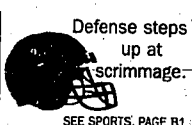


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Defense steps up at scrimmage.

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Roger Alford, left, of Strzkan Excavating, discusses the damage to his backhoe with Leonard Bay, project supervisor with STARR Corporation, Monday afternoon at the new school site in Jerome.

Vandalism exceeds \$40,000

Construction equipment damaged at site of Jerome's new schools

See video coverage of this story at www.magicvalley.com

Help solve the case
If you have any information about the vandalism, you're encouraged to call SIRCOM at 735-1911.

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

JEROME — It was an act that will cost a lot of time and a lot of money. Vandals caused more than \$40,000 in damage to construction equipment at the

site of the new elementary and middle schools in Jerome.
The vandalism, which one school administrator described as "malicious," was done sometime between Friday night and early Monday morning.
"They slashed more than 40 tires, cut

hoses, smashed windows on the heavy equipment and put dirt in the fuel tanks," said Richard Ames, construction coordinator for the Jerome School District. "This was not a small thing; this is major."

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Idaho might lose federal school money

State needs to finish a plan to get qualified teachers in core classes

By Jesse Harlan Akerman
Associated Press Writer

BOISE — School began Monday in some Idaho districts, days after the state learned it must address, with more vigor, an ambitious federal mandate to put qualified teachers in all core classes.

If Idaho again fails to draft a plan that meets approval of the U.S. Department of Education, the state risks losing federal money by the time school starts next year.

Under the sweeping 2001 education reform bill, the No Child Left Behind Act, all states were supposed to have highly qualified teachers in every classroom by the end of the last school year.

None reached the bar. So the federal government ordered all states to draft new plans for identifying, training and hiring a teaching corps with college degrees in relevant subject areas or passing marks on teacher aptitude tests.

Specifically, the plans must ensure that minority and poor children are taught by the same proportion of highly qualified teachers as students statewide.

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Mother 'guilty' in torture case

THE ALFORD PLEA: "You don't admit all of the facts are true but you agree the state would have enough evidence to convict you. It allows you to plead guilty without admitting to the charge."
— Fifth District Court Judge Robert Elgee.

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — It seemed the prosecutor had assumed near-total control over the child torture case against a Richfield mother.
The photos and testimony he had gathered would likely win the jury. He knew it. The defense knew it.



Lincoln County prosecuting attorney E. Scott Paul, left, objects to Judge Robert Elgee's admission of Kyanne Pamparau's guilty plea.



Kyanne Pamparau confers with her attorney, Craig Hobbey, Monday at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Shoshone. Pamparau, who was arrested in January of 2005, has pleaded guilty to the abuse of her then 8-year-old son Noah.

With the prosecutor vowing to seek the maximum 10-year punishment against her, the defendant, Kyanne Pamparau, pleaded guilty Monday to injury to child — a crime she says she does not recall committing.
Pamparau and her husband were arrested in January 2005. He was charged and is serving his sentence in an out-of-state prison. She was ordered into psychiatric treatment and now, 1½ years later, stands accused of torturing her 8-year-old son Noah, who at 50 pounds, an emergency-room doctor described as resembling an Auschwitz survivor.

Moments after the judge ruled Pamparau's plea was competently formed her lawyer's recollection was jolted.

Defense attorney Craig Hobbey of Gooding reminded the prosecutor that he had promised in the past to seek no additional charges beyond the single count of injury to a child if Pamparau pleaded guilty.

By making Monday what is known as an Alford plea, Pamparau pleaded guilty while admitting to nothing.

When asked by the judge about the agreement, Lincoln County Prosecutor Attorney E.

Scott Paul said: "That's the word I've given."
Paul, who seemed likely to add new charges, objected to the court's admission of Pamparau's Alford plea.

Pamparau told the judge she lacks recall of any part of a contested window of time in which she is accused of torturing Noah. "I dissociate during stressful events," she told the judge.

"I don't believe Ms. Pamparau's claim that she doesn't remember," Paul said.

Only if she is mentally competent now, he said, can the court recognize her stipulated guilty plea. He told Fifth District Court Judge Robert Elgee that by sanctioning her plea, vouching for her competence, Elgee had slid into the role of a psychiatric evaluator.

Elgee denied the objection.

The judge resolved the question of Pamparau's competence for Monday's proceedings, but admits it could remain the ongoing question of this case. "The sentencing hearing may turn into a competency hearing," he said.

Pamparau is scheduled to be sentenced at 9 a.m. on Oct. 16.

AIRLINER TERROR PLOT

British authorities report finding martyrdom videos, bomb-making materials

By Jennifer Quinn
Associated Press writer

LONDON — Police found martyrdom videos and bomb-making components during the investigation of the alleged plot to blow up U.S.-bound jetliners, prosecutors said Monday in announcing 11 people had been charged with terrorism offenses.

Officials confirmed for the first time that the plot involved the manufacture of explosives, which were to be used to assemble and detonate bombs inside as many as 10 airliners. U.S. officials previously had said the plot appeared to involve mixing liquid-based chemicals to make

explosives aboard the aircrafts.
One woman was released from custody Monday and police continued to interrogate 11 others who remain under active investigation," lead prosecutor Susan Hemming said.

Those charged were scheduled to appear in court Tuesday morning, but because of the seriousness of the accusations, it was unlikely bail would be granted.

The briefing by police and prosecutors lasted less than eight minutes, but provided more information than had been released in the 11 days since the alleged plot was first disclosed and air travel out of Britain was thrown into turmoil.

They said investigators had found bomb-making materials — including hydrogen

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Cheating is awful when other people do it

By Shankar Vedantam
The Washington Post

Both athletes were stars. Both faltered, then staged dramatic comebacks — displaying the tenacity that separates heroes from also-rans. Both now face drug charges that could end their careers.

After winning five medals at the 2000 Olympic Games but falling miserably at the 2004 Games, sprinter Marion Jones won the 100-meter race at the U.S. National Championships in June. But a urine sample taken there has come back positive for erythropoietin, an endurance booster, according to reports over the weekend.

After falling to 11th place in the 2006 Tour de France, Floyd Landis shot back into con-

tenion with a gritty ride in Stage 17 through the Alps. "I was very, very disappointed yesterday for a little while," Landis told the Associated Press at the time. "Today I thought I could show that at least I would keep fighting."

Landis went on to win, but two urine samples collected that day came back positive for artificial testosterone. His title may be stripped once his appeal is reviewed. Commentators are

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Floyd Landis of the United States shortly after he crosses the finish line July 20 to win the 17th stage of the 93rd Tour de France cycling race between Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne and Morzine in the French Alps.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

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WINDY

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BUSINESS

BlackBerry Seminar hosted by Edge Wireless of Twin Falls, an informational seminar about BlackBerry services and devices with prizes and lunch, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Red Lion Canyon Springs Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, no cost, 866-221-3343 ext 5054.

FAMILY

"Baby and Me" class, learning about Kinder Music, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., St. Benedict's Family Medical Center's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome, no cost, 324-7262.

GOVERNMENT

Gooding County Memorial Hospital Board, 7:30 a.m., conference room, 1120 Montana St., 934-4433. Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700. Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., council chambers, City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road, 622-4438. Jerome School Board, 6 p.m., Carter Luther Vocational Ag Building, high school, 104 Tiger Drive, 324-8137. Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 110 E. Second St., (208)366-7418. Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 507 Idaho St., 934-4841. Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 342-8189. Shoshone Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030.

HEALTH

Twin Falls Community Blood Drive, noon to 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 209 5th Avenue N., Twin Falls, 734-4566.

OUTDOORS

Junior Ranger Activity "It's for the Birds" 11 a.m., Redfish Lake Visitor Center, Redfish Lake five miles south of Stanley, no cost, 208-774-3376.

To have an event (including on-going events) listed in the September 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 at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

WEB READER REACTION

On 'Surface of Civility'...

BROWN BLOODED: With this article, is (Cassidy) Friedman attempting to be PC... does (he) have an agenda? or just in tune with it. Being from Mexican heritage, the legal way, I can say there are differences between our societies. We have different views about things. While not all Mexicans are criminals, slime balls, perverts etc, it's OK to say some are, as well as some whites are. When visiting Mexico, other than the tourist areas, you best speak and read the language. There are not signs in Spanish and English there. Yes, illegals do hurt are economy here as well as in other countries around the world. Don't be afraid to say it. When moving here my parents had to learn English to survive, so should all newcomers. And it's true illegals are sapping our country it's time we do something about it. Admitting the truth does not make you a racist.

AHHH: Lays down the race card then plays the religion card. C'mon people, the Times-News loves to stir the pot. Don't buy into it. Just get along with each other.

SASSY: I am sorry that a few good people are being attacked for the color of their skin, but they should also be mad at the folks who have made this happen. I have family members who are Hispanic by marriage and family by children and they are judged as well, but they understand that it the folks jumping the border and breaking the law causing this stereotype, so they place their anger in the correct place at those causing the issue. It is no different if you are Caucasian and from the south, they assume you are slow (redneck) or if you are black and from LA they assume drug dealer and gang banger). It has been this way from the beginning of time. "The sins of the few are always witnessed on the masses."

For more comments

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OBITUARIES

Ed "Abe" Caperto, 80. Jennifer Dawn Bennett-Hansen, 30. John Spanbauer Sr., 88.

MAGIC VALLEY



Saddle details make all the difference

GOODING — You've probably seen them slipping through town, motors humming, lights flashing. Custom cars. Ever since Henry Ford's first Model T rolled off a Detroit assembly line in 1909, folks have been personalizing vehicles. Before that, there were saddles. And people personalized those, too. Still do, though a custom saddle can be hard to spot these days. Only a handful of saddle-makers are left in Magic Valley. Not everyone owns a horse anymore, and custom saddles carry a higher price tag (about \$3,000) than most full-time cowboys can afford.

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Vandals do \$40,000 in damage to school site

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Brother Bill

BURLEY — His brother Bill grabs headlines for his environmental and political activism. But Cassia County attorney Donald Chisholm doesn't mind. Chisholm prefers to take a different approach in terms of protecting Idaho's natural resources.

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Honoring farm workers

RUPERT — The city of Rupert celebrated the people who help get the crops from farm to fork Sunday during the fourth annual Farm Worker Appreciation Day. Several hundred people gathered on the square to eat hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob and ice cream while they listened to music and children played games and broke pinatas.

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IDAHO/WEST

Idahoans struggle to pay for college

BOISE — A combination of rising college costs and little help from the state with student aid is part of the reason Idaho is so far behind the rest of the country in the percentage of students who go on to college after high school, officials with the state Board of Education said. Idaho ranks 44th in the nation in college student aid to full-time students who are struggling financially, spending about \$17 per student compared to the national average of \$400 per student, according to the National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs.

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The husband and children of shooting victim Romella Vargas.

Phoenix police seek clues to serial killer

PHOENIX — When Romella Vargas was gunned down in the catering truck where she fried taquitos, police had few answers for her husband. Maybe the mother of twin baby boys got into trouble selling drugs — that was the best they could offer. Alvin Hogue never accepted that explanation, but when a detective called months later with a better one, he was so stunned he had to pull his cement truck over to the side of the road. Vargas and her cook, Mirna Palma-Roman, were victims of the Baseline Killer, a serial predator who police say has killed eight people and sexually assaulted 11 other women and girls in the Phoenix area in just over a year.

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No star treatment for JonBenet suspect

LOS ANGELES — John Mark Karr lunched on a bologna sandwich, carrots and an apple in the Los Angeles County jail Monday, a day after he washed down seafood with champagne aboard a flight from Thailand to face charges in the murder of JonBenet Ramsey nearly 10 years ago. Karr is scheduled to appear in court early Tuesday to announce whether he will oppose extradition to Colorado.

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NATION/WORLD



Bush embraces Iraq war as election issue

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Monday embraced the Iraq war as a top issue in the November elections and tried to make it a weapon against Democrats rather than a liability for Republicans.

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Iran bars inspectors from nuclear site

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran turned away U.N. inspectors from an underground site meant to shelter its uranium enrichment program from attack, diplomats said Monday, while the country's supreme leader declared that Tehran will not give up its contentious nuclear technology.

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AOL executive resigns over privacy breach

NEW YORK — AOL's chief technology officer left the company and two other workers were fired in the aftermath of a privacy breach that involved the intentional release of more than 650,000 subscribers' Internet search terms.

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Study finds more danger in acne drug

CHICAGO — Accutane, the powerful acne drug already known to cause birth defects, seems to raise the risk for potential heart and liver problems more than doctors had expected, according to a new study.

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Police nab fugitive suspected of killing 2

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Police say they have captured a fugitive suspected of killing a hospital guard and a sheriff's deputy near the Virginia Tech campus. Police had swarmed the campus and ordered everyone inside Monday as heavily armed officers with dogs and in helicopters searched for the fugitive. Dump trucks and police cruisers blocked roads leading to campus, and students said they saw sharpshooters posted on the campus rooftops. Virginia Tech Vice President Kurt Krause said classes were canceled for the school's more than 25,000 students about 10 a.m., shortly after the first day of the semester had started.

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SPORTS

Vandals defense steps up in third scrimmage

MOSCOW — The curious University of Idaho Vandal faithful, arm-chute quarterbacks and students who stayed the summer in Moscow are all drawn to fall football camp's full-scrimmage days. There have been, three so far, with a fourth and final one scheduled for Thursday. In between these full scrimmages the defensive and offensive units go against one another in situational scrimmages. But the declared winner of a full scrimmage will have camp bragging rights and a certain swagger that keeps a competitive — and at times — intense edge between the two units.

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Questions on defense, answers on offense

COLUMBUS, Ohio — In a brief respite from another scorching August workout, Jim Tressel hesitated when asked to look back on his first five years as Ohio State's coach. "I have a hard time reflecting on anything that's history right now, other than what play we should have called against Texas," Tressel said. A year later, the Longhorns are still on the minds of the top-ranked Buckeyes.

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Jones expresses shock at positive drug test

Marion Jones broke her silence on her positive drug test Monday, saying she was shocked. Jones, a four-time Olympic medalist and world champion, released a statement through her new attorney, Howard Jacobs, who has represented many athletes in doping cases, including Jones' former boyfriend Tim Montgomery, the father of her child.

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Cink and Verplank join Ryder Cup team

MEDINAH, Ill. — Tom Lehman filled out the U.S. Ryder Cup team Monday by taking Stewart Cink and Scott Verplank as his captain's picks, hoping experience and accuracy will help his squad end a dozen years of European dominance. Cink was a captain's pick two years ago, and the 35-year-old has been one of the few Americans to play well over the last two months in moving up to No. 12 in the standings.

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Vandalism

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 Rodger Allred, a tractor operator with Stutzman, arrived at work Monday morning to find the safety windows smashed out of his tractor.
 "We lost a half day's worth of work trying to get the machinery running again," he said. "And some of this equipment we can barely use because a driver could get injured without the safety glass. You have to have that glass to keep the rock from falling out of the loader and onto the driver."
 To salvage that time left in

the day, workers removed the shattered glass from their equipment and began working without it. But workers are still concerned about the possibility of rain, which could cause electrical damage to the inside of the machinery.
 Workers also spent most of Monday morning draining and filtering the fuel in their machinery after an operator noticed the caps on the fuel tanks were tampered with. Workers found that dirt had been poured into the tanks.
 "We have well over \$10 mil-

lion in equipment out there, with one of the tractors costing more than \$1 million alone," said Leonard Bay, project supervisor for STARR Corporation. "That dirty fuel could have ruined engines that cost about \$50,000."
 Before workers could use the equipment, they had to spend most of the day replacing more than 40 tires that had been slashed.
 "This was malicious vandalism," said Jim Cobble, superintendent of the Jerome School District. "It costs the subcontractors and their insurers a lot of money, and not to mention that this is already a very time-sensitive project."
 Last year, voters approved two bonds totaling \$26.5 million to construct a new elementary and middle school. Because of the rising cost of certain materials, as well as the wages for more than 30 workers, the project must be completed according to the time schedule in order to avoid going over budget.
 Cobble said the subcontractors will absorb the costs of the

vandalism, and it will not affect the total cost to the school district.
 The Jerome Police Department is investigating the vandalism after scouring the site yesterday for clues, which included fingerprints taken from the scene.
 But the school district and the contractors are saying enough is enough.
 "I have guys out there who can't afford to have their machinery being damaged like this," Bay said. "So some are going to have a security patrol make some rounds out here and we're getting the contractors together to see if we can put together some reward money."
 Ames said the school district is also looking into a reward that will lead to the arrest and conviction of those who are responsible for the damage.

