have been lousy all weekend, but the company was wonderful. Jane and Bob—who blew up from their home in Greenville, S.C., are part of our family now. Sue and I, who drove up from our home on Long Island, N.Y., couldn't be happier.

Neither could Katie and Dave because, against all odds, we didn't humiliate them. For all four parents, in the immortal words of Humphrey Bogart, who is dead and can't sue me, this looks like the beginning of a beautiful friendship.

GREENHALGH-BOEHMER

**BURLEY** — Chelsea Joy Greenhalgh and Steven Boehmer were married Aug. 19 in the Spokane LDS Temple.

Chelsea is the daughter of Rob and Sonya Greenhalgh of Spokane, Wash. She is a graduate of East Valley High School. The groom is the son of Bernie and Hilda Boehmer of Burley. He is a 2002 graduate of Burley High School and will attend Brigham Young University-Idaho.

A reception will be held from



Chelsea and Steven Boehmer

6:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 25, at the Burley LDS Institute building.

BUNN-BROWN

**TWIN FALLS** — Christine Bunn and Greg Brown were married June 10 at the home of the bride's parents in Santee, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Jim and Dorrie Miller of Santee.

The groom is the son of Jerry and Sofia Brown of Jerome.

The groom's brother, Jeff Brown, was the best man.

The bride's friend, Stephanie Scott, was the bridesmaid. The couple's daughter, Ally, was the flower girl.

The groom is a graduate of Twin Falls High School. He is



Christine and Greg Brown

serving in the U.S. Navy and is working as a storekeeper at the Naval Supply Center in Bremington, Wash. They reside in Bangor, Wash.

MUNSEY-HUNT

**BURL** — Karissa Marie Munsey and Douglas John Hunt were married Aug. 4 in the Denver LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Lance and Cheryl Munsey of Highlands Ranch, Colo., where she graduated from high school. She graduated from cosmetology school and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho.

The groom is the son of Gene and Linda Hunt of Buhl. He graduated from Buhl High School and Utah State University. He served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Nevada Las Vegas Mission.

He is employed as an aerospace engineer at Lockheed Martin in Denver.

After their honeymoon to Hawaii, they will reside in Highlands Ranch.

An open house will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Jerald Karel residence, 3896 N. 1500 E., Buhl.



Karissa and Douglas Hunt

in Denver.

COOK-NORRIS

**HANSEN** — Bonnie Cook and Daniel Norris were married Aug. 16 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Rex and Chyrel Cook of Sandy, Utah.

The groom is the son of Marvin and Marcia Norris of Hansen.

The bride graduated in 2002 from South Jordan High School and earned her bachelor's degree in speech language pathology from Utah State University.

The groom graduated in 1999 from Hansen High School and served a mission from 2000-2002 for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Asuncion, Paraguay. He is pursuing a degree in civil engineering at the University of Utah.

A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Hansen LDS Church.



Daniel and Bonnie Norris

Paraguay. He is pursuing a degree in civil engineering at the University of Utah.

ANDREWS-VULGAMORE

**TWIN FALLS** — Colleen Kelly Andrews and Lewis Dwayne Vulgamore were married Aug. 5 at The White House in Twin Falls.

The bride is the daughter of Jessie Rey of Jackpot, Nev., and Bill and Barb Rey of Bel Air, Md.

The groom is the son of Lupita (Mary) Tackett of Tooele, Utah, and Darrell and Shelly Vulgamore of Twin Falls.

Wendy Stevens, friend of the couple, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Rolene Peter, Rachael Moore, Rhannon Peters, and the couple's daughter, Breanna Andrews.

Vince Bourner, friend of the couple, served as best man. Groomsmen were Jason Stevens, Mike (Bubba) Peters, and the couple's son, Vincent



Kelly and Lewis Vulgamore

Andrews. Ushers were Aaron Ferfante and Randy Brito. The couple resides in Phoenix.

MACKAY-HARMON

**BURL** — Ruthie Mackey and Matthew Harmon of Berkeley, Calif., announce their engagement.

Mackey is the daughter of Janet Franklin of Buhl and Roger Mackey of Caldwell. She is a graduate of Reed College in Portland and is a juris doctor candidate at Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California in Berkeley.