School

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 A federal review of Idaho's plans last week found that it is one of 37 states that met only some of the federal government's criteria. Four states, including Washington and Utah, failed all together, while nine state plans were deemed complete.
 The federal auditors mixed Idaho's method of collecting data on qualified teachers and the state will have to resubmit a revised plan by Sept. 29.
 Other areas of Idaho's plan were judged "deficient," particularly the state's proposed measures to guarantee fairness across districts, poor and

rich, minority and non-minority.
 Jana Jones, the top deputy in the Idaho Department of Education, said district superintendents have been trained to compile their data in a way that meets federal requirements.
 A department team is "well on its way" toward adjusting the statewide inventory and writing a new plan by next month's deadline, Jones said. Still, she chided the No Child Left Behind Act as a cumbersome federal intrusion.
 She said the qualified teacher provision is an irksome hurdle for the state's far-

-ranging rural districts that can't attract the caliber of specialized teachers the law demands.
 "Our small rural districts don't have enough positions available to hire eight teachers and don't have enough funding," she said. "What the federal government is requiring, I think is excessive and is putting rural schools in jeopardy."
 If the latest version of Idaho's plan falters, the state faces cuts in aid from the Department of Education or another punitive measure.
 But, the department's aim is to prod states to make headway, not to rigidly enforce

punishment, said Eric Earling, of the U.S. Department of Education's regional office in Seattle.
 "The best way to describe it is that no state has done everything it has to do and Idaho is obviously at a significant point where it needs to do more," he said. "There has been an acknowledgment of the challenges of making the bold goal set forth by the department."
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Cheating

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 beginning what cheating is going to sports.
 "Talk about cheating usually has a ring to it, and that ring comes from having a high moral tone. In this, it is fair to say, most people are hypocrites.
 You and I may never get to ride in the Tour de France, but a great many studies show that most human beings are open to — and extraordinarily adept at — bending moral rules when it comes to cheating."
 "Most people report telling lies on fairly regularly and being largely untroubled by them. When pressed, people say their lies are innocuous."
 "Nor can the world be divided cleanly into cheaters and honest people. A variety of ingenious experiments show that large majorities of people can be induced to do the wrong

thing, depending on the circumstances.
 Among the most potent motivators to cheat is the sense that one has lost the limelight, is falling behind and will be judged harshly. People are also more likely to cheat if they think other people are cheating.
 One experiment asked volunteers to perform a simple mechanical task — track a rapidly moving light beam with a stylus. Volunteers were told by someone they thought was another volunteer but was really part of the research team that it was necessary to cheat to get a decent score.
 After five practice trials, all the volunteers were told that they were not doing well and that they needed to make rapid improvement to catch up to the others. Then they were asked to keep track of

their scores and were left alone. Volunteers did not know researchers were independently monitoring the scores.
 More than three-quarters of the subjects lied about their performance. Volunteers who had done especially poorly on the practice runs seemed more likely to cheat, compared with those who did well. Carl I. Malinowski, an associate professor in marketing at Pace University in New York, said personality traits, anxiety levels, temptation and situational factors all played roles.
 But people who do the wrong thing are fully aware of what they have done, right? Not always.
 "We have a whole quiver full of rationalizations," said C. Daniel Batson, a psychologist at the University of Kansas who's closely studied cheating. Batson does not know what

happened in the Tour de France, but he does understand how athletes in general can rationalize a decision to cheat. All they need to do is think of a drug or a steroid as a relatively small offense that is overruled by other factors.
 "We're very good at explaining to ourselves why we are doing something," he said. "Maybe I have a cold and I know I am going to underperform. Well, I have trained all this time, and in order to compensate for this misrepresentation in my performance ..."
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Terror

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 peroxide and electrical components — and seized more than 400 computers and 200 cell phones in nearly 70 searches.
 More than 8,000 items used for data storage, such as compact discs, DVDs and memory sticks, were reported found. Maps of Afghanistan, suicide tapes from willing terrorists and books on explosives also were seized, officials said.
 "We have also found a number of video recordings — these are sometimes referred to as martyrdom videos," said Assistant Deputy Commissioner Peter Clarke, who heads the Metropolitan Police's anti-terrorism unit. "This has all given us a clearer picture of the alleged plot."
 According to dates given by prosecutors, the plot could have begun last year.
 The details of the charges against one man, Mehran Hussein, allege he had information that could have prevented a terrorist act and did-

not disclose it sometime between Sept. 23, 2005, and Aug. 10, 2006 — the day police announced breaking up the plot.
 In all, eight people were charged with conspiracy to commit murder and preparing acts of terrorism. One person, a 17-year-old, was charged with possession of articles that could be used to prepare a terrorist act and two people were charged with failing to disclose information that could help prevent a terrorist act.

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NATION

Calendar: Official, reporter met during key time in CIA leak case

By Matt Aguzzo and John Solomon
Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — Then-Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage met with Washington Post reporter Bob Woodward in mid-June 2003, the same time the reporter has said an administration official talked to him about CIA employee Valerie Plame.

Armitage's official State Department calendars, provided to The Associated Press under the Freedom of Information Act, show a one-hour meeting marked "private appointment" with Woodward on June 13, 2003.



Armitage

Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald has investigated whether Bush administration officials intentionally revealed Plame's identity as a one-time CIA covert operative to punish her husband, former ambassador Joseph Wilson, for criticizing the administration's march to war with Iraq.

When contacted at home Monday night, Woodward declined to discuss his meeting with Armitage or the identity of his source in the CIA leak case. Instead, he referred to his statement last year that he had a "casual and offhand" discussion about Plame with an unidentified administration official in mid-June 2003.

A person familiar with the information prosecutors have gathered, who spoke only on condition of anonymity because the material remains sealed, said Woodward's meeting with the confidential source was June 13, 2003.

The calendar released to the AP is the first confirmation that Woodward and Armitage met during the key time in the CIA leak case that was the focus of Fitzgerald's probe.

The identity of Woodward's source remains one of the big mysteries in the case because the Post reporter is the first member of the news media known to have discussed Plame's CIA employment with an administration official.

Woodward's former Post editor, Ben Bradlee, has speculated publicly that Armitage was the reporter's "likely source."

And defense attorneys for Lewis "Scooter" Libby, the top administration official charged in the CIA leak case, also have suggested Armitage could have been Woodward's source when they unsuccessfully tried to persuade a court to order the release of State Department documents.

Fitzgerald's office declined comment Monday. Reached at his home in Virginia, Armitage said he could not discuss his cooperation with Fitzgerald's office, the meeting with Woodward or any details of the case.

Libby's former chief of staff to Vice President Dick Cheney, faces trial in January on charges he lied to authorities about conversations he had with reporters about Plame.

Libby's lawyer, William Jefferson, said Monday that Armitage's calendar only bolsters the defense's argument that information about the State Department official's role in the CIA leak affair should be released.

"I would hope that the facts on that would come out," Jefferson said. "We have asked for information as to Woodward's source in discovery but that has been denied."

Woodward's current boss, Post Executive Editor Leonard Downie Jr., said Monday, "We are not going to disclose the identity of a confidential source."

He said the source told him that Plame was a CIA analyst on weapons of mass destruction, and no evidence has emerged in public that Woodward's source actually knew she had been a covert agent, Fitzgerald has signaled there are no plans — beyond

the Libby indictment — to prosecute any other officials for releasing Plame's identity. Armitage's calendar also shows that a week before Woodward's meeting with Armitage, the deputy secretary of state met for 15 minutes with Libby.

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Rupert honors farm workers

By Laurie Welch
For the Times-News

RUPERT — The city of Rupert celebrated the people who help get the crops from farm to fork Sunday during the fourth annual Farm Worker Appreciation Day.

Several hundred people gathered on the square to eat hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob and ice cream while they listened to music and the children played games and broke pinatas.

Rupert Mayor Audrey Neiwerth said the free event was made possible entirely through donations and the city absorbed no costs.

"We wanted to do something to involve the Hispanics and make them feel welcome on our square. We wanted to show our appreciation for what they do for our community," said Neiwerth.

Neiwerth said Rupert has an agricultural economy that is very dependent on farm work-

ers. Without them and the work that they do, the farms in the area would not survive — and neither would the community.

"The farm workers are a very important backbone to the success of the farms," Neiwerth said.

Jesse Torres, a Farm Worker Appreciation Day committee member, said many businesses and individuals donated money and items to make the day a success.

Torres, who is an American citizen, said he spent many years working in the fields and knows what back-breaking work it is.

"We go to the store and buy the food and put it on the table and sometimes forget the hard work that goes into making that happen and how that gets done," said Torres.

Laurie Welch writes for the South Idaho Press in Burley. She can be reached at (208) 677-8771.



While most people in the Magic Valley think of Burley attorney Don Chisholm's brother Bill when it comes to environmentalists, Don takes a different approach in terms of environmental activism. Chisholm works inside the system, sitting on one of the most powerful environmental boards in the state: The Department of Environmental Quality's advisory board.

Attorney stays at center of environmental issues

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

BURLEY— His brother Bill grabs headlines for his environmental and political activism. But Cassia County attorney Donald Chisholm doesn't mind.

"I think I utilize my time better by practicing law than doing politics," he said.

Chisholm prefers to take a different approach in terms of protecting Idaho's natural resources. For roughly six years Chisholm has served on the Idaho Board of Environmental Quality. Gov. Jim Risch recently reappointed Chisholm to another four-year term.

"He certainly is more of an establishment sort of guy," said Bill Chisholm, of his brother. But, "we need people like him on the inside."

In fact, the DEQ board provides one of the checks and balances for the public between the governor, the Legislature and the DEQ. Of late, the board garnered its

own attention by taking steps to keep the state out of the federal trading program for mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants before Risch took a position on the issue.

Chisholm, 64, has practiced law for 39 years, returning to his native Mini-Cassia area after finishing a law degree at the University of San Francisco.

After serving as the Rupert city attorney and the Minidoka County prosecuting attorney, the father of three went into private practice. Since being appointed to DEQ's board, Chisholm has tried to strike a balance between big business and the environment.

"We sort of need to come to the center on those issues," Chisholm said.

Fellow DEQ board member Randy MacMillan, who works

with Clear Springs Foods, says Chisholm strives to find solutions that make sense environmentally.

financially and legally.

"I find Don is an innovative thinker," he said. "Don works with the system."

However, that doesn't mean Chisholm isn't willing to challenge that same system from time to time.

Last August, Chisholm questioned the state's "stringency rule" in an article he published in "The Advocate," a journal put out by the Idaho State Bar. According to Idaho law, no state agency can adopt an environmental standard that is stricter or more stringent, than that set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Chisholm believes the agency is vulnerable to financial and political pressures.

"I think we need a good

consistent policy rather than respond to the whims of an administration," Chisholm said.

That's why Chisholm says he would support the creation of a state environmental plan that would help guide how Idaho's natural resources are to be managed by each of the state agencies. The idea has been tossed around in the past but nothing ever came of it. Chisholm feels the plan could be especially important in helping local governments deal with growth — one of the most important issues facing the state.

With ideas like that, the Chisholm brothers don't sound so different after all. Bill says the two share a common interest in watching out for the public good.

However, "we just came out of different ends of the 1960s," Bill Chisholm said.

Times-News reporter Michelle Dunlop can be reached at 735-3237 or by e-mail at mdunlop@magicvalley.com.

Ambulance reborn as Declo extrication vehicle

By Laurie Welch
For the Times-News

DECLO — Cassia Regional Medical Center has donated an old ambulance to Declo Fire Department, which will put it to use as an extrication vehicle.

"We are really excited," said Kenneth Harman, the hospital's administrator. "We received a grant from the state of Idaho for a new ambulance and with that surplus we are able to donate an ambulance to the community."

Harman said the hospital's new ambulance, which arrived about three weeks ago and cost more than \$100,000, will become Life Run 1.

"We are only licensed for a certain number of ambulances so when we get a new one, we pass one along," Harman said.

Declo Fire Chief John Pons said the older ambulance will be useful as an extrication vehicle.

"We received several requests to use the ambulance outside the community, but it was a really easy decision,"

Harman said.

The hospital has donated other ambulances for use in the community and one of them was donated to the College of Southern Idaho and is used as a teaching tool for students training to become emergency medical technicians.

"We work closely with the county EMS to see where we can be utilized," Harman said. "This really fits in with our mission here at the hospital of looking at how we can meet community needs. This really accomplishes that goal."

Pons said the fire department has been awarded a \$30,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Extrication equipment will be purchased with \$20,000, and \$10,000 will be used for a thermal imaging unit.

Pons said the Declo extrication will cover the area out to Yale Road on Interstate 86 and to milepost 3 on Interstate 84.

"We also have an agreement to help in Albion, Malta and Raft River," he said.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Welcome Week at CSI begins Wednesday

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho students and the public are invited to Welcome Week this week.

The CSI Program Board has planned many events for students who are registered for the fall semester, including free movies, bowling, live bands, food and prizes.

The public is invited to a special Community Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, during which there will be live music along with CSI and community information booths, displays and food.

For more information, contact the CSI Student Activities office at 732-6221.

Car show and cruise coming up Sept. 17-19

TWIN FALLS — As part of their 100th anniversary in Twin Falls, the Twin Falls Masonic Lodge No. 45 is sponsoring a car show and cruise Saturday, Sept. 16 and Sunday, Sept. 17 at their lodge at Falls Avenue and Blue Lakes.

There will be a cruise on Saturday night and awards presented Sunday at 1 p.m. for each class. A \$25 advanced entry fee can be paid at Hart's 505 60s Café on Blue Lakes Boulevard. The hours for the

show are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday.

For more information, please call Budd at 733-2832 or 734-3168.

Canyon Rim Trail Sculpture Walk

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Arts Council is seeking artists to create two sculptures at key points along the Canyon Rim Trail.

According to a request for proposals, only professional artists living in the United States are eligible for the project.

The deadline to submit a proposal is Oct. 13 at 5 p.m.

For more information on the Canyon Rim Trail Sculpture Walk, and the application process, visit the Magic Valley Arts Council website at <http://www.magicvalleyartsCouncil.org/>

Jerome Democrats to meet Saturday

JEROME — The Jerome County Democrats will hold their annual picnic from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the North Park on East Main Street in Jerome.

Special guests include Democratic candidates Scott McClure for representative of District 26-A and Sam Harris

for county commissioner.

Entertainment will be provided by Johnny U. A meal and beverages will be provided.

Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. Everyone is invited.

For more information, call Gib Anderson at 324-5493.

St. Benedict's golf scramble today

JEROME — The St. Benedict's Foundation will hold its 20th annual "It's the Spirit" Charity Golf Scramble today and Wednesday at the Jerome Country Club.

Anyone interested is encouraged to join the foundation for its annual fundraising.

For more information, call Tina England at 324-0432.

Twin Falls woman celebrates 90th birthday

TWIN FALLS — Zeora "Mike" Rasmussen will celebrate her 90th birthday at an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday at 553 Buchanan St.

Rasmussen and her twin sister, Zella, were born in Rexburg. Her family moved to

Weiser when she was a child, and she graduated from high school there. She married Donald "Swede" Rasmussen in 1940, in Caldwell. They moved to Twin Falls, where she has since resided. She has two sons, Duane (Monica) of Burley and Gary (Stacy) of Boise; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests no gifts.

Jerome woman also turns 90, will celebrate

JEROME — Helen Ambrose will celebrate her 90th birthday during an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Best Western Sawtooth Inn, 2653 S. Lincoln St.

Ambrose has lived in the Magic Valley area since 1951. She has worked for Safeway Stores, Kathy's in Twin Falls, is on the Jerome Cemetery Board and worked for the Century Association for 18 years.

Her children are Joe Phillips (deceased), Bob (Pat) Phillips of Spokane, Wash.; Marilyn (Mike) Healy of Hailey; Dennis (Donna) Ambrose of California; and Helen (Lynn) Hansen of Aberdeen.

She has 12 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

The event is hosted by her son, Bob Phillips, and daughter, Marilyn Healy, and their families.



Visitors to the Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall in Rupert.

Jerome County Historical Society Museum receives 'Moving Wall' flags

The Times-News

RUPERT — The Jerome County Historical Society Museum received flags at a Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall ceremony.

The wall was viewed at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds in Rupert, July 26-31. Among the 58,249 names on the wall are more than 200 Idahoans, at least one from each county, 32 from the Magic Valley, and Johnny W. Benton from Jerome County, reported Linda Helms of the Jerome County Historical Society. These are the American military personnel who were killed or missing in action during the Vietnam War.

The American flag flown at the beginning of these ceremonies was also flown over the U.S. Capitol on May 15 at the request of Rep. C.L. "Butch" Oster, in honor of the Moving Wall's visit to Rupert.

The POW/MIA flag was donated by Steve Thompson to fly over the July 30 ceremonies.

The Idaho flag had flown over the Idaho State Capitol and was donated by state Rep. Maxine Bell of Jerome County. Helms, who represented the museum in place of Clair and Virginia Ricketts, was presented each of these flags and their certificates during the ceremony.

The ceremony began with the lowering of the flags, and replacing new ones on the flag pole by the National Guard.

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OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICES

Gerald W. Anderson

TWIN FALLS — Gerald William Anderson, 67, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Aug. 20, 2006, at his home. A celebration of life will take place at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2006, at the Church of the Brethren, 461 Filer Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Friends and family may pay their respects after the service at the home of Gerald and Lucille Anderson, 155 Ash St. in Twin Falls. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls. A complete obituary will appear in Wednesday's newspaper.

William R. Ellison

BUHL — William R. Ellison, 66, died Sunday, Aug. 20, 2006, at his residence. A military graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, 2006, at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Arrangements are under the care of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Leona C. Young

RUPERT — Leona Campbell Young, 89, of Rupert, died Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, at the Mindoka Memorial Hospital. The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, 2006, at the Rupert LDS 4th Ward Church, with Bishop Roger Bagley officiating. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, 2006, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church. Burial will follow at the Riverside Cemetery.

Camelo Torres

RUPERT — Camelo Torres, 83, of Rupert, died Sunday, Aug. 20, 2006, at the Mindoka Memorial Hospital. Mass of Christian burial will be held at noon Friday, Aug. 25, 2006, at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, with Father Mike S. Marie as celebrant. Recitation of the rosary will be given at 7:30 p.m., with viewing for friends and family from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 24, 2006, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St. Burial will follow in the Rupert Cemetery.

Molly Jarvis

RUPERT — Molly Jarvis, 93, of Rupert, died Friday, Aug. 18, 2006, at Autumn Haven Assisted Living. A graveside memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, 2006, at the Paul Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obituaries@timesherald.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Squaw Valley ski resort founder dies

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Alexander C. Cushing, the founder and chairman of one of the largest and best known ski resorts in the world, died Saturday in his summer home in Newport, R.I. He was 92. Cushing, who helped launch the sport in the U.S. by bringing the 1960 Winter Olympic Games to his Squaw Valley U.S. near Lake Tahoe, died of pneumonia, the resort said.

Jennifer Bennett-Hansen

JEROME — Jennifer Dawn Bennett-Hansen, of Jerome, passed away Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, in Wendell from injuries sustained in an auto accident.

She was born April 5, 1976, in Albany, Ga.

She is survived by her husband, Russ Hansen, of Jerome; her parents, Phyllis and Doug Wiggins of Jerome; sisters, Sabrina Bennett of Jerome and Michelle Cheney of Filer; nieces, Ardawna and Katalana Cheney; nephews, Bretton Cheney and Garron Aguado; grandmother, Elva Someland; uncles, Rex (Nance) Strickland of Wendell and E.D. (Darlene) Strickland of Washington; and many cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Byron Strickland; and her brother, Jeffery Bennett.

We Will Miss You Love A blink of an eye, A friend gone, One wishes to bring others together, In an absence reminding,

Ed 'Abe' Caperton

KIMBERLY — Ed 'Abe' Caperton, 80, passed away at his home in Kimberly on August 17, 2006.

He was born July 18, 1926, to P.H. and Mary Caperton in Lakeland, FL. He served in the Armed Forces from March of 1946 to August of 1948. Ed had a pioneering spirit that enjoyed the outdoors and led an adventurous life, from Florida to Alaska and many states in between. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, prospecting and meeting new people. His biggest dream came true when he spent time in the untamed land of Alaska trapping in the early 1980's. The magic Valley was his home

Standing together remember, Standing apart feel, Bring all together to remember.

In a moment, In a feeling, All will be clear, Remember this friend so dear, Remember the moments, oh so clear, Learn and live, Cherish it all, For in one moment, It could be your blink of an eye

(written by husband, Russ Hansen).

Jennifer's life will be celebrated at a service to be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, at the Jerome LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S. in Jerome, with Bishop Andrew Lott officiating. A visitation will be held Thursday evening, Aug. 4, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, where family and friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m., and again at the church one hour prior to the service. Interment to follow in the Wendell, Idaho, Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Jennifer's name at any US Bank branch.

for the past 26 years, where he had many friends.

Ed is survived by a son, Randy Caperton of Georgia; daughter, Tammy Brewington of Florida; and daughter, Penny Kissinger of Kimberly. He had four nephews, six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Irene Caperton; his parents; and one nephew.

At his request there will be no formal funeral service. A private ceremony will be held in the South Hills, where he loved to spend time enjoying nature.

The family would like to thank Danny Kinsey for the use of his land for the ceremony and to Beverly and Magic Valley Hospice for their guidance and help during his last days with cancer.

John F. Spanbauer Sr.

JEROME — John Spanbauer Sr., 88, of Jerome, has left this earthly plain to go be with his beloved wife, Marie, who preceded him in death May 5, 2003.

John passed away of natural causes at his home, surrounded by his children, the morning of Aug. 20, 2006.

He was born June 8, 1918, in Parkston, S.D., to Joseph Spanbauer and Mary Behrend Spanbauer. The family moved to a farm in Shelley, Idaho, when he was only 4. John attended St. Mary's Catholic school through the eighth grade in Blackfoot, Idaho. John continued to farm with his family until he wed Marie Agatha Peters on Feb. 18, 1941. John and Marie farmed in the Shelley area, soon moving to the Pocatello area, where they began to raise a family of their own. While in Pocatello, John and Marie owned and operated a small cattle and sheep operation. While living in Pocatello, John was an active member of the Pocatello Frontier Rodeo Association, where he presided as president for many years; out of that association, the family started the first "Barn Dances" known as the "Spanbauer Barn."

The family sold the ranch in 1980 and moved to Jerome, Idaho, purchasing the old Windy Glenn Ranch now known as the Si-Ellen Dairy, where they continued to have barn dances on Saturday nights. The family sold the ranch in 1995 and purchased the old Valleyview Ranch on U.S. Highway 93 from Kermit Cochran, where the family renovated the old rock barn, holding weddings and private parties. Because of John's and Marie's down home hospitality, Saturday night barn dances were very unique. People would come from miles and miles because of the fun that they had heard people were having at the Spanbauer Barn. John and Marie held their last

public barn dance New Year's Eve 2002. In 1995 John and Marie purchased land from the Monastery and built a home where they lived with their son, Jerry. The family sold the Spanbauer Barn in June 2005 to David and Kathy Jacobsen.

John is survived by his children, Barbara Hart and Jim Hammeke of Nampa, Idaho; Tom Spanbauer of Portland, Ore.; John Jr. and Karen Spanbauer of Jerome, and Jerry Spanbauer, also of Jerome. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Jamie Hart and great-granddaughter, Lily of Montecito, Calif.; Cody Spanbauer of Boise, Idaho; and Nick Spanbauer of Jerome, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 62 years, Marie, and their son, Russell.

A memorial service for John will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at the Monastery of the Ascension, 541 E. 100 S. in Jerome, Idaho, with Father Boniface Lautz OSB and Father Ronald Weikert presiding. The family suggests that you "send your prayers" in place of flowers. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

SERVICES

Edward Purser of Malta, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Malta LDS 2nd Ward building; viewing for family and friends from 12:30 to 1 p.m. today at the church; burial at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Ririe Shelton Cemetery in Ririe (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Ronald William Holmquist of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls LDS 5th Ward Chapel, 421 Maurice N. in Twin Falls; family will greet friends one hour before the service today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

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.

Loma Martha Willamsen of Oxnard, Calif., and formerly of Richfield, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Demary's Shoshone Chapel, 404 W. B St. in Shoshone.

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Photographer Joe Rosenthal dies at 94

By Justin M. Norton Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Joe Rosenthal, a photojournalist whose Pulitzer Prize-winning image of World War II servicemen raising an American flag over Iwo Jima became the model for the Marine Corps War Memorial, has died. He was 94.

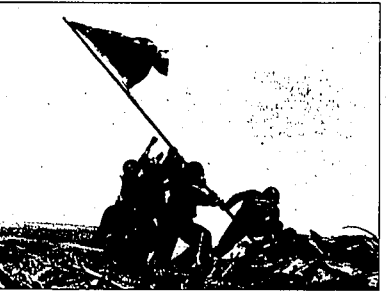
Rosenthal, who took the iconic photograph on Feb. 23, 1945, while working for The Associated Press, died Sunday of natural causes at an assisted living facility in suburban Novato, said his daughter, Anne Rosenthal.

"He was a good and honest man. He had real integrity," she said. He was also modest. Rosenthal preferred in his role as a combat photographer to chronicle the experiences of soldiers on the front lines, and liked to call himself "a guy who was up in the trenches for a cup of coffee at one time."

A decade after the flag-raising, he recalled that he did not realize he had shot anything special until days later when the congratulations started pouring in. "Out of the corner of my eye, I had seen the men start the flag up, I swung my camera and 'shot the scene,'" he said a decade afterward. "That is how the picture was taken, and when you 'take a picture like that, you don't come away saying you got a great shot. You don't know."

The photo quickly became the subject of posters, war-bond drives and a U.S. postage stamp, "shot the scene," he said a decade afterward. "That is how the picture was taken, and when you 'take a picture like that, you don't come away saying you got a great shot. You don't know."

Located 75 miles south of Tokyo, the small Pacific island of Iwo Jima was important to both Japan and the United



U.S. Marines of the 28th Regiment of the Fifth Division raise the American flag atop Mt. Suribachi, Iwo Jima, on Feb. 23, 1945. Joe Rosenthal won a Pulitzer Prize for his immortal image of six World War II servicemen raising an American flag over battle-scarred Iwo Jima.

States during World War II. After 30,000 Marines landed there on Feb. 19, 1945, it took four days for a contingent to scale Mount Suribachi, the highest point. More than 6,800 U.S. servicemen died in the five-week battle for the island, and the 21,000-man Japanese defense force was virtually wiped out.

Rosenthal's shutter captured the second raising of the flag on Mount Suribachi after the Marines decided the first flag was too small. Rosenthal later wrote that he almost didn't climb the summit when he learned a flag already had been raised.

"What I see behind the photo is what it took to get up to those heights — the kind of devotion to their country that those young men had, and the sacrifices they made," he said. "I take some gratification in being a little part of what the U.S. stands for."

Besides being awarded the Pulitzer Prize in 1945, the photo made No. 68 on a 1999 New York University survey of the best 100 examples of journalism from the 20th century. Sculptor Felix W. de Weldon used it as the pattern for the Marine Corps memorial, dedicated in 1954 near Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia

Phoenix police comb cold cases looking for links to serial killer

PHOENIX (AP) — When Romelia Vargas was gunned down in the catering truck where she fried taquitos, police had few answers for her husband. Maybe the mother of twin baby boys got into trouble selling drugs — that was the best they could offer.

Alvin Hogue never accepted that explanation, but when a detective called months later with a better one, he was so stunned he had to pull his comment truck over to the side of the road.

Vargas and her cook, Mirna Palma-Roman, were victims of the Baseline Killer, a serial predator who police say has killed eight people and sexually assaulted 11 other women and girls in the Phoenix area in just over a year.



Alvin Hogue poses Aug. 11 in Arondale, Ariz., with a photo from his wedding and his sons, Anthony, left, and Travis, Romelia Vargas, his wife, was a victim of the 'Baseline Killer' that police are still searching for in the Phoenix area.

His targets have been random and vulnerable, like the two women working alone one February morning near a construction site.

"I was in disbelief," Hogue said in an interview at his home this month while his 9-month-old twin sons giggled and whined at his feet. "I'll be so happy when they catch him."

After arresting two suspects in another serial killing case this month, authorities have ramped up their efforts to find the Baseline Killer, named for the south Phoenix road near where the earliest crimes occurred. The investigation is revisiting hundreds of unsolved cases in hopes of tracking the man down.

Police will not discuss their lab work, but say they have tried to connect cold cases to those already linked to the Baseline Killer using state and federal forensic databases.

"We have a whole room dedicated to the task force, replete

with computers and investigative data analysis," said Sgt. Andy Hill, a spokesman for Phoenix police. "There's a lot of leads from the past we've had. There's a lot of leads that are coming in" through anonymous tips.

Although the search has not netted the Baseline Killer, it has provided some answers for victims' families and shed light on other investigations.

In one case, Phoenix investigators linked the Baseline Killer to a killing in nearby Tempe that had been blamed on another man.

Police say they are still getting a high volume of calls from tipsters, despite the focus on the Aug. 3 arrests of suspects in Phoenix's other serial killings case — the Serial Shooter case. Samuel John Dieteman, 30, and Dale S. Hausner, 33, pleaded not guilty Monday to two counts of murder and 14 counts of attempted murder in that case.

Idaho students struggle to pay for college, with little help from state

BOISE (AP) — A combination of rising college costs and little help from the state with student aid is part of the reason Idaho is so far behind the rest of the country in the percentage of students who go on to college after high school, officials with the state Board of Education said.

Idaho ranks 44th in the nation in college student aid to full-time students who are struggling financially, spending about \$17 per student compared to the national average of \$400 per student, according to the National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs.

according to the Board of Education, but less than half go to college. Of those, only 14 percent graduate from college within six years.

"(Idaho) does very well in getting ninth graders to graduate from high school, but they don't seem to show up in college," Tom Mortenson, with the Iowa-based Post Secondary Education Opportunity, told The Associated Press on Monday.

The organization works to give students better access to college.

He said Idaho's high school graduation rate is well above the national average of 68.8 percent. But he said that in 2004 only 47.3 percent of

Idaho students went on to college, compared to the national average of 55.3 percent.

He said students who are priced out of college might not be able to compete for jobs in a market where a bachelor's degree is oftentimes the minimum a worker needs just to be considered for a job.

"Good jobs and a lot of income (are) to be made, but only through higher education," he said.

The Board of Education has formed a task force to examine why such a low percentage of Idaho high school graduates choose college. The Board could turn the recommendations into legislation to give to the 2007 Legislature.

It's "a question of fairness and equity in making sure everybody has a chance to get at the starting gate," Bob Kustra, president of Boise State University, told faculty at his State of the University address last week.

The Board of Education is looking at student aid programs in Indiana and Oregon as possible templates for an Idaho plan. In Indiana, programs help low-income middle school students start looking at college options before they finish high school.

In Oregon, there is a proposal that would require students to pay up to \$7,500 a year before the state would help finance their education.

No star treatment for Karr in Los Angeles

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — John Mark Karr lunched on a bologna sandwich, carrots and an apple in the Los Angeles County jail Monday a day after he washed down seafood with champagne aboard a flight from Thailand to face charges in the murder of JonBenet Ramsey nearly 10 years ago.

Karr, who spent the day in the facility that once housed O.J. Simpson, "Nightstalker" Richard Ramirez and actor Robert Blake, is scheduled to appear in court early Tuesday to announce whether he will oppose extradition to Colorado, where Ramsey was murdered Dec. 26, 1996.

Karr has told reporters that he was with 6-year-old JonBenet when she died in the basement of her Boulder, Colo., home. He said her death was an accident.

Prosecutors in Boulder have declined to provide details of their evidence suggesting Karr's alleged involvement in the Ramsey murder, one of the most sensational crimes of the last decade.

Media organizations including The Associated Press on Monday asked a judge to unseal the arrest warrants and other documents involving Karr. The filing noted previous mistakes in the Ramsey investigation and said there was "great public interest" in whether Karr's arrest was "yet another 'mistake.'" The Associated Press reported.

In an Aug. 15 order, Boulder County District Judge Roxanne Bailin ordered case documents sealed, saying disclosure could jeopardize the investigation. Monday's filing

asked her to consider releasing edited versions of the documents if she ruled against their full release.

On the international flight, Karr was flanked by an investigator with the Boulder County district attorney's office and federal immigration officials. None could be reached for comment.

The 41-year-old school teacher's return to the United States was voluntary, and he was not handcuffed before or during the 15-hour flight from Bangkok, Thailand.

Karr, once detained on charges of possessing child pornography, in recent years apparently traveled to Europe, Central America and Asia in search of teaching jobs. He taught in at least two Thai schools.

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Police catch escapee suspected in 2 killings

By Sue Lindsay
Associated Press writer

BLACKSBURG, Va. — A manhunt for an escaped convict suspected in the slayings of a hospital guard and a sheriff's deputy shut down the Virginia Tech campus on the first day of classes Monday as sharpshooters were posted on university rooftops and students scrambled for safety.

Authorities later captured William Morva, 24, after he was found hiding in a briar patch along a trail off-campus, Blacksburg Police Chief Kim Crannis said. The spot was about 150 yards from where

the sheriff's deputy was slain during the intense search Monday morning. A weapon also was recovered, but police would not elaborate.

Hundreds of police scoured the 2,600-acre campus as Virginia Tech Vice President Kurt Krause canceled classes for the school's 26,000 students and sent some 6,000 professors and other workers home.

Morva had escaped from a hospital — about two miles from campus — where he had been taken for treatment of a sprained wrist and ankle early Sunday.

According to police, Morva overpowered another

Montgomery County sheriff's deputy at the hospital, took the deputy's gun and then shot an unarmed hospital security guard. The guard was identified as Derrick McFarland, 26. The deputy was in stable condition with a concussion and other severe head injuries he suffered in the attack.

Morva had been jailed while awaiting trial on charges of attempting to rob a store last year and apparently shed his orange prison jumpsuit after escaping.

He then is suspected of gunning down sheriff's Cpl. Eric E. Sutphin as the decorated police veteran got closer to the

fugitive on the trail about 7 a.m. Monday.

Morva was wearing shorts with no shirt or shoes when he was captured around 3:30 p.m. Police earlier had said he was wearing a tie-dyed shirt and khakis and feared he would blend in with students on campus.

As police sirens wailed to signal the arrest, shopkeepers in this college town celebrated the end of the tense search.

"Hallelujah. I'm ready for life to go back to normal," said Paula Bolte, who had put a sign in her grocery store to welcome students back to campus.



Escaped inmate William Morva, is escorted out of the Montgomery County magistrate's office Monday in Christiansburg, Va. After a massive manhunt that shut down the Virginia Tech campus in Blacksburg, Va., on the first day of classes, police on Monday captured Morva, an escapee suspected in the slayings of a hospital guard and a sheriff's deputy.

Accutane poses higher risk of heart, liver problems than expected, study finds

By Carla K. Johnson
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Accutane, the powerful acne drug already known to cause birth defects, seems to raise the risk for potential heart and liver problems more than doctors had expected, according to a new study.

The findings came from lab tests on 13,772 patients taking the popular acne drug and underscore the need to closely monitor people taking isotretinoin, which is sold as Accutane and in three generic versions. Abnormal results for cholesterol and liver function were more common than expected.

immediately before pregnancy. More than 71,000 patients have registered in the FDA's registry. Women who take it must have pregnancy tests and use birth control or abstain from sex.

Most dermatologists already knew the drug also could increase levels of cholesterol, liver enzymes and blood fats called triglycerides that can raise the risk of heart disease. But the new study found higher than expected percentages of patients developing these abnormal lab results.

Among patients with normal lab tests before they started taking the drug, 44 percent

developed high levels of triglycerides. The package insert, by contrast, cites high triglycerides in 25 percent of patients.

Thirty-one percent of healthy patients in the study developed high cholesterol levels and 11 percent developed abnormal liver tests.

The patients ranged in age from 13 to 50 and were treated between March 1995 and September 2002. They were all members of the Kaiser Permanente health plan in northern California. The findings were published in Monday's Archives of Dermatology.

While those conditions can lead to problems over the long term, abnormal lab tests don't necessarily mean patients will develop heart or liver problems, said study co-author Dr. Lee Zane of the University of California, San Francisco.

"An elevation in cholesterol doesn't guarantee a heart attack. A high level of liver enzymes doesn't mean cirrhosis of the liver," Zane said.

Further studies would be needed to determine any long-term health effects, he said, but in the current study, most patients' abnormal lab tests returned to normal when they quit taking the drug.

Patients usually take it for less than a year at a cost of \$10 to \$15 per daily pill. It's considered one of the most effective treatments for the severest acne.

On March 1, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration began requiring patients and doctors to register their use of the drug, a program intended to stop birth defects.

Isotretinoin can cause brain and heart defects in infants if a woman takes it during or

Ex-President Ford gets pacemaker

ROCHESTER, Minn. (AP) — Former President Ford received a cardiac pacemaker Monday at the Mayo Clinic, a top aide said.

Ford, 93, was resting comfortably after the operation, and his wife and children were with him, according to a statement issued Monday afternoon by Penny Circle, his chief of staff.


Ford was expected to continue to recuperate at the clinic for several days. The pacemaker is designed to enhance his heart's performance.

He was admitted Aug. 15 for tests and evaluation. At the time, neither the clinic nor his chief of staff would comment in detail on his condition.

Ford spent a few days in Colorado's Vail Valley Medical Center last month because of shortness of breath. In January, he was hospitalized for 12 days in Rancho Mirage, Calif., to treat pneumonia. Five years ago, Ford suffered two small strokes and spent about a week in a hospital.

Ford became the nation's oldest living former president after the death of Ronald Reagan in 2004.

Ford was House minority leader when President Nixon chose him to replace Spiro Agnew, who resigned, as vice president in 1973.