Harmon is the son of Patty and Doug Harmon of Centennial, Colo. He is a graduate of Reed College and works as an after-school program director at Trips for Kids in San Rafael, Calif.



Ruthie Mackey and Matthew Harmon

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Oct. 7, at St. Chapelle Winery in Caldwell.

STEVENS-MORRIS

**BURLEY** — Karen Stevens of Declo and Delbert Lee Morris of Burley announce their engagement.

The wedding is planned for 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, at the home of Denton and Virgene Darrington, 875 E. 300 S., Declo. A reception will follow.

The couple requests no gifts.



Delbert Morris and Karen Stevens

WEBB-JONES

**DECLO** — Scott and Becky Webb of Raft River announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Webb, to Trae Dee Jones, son of Dee and Bonnie Jones of Burley.

Webb is a 2004 graduate of Burley High School and a 2006 graduate of the College of Eastern Utah, where she played volleyball for two years. She will attend Brigham Young University in the fall.

Jones is a 2003 graduate of Declo High School and served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Recife, Brazil. He is employed at Jones Construction in Burley and will attend BYU in the fall.

The wedding is planned for



Trae Jones and Melissa Webb

Friday, Aug. 25, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Webb residence, 49 N. Yale Road, Declo.

WRIGHT-HABERMAN

**JEROME** — Rick and Brenda Haberman of Jerome announce the engagement of their son, Michael Richard Haberman, to Tanya Lynn Wright, daughter of Jim and Karen Wright of Urbandale, Iowa.

Wright graduated from Urbandale High School and received her Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from Iowa State University and her Master of Science in engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga.

Haberman graduated from Jerome High School and earned his Bachelor of Science in engineering from the University of Idaho, his Master of Science in engineering from Georgia Tech and his Diplome de Doctorat in engineering from the University of Metz, France.

The couple is currently living in France, where she is



Michael Haberman and Tanya Wright

employed by Schlumberger in Paris and he is finishing his Ph.D. in engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology (Metz, France campus).

The wedding is planned for Friday, Sept. 8, in Jackson, Wyo. Receptions will be held Monday, Sept. 11, at the Sawtooth Inn in Jerome and Friday, Sept. 15, at the Botanical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

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FAMILY LIFE

BACK TO SCHOOL

Homework: How much help is too much?

By Samantha Critchell  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Parents don't like to see their children struggle. Parents feel the pain of kids who are exasperated when they can't figure out a math problem...and they don't like to see kids bleary-eyed late at night while trying to finish a science project.

It's natural for parents to want to help. It might start out with a little cutting and pasting while the kids do the intellectual work on, say, a model volcano. But that can lead to the parents' researching and assembling the whole slippery slope.

At what point does parental help cross the line and diminish the task's value for the student?

"The most important thing to remember about homework," says Richard Bavaria, vice president of education at Sylvan Learning Centers, is that it should "reinforce skills that they've learned in the classroom. It's practice."

If children ask for help, parental guidance is OK. Showing them how to research the answer is best, says Bavaria; doing the homework for them is not an option.

"Kids don't want parents to do their homework for them. They might say they do, but most kids know they need to know the information to get them through the rest of the year," he says.

Sometimes students just need parents to talk them through a tough assignment, either by suggesting ways to break it up into more manageable chunks or by helping them set specific goals.

"Homework shouldn't be a battle. It should be expected. It's as much a part of school as getting up and getting dressed each morning," says Anna Wesselak, president of the National PTA.

Tips for homework

- **Some do's and don'ts, courtesy of the National Education Association:**
- **Assume that your children will have homework every day.**
- **Ask them if they understand their assignments. If they don't, work a few examples together.**
- **Ask your children to see their homework when the teacher returns it, to learn where they're having trouble and where they're doing well.**
- **Stay in touch with teachers, and ask how you can help support their lessons.**
- **Remember, you and the teachers want the same thing: to help your children learn.**
- **Don't do your children's work for them. Help them learn to do it themselves.**
- **Show your children that you think homework is important. Ask to see their work if you haven't been home while they were doing it.**
- **Praise your children regularly for doing well.**
- **Keep a portfolio of "best pieces."**
- **Ask the school for tips on developing good study habits.**
- **Help older students organize assignments by recording them in a calendar or planner.**