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Endangered manatee spotted off Rhode Island; marine mammal rarely seen so far north

WARWICK, R.I. (AP) — An endangered manatee made a rare appearance in Rhode Island waters during the weekend, a state marine biologist said.

The manatee was seen Sunday in Greenwich Bay off

the coast of Warwick. The large marine mammals are usually found only in the warm waters of Florida and the Carolinas. The animal was not spotted Monday.

Manatees eat salt marsh grass, algae and seaweed.

said April Valliere, a state marine biologist. Water temperatures have been unusually warm, she said, which probably allowed the manatee to follow food sources so far north.

Judging from photographs,

the animal appeared healthy and was drinking from a freshwater runoff pipe at a marina, she said.

The manatee needs to retreat to the south as water temperatures fall, she added.

Manatees have died from

prolonged exposure to cold temperatures, researchers say.

It was not known whether the manatee is the same one seen earlier this month near Manhattan Island in New York. That manatee was

tracked as it swam north along the coasts of Delaware, Maryland and New Jersey.

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Cheney does few favors for Sali in campaign stop

Only a weak-kneed Republican would dare say the White House has cashed in its chips for the 2006 mid-term elections. But if Vice President Dick Cheney's visit to Boise is a barometer, one can't be so sure. Don't blame Cheney, though. He didn't pick Bill Sali to run for Congress in Idaho.

Cheney dropped by the Boise Centre on the Grove to campaign for Sali, who fares a competitive race against Democrat Larry Grant for Idaho's 1st congressional district. The fact that Cheney needed to campaign in Idaho — a state that voted 68 percent for the GOP presidential ticket in 2004 — reveals how close this race is.

And yet, Cheney's visit Wednesday also showed that to this vice president, Sali is merely a name with an "R" beside it and little else. Therein lies the problem for this White House. If it's depending on retaining control of Congress with candidates like Sali, they're in for a dog fight.

Cheney offered warm comments about Idaho Sen. Larry Craig, former Gov. and current Secretary of Interior Dick Kempthorne and Idaho's congressional delegation, and even California congressman Duncan Hunter, who was in the Boise audience.

And Sali? Well, let's just say, that of all the people in the audience Cheney mentioned, Bill Sali was one of them. As for a personal connection, however, Sali and Cheney don't appear to be hunting buddies. (But maybe that's a good thing.)

"Now, we're all here today on behalf of Bill Sali, who is a great candidate for Congress," Cheney said. "All of you know Bill."

Yes, and that's the problem.

"He comes to this campaign with a long and a consistent track record in the state Legislature," Cheney said.

Long and consistent is one way of putting it. Sali has a long disposition for conflict, and a consistent tendency to offend, even demean, other elected leaders in state government — both Republican and Democrat.

"Bill's colleagues and his constituents know him as a dependable voice for economic growth and job creation and for limited government," Cheney added.

Sali has colleagues, all right. But according to the Idaho Statesman, only three of 85 GOP state lawmakers showed up for Sali's big moment.

After giving generic remarks about Sali, Cheney dove into a lengthy defense of the war on terror, the war in Iraq, and the need to stand firm against calls for retreat. When the 20-minute speech ended, Cheney left the stage faster than an accordion player on the "Gong Show."

In many states, Bush and Cheney are a liability for congressional candidates. Not in Idaho, where the president still has approval rates above 50 percent. Yet the campaign stop for Sali was so brief and so underwhelming, you have to question the enthusiasm for the Sali candidacy.

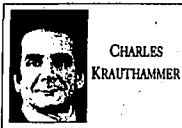
If that's truly the case, perhaps the Bush administration is more perceptive than its critics think.

Our view: A brief campaign stop for Idaho's 1st District Republican stirs some uncertainty for midterm elections. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



Act swiftly to save Lebanon

The charm of any U.N. Security Council resolution lies in the preamble, which invariably begins by "recalling" all previous resolutions on the same subject that have been entirely ignored, therefore necessitating the current resolution.



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER

Hence newly minted Resolution 1701. Before mandating the return of south Lebanon to Lebanese government control, it lists the seven Security Council resolutions going back 28 years that have demanded the same thing.

We are to believe, however, that this time the U.N. means it. Yet, the fact that responsibility for implementation is given to Kofi Annan's office — not known for integrity, competence or neutrality — betrays a certain unseriousness about the enterprise from the very beginning.

Now, it is true that had Israel succeeded militarily in its strategic objectives, there would have been no need for any resolution. Israel would militarily have cleaned out south Lebanon and would be dictating terms.

But that did not happen. The first Israel-Hezbollah war ended in a tie, and in this kind of warfare, tie goes to the terrorist. Yet there is no doubt that had Israel been permitted to proceed with the expanded offensive it began two days before the cease-fire, Israel would eventually have destroyed Hezbollah in the

That arrangement is essentially a return to the status quo ante — precisely what the U.S. had said it would not permit because that would represent a strategic disaster for the forces of democracy and moderation in the region.

We are headed for a complete repudiation of the bottom-line American position. The stakes are high. Not so much for Israel which, in the end, will take care of itself. By the now-inevitable Round 2, Israel will have rejected the failed Olmert-led exercise in hesitancy and will have new leadership, new tactics and new equipment (for example, expensive new plating for its tanks, which were so vulnerable to advanced Iranian anti-tank weaponry).

What is most at stake, from the American perspective, is Lebanon. Lebanon was the most encouraging achievement of the democratization project launched with great risk with the invasion of Iraq. The Beirut Spring, the liberation from Syrian rule and the election of a pro-Western government marked the high point (together with the first Iraq election that inspired the events in Lebanon) of the Bush doctrine.

Syria, Iran and Hezbollah have been working assiduously to reverse that great advance. Hezbollah insinuated itself into the government. The investigation of Syria for the murder of Rafiq Hariri has stalled. And now with the psy-

chological success of the war with Israel, Hezbollah may soon become the dominant force in all of Lebanon. In the south, the Lebanese army will be taking orders from Hezbollah. Hezbollah is not just returning to being a "state within a state." It is becoming the state, with the Siniora government reduced to acting as its front.

That is why ensuring that Hezbollah is cut down to size by a robust international force with very strict enforcement of its disarmament is so critical. For all its boasts, Hezbollah has suffered grievously militarily, with enormous losses of fighters, materiel and infrastructure. Now is its moment of maximum weakness. That moment will not last long. Resupply and rebuilding have already begun.

This is no time for the U.S. ambassador to the U.N. to be saying, when asked about the creation of an international force, that "this really is a responsibility of the Secretary." Maybe officially, but if we are not working frantically behind the scenes to make sure that this preposterously inappropriate body actually gets real troops in quickly, armed with the right equipment and the right mandate, the moment will be lost. And with it, Lebanon.

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LETTER

No plot made to remove Wendell chief

A local Bliss resident is in the wrong. There are people who talk dishearteningly and those who know the truth about the real story of Dave Fisher. The statement written about Wendell deserting troops in Iraq is a fallacy. Dave Fisher had problems before he even went to Iraq, and they only escalated when he got back.

The ordeal with Dave has nothing to do with our supporting of our troops. We love our troops and, although few may not agree, we support them wholeheartedly. After all, we did build a memorial for them, didn't we? But also, more than half the city was there that day to support it. There is video footage of that day that was sold to supporters.

Nobody plotted against Dave nor his removal. Dave was assured that he would still have his position on the police department when he got back from serving his country as long as he was

loyal to his duties; that's a given. Nobody trumped up charges on him; although some may not agree, he was a hell of a guy, a damn good worker as well as police chief. But Dave made a few mistakes that he couldn't undo.

In my opinion, Dave Fisher was dishonorable in his duties as a resident of Wendell, as a citizen and as a commanding officer of the law. He got what he deserved — to be relieved of his duties.

So just because a certain Bliss resident is upset over his removal doesn't mean take it out on our small hometown community and our troops. LISA BIJGAN Wendell

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Education system has bypassed the basics

Quick! What's your most treasured possession? Better not be your golf clubs. It better be the minds of our next generation.

The new school year is just around the corner. These little ones have a chance to graduate being able to read and understand what they've read; to write so that others can understand what they've written; to research both sides of an issue and use reason and common sense to come to a conclusion. They need to be able to accomplish simple math without the crutch of a calculator.

In today's world where high tech skills are essential, unfortunately, the use of the computer has almost voided the important attention to the basic skills. Why read when you can research a paper on the Internet and print it off without even understanding what you've handed in — or who wrote it? Why write when it's all done for you? Why spell? Why compute? Why think? Why question?

Here's why: We've allowed our minds to be hijacked.

In our excitement to bring our children quickly into the electronic age, we've bypassed their need to crawl before they walk. As amazing as our new system is, it still cannot replace the basic need for the rote memorization of mathematical tables, the skill of neat

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Donna Scott

curative penmanship or the expectations for coming to class on time and well prepared for the day's lesson.

We need to demand more from a system that receives more than half of the state's total budget and we have a right to expect results. I'll admit there are some students who work really hard and a D is their best, but they're a minority. The majority of that category are just plain lazy and not interested. There are the parents who seldom show up for a teacher conference. In truth, there's enough blame to go around — a system that tolerates sub-standard work, parents who don't get involved with their children's assignments, and the students who would care less about getting an education.

So, when did it begin? How far back do you want to go in the Founders' times, schooling was a privilege — many times only for those who could afford it. Education was cherished and a diploma meant something. Much was expected from a graduate to go out and better the world that had given him much. Can you imagine the response we'd receive if the lessons of bygone years were assigned

today?

Ever hear of John Dewey? He was a turn-of-the-century philosopher and educator who wrote a series of concepts on education that would move the western world into a "new age." At this time we were experiencing a cultural change called the Industrial Revolution, when machines would replace hard work. Dewey's ideas were accepted with euphoria.

Dewey was responsible for an entirely new social structure of liberalism and humanism that would be disseminated into the public school system in America. He redefined almost everything — from the nature of truth and the capacity of the human personality, to the responsibilities of the teacher and the child's curriculum. He was one of the prime movers in the struggle for the minds of men as he introduced his plans to be implemented in teacher's colleges across the country. It was the beginning of a slow and methodical weakening of our education system, lowering the bar to the least gifted. The National Education Association has supported this philosophy and continues to promote its own liberal agenda.

Although Dewey had the reputation of being the most respected educator in the world, by strange coincidence,

he was rarely understood. His concept of the highest truth, was in a word, philosophy — refusing to admit that the final truth is God and His Word. His position was that traditional education of the day — that being of intellectual and moral standards — be replaced by one that would utilize science and an expanding "experience."

Many remember a book on modern education by Alan Bloom: The Closing of the American Mind. Subtitle: How Education Has Failed Democracy and Impoverished the Soul of Today's Students. Written in 1985, at that time one in five high school students were drop-outs. One fourth of our country's students were functionally illiterate when they graduated. This is 2006. What have we done in 21 years to improve the situation?

What to do? There are a number of good private schools in our area. Home-schooling is an option. These students are sought after by business as "motivated self-starters." Oh you still have to support public school with your taxes, but you don't have to go there.

Stay close to your children. They are our future.

Donna Scott of Wendell was a longtime Republican legislator for the Twin Falls area.

Let me get this straight, who's the racist?

Write to us

Sen. George Allen, (R-Va.) was caught on tape referring to a campaign worker for his Democratic opponent, James Webb, as a "macaca." The campaign worker, S.R. Sidarth, is East Indian and it was quickly noted that the word "macaca" is considered a racial slur in some European countries. Macacaes are monkeys and, thus, the derivative "macaca" is considered racially insensitive.

Allen said he didn't mean to be offensive and was just joking with the young man, but *The Washington Post* twice treated the incident as front-page news and one of their columnists, Eugene Robinson, unburdened himself in 770 words hating, if not at Allen's supposed racial insensitivity, then his stupidity.

The Daily Show produced a skit from the remark and the liberal internet jokes have been making jokes at Allen's expense. It will be interesting to watch the reaction of all of these to far more serious and undeniably racist remarks by an icon of the civil rights establishment, Andrew Young.

In an interview with the *Los Angeles Sentinel* published on its Web page as, "an African American owned newspaper



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that puts emphasis on what concerns the African-American community and its readers," Young was asked if he has concerns about Wal-Mart closing down mom-and-pop stores. Young, who headed an outside support group called Working Families for Wal-Mart to help the discount chain improve its public image, responded, "Well, I think they should; they ran the mom-and-pop stores out of my neighborhood. But you see, these are the people (small stores) who have been overcharging us, selling us stale bread and bad meat and wilted vegetables. And they sold out and moved to Florida. I think they've ripped off our communities enough. First it was Jews, then it was Koreans and now it's Arabs; very few black people own these stores."

Young, who hit the trifecta of racial insensitivity offending three groups at

once — announced Aug. 18 that he is resigning from his position because "I think I was on the verge of becoming part of the controversy and I didn't want to become a distraction from the main issues." Young claimed the report in the newspaper was "misread and misinterpreted." Unlike "macaca," these words don't have to be looked up to find the definition. What's to misread and misinterpret?

Call it a Mel Gibson moment. Nobody ever means these things after they say them and are exposed. It was the booze talking, or the guy was not in his right mind, or he had no idea what the words meant, or that anyone would take offense. And then we usually get the all-encompassing and morally meaningless, "I apologize to anyone who might have been offended."

Some years ago, ABC sportscaster Howard Cosell referred to a speedy running back that had just broken through the opponent's defensive line for a major gain. Excited by the performance of his athletic prowess, Cosell said, "Look at the monkey run." The player was African American and some people

tried to turn it into a bigoted statement, though an HBO special showed Cosell using the same phrase to refer to a white athlete.

Speaking of Young's remarks, Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean and founder of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, said, "If anyone should know that these are words of bigotry, anti-Semitism and prejudice, it's him. I know he apologized, but I would say this ... during his years as a leader of the national civil rights movement, if anyone would utter remarks like this about African Americans his voice would be the first to rise in indignation."

If the mockers, bloggers and columnists who jumped on George Allen don't jump with at least equal fervor on Andrew Young, their political bias is showing. Maybe Young (and Gibson) can send Young a sympathy card and wait to see if equal openness ridicule for Young shows up on Comedy Central.

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W. seeks some Euphrates etiquette

You know W. is burned up at the Iraqis. You know Rummy got disgusted with nation-building ages ago. In Baghdad in April, Rummy doodled at a news conference while Condé went on about her hopes for Iraq's future.)



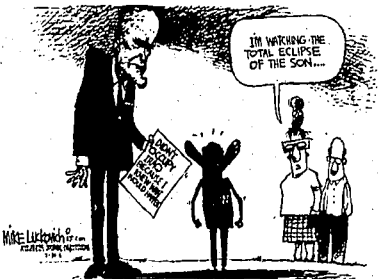
Maureen Dowd

You can tell that Condé has grown fed up with the intractable mess in Iraq because she's so focused on the intractable mess in Lebanon.

And certainly Dick Cheney has given up on those obstreperous Iraqis to move on to the more gratifying task of plotting how to liberate Iran and Syria.

W., unskooled in Middle East quicksand politics, learned the hard way that too many Iraqis prefer jihad to Jefferson. The Iraqi forces can't stand up so we can scamper out. The Shiites we gave the country to prefer Iran and Hezbollah to the U.S. and Israel. And our rebellious yet incompetent Iraqi puppets have had the temerity to criticize both the U.S. and Israel for brutal behavior in the region.

How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child, as the Bard said, and the Bush administration has always condescendingly treated Iraq as though it were an ungrateful child. Rummy, Paul Wolfowitz and Republican lawmakers liked to compare the occupied nation to a tyke on a bike. If you never take the training



wheels off a kid's bicycle," Wolfie would say, "he'll never learn to ride without them."

Thom Shanker and Mark Mazzetti of *The New York Times* reported that the president seemed dissatisfied this week in a private meeting at the Pentagon with his war Cabinet and outside Middle East experts.

"I sensed a frustration with the lack of progress on the bigger picture of Iraq generally - that we continue to lose a lot of lives, it continues to sap our budget," one person who attended the meeting told *The Times*. "The president wants the people in Iraq to get more on board to bring success." Another said that W. was confounded that 10,000 Iraqi Shiites would take to the streets to rally behind Hezbollah.

W. is sick of holding on to the bike as his legacy crumbles. He wants to see some gratitude from his charges - pronto.

The Iraqis have no doubt offended W.'s keen sense of loyalty. He went back to sack Saddam to make up for his father's lack of loyalty to the Shiites who were slaughtered after Poppy encouraged them

to rise up, and now the Shiites show little loyalty to W.

Carole O'Leary, an American University professor who is working in Iraq on a State Department grant, told *The Times* that Bush offered the view that "the Shia-led government needs to clearly and publicly express the same appreciation for United States efforts and sacrifices as they do in private."

Naturally, Tony Snow denied that President Resolute was frustrated. But if W. can behold how his plans have backfired and not be frustrated, then he's out of touch with reality. And the reason W. is meeting with outside experts is to demonstrate that he is, too, in touch with reality. Even though he doesn't use that expertise to reshape his plan in Iraq, which shows again that he's out of touch with reality.

Reviewing Paul Bremer's book in *The New York Review of Books*, Peter Galbraith wrote: "In Bremer's account, the president was seriously interested in one issue: whether the leaders of the government that followed the

Authority)) would publicly thank the United States. Bush had only one demand: 'It's important to have someone who's willing to stand up and thank the American people for their sacrifice in liberating Iraq.'"

You can take the boy out of Kennbunkport, but you can't take Kennbunkport out of the boy. The erstwhile black sheep is now as obsessed with manners as his dad. It's furious that he got no thank-you note from the Iraqis for the big present of allowing them the opportunity to be like us. They refused our gift, after everything W. did for them - invading their country under the false pretense of protecting our country, shattering their shaky infrastructure, and starting a shame spiral that's led to civil war.

His foreign policy has been more force majeure than the noblesse oblige of his father and grandfather. But now he has embraced noblesse, and puzzles over why the poor Iraqis do not feel more obliged after being blessed with America's philosophical, economic and political riches. How on earth do these benighted folk not understand the difference between the good guys and the bad guys?

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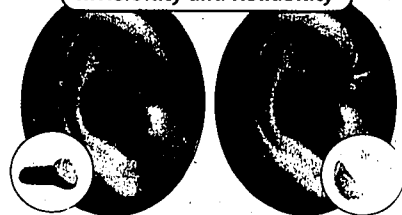


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Idaho Vandals defense steps up in third fall scrimmage

By Grant Joki
Times-News correspondent

MOSCOW — The curious University of Idaho Vandal faithful, arm-chair quarterbacks and students who stayed the summer in Moscow are all drawn to fall football camp's fall-scrimmage days.

There have been three so far, with a fourth and final one scheduled for Thursday. In between these full scrimmages the defensive and offensive units go against one another in situational scrums. But the declared winner of a full scrimmage will have camp bragging rights and a certain swagger that keeps a competitive — and at times — intense edge between the two units. The defense had been in the Dennis Erickson dog house for seven days, due to its poor performance last weekend, and scrimmage No. 3 on Saturday boiled down to the rubber match. It proved to be another spirited battle.

"To see where we're at on both sides of the ball, I like full scrimmages that move the ball and this was our third full," Dennis Erickson said when asked if situational scrimmages



Idaho Vandals wide receiver Wendell Octave looks for a block from Luke Smith-Anderson (45) as defensive back Tone Taupule (16) comes in for the tackle during the Vandals' third fall scrimmage on Saturday.

would continue as a daily tool to measure progress. "We are taking Sunday off. We will study film. Then there's Monday and the start of school. We will start up again on Tuesday with practice, have another

full (scrimmage) on Thursday. We'll start Michigan State-work next Friday."

Between 300-400 vocal onlookers and the Vandal marching band yelled and cheered their favorite units and

players as Saturday's scrimmage turned into its predicted combative matchup.

"It's been a long fall camp and the defense is going 110 miles per hour and the hitting is vicious," said sophomore running back Tracy Ford. "We are getting on each other's nerves, but they are making us play better."

The 5-foot-8, 166-pound Ford is from Bellevue, Washington and says his cousin on the team, starting defensive back, Reggie Jones, barely speaks to him.

"He's into the defensive thing," Ford said. "It's all good with us, but we get after each other in a fun and competitive way. We need to have the season start and get after a real opponent."

All day Saturday, Jones could be heard throughout the scrimmage yelling encouragement to his black-clad defensive unit for their hard hits and good reads.

"It's great. We are going to have to put stands up," added Erickson. "When people come out and watch, it motivates the players. Hopefully we will create that atmosphere we had today and fill this place (pointing toward the Kibbie Dome). It really helps you play."

Stanley Franks fielded the opening kick off at the four, found a crease along the right sideline, and was gone for a 96-yard touchdown scamper that elicited a huge pop from the day's

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Just how good are the Buckeyes?

Questions on defense, answers on offense for No. 1 Ohio State

By Rusty Miller
Associated Press writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — In a brief respite from another scorching August workout, Jim Tressel hesitated when asked to look back on his first five years as Ohio State's coach.

"I have a hard time reflecting on anything that's history right now, other than what play we should have called against Texas," Tressel said.

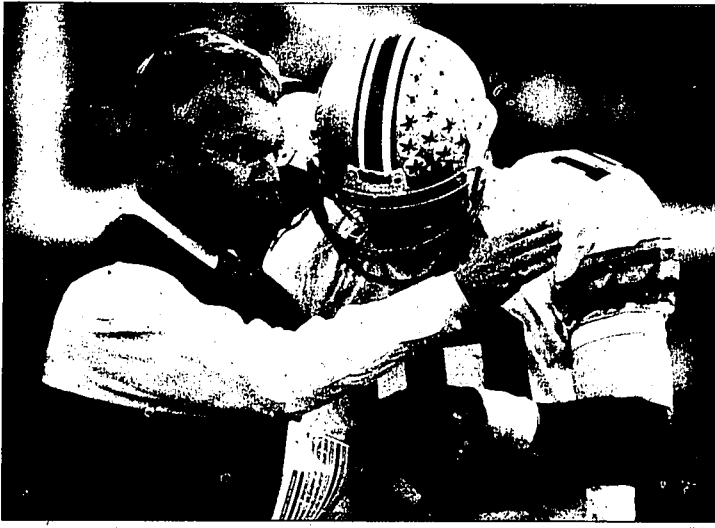
A year later, the Longhorns are still on the minds of the top-ranked Buckeyes.

Last year's 25-22 loss to Texas on a late touchdown in the second game of the season put a serious dent in Ohio State's hopes of playing for its second national title in four years. The Longhorns went on to beat Southern California in the Rose Bowl and finish No. 1 for the first time since 1969.

The teams will meet again on Sept. 9, this time in Austin. Vince Young won't be there for the third-ranked Longhorns. Neither will many of the stalwarts from Ohio State's staunch defense last season, including line-backer A.J. Hawk and two other first-round draft picks.

"You can't help but acknowledge it," Tressel said of the high expectations. "It helps you appreciate people's respect for Ohio State. It also reminds you that we haven't done anything in 2006 and there's a good bit expected, so we'd better get to work."

The Buckeyes are ranked No. 1 in the AP preseason poll for the sixth time. They have never ended up a season in the top spot after ending that way. As a matter of fact, half the time they've been No. 1 before the season started, they didn't finish in the top seven



Ohio State coach Jim Tressel, left, calls in a play to quarterback Troy Smith during the fourth quarter at Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor, Mich., in this Nov. 19, 2005 photo. For the first time since 1998, Ohio State is preseason No. 1 in The Associated Press Top 25. The Buckeyes received 35 of a possible 65 first-place votes from a panel of media members in the poll.

teams in the country. "It's a good start to be in the national championship hunt, but we want to be there at the end, too," center Doug Datish said.

The Buckeyes head into the 2006 season led by an offense that features quarterback Troy Smith, wideout Ted Ginn Jr. and tailback Anthony Pittman.

Smith posted huge numbers last fall, accounting for 27 touchdowns, completing 63 percent of his passes with a 16-4 touchdown-to-interception ratio. He played his best in the final two games of the season — a last-minute 25-21 victory over Michigan and a dominating 34-20 win over Notre

Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

His average over those two games: 23-of-33 passing for 321 yards. It wasn't so long ago that people referred to him as "the running quarterback" and backup Justin Zwick as "the passing quarterback."

"I don't laugh at it," Smith said. "But I remember. I don't forget any of that. And that's what makes me work as hard as I do because I never want that to come up again."

Ginn, perhaps the fastest Ohio State player ever, must cross the threshold to being the Buckeyes' No. 1 receiver after Santonio Holmes departed early for the NFL. Ginn has made his name

as a volatile kick returner, who tossed in an occasional big play as a receiver or runner. Much more is expected of him this year.

"You've just got to concentrate, work hard and have fun," he said.

All Pittman did a year ago was rush for 1,331 yards in a breakout season.

"When people defense us, they have to be a little bit nervous about where those guys are," offensive coordinator Jim Bollman said.

Three starters and several others with lots of experience are back on the line, along with wideout Anthony Gonzalez — who made the acrobatic

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Tiger getting better with experience

All signs point toward Tiger Woods being ready to go on another roll.

His victory in the PGA Championship was his third straight on the PGA Tour, the fourth time he has put together such a winning streak. Two of them were majors, and he has played his last three tournaments in 60 under par.

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Next up is Firestone, where he already has won four times and is the defending champion.

But perhaps the scariest aspect of Woods' five-shot victory at Medinah for his 12th major is that he is nothing like the player who survived a scare from Sergio Garcia seven years earlier.

The new Tiger might be even better.

And it has more to do with the space between his cars than whatever is going on with his swing.

"If you compare it to how I was here in '99 versus how I am in 2006, it's just a better understanding of how to get more out of my round and how to handle the emotions better," Woods said Sunday evening. "That's just through seven more years of experience."

It's easy to define his dominance by numbers alone.

Still one week away from his 10-year anniversary as a professional, Woods already has won 51 times to tie Billy Casper for sixth on the all-time PGA Tour chart. He has won 12 of his 40 majors since turning pro, a staggering rate of 30 percent. That puts him two-thirds of the way toward the 18 majors Jack Nicklaus won, the modern benchmark of greatness in golf.

Nicklaus won his 18 majors by 44 shots. Woods has won his 51 majors by 68 shots.

The most remarkable number of all might be 30 — his age.

By all accounts, Woods hasn't even hit his prime.

He often is asked to compare his game to previous years, such as his record-breaking season in 2000 when he won nine times and three majors, the last being the four-straight majors with a Masters title in 2001.

Asked if he was playing as well now as he was then, Woods didn't hesitate.

"Yes, yes," he said. "With the experience of seven years added to that, understanding a golf course and how to control things and all the differ-

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Marion Jones expresses shock at positive EPO test

By Bob Baun
Associated Press writer

Marion Jones broke her silence on her positive drug test Monday, saying she was shocked and wants the second sample examined quickly.

The five-time Olympic medalist and four-time world champion released a statement through her new attorney, Howard Jacobs, who has represented many athletes in doping cases, including Jones' former boyfriend, Ian Montgomery, the father of her child.

"I was shocked when I was informed about the positive 'A' sample," she said. "I have requested that the testing of my 'B' sample be expedited and done as soon as possible."

Jones added "only my lawyers have the authority to speak on my behalf in this matter, and I will have no further comment until the results of the 'B' sample are released."



Jones

In a telephone interview, Jacobs said he has not discussed with Jones how the positive test might have come about. He also noted the results were supposed to remain private until the "B" sample was tested — but were improperly leaked.

Long dogged by doping suspicions, Jones vehemently has denied using

performance-enhancing substances. She withdrew from a meet in Zurich, Switzerland, on Friday, shortly before the positive test came to light.

Dick Pound, chairman of the World Anti-Doping Association, said tests for EPO have improved considerably recently.

"Up until 2000, we didn't even have a test, much less a reliable one," he said in a telephone interview.

Pound said he knows the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency has closely watched Jones because of her ties to the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative.

"If it's all wrong it's really unfortunate," Pound said of the suspicion surrounding Jones, "but people have a tendency to judge you by the company you keep, and there's clearly been ongoing discussions with USAIDA which have never been satisfactorily resolved. All that we hear is that the BALCO affair is not over."

Long a critic of how USA Track & Field, the governing body for the sport in the United States, has handled doping cases, Pound said he believes things have improved and gave credit to Peter Ueberroth, chairman of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

"He's prepared to step up and say this is not what the United States of America stands for," Pound said, adding he supports the USOC's decision to ban coach Trevor Graham from its training facilities.

Graham is Jones' former coach and the coach of Justin Gatlin, the 100-meter co-world record holder and Olympic gold medalist who tested positive for testosterone and other steroids in April. Several athletes who trained with Graham have tested positive over the years. The coach also has acknowledged he's the one who sent a vial of the designer steroid THG to USAIDA, telling investigators it was the drug of choice for cheating athletes at the time.

SPORTS

Hamblin three back at Rocky Mtn. PGA

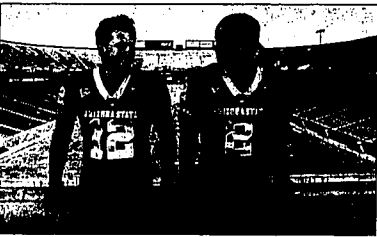
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JACKSON, Wyo. — Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course PGA professional Mike Hamblin fired a Round 1 score of 73 to finish three strokes behind leader Jonathan Gibbs of Boise during Monday's opening round of the 2006 Rocky Mountain PGA PNC and Section Championship at Teton Pines Country Club in Jackson, Wyo.

Jeff Thomsen and Ron Rawls, both of Boise are tied for second at 71, while Pepsi Idaho Open third-place finisher John Wallace is tied with Kevin Burton for fourth at 72.

Doyle Korbett of Keichum finished with a Round 1 74, while Ruperts' Bob Lantz carded a 77. Matthew Stotter of Twin Falls finished with a 78, Steve Meyerhoefer of Teton Valley at 82. Gooding Country Club Pro Troy Vitek finished at 83, as did John Weekes of Buhl, while Sun Valley's Jeffrey Petersen carded an 84 and Jerome's John Peterson an 85.

The tournament continues today, with a final tee-off on the third-to-last group at 10 a.m.



Arizona State quarterbacks Rudy Carpenter, left, and Sam Keller pose for a July 24 photograph in Tempe, Ariz.

Carpenter elevated to starting spot

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — In an abrupt change, Arizona State coach Dirk Koetter has decided to make sophomore Rudy Carpenter the starting quarterback.

Senior Sam Keller, named the starter on Friday, was excused from the Sun Devils' practice Sunday night and is considering transferring to another school.

"It's simple. I made a mistake on the quarterback situation and I'm changing my mind," Koetter said after Sunday's workout. "We're going to start Rudy Carpenter. I've excused Sam Keller from practice to consider his options."

Koetter said he decided to make the switch on Saturday and told the quarterbacks of his change of mind later that day.

"Coach Koetter just said 'Hey, I'm going to do what's best for the team. I'm going to do what the team wants,'" Carpenter said. "I think the decision is going to affect the team in the best way and this is what we're going to do."

"There's a lot of things that have happened," Carpenter said. "I'm not going to go into details about it, but with the quarterback situation like this, sometimes those things just happen."

According to the East Valley Tribune, several players requested a meeting with Koetter after the initial decision and told the coach they believed the job should go to Carpenter.

Neither Koetter nor Carpenter would confirm that the meeting took place.

"I talked to so many people about this," Koetter said. "This has been weighing heavy on my mind for a long time and I'm the one that screwed it up. I have to live with it. I'm also the one who has to fix it."

The 24th-ranked Sun Devils open their season Aug. 31 at home against Northern Arizona.

Keller has a redshirt season available, or he could transfer to an NCAA Division I-AA school

Rodeo Gooding releases pro rodeo results

GOODING — Cole Wilson walked away from the top all-around Cowboy from the Gooding-Pro Rodeo held on Aug. 17-19 at the Gooding County Fairgrounds. Wilson placed second in calf roping to lead his efforts.

College of Southern Idaho standout Bud Munns won the bareback competition with an 87-point ride on 2007 Boogers Pet, while Golden Eagles teammate Ryan Mackenzie tied Wade Black for third in saddle bronc with an 80-point ride.

Gooding Pro Rodeo Results
All-around cowboy — Cole Wilson
Gymkhana — 1. Tom Woodruff 17.35 seconds; 2. Matt Jones 17.50; 3. Jason Smith 17.6; 4. Jon Starnes 17.75; 5. Steve Smith 17.8; 6. Steve Anderson 17.87; 7. (tie) Sam Derhart, Shane Pechel 17.91
Bull riding — 1. (tie) Wade and Ben Torres, Dan Worth and Cory Davis 24 seconds; 2. Justin Houston and Jay Anderson 25.4; 3. Steve and Cody Young 26.9; 4. Steve and Cory Young 26.9; 5. Steve and Cory Young 26.9; 6. Dan Day 27
Steer wrestling — 1. Kormo Coe 3.5 seconds; 2. (tie) Matt Jones and Steve Smith 4.0; 3. (tie) the founder, Hunter Cur 4.3
Calf roping — 1. Jared Arnesen 8.4 seconds; 2. Cole Wilson 8.6; 3. Matt Stephens 8.7; 4. Jesse Lorenz 8.8
Bulldogging — 1. Kormo Coe 52.0 points; 2. Mike Woodruff 51.0; 3. (tie) Matt Jones and Steve Smith 50.0; 4. (tie) Ben Torres 50.0; 5. Dan Day 49.0
Goats — 1. (tie) Ryan Mackenzie, Wade Black 80; 5. Gaila 81; 3. (tie) Ryan Mackenzie, Wade Black 80; 5. (tie) Mike Young, Joe Cooper 83; 7. (tie) Matt Jones 82; 8. (tie) Dan Day 82; 9. (tie) Dan Day 82

Yankees pull off Boston massacre

BOSTON (AP) — The New York Yankees completed a historic five-game sweep at Fenway Park, beating Boston 2-1 Monday behind six shutout innings by Cory Lidle and extending their AL East lead to a season-high 6½ games over the Red Sox.

New York became the first team to sweep a five-game series from the Red Sox since Cleveland in 1954. The Yankees, who swept Boston in five games in New York in 1951 and at Fenway in '43, have never failed to finish first when leading by as many as 6½ games.

The series was reminiscent of the 1978 "Boston Massacre," when the Yankees came to Fenway in September with a four-game deficit, left tied for the division lead and won the AL East in a one-game playoff.

Bobby Abreu hit an RBI double in the sixth off David Wells (2-3), and Keith Foulke threw a run-scoring wild pitch in the eighth.

Athletics 12, Blue Jays 10

TORONTO — Blue Jays manager John Gibbons wound up with a bloody nose after scrapping with pitcher Ted Lilly near the Toronto dugout, and the Oakland Athletics rallied from an eight-run deficit to win.

It was not known whether any punches were thrown between Gibbons and Lilly.

Tigers 7, White Sox 1

DETROIT — In the opener of a possibly pivotal four-game series in the AL Central, Justin Verlander (15-6) gave up one run and five hits over seven innings for his first victory since Aug. 1.

Detroit had lost nine of its previous 12 games and its division lead — which bulged to 10 games on Aug. 7 — was cut to 5½ games.

Backed by Craig Monroe's two-run homer and Sean Casey's three RBIs, the Tigers beat Chicago for just the fourth time in 13 games this year and boosted their margin over the second-place White Sox back to 6½ games.

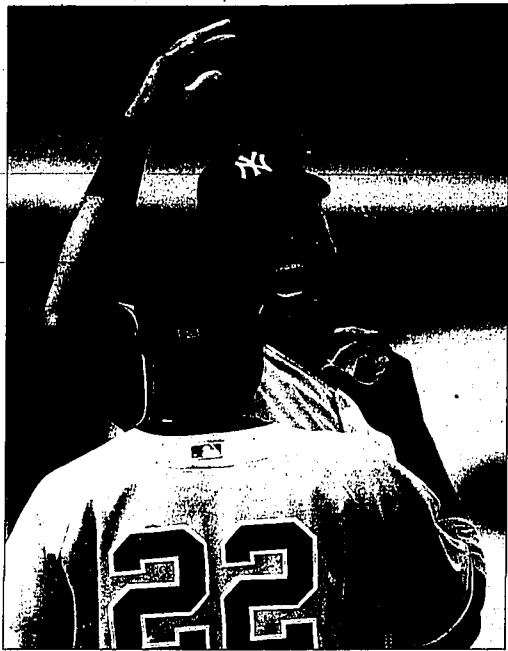
Devil Rays 4, Rangers 3

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — James Shields (6-6) won consecutive starts for the first time since mid-June, giving up three runs and eight hits in six innings. After winning four straight starts in June, he went 0-6 in nine starts, then ended his skid by defeating Toronto on Aug. 16.