Other dos and don'ts for parents, from the experts:

- **Show your children how school subjects are put to practical use, employing math to balance a checkbook, for example, or figure out a tip at a restaurant.**

- **Don't do your own school experience. Instead of saying, "I hated math, too," in an effort to empathize, try something more encouraging, such as, "I had a difficult time too, and here's how I conquered it."**

- **Create an environment conducive to homework. Children should have a designated spot in the house that's clean, well lit and has the supplies they'll need. Keeping reference books, pens, pencils, rulers and the like in one place can shave a substantial amount of homework time.**

- **Designate a particular time of day for schoolwork. Some children need to burn off energy doing other things when they first get home from school, and can settle down later in the evening; others prefer to get the task done**

right away before they get distracted by other things. Bavaria recalls doing his own best work in the early morning.

- **Expect about 15 minutes of homework per night per grade level, so a first-grader would have 15 minutes, a fourth-grader an hour, and so on,** says Wesselak of the National PTA. That's a standard recommended by the PTA and the National Education Association.

Regular communication between parents and teachers about expectations can keep everyone on the right path, she says. Be wary of children who report night after night that they have no homework.

On the other hand, if a child complains about way too much homework, or if it's taking far too long to complete it, it's fair for the parent to take up the issue with the teacher, Wesselak says.

"Kids do need some free time and sleep time. They need physical activity and to eat dinner. It can be hard to fit

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Next week in Family Life.

it all in," she says.

Some parents are turning against the very idea of homework, saying it has become excessive and keeps kids from having fun, reading for pleasure, or pursuing other interests that will make them happier, more well-rounded people. Sara Bennett of Brooklyn, N.Y., is co-author of the book "How to Stop Homework: How the Homework Is Hurting Our Children and What We Can Do About It" (Crown), due out this fall.

"Homework was interfering with my kids' intellectual development," she says. "To stop to practice spelling when your kid is reading a book is ridiculous."

Bennett, whose children are now 14 and 11, says that when they were younger, teachers usually were willing to work with her on homework limits. But that's gotten harder as the children have grown older.

"The major reason you'll hear for giving kids homework in the younger years is that it builds responsibility," she says.

"How are you building responsibility if parents have to be involved every step of the way? Actually you're building a dependency that you'll have to break later."

Bavaria argues that good teachers can make homework meaningful by coming up with challenging, relevant assignments.

"Kids can see through busy work like Superman can see through steel," he says. "But relevant homework — kids will take that seriously."

Here in Malibu, everyone's a star

W'e're in Malibu, Calif., for a week, the sort of place butterflies go to retire — a fairy tale of tonic-water seascapes and lots of remade Cinderellas, many of them on their second or third marriages.

Yes, we're happily-ever-aftering in this Camelot by the sea. Yesterday, the kids and I built a sand castle, then sold it for a million seven. It was a spec sand castle, with high ceilings, seven bedrooms and motor courts, front and back. We worked on it for about two hours, then arranged a 30-day escrow with some TV exec. What an idiot. The kitchen isn't even custom.

Anyway, things are great here in The Bu. It seems like a good place to become an alcoholic, if you ask me. There are no clocks, and happy hour starts at some vague period between noon and 4 p.m., take your pick: The natives are almost aggressively friendly, like strippers at a convention of lonely dentists. I think they think we have money.

"I found a great pea coat," says the little girl.

"How much?"

"Um, \$489," she says. Jeesh, at that price, why not buy two? Or you could get the pea pants to go with it. And a pea hat.

"I've had the same pea coat for 20 years," her mother says, at that price.

"Can I have it?"

"Sure."

"Can I get it tailored?" the little girl asks.

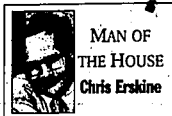
Our kids didn't have many values to begin with. Now, after four days in Malibu, they have made a game of counting the Range Rovers they see (47), and looking everywhere in hopes of spotting a celebrity.