Russell Branyan hit a tiebreaking single in the fifth off Adam Eaton (3-3), who allowed four runs and 11 hits in five innings.

National League Braves 3, Pirates 0

ATLANTA — John Smoltz won his fifth



New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter celebrates with Robinson Cano (22) after their 2-1 victory over the Boston Red Sox Monday at Fenway Park in Boston.

straight home start, combining on a four-hitter and leading the Atlanta Braves over the Pittsburgh Pirates 3-0 Monday night.

Martin Prado, sent to the minor leagues on April 25, was recalled before the game and hit a two-run double. Smoltz (11-6) struck out 10, allowing three hits and one walk in eight innings in his fourth double-digit strikeout game of the season, the 40th of his career.

Marlins 3, Nationals 1

MIAMI — Anibal Sanchez pitched seven solid innings to win for the first time in nearly a month for Florida.

Sanchez (5-2) allowed one run and four hits in seven innings, walking four and striking out four. It was his first win since July 25 at Atlanta — a span of five starts. Sergio Mitre pitched a hitless eighth inning before Joe Borowski worked the ninth for his 28th save in 31 chances.

Reds 4, Astros 3

CINCINNATI — Rich Aurilia went 4-for-4 with a tying three-run homer in the eighth inning, and Royce Clayton hit an RBI single that sent Cincinnati over Houston.

Ryan Franklin (4-6) pitched a perfect eighth to get the win, and newcomer Scott Schoeneweis got the last three outs for his first save.

Aubrey Huff hit two home runs for Houston, which has lost eight of 10.

Phillies 6, Cubs 5

CHICAGO — Chase Utley homered and accidentally delivered a hard hit on teammate Aaron Rowand, too, and Jimmy Rollins also homered to lead Jon Lieber and Philadelphia to its third straight win.

The Phillies moved back to .500 for the first time since June 19 and stayed within 2½ games of Cincinnati in the NL wildcard race.

Cowboys romp over Reggie, Saints

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Drew Bledsoe lobbed two passes into the end zone and saw his receivers make terrific catches on both in his preseason debut for the Dallas Cowboys.

Neither play, however, was made by the receiver everyone is waiting to see him throw to — Terrell Owens.

Terry Glenn reached around his defender's head and made a one-handed touchdown catch on Bledsoe's first job, then Sam Hurd fought off his defender for another touchdown, helping the Cowboys beat the New Orleans Saints 30-7 Monday night.

Bledsoe went 12-of-16 for 156 yards, leading Dallas to scores on three of four drives, and backup Tony Romo went 6-of-8 for 138 yards and also put up points on three of four drives. His best play was waiting out a blitz then throwing a 48-yard touchdown pass to Miles Austin.

The Cowboys also saw their first-team defense shut out the Saints' starters. New Orleans didn't even get a first down on its first three series.

This was the first NFL game in Shreveport since local product Terry Bradshaw brought the Pittsburgh Steelers to play the Boston Patriots in 1970 and this time the returning star was Saints running back Deuce



New Orleans Saints running back Reggie Bush (25) runs for a couple of yards in the second quarter against the Dallas Cowboys defense during Monday's preseason football game in Shreveport, La.

McAllister, who was playing his first game since a knee injury early last season. He gained eight yards on two carries.

Reggie Bush sped things up with a nine-yard run and an 11-yard gain on a third-and-2 screen, on the final drive of

the first half. He finished with seven yards on four carries and 14 yards on two receptions. Quarterback Drew Brees was 7-of-12 for 67 yards. Backup Todd Bouman was 13-of-16 for 117 yards.

Jamal Branch had the lone score for New Orleans, a 1-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter. Owens was in Dallas, presumably watching, because of a hamstring injury that kept him on the sideline more than the practice field during training camp. With coach Bill Parcells not letting him play against the Saints — and before a Monday night cable television audience — his next chance is Saturday night at home against San Francisco, although even that is iffy.

"The main thing is it is not firing," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "He needs to get to a point where it fires."

Bledsoe missed the preseason opener so Romo could get all the snaps, a move that's led to growing speculation of a potential quarterback controversy. Bledsoe did his part to solidify his spot with crisp passes and poise in the pocket, save for an 8-yard loss on a sack during his only non-scoring drive.

He also showed great timing with Glenn (four catches, 71 yards) and Hurd (three, 30).

Vandals

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crowd.

Defensive coordinator Jeff Mills was pleased with what he saw from a unit that had countless touchdowns and 640 yards of offense racked up against them one week ago.

"We are getting better," he said. "It is a series of baby steps, but we are definitely getting better. We are swarming and we are swarming hard to the ball. That's the way it ought to be with defense. Coach Erickson wants a spirited- and hard-playing style."

Erickson agreed with the assessment that his defense appeared to be on the nasty side most of the afternoon.

"It's a no-win situation or it's a good-win situation," he said. "Offensively, we're too inconsistent, but defensively we played a lot better, then last week.

last Wednesday the defense started to come on in the situational scrimmages."

The Vandals rested 11 players due to minor injuries. The only two major injuries so far are linebacker Jo Artis Ratti, out with a separated shoulder, and wide receiver Tracy McCormick, out with a right-foot injury.

The offense produced 500 yards (373 passing, 127 rushing). But defensive stops that killed drives led to the punt and field goal teams to get a fair share of reps in before the ball was reset for play.

"We have the ability to make a lot of big plays, but we have to become more consistent," Erickson said in his post-scrimmage evaluation.

A 48-yard off-tackle touchdown sprint to the end zone by 5-8, 181-pound freshman halfback Denote

Jackson was the day's only breakout in the running game. Jackson is the nephew of St. Louis Rams starting halfback Steven Jackson, who played for Erickson at Oregon State University.

The Vandals defense seemed to get a needed boost: In confidence after the scrimmage, when DeVane was told that the Vandals were 29-point underdogs to Michigan State he excitedly fired back with a huge grin.

"We aren't the dog? That much?" He said. "We can play with anybody. We have heart."

Editorial's scrimmage statistics
PASSING: Wisconsin 38 600; Idaho 73 112; Oregon 71 600; Boise 33 104; Iowa 45 510; Utah 21 643; 25.
RUSHING: Utah 43 yards; TD: Jackson 51 yards; TD: Total 127 yards; TD.
TOP RECEIVERS: Owee 142 yards; TD: Homer 50 yards; L. Smith 32 yards; TD.
LEADING TACKLERS: Alexander 8; Taylor, Senechal, McDonald, Williams
SACK LEADER: Alexander 2

SCOREBOARD

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NASCAR Nextel Cup Leaders
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GAME PLAN
LOCAL
High school boys soccer
Century at Jerome, 4:30 p.m.
Minico at Preston, 4:30 p.m.

TV SCHEDULE
BASKETBALL
ESPNI2 - NBA Men's World Championship, preliminary round, U.S. vs. Slovenia, at Sapporo, Japan, 9 a.m.

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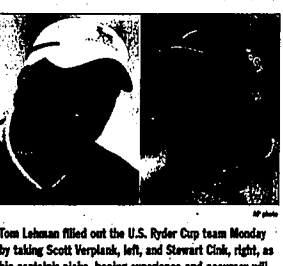
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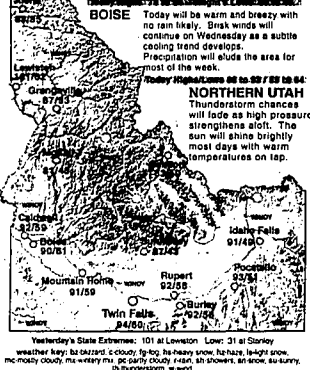
Today: Windy and dry weather elevated fire concerns. High 90s.
Tonight: Mostly clear with a stiff breeze. Lows near 60.
Tomorrow: Sunny and windy periods expected. Highs low 90s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Plenty of sunshine and heat. Strong and gusty winds expected. Highs low 90s.
Tonight: Winds still noticeable with mostly clear skies. Lows 50s.
Tomorrow: Brist and gusty winds expected. Warm and sunny otherwise. Highs upper 80s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Brist and gusty winds will be with us for the next few days resulting in heightened fire weather conditions.
BOISE: Today will be warm and breezy with no rain likely. Brist winds will continue on Wednesday as a subtle cooling trend develops.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons and high/low temperatures.

Yesterday's Weather

Table listing weather for various cities: Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Jerome, Lewiston, Madras, Pocatello, Starbuck.

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Weather statistics including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and U.V. Index.

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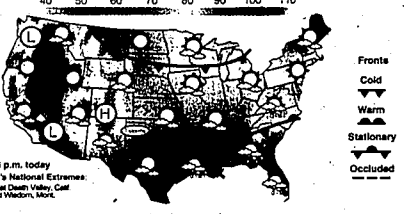
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WORLD FORECAST

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

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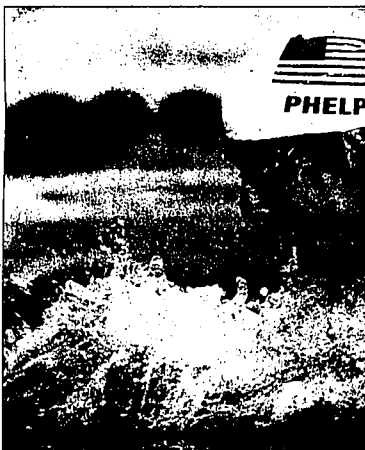
US FORECAST

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Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: "It has been said that our anxiety does not exempt tomorrow of its sorrow, but only empties today of its strength."

Phelps reinigorated after setting world records

VICTORIA, British Columbia (AP) — Look out, Ian Thorpe and Pieter van den Hoogenband. Michael Phelps can't wait to race you at next year's world championships.
The American swimming star set two world records for the first time in three years in his signature events at the Pan Pacific Championships, and he's feeling newly invigorated halfway to the Beijing Olympics.



Michael Phelps wins his heat in the Men's 200-meter IM at the Pan Pacific Swimming Championships in Victoria, Canada, on Sunday.

he claimed in Athens. "Everything will be building towards Melbourne," Bowman said.
Van den Hoogenband has seasoned training, and won the 200 free at the European championships earlier this month.
Thorpe remains a question mark, having been hampered by illness, injuries and incessant media scrutiny since Athens.

Ferguson

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ent shots 'I've learned, yeah. I feel like things are pretty darn good right now.'
It sure looks familiar to everyone else.

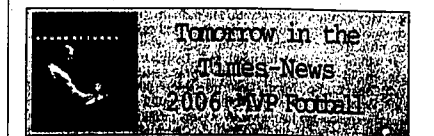
made for a greater contrast. The fairways of Royal Liverpool were so brown and parched that Woods used 2-iron to navigate his way around the bunkers.
The greens at Medinah were so lush that Woods knew he would have to make birdies to keep pace, and he did just that.

time in 10 full years on tour he has done that. At this rate, he will match Nicklaus' major record in five years, and there doesn't seem anyone capable of challenging him on a regular basis.
Phil Mickelson was on the cusp of a third straight major at U.S. Open two weeks ago at Winged Foot when he chopped up the final hole. In the final two majors, he finished a combined 25 shots behind Woods.

Buckeyes

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catch which helped set up the winning score against rival Michigan.
"People say how great our offense is, Smith said. "Within our unit, within our core group of people, coaches and everything, I know that the standards are going to be high for our offense. And we have to live up to them."

John Kerr, with very little playing time since leading Indiana in tackles four years ago, will likely fill one line-backer spot.
The secondary is a mish-mash of promising youth and upperclassmen who have been role players.
Another hole that needs to be addressed is kicker, where Josh Hudson made the most of an NCAA-granted sixth field goal and all but one of his 45 extra-point attempts.



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AOL exec resigns over privacy breach

By Anick Jessiman
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — AOL's chief technology officer left the company and two other workers were fired in the aftermath of a privacy breach that involved the intentional release of more than 650,000 subscribers' Internet search terms.

Although AOL had substituted numeric IDs for the subscribers' user names, the search queries themselves contained Social Security numbers, medical conditions and other data that could be traced to an individual. In fact, The New York Times was able

to trace user 4417749 to Thelma Arnold, 62, of Lilburn, Ga.

Maureen Govern, the technology chief, will be replaced on an interim basis by John McKinley, who had held that position before becoming AOL's president for digital services. The change, takes effect immediately, according to a memo AOL Chief Executive Jonathan Miller sent to employees on Monday.

"This incident took place because some employees did not exercise good judgment or review their proposal with our privacy team," Miller said in a second memo. "We are taking appropriate action with the

employees who were responsible."

The data release is among a series of breaches involving sensitive information in recent months. Unlike those resulting from computer hacking or missing laptops, however, the AOL data had been intentionally released as part of a program to assist academic researchers.

AOL, a unit of Time Warner Inc., apologized two weeks ago for what it termed a mistake made by a company researcher who had failed to properly seek clearances before releasing three months' worth of search data. Though the information was meant

for researchers, it was released to a public site and quickly circulated once a blogger discovered it.

The company fired the researcher who released the data and that employee's direct supervisor, who reported to Govern, said one person familiar with the company's decisions. The person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because release of personnel information was not authorized, would not say whether Govern's departure was voluntary. The person also would not identify the two employees who were fired.

Although the search terms

released were not directly tied to real names, many individuals type their own names to find out what's being said about them. They may later search for online mentions of their credit card or Social Security numbers and perhaps for prescription drug prices, revealing their medical ailments. All the searches for each user name were linked to the same numeric ID in the released data.

AOL removed the information from its site once senior executives learned of it, but by then copies already were widely available. Some people even created search sites just for the AOL data.

Family Health Services aims for affordable health care

By Tressa Tegza
Special to the Times-News

RUPERT — Affordable health care is a struggle for many families in Idaho.

Family Health Services recently held a luncheon at Minidoka Memorial Hospital to celebrate National Health Center Week. Family Health Services is a private, nonprofit corporation that has provided quality affordable health care in south-central Idaho since 1982. Area locations include clinics in Burley, Rupert, Buhl, Fairfield, Jerome and Twin Falls; behavioral health facilities in Twin Falls and Burley; and dental services in Rupert, Fairfield and Burley.

Family Health Services provides care for 28,000 patients statewide and is the largest service provider for Medicaid and Medicare in southern Idaho. It also accepts all private insurances. Those who have no insurance can have their services billed on a sliding fee scale according to their income.

"What is unique is that we will not turn anyone away for inability to pay and we always accept new patients," said Patty Brown, public relations director for Family Health Services.

Each clinic of the clinics offer extended hours once a week, and sometimes on Saturdays. If specialized care is needed, referrals can be made. Patients are also informed of other services they may qualify for.

Each clinic is staffed with medical doctors, physician's assistants and nurse practitioners. In addition to registered nurses and office staff, forty percent of the staff can speak Spanish. Family Health Services receives a grant each year to help subsidize health care costs, but it's not nearly enough to pay all the bills. Therefore, the nonprofit organization depends on donations and "fundraisers," such as a golf tournament to raise money to put a new roof on its clinic in Buhl.

Raise the Roof Golf Tournament

Family Health Services is trying to raise \$66,000 to put a new roof on its clinic in Buhl. The nonprofit health care provider will hold a "Raise the Roof Golf Tournament" at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23 at the Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl. Teams can have up to five players and the entry fee is \$250 per team. The cost to sponsor the tournament is \$3,600, which pays for use of the golf course, golf cart, use of the facility and a meal following the tournament. Hole sponsorships are available for \$100 and \$200. For more information, call Patty Brown at 708-1400 or Shweta Myers at 834-9312.

Where to find the clinics

Family Health Services' clinic locations:
Buhl — 725 Fair, 543-8271
Burley — 1308 Bennett Ave., 678-7798
Fairfield — 401 W. Carnes, 734-2511
Jerome — 133 W. Ave. A, Suite B, 324-3471
Rupert — 1440 8th St., 436-0734
Twin Falls — 388 Martin St., 734-0451
Behavioral Health — 1F, 788 Eastland Drive, Suite B, 734-2221
Dental Health — Suite B, 734-2221

AARP offers training for volunteer tax service

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — AARP Tax-Aide, the nation's largest, free, volunteer-run counseling and preparation service is looking for individuals who want to learn tax law and basic income tax preparation.

Each year, from Feb. 1 through April 15, Tax-Aide volunteers prepare federal and state tax returns for middle and low-income taxpayers. Volunteers who are bilingual and/or have computer skills are especially needed.

"If you can balance your checkbook, that's a good indicator that you can become a successful volunteer tax counselor," said Volunteer Coordinator Bob Wunderle in a news release.

AARP Tax-Aide training classes will be held on Saturdays from Sept. 9 through Dec. 30, and daily from Jan. 2 through Jan. 12 at the College of Southern Idaho. Tax volunteers receive free comprehensive training from IRS-certified and State Tax Commission instructors and will receive certification for the upcoming tax season.

Volunteers are reimbursed for program-related, out-of-pocket expenses, such as mileage. Computers, a laser printer and professional tax preparation software with electronic filing capability are provided at all Tax-Aide sites. Volunteers are asked for minimum commitment of 40 hours over the 10-week tax season.

Individuals of all ages are encouraged to apply. For more information, call Wunderle at 735-1189, or visit the Tax Aide Web site at www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Where's the beef?



Tomohiro Kuriki, a sales clerk with Hanamasa Co., a Tokyo-based operator of supermarkets and restaurants, arranges packs of beef imported from Canada and Australia at his supermarket in Tokyo on Friday. It's been weeks since Japan lifted its import ban on U.S. beef and the first shipment went on sale last week, but American beef is nowhere to be seen at supermarkets here, except the country's five Costco stores.

Japan slow to return to U.S. meat after ban ends

By Yuri Kageyama
Associated Press writer

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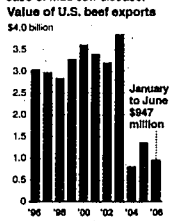
Many Japanese are worried about the safety of U.S. beef. Retailers here say they aren't about to waste their time carrying an unpopular product. Instead, meat-section shelves are filled with beef from Australia and Japan.

Japan was once the top destination for U.S. beef, importing \$1.4 billion worth a year. But that was before Tokyo's decision December 2003 to ban American beef imports after the first case of mad cow disease in the U.S.

The U.S. government repeatedly has said the beef is safe because of stringent checks. But such assurances have done little to allay the fears of Japanese about mad cow disease, or bovine

Bailing out on beef

U.S. beef exports were decimated following the 2003 discovery of the nation's first case of mad cow disease.



SOURCE: U.S. Meat Export Federation AP

spongiform encephalopathy, a degenerative nerve disease in cattle.

Eating contaminated meat products has been linked to the rare but fatal human variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease in more than 150 deaths. The outbreak, mostly in Britain, peaked in the 1990s. (Nine suspected cases of CJD were

reported in Idaho in 2005, and out of those nine, five had autopsies. Out of those five, two tested negative for a prion disease, and the other three tested positive for the classic form of CJD and not the variant form associated with "mad cow" disease.)

"It's scary — all this talk about mad cow disease," said housewife Kimie Suzuki, who eats mostly fish but sticks with Japanese beef when she eats meat. "I've had foreign beef before but it tastes different."

Fears of Japanese like Suzuki have grown, not diminished, in recent months. The ban on American beef was eased in December 2005, but imposed again in January after prohibited spinal bones were found in a veal shipment — an error by U.S. plant workers and a government inspector who didn't realize veal cuts with backbone eaten in the U.S. are considered at risk for mad cow disease in Japan.

That error was critical, making "consumers even more suspicious about the safety of U.S. meat. Kaori Watanabe, spokeswoman for Aeon Co., says the nation's top supermarket chain hasn't received a single call from customers asking for American beef. Aeon, which operates more than 300 food stores nationwide, is often deluged with requests for products, so that means there's no interest in American beef, she said.

"We decided against it until there's a situation in which customers can buy it without worrying about it," said Watanabe. Shoppers are more interested these days in organically grown vegetables, she added.

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Wall Street investors take profits after last week's gains

By Joe Bai Bruno
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Investors sold stocks moderately lower Monday, ending a five-day rally as rising oil prices and disappointing results from Lowe's Cos. raised concerns about a slowdown in consumer spending.

Lowe's, the nation's second-largest home-improvement chain after Home Depot Inc., reported second-quarter profit rose 11 percent

homebuilders and airlines lower.

The pullback came after last week's gains pushed major indexes to three-month highs. With little in the way of corporate earnings reports this week and only two major economic reports due out, investors were hard-pressed to extend the rally.

"In general, people are still pretty spooked by the global situation and the Middle East, and they are wondering what kind of legs the market has in the

short term," said Phil Dow, director of equity strategy for RBC Dain Rauscher. "There's not much in the way of expectations for the week but we could be moving toward a platform for a decent rally."

Easing tensions in the Middle East helped drive oil prices lower last week, and trigger a rally on Wall Street. Profit-taking after the week-long rally came on extremely light volume, typical for a late August day with little market-moving news.

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Market Watch

Aug. 21, 2006

Dow Jones Industrials	11,346.05
Nasdaq Composite	2,147.75
Standard & Poor's 500	1,297.62
Russell 2000	705.33

Stocks of local interest

Beil Inc.	21.62	▼ .54
Libra Motors	25.19	▼ .27
Supervalu	26.74	▼ .12

Commodities

Sept. Oil	72.45	▼ .44
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Aug. gold	625.70	▲ 13.6

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MONEY

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MUTUAL FUNDS

Table with columns: Name, Div, Lst, Chg, and various market data for mutual funds.

COMMODITIES REPORT

PORTLAND - White wheat 3.17 (steady) 1/2 cent lower 8.05... 1.37 (up) in weekly 54 percent surge 1.33 (down) 1/2 cent (heavy) (heavy)

CLOSING FUTURES

Table with columns: Name, Div, Lst, Chg, and various market data for closing futures.

CHINESE

CHONGQING (AP) - USA - Major potato market for shipping potatoes...

POTATOES

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LIVESTOCK

INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK - Dairy Farm Bureau International Livestock...

METALS/MONEY

Gold - Selected world gold prices, Monday... London market bid, \$425.00 per 100.00...

BEANS

Values below - Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. & Canada, less land...

GRAINS

Values below - Prices for wheat per bushel, mixed grains, corn and beans per...

INTERNATIONAL GRAIN

INTERNATIONAL GRAIN - Major Farm Bureau International Grain Report...

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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MARKET SUMMARY

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AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

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NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

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Iran bars inspectors from underground nuclear site

By George Jahn and Nassor Karimi Associated Press writers

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran turned away U.N. inspectors from an underground site meant to shelter its uranium enrichment program from attack, diplomats said Monday, while the country's supreme leader insisted Tehran will not give up its contentious nuclear technology.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei's comments came on the eve of a self-imposed deadline to respond formally to Western incentives aimed at curbing its atomic program, deflating hopes that Iran will accept a U.N. Security Council demand that it freeze enrichment by Aug. 31 or face the possibility of sanctions.

Iran's unprecedented refusal to allow access to its underground facility at Natanz could seriously hamper U.N. attempts to ensure Tehran is not trying to produce nuclear weapons and might violate the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, diplomats and U.N. officials told The Associated Press.

Speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the information, the diplomats and officials from

the U.N. nuclear watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency, described other signs of Iranian defiance.

They said Iran denied entry visas to two IAEA inspectors in the last few weeks after doing the same earlier this summer for Chris Charlier, the expert heading the U.N. agency's team to Tehran. Additionally, they said, other inspectors were given only single-entry visas during their visits to Iran last week, instead of the customary multiple-entry permits.

Iran's reported actions were likely to harden Western resolve to punish the Tehran regime if it refuses to give up uranium enrichment, which can be used to create the fissile core of nuclear warheads.

Diplomats told AP on Monday that sanctions could include a ban on the sale of missile and nuclear technology to Tehran, international refusal to grant entry visas to people involved in Iran's nuclear program and a freeze of their assets, and a ban on investment in Iran.

IAEA head Mohamed ElBaradei is to report by Sept. 11 to the agency's board on Iran's compliance with the

Security Council deadline on freezing enrichment and on other aspects of Tehran's cooperation with U.N. inspectors.

The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, John Bolton, said that "nothing surprises me about how Iran treats its obligations" under the nonproliferation agreement. He said Iran concealed things from inspectors in the past and alleged Tehran also has falsified data.

Although Bolton said he had no specific knowledge of the reported recent blocking of U.N. inspectors, he said, "More obstructionism doesn't surprise me at all."

IAEA officials at the agency's headquarters in Vienna, Austria, refused to comment. The Islamic republic has promised to formally respond Tuesday to an offer of economic and political rewards for it to freeze enrichment and negotiate strengthened monitoring of its nuclear program.

The proposal from six world powers — the U.S., Russia, China, Britain, France and Germany — includes promises that the United States and Europe will provide civilian nuclear technology and that Washington will join direct



A member of the Iranian army fires an anti-helicopter rocket during training maneuvers in Zahedan, in the southeastern Iranian province of Sistan and Baluchistan, on Monday.

talks with Iran. But Iran's supreme leader again ruled out an enrichment freeze. "The Islamic Republic of Iran has made its own decision and in the nuclear case, God will

working with patience and power, will continue its path," Khamenei was quoted as saying Monday by state television. He accused the United States of pressuring Iran despite Tehran's assertions it is not

working on nuclear weapons, as Washington and its key allies contend. Iran says its enrichment work is intended solely to produce fuel for nuclear reactors that will generate electricity.

Defiant Saddam begins second trial

By Patrick J. McDonnell Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Defiant and alert, Saddam Hussein bickered with the judge, challenged prosecutors and vented outrage Monday on the opening day of his second trial.

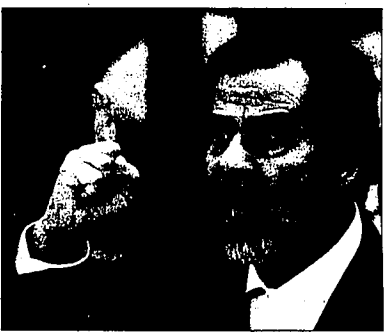
"This time around, Saddam faces charges of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity linked to his regime's scorched-earth 'Anfal' campaign against rebellious Kurds almost two decades ago.

He is in the dock of the special Iraqi tribunal with six other ex-aided, the most notorious being his cousin, Ali Hassan al-Majid, who earned the nickname "Chemical Ali" because of his purported sanctioning of the use of internationally banned chemical weapons.

Both Saddam and al-Majid could face the hangman if convicted for responsibility in the death of as many as 100,000 Kurds during a 1988 military campaign in Iraq's Kurdistan.

Not-guilty pleas were entered for the seven defendants, who are expected to argue that the regime used appropriate force to put down pro-Iranian Kurdish rebels during a critical stage of the bloody 1980s Iraq-Iran war.

Although five years younger than the 69-year-old Saddam, al-Majid appeared much frailer, trudging into court on cream-colored sandals and using a cane to steady himself. Al-Majid donned a red-checked tribal head covering and Arab robe, while Saddam opted for a black suit and open-necked white shirt.



Iraq's former president Saddam Hussein addresses the court during the first day of the Anfal trial in Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone on Monday.

Asked his name, Saddam's once-ferocious commander replied, "The fighting comrade Staff Maj. General pilot Ali Hassan al-Majid." He gave his occupation as "detainee."

Saddam often parried the judge's questions, refusing to respond when queried if he was innocent or guilty. "That would require volumes of books," Saddam finally explained.

Saddam chided presiding judge Abdullah al-Amiri for silencing two defense attorneys, an Egyptian and a Jordanian, because they are not Iraqi.

The ex-Iraqi strongman never wavered during the almost five-hour court proceeding, occasionally taking a

green-covered Quran in hand as he rose to challenge a point.

Saddam, sporting his now-trademark, close-trimmed, salt-and-pepper beard, looked gaunt but appeared focused. He projected a sense of coiled power as he listened to the proceedings and frequently expressed indignation — especially at suggestions his soldiers had raped Kurdish women during the Anfal campaign.

"To say a ... woman was raped and Saddam is president, this is intolerable," said Saddam, wagging his fingers in disgust. "Who ever says this is my personal enemy. ... Where is Saddam's honor?"

He recalled a purported incident in "liberated" Kuwait — following the Iraqi invasion of

Trial at a glance

BACK IN COURT: Saddam Hussein kept up his defiance, refusing to enter a plea as his new trial opened — the second concerning alleged atrocities by his regime.

THE NEW CASE: Saddam and six co-defendants could face the death penalty if convicted in the case, which concerns the 1987-1988 Anfal military campaign in which tens of thousands of Kurds were killed and up to 2,000 villages razed.

THE OLD CASE: Still pending is the verdict from Saddam's first trial, which was for crimes against humanity in a crackdown that killed 148 Shiites in the town of Dujail in the 1980s. The verdict is to be issued Oct. 16.

the oil-rich kingdom in 1990 — when an Iraqi officer was found to have raped a woman: Hussein said the officer was court-martialed and, at Saddam's orders, publicly hanged at the site of the alleged assault, where his body was left to hang for several days as an example.

Saddam also disputed the prosecutor's interpretation of the word "anfal," said to mean "spoils of war." Saddam hinted at a more benign meaning, though he never spelled out an alternative definition.

The judge rejected a plea from Saddam and defense attorneys to throw the charges out because the tribunal was formed during the U.S. "occupation" government.

Bush says war in Iraq is 'straining the psyche' of the nation

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush said Monday the Iraq war is "straining the psyche of our country" but leaving now would be a disaster.

Bush served notice at a news conference that he would not change course or flinch from debate about the unpopular war as he campaigns for Republicans in the fall congressional elections. In fact, he suggested that national security and the economy should be the top political issues, and criticized the Democrats' approach on both.

Many Democrats want to leave Iraq "before the job is done," the president said. "I can't tell you exactly when it's going to be done," he said but "if we ever give up the desire to help people who live in freedom, we will have lost our soul as a nation, as far as I'm concerned."

Now in its fourth year, the war has taken a toll — more than 2,600 Americans have died and many more Iraqis have been killed. Last month alone, about 9,500 Iraqis died, violently, the highest monthly civilian toll so far. Bush's approval rating has slumped to the lowest point of his pres-

idency, and Republicans are concerned that they could lose control of Congress because of voters' unhappiness.

Bush said he was frustrated by the war at times.

"War is not a time of joy," he said. "These are challenging times, and they're difficult times, and they're straining the psyche of our country. I understand that. You know, nobody likes to see innocent people die. Nobody wants to turn on their TV on a daily basis and see havoc wrought by terrorists."

But Bush said he agreed with Gen. John Abizaid, the top U.S. commander in the Middle East, that if "we leave before the mission is done, the terrorists will follow us here."

A failed Iraq would provide a safe haven for terrorists and extremists and give them revenue from oil sales, Bush said.

In response, Democrats said it was time for a new direction and Bush should begin redeploying troops this year. "Our soldiers in Iraq should transition to a more limited mission focused on counterterrorism, force protection of U.S. personnel and training and logistical support of Iraqi security forces," House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi said.



Bush

Close election in Chiapas tests Mexico's strained democracy

By Julie Watson Associated Press writer

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, Mexico — Mexico, mired for nearly two months in a presidential election dispute, woke up Monday to a disputed governor vote in the country's poorest state.

In Sunday's Chiapas state race, the candidate backed by President Vicente Fox's party, Jose Antonio Aguilar Bodegas, vowed to contest the vote if he loses to the main leftist party.

Meanwhile, supporters of leftist presidential candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador have clogged the heart of Mexico City with protest camps to demand a recount of the July 2 presidential election.

Preliminary results in southern Chiapas state showed little more than 2,000 votes separating the two candidates.

With 94 percent of 4,761 polling places counted, Juan Sabines of Lopez Obrador's

Democratic Revolution Party, or PRD, was leading with 48.39 percent, or 517,129 votes. Aguilar had 48.17 percent, or 514,743 votes.

Both claimed victory late Sunday and held celebrations within blocks of each other — as if there were a clear winner.

Aguilar, a 56-year-old lawyer and former federal senator, is a member of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, but also is backed by Fox's conservative National Action Party, or PAN, which formed a last-minute alliance with the PRI to try to defeat Sabines.

Margarita Moya, a spokeswoman for the state's electoral institute, said officials expected to finish the preliminary count Monday but would not announce a winner until late in the week. The institute has seven days to formally announce a governor-elect.

Aguilar told reporters early Monday that his party's own tallies showed he had won by more than 5,000 votes. He said his party had found irregular-

ities with 10,000 votes, and planned to file complaints with electoral officials, and possibly Mexico's Federal Electoral Tribunal if he is not declared governor-elect.

"The election was extremely tainted," he said, echoing similar claims made by Lopez Obrador against the National Action Party in the presidential election.

The federal tribunal's seven judges are currently reviewing a partial recount of the disputed July 2 presidential race in which National Action candidate Felipe Calderon had a slight advantage of about 240,000 votes, or less than 1 percent over Lopez Obrador. The tribunal has until Sept. 6 to announce a president-elect or annul the election.

Sabines, meanwhile, welcomed such scrutiny, saying he had no doubts about his victory.

"The results are in my hand," the former Tuxtla Gutierrez mayor told The Associated Press.

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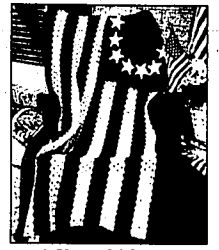
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MISCELLANEOUS

Sun Valley Resort has multiple job openings for seasonal and peak workers from December 10, 2006 through April 10, 2007. 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:

Dining Room Worker, 120 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229724:
 Clean and arrange tables and chairs; carry soiled dishes to kitchen; replace table linens; set tables; stock and maintain workstation; take orders; serve meals; and receive payment. The position is generally subject to four shifts: 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Entry level wage \$5.94/hr. No experience necessary.

Hotel Clerk, 60 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229689:
 Assist hotel guests by taking reservations, greeting, checking in and out, answering questions, handling messages, assisting with luggage, escorting, and generally servicing their needs. The position is generally subject to six shifts: 3:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Entry level wage \$8.59/hr. No experience necessary.

Kitchen Helper, 40 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229718:
 Help prepare, store and rotate fresh foods; distribute supplies using hand truck; clean up work areas, kitchen equipment and utensils. The position is generally subject to four shifts: 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Entry level wage \$8.19/hr. No experience necessary.

Mountain Guest Service Worker, 22 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229630:
 Maintain guests' comfort level by providing information and encouraging a safe mountain environment; organize ski lift lines and check tickets; maintain vehicle/pedestrian access and safe outdoor operation; may work as parking lot attendant/shuttle driver. The position will be subject to one shift: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Entry level wage \$6.43/hr. No experience necessary.

Retail Attendant, 12 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229729:
 Sell high-end merchandise; stock and maintain sales floor; assist customers with questions, purchases and returns. The position will generally be subject to three shifts: 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Entry level wage \$8.10/hr. No experience necessary.

Housekeeper, 30 Positions, Job Listing Number 1229734:
 Clean rooms and halls; make beds; replenish room supplies; clean and distribute linens and uniforms; assist patrons: 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Entry level wage \$7.23/hr. No experience necessary.

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FOUND Chow (2) Golden Friendly & affectionate. Need loving home. Unable to keep them. Call 825-5614.

FOUND cow dog, young to adult. Found on 400 North in Rupert (The Minidoka Dam Road). Call Animal Rescue 438-4904.

FOUND dog, Weimaraner, in best field 200 N. of Rupert. Female, gray in color. Call 436-8923.

FOUND Ladies Purse, Saturday 9th at West Magic. Call with positive identification to claim. Call 734-4540.

FOUND puppy, male, black w/white tummy & paws. Looks 3-4 months. Found near 2nd St. in Rupert. 436-2266.

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 8 1/2 mm camera of swimming hole in middle of Tripper River. Call 543-4757, 808-4757.

LOST Australian Shepherd 1 year old male, red & white. Quincey & State in Twin. Call 208-731-5661.