Apparently, most of those have been locked up, but we did see one guy who looked a lot like Tom Hanks. If Tom Hanks didn't have much of a chin. Then there was this mail carrier who looked remarkably like Cher, except she was about 5 feet tall and wore a small soul patch below her lower lip. It's rustic here. People shave at their own convenience.

"Look, Pamela Anderson!" I screamed at the local market, where she and her kids have been spotted in the past arguing over ice cream. Turned out it wasn't her.

"Look, Citizen Kane!" I said at the gas station one day, and nobody got it, not even my wife. I blame the alcohol. They blame me.

Did I mention that we're house-sitting for perfect strangers, some friends of a friend? It's sort of like being in an Alice Sebold novel, trying to figure out the family from the photos on the



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fridge or the books on the shelves. It's impossible not to draw some conclusions.

The parents seemed happier when the kids were young.

Or maybe they were just smiley-insane, like us — driven loopy by the insatiable demands of small children.

I have the toddler on my lap right now, practicing his "I sounds with such abandon that he's threatening to spit out his own teeth."

The other day, he stood up in my lap and accidentally pinched my thigh between his shoe and the chair, causing the kind of pain I haven't experienced since I saw my wife in labor, a pain I'll not soon forget.

"Wowwwwwww!" I yelped. "You OK, Daddy?" he asked.

Sure, I'll be fine after the skin graft takes. He's 30 pounds of pain, this kid. Hey, doc, how about an epidural?

On evenings out, the kid will wander into a place as if on his fifth martini, my little Mel Gibson, throwing an arm around strangers and acting vaguely Australian.

He has no indoor voice, just an outdoor voice. Even in a noisy saloon, he is always being Shush-Shush-SHUSHED! for being too boisterous.

"You think his hearing's OK?" I ask his mother at one point.

"Yeah," she says. "He's just drunk."

Who isn't these days? It's August and the beach is warm and the drinks keep coming. Time flies when you're having sun.

I spend significant amounts of my day clearing sand from the little guy's various openings and trying to keep him away from the cops. Like a lot of 3-year-olds, he is deliciously subversive. To him, everyone is an authority figure. Even me.

"Hey, wanna build another sand castle?" I ask.

"No," he says.

"What kind?" asks the little girl.

"English Tudor," I say.

"No," says the toddler.

"We could carve it into condos," I say.

"I want a condo!" the toddler yells.

Fortunately, we own Malibu.

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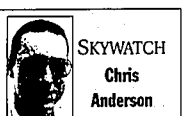
Seeing the different sizes of stars

Vision, from the eye which receives images to the brain which interprets them, is a tricky thing.

Take for example the way we perceive stars.

Stars are so far away that even in the largest telescopes can't reveal their widths. So when a bright star appears bigger than a faint star, it's merely an optical illusion. Don't feel bad if it's fooled you too; one of the greatest visual observers of the pre-telescope era, Danish astronomer Tycho Brahe, thought he was able to discern stellar diameters. In reality, his eyes would have had to be able to see detail one thousand times finer than the norm to pull it off.

So why not just use a 1,000-



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power telescope to see a star's size? Because atmospheric turbulence limits the amount of detail that appears in an image to about six times finer than the unaided eye can manage.

That's still about a factor of twenty short of the detail necessary to show a star as a disc instead of a dot. High-tech scopes have ways to compensate for atmospheric turbulence, but even those only show the very closest giant stars' widths.

Sky calendar (through Saturday)

- **Planets:**  
One hour before sunrise: Venus: ENE, extremely low  
One hour after sunset: Jupiter: SW, low
- **Moon:**  
New Moon Wednesday, 1:10 p.m. Extremely thin waning crescent below Venus Tuesday morning.

Another solution is to get above the atmosphere, like the Hubble Space Telescope. Hubble has imaged a few stars' discs, but like its ground-based cousins, can only resolve the "easy" ones.

That's because even in an optically perfect telescope the wave nature of light produces star images that look like a bull's-eye: a central spot surrounded by successively fainter concentric rings. Unless the central spot is smaller than the star's disc, the star's diameter will be obscured. The only way to make the spot smaller is to make the telescope larger, and space telescopes larger than Hubble carry a hefty price tag.

Next week: The Mars e-mail hoax that refuses to die.

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Home births

Jayva Pearl Hicks, daughter of Jason and Diane Hicks of Twin Falls, was born June 14, 2006.

Savanah Alexis Freeman, daughter of Haylee Rajean Hansen and Billy Joe Freeman of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 15, 2006.

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Kinsle Marie Burr, daughter of Marie and Wesley Burr Jr. of Rupert, was born July 27, 2006.  
Caitly Jet Van Every, son of Brent and Emma Van Every of Acquia, was born Aug. 4, 2006.

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Justic Fallin Owens, son of Ryan and Roxey Owens of Jerome, was born Aug. 6, 2006.  
Tanzen Chancellor Paul Hatridge, daughter of Rick Hatridge and Amanda Arduques of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.  
Olivia E. Edwards, daughter of James Moore Jr. and Donna Edwards of Kimberly, was born Aug. 10, 2006.  
Zane Richard Landers, son

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Julian Schermerhorn Gray, son of Sarah and Anthony Gray of Halley, was born July 31, 2006.

Echo Elizabeth Flisk, daughter of Leann Baldy and Doyle Flisk of Halley, was born Aug. 2, 2006.

Isabelle Claire Phillips, daughter of Calysta and Matthew Phillips of Halley, was born Aug. 2, 2006.

Riley Erin Bagley, daughter of Natalie and Stacey Bagley of Halley, was born Aug. 4, 2006.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Carson Bennett McDonald, son of Jessica Louise and Scott Lee McDonald of Twin Falls, was born June 2, 2006.  
Jolee Jean Arthur, daughter of Samara Lezora and Reed Edward Arthur of Kimberly, was born Aug. 7, 2006.  
Lea Castaneda, daughter of Gabriela and Javier Martin Castaneda of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 8, 2006.

Madison Louise Harbaugh, daughter of Sarah Louise and Joshua Nathan Harbaugh of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 8, 2006.

Ryker Rupert Rex, son of Kylee Elaine and Ryan Rupert Rex of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 8, 2006.

Emmalee Camille Dotson, daughter of Natalie Renee Dotson of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.

Garet Rodney Finch, son of Teresa Lynn and Cameron Loren Finch of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.

Landon Alan Gier, son of Kari Anne and Terry Alan Gier of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.

Colton Edward Bryant, son of Amber Naomi and Daniel Steven Bryant of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.

Andrew Nicholas Denny, son of Jacy Renee and Nicholas Curtis Denny of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 9, 2006.

Hanna Winnifred Bartlett, daughter of Karie Mahala and Joshua Sage Bartlett of Twin Falls, was born Aug. 11, 2006.

Libby Sophia Merrell, daughter of Sheri Lynette and Matthew Gordon Merrell of Kimberly, was born Aug. 13, 2006.

Rules for packing: Don't take it all with you

By Kim Ode  
Minneapolis Star Tribune

MINNEAPOLIS — Bottom line: If you want to get away from it all, don't take it all with you.

That's the word from Anne McAlpin, author of "Pack It Up: Traveling Smart and Safe in Today's World" (Flying Cloud, \$14.95). She has a trunkful of travel tips. (See her Web site at [www.packitup.com](http://www.packitup.com).)

Such as: Carry a photo of your traveling companion so that if you're separated, you can show people whom you're looking for, especially helpful in a country where language may be a barrier.

Or: If you're flying with someone and each of you is checking a bag, put a day's worth of stuff in each other's luggage so if a bag gets lost, you can get by until it's found.

And: String your necklaces through plastic drinking straws to keep them from tangling.

McAlpin also told travelers about her favorite suitcase (TravelPro 22-inch expandable Rollaboard), accessory (a 3-in-1 microfiber towel large enough to serve as a blanket or sarong) and sanitizing spray (tweating — an ID/boarding pass holder around your neck so you can easily show the needed documents as many times as necessary while juggling your bags).

But the single biggest mistake travelers make is taking too much. Lay out the clothes you think you'll need, then put half of them back in your closet.

Shoes? Never more than three pairs, one of which you'll be wearing; walking shoes, dressy loafers and sandals.

All of which will help leave room in your carry-on for bag food. "Pack your lunch," she said, "because you never know when your next meal is coming."

"And pack your dinner — because that's not coming, either."