LOST Australian Shepherd near Rideny's in Rupert. Black, white & brown. Wearing red collar. 208-260-1810.

LOST Border Collie 1 month old, white & black in Burley. 10 mo. old male, black and white, wearing blue collar. Roward 573-5464.

LOST cat in the Minidoka area on July 30th. Female, white with tabby spots, front paws declawed. Born black & white. Answers to "Sophie". \$100 reward. Call 208-431-7387.

LOST dog, Shih-Tzu, brown & white female, 9 mo. old, wearing a tan collar w/flowers. Answers to "Sophie". Lost on 8/20 around 17th & Hilland. Roward 878-8994 or 431-1135.

LOST dog, small 4-5 lbs Pomeranian w/white tan spots. Call 807 around North D St. L.R. Family is moving. No returns at loss. 219-9688 or 219-9539.

LOST German Shepherd, male, 2 years old, Turquoise color collar. Robert Stuart School area. Roward Call 208-439-0592.

LOST OR STOLEN 4-month male, black & white on bottom. Peltican brand. Suspect it was stolen somewhere. If found please call Doug at 431-1587.

LOST-wallet, brown, trifold. I.D., drivers license, social security card, Costco card. If found on or around the Jerome Fair grounds after Aug. 5th, please call 733-3811 and leave message.

LOST Yorkshire Terrier female about 4 years old on Sunday August 13th south of Farmers Center. Call 208-678-4748. Roward!

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BUHL newly remodeled 3 bdrm, 3 bath, detached 3 car garage. Nice location. \$219,500. Call 208-543-2439

FILER 1400 sq. ft., 3 bdrm, 2 bath home on 1/2 acre. Call for info. or appl. 208-659-7016.

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Touch not a single bough!
In youth it sheltered me,
And I'll protect it now."
— George Pope Morris

NORTH 08-22-A
 ♠ K Q J 8 6
 ♥ 2
 ♦ K 6 5
 ♣ K 8 4

EAST
 ♠ 9 7 2
 ♥ K Q J 10 7 5
 ♦ 10
 ♣ J

SOUTH
 ♠ A 10 5 4 3
 ♥ A
 ♦ A Q 7
 ♣ A 5 3 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 2 NT* 4 ♠
 Pass 5 ♥ Pass Pass
 6 ♣ All pass
 *Game-forcing raise in spades

Opening lead: Heart nine

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
 ♠ A 10 5 4 3
 ♥ A
 ♦ A Q 7
 ♣ A 5 3 2

South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 1 NT Pass
 ?

ANSWER: You could either rebid two clubs and then bid on at your next turn over partner's weak response, or make an immediate raise to two no-trump to suggest 18-19 balanced, which you almost have. I prefer the former, but in any event, what you must not do is jump to three clubs (which sets up a game force) or bid three no-trump directly, without consulting your partner.

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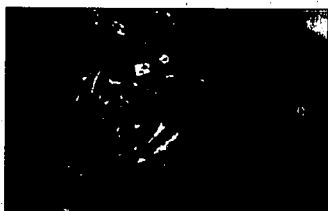
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Dennis Koyle says he sometimes spends up to 100 hours per saddle on tooling, the hand-stamped designs on leather saddles. He also says tooling is his favorite part of the building process.



Dennis Koyle moves a saddle tree at his workshop in Gooding Wednesday. Koyle has been working with leather for about 20 years.

Saddle up

Custom details make all the difference

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

GOODING—You've probably seen them zipping through town, motors humming, lights flashing. Custom cars.

Ever since Henry Ford's first Model T rolled off a Detroit assembly line in 1909, folks have been personalizing vehicles.

But before that, before neon lights and hydraulics and lift kits — before cars altogether — there were saddles. And people personalized those, too.

Still do, though a custom saddle can be hard to spot these days. Only a handful of saddle-makers are left in Magic Valley. Not everyone owns a horse anymore, and custom saddles carry a higher price tag (about \$3,000) than most full-time cowboys can afford.

But if you've got the money, and you ride often enough to appreciate personalized craftsmanship, owning a custom-made saddle is equivalent to driving a Rolls Royce. There is simply nothing finer.

Few know this as well as Dennis Koyle. He is among the last of a dying breed. He is a saddle-maker. Not long ago, Koyle closed his Gooding saddle store and moved the business to a small shed near his house. It is here he toils, coaxing leather soft as silk.

The shop is cramped, and cowhide scraps cover his work-

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tables. The sweet scent of leather hangs in the room. His metal hand tools, many of them made in this shop years ago from nails or bolts, hang on a pegboard wall. It's dark, a bit dusty.

Koyle was here last week to begin his next project. He tossed his tan cowboy hat onto a worktable, took off his glasses and hoisted a saddle in its most rudimentary form onto a table.

All saddles start with the tree, a wood frame usually made from rawhide-wrapped split-resistant cottonwood. Koyle, like many saddle makers, orders his from a specialist. But before he does, he measures the client's horse to ensure the tree will fit.

Then, he cuts and wraps the leather, fastens the metal clasps, attaches stirrups. Most saddles take about 40 hours to complete. But Koyle's job is only half done.

The allure of custom saddles is twofold. First, functionality: It should fit a horse and rider perfectly. And second, style: It should look like no other saddle on Earth.

A saddle's uniqueness lies in intricate, hand-tooled designs. Like a sculptor hovering over a lump of clay, Koyle chisels floral patterns, Western scenes or braided-

rope designs into the soft leather. This is when the workman's job is over and the artist emerges. Tooling can take as much as 100 hours, and it's Koyle's favorite part. Good leather work, he said, will make a client whistle.

That's what happened when Carol Frost saw the saddle Koyle fashioned for her last month. Adorned with a leafy floral pattern, this soft brown seat was made to fit the narrow withers of Frost's mare, Sunshine. To get everything just right, Koyle drove from his shop in Gooding to Frost's small acreage in Kimberly to measure the mare. Then, Frost thumbed through dozens of pattern samples etched into scrap leather. Koyle took note of her favorites and incorporated them into a one-of-a-kind design. He e-mailed a photo of his creation to Frost for her approval.

It took him a few months to build. A long wait and a lot of money but well worth it, Frost said. "I can't be happier with it. Same with Sunshine. If she could talk, she'd tell you the same."

Good custom saddles, Koyle said, cut down on saddle sores and make for a more comfortable ride for man and beast alike.

It's man's comfort that matters to Jerome custom-saddle owner Fred Ostic, who breaks colts. "I rode horses all my life," he said. "And I wanted a saddle that would ride like I wanted. I think more of my butt than the horses' anyway."

Four years since buying the saddle from Koyle, Ostic is still happy — and comfortable, which he expects to be for some time. A custom saddle will last a lifetime or two or three. More than you can say for most custom cars.

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A FEW FAIR FLOWERS

Choice blooms brighten the August doldrums

By Adrian Higgins
The Washington Post

To the optimists who imagine August days as leafy, breezy and inviting, we pose one question: What kind of shape is the yard in?

Not so good, folks. There's something about mid- to late summer that saps life from the garden as well as the gardener. Is this the perfect arrangement? Don't bother going out there in this heat — there's nothing to see.

The plant breeders, growers and retailers who bring us plants seem to have a bit of a blind spot for early August. Much has been done to notch up the ornament of plants in the spring, the fall and even the winter, but the dog days lie fallow. Even high-performance annuals flag as the heat knocks them back. In a foreshadowing of the autumn garden, leaf textures move to the fore. Great bones and good textures may form a deeply satisfying garden, but flowers bring excitement. Where to turn when only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday sun?

Actually, a fair few blooms can be used to span the void. We're not saying run out and buy them now (although you could), but think about adding them at planting time in the fall or spring as you build your garden. Here are our picks:

Hibiscus

If the hardy herbaceous hibiscus or rose mallow can grow happily near swamps untended, think how it will look in your garden. The flowers are among the largest of any perennial, up to 12 inches across.



Here, the landscape rose *Carrise Beauty*.

Hybrids are available in white and shades of pink and red, with dark centers — eyes. It is amazing that a plant with so much presence — some varieties grow to eight feet when happy — dies back to nothing in the winter. Most varieties have been developed from the species *Hibiscus moscheutos*, though the related scarlet rose mallow (*Hibiscus coccineus*) is a little less flamboyant and has been used in hybridizing Davis Creek, a rich pink-red variety, not as bushy as others but effective nevertheless. Gall Gee, whose three-acre garden in Fulton, Md., is celebrated for its beauty, uses Davis Creek with the big, blue-green switch grass called Dallas Blues, and the feathery perennial *Amsonia hubrechtii*.

Hibiscus love sunny locations and

moist soil, and will respond to pampering with weeks of blooming from mid-July to September. Stay on top of Japanese beetle feeding, however.

At another of our favorite summer gardens, we see a regular pink variety used effectively with Joe-pye weed, coneflowers and a pink flowering rose of Sharon. And speaking of which...

Rose of Sharon

This can be a somewhat scruffy shrub, but when grown well it is a summer treasure. It benefits from some sensitive pruning — thin out the main branches to prevent it from growing as a thicket. It is valuable as a tall shrub at the back of a border, or it can be grown as a small tree. It seeds prolifically, and the seedlings should

be ruthlessly grubbed out as they appear.

Diana is a white flowering variety that doesn't set seed. One of our favorites is Blue Bird, which Gee grows effectively with the chaste tree. The latter can be grown as a medium-to-large shrub by cutting it back in late winter. This will delay flowering to coincide with the rose of Sharon.

Hydrangea LIMEIGHT

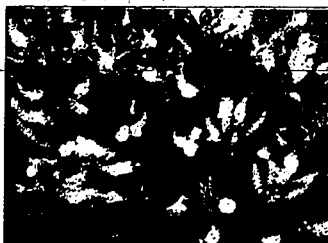
Among panicle hydrangeas now blooming, few are as refined as the variety Limeight. It stays a compact if large shrub, as opposed to the related, treelike peegee hydrangea, and its large white flower heads are tinged a cool, minty green. They age to a rose color, and the effect of a mass planting is stunning. It is one of the hydrangeas that can be pruned in the spring without loss of bloom and benefits from a trim to keep it at six to eight feet in height and vigorous in bloom.

All hydrangeas love moist condi-

Summersweet clematis

There is little to be said about summersweet clematis other than it makes a splendid deciduous shrub with bottlebrush blooms of heady scent in August. It doesn't like drought or full afternoon sunlight, but planted in deep, organically rich soil in light shade, it can grow to eight feet in as many years. In a favorite summer garden, it is positioned next to a still-showy mophead hydrangea, and the summersweet is festooned with pink-tinted white flower heads of pungent sweetness. It is a butterfly magnet.

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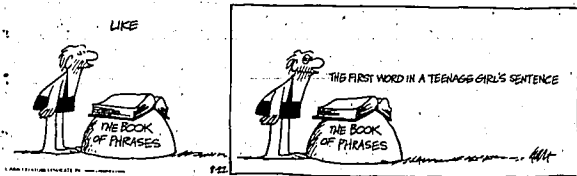
There's something about mid- to late summer that saps life from the garden as well as the gardener. One answer: Summersweet, a variety of summersweet clematis.

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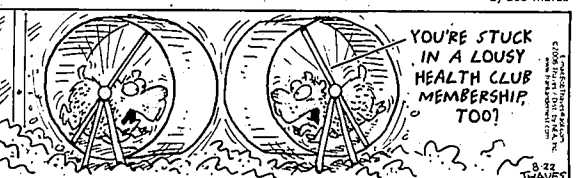
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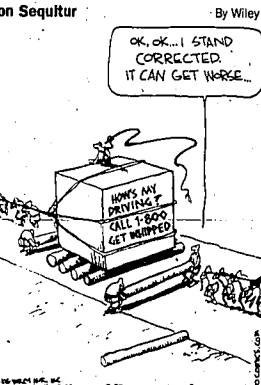
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Cancer: Stay skeptical of promises

IF AUG. 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The roller coaster of life isn't going to give you scary moments or sudden turns this year. Relax and enjoy the best that life has to offer, especially in January and February, when your popularity gets a boost from the stars. That is a time when an intimate relationship could grow closer, when a new love could be found, or you could achieve your highest career aspirations. Whatever happens, people will trust and admire you more than usual and be more willing to help you achieve your dreams.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Carry on. Overcome a brief desire for luxury items and sidestep a flirtation with someone who is all bluff and no substance. Make the best progress by being a whiz at executive decisions.

TAUROS (April 20-May 20): Gardeners shouldn't pick crops before they ripen. If you are on vacation, relax and indulge your whims. Otherwise, your performance may slip if you think you are too good to get your hands dirty.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Flattery gets you nowhere. Hypocrisy may be abundant. Social commitments can upset

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your schedule or a needy emotional situation can play havoc with your tranquility.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Pragmatists call a spade a spade, but under today's celestial conditions, the truth may be embellished or exaggerated. Remain skeptical of promises and hold off on initiating major undertakings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Thwarting detours can cause setbacks. Impulsive purchases or flirtations might not be in your best interests. If you have your heart set on success, stick to the plan already in motion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Tread water. You could be disappointed by results if you lock in the terms of a contract or agreement now. Not all promises are backed by a guarantee, so keep your money in your pocket.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keeping up with the Joneses isn't all it's cracked up to be. There is a tendency to be attracted to all the wrong people and things for all the wrong reasons. Wait to make impor-

tant decisions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can't please all of the people all of the time. Don't glorify your position or let a few compliments go to your head. Promises made under these stars might be meant to be broken.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Wisdom and philosophy might not mix. Your nonchalance may cause a rift with a favorite playmate. Remember, the rooster that crows too loudly could end up in the pot.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Public appearances might engender private boredom. Stille a swan at a formal gathering. A new friendship might be on the horizon, but don't make snap judgments until the facts are in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't take a snake oil salesman seriously. You could meet someone who simply oozes meaningless platitudes and gives empty promises. Wait for a better day to sign agreements.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The "sure thing" probably isn't. Put things into some kind of sensible proportion for the best success. Don't be extravagant with your money or overly generous with your promises.

Beetle Bailey

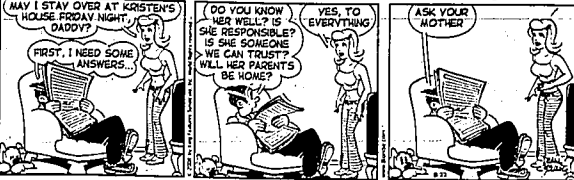
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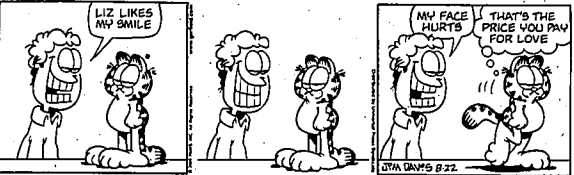
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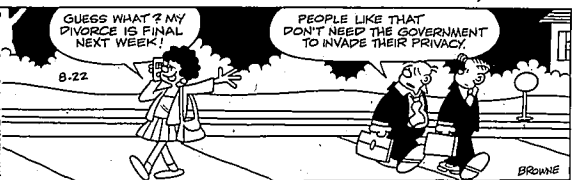
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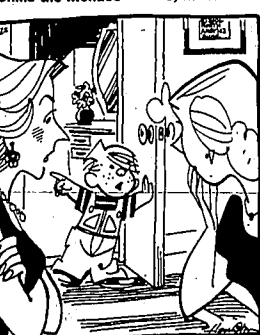
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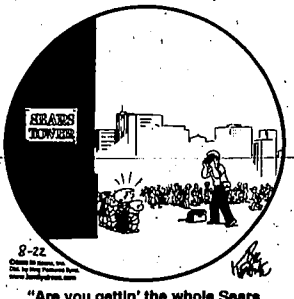
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



Caring for elderly relative involves more than money

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Perturbed in N. Carolina" (July 20) describing the living arrangements of her grandmother, who has chosen to live with her daughter. The arrangement she has for \$500 to \$700 a month, plus a few extra items, sounds like a steal to me.

I have taken care of my grandmother ever since my mother's death 16 years ago. Even though my grandmother lives on her own, my wife and I are her means of transportation, health-care coordination, entertainment and emergency calls. This is not easy.

If "Perturbed's" family is so concerned about Grandma's welfare, then why don't they offer Grandma a vacation at their home for two weeks? I bet the aunt would love to have some time alone with her husband and daughter, and it might give "Perturbed's" parents new insight.

— BEEN THERE AND DOING IT
DEAR BEEN THERE: It might, indeed. I must say that the response I received after printing that letter has been all over the map — and I plan to print two days' worth.

I told "Perturbed" that I didn't think this was a family matter she should be involved with, and that if her parents would like Grandma to live with them, then the father should talk to his mother and extend the offer. But the decision should be his mother's to make, and sometimes mothers feel closer to their daughters than to their sons.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

Some who responded to that letter felt strongly I should have responded differently, and I'll print those letters tomorrow. Today we'll hear from respondents with living arrangements similar to those mentioned in the letter. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I applaud your advice to the granddaughter to stay out of the "where Grandma should live" conflict. Living far away, she has no idea of what goes on in her aunt's house. For that matter, the parents may not have a complete grasp of the situation, either.

When my husband's mother came to live with us, we felt guilty asking her to contribute, but we had to consider several factors. Several major, expensive projects were done to ensure her comfort. Our monthly expenses increased. So did my laundry and kitchen duties because my mother-in-law is physically incapable of sharing household chores. I make and serve all her meals. I also help her take showers, supervise her medical care and drive her to all her appointments. I also must be present during her check-ups to be sure she gets the facts straight and take care of all her insurance problems. I

clean her hearing aids and make sure she has the correct batteries, and handle her prescription refills. This is a full-time job for which there are no benefits, no days off and no vacation time.

My husband and I have lost our privacy and freedom, and must arrange our activities around her needs. She refuses to give us a break, such as an occasional respite weekend at an assisted-living facility. I'd like to take her to a senior center one afternoon or two a week. She refuses to do this, too.

My point is: If financial compensation helps to ease the physical and mental stress — so be it!

— STRESSED OUT IN THE MIDDLEWEST

DEAR ABBY: We live in a multigenerational household with my 89-year-old grandmother, who also pays rent and is extremely happy to do so. She says it makes her feel more like a contributing member of the household. She doesn't like being dependent on others. We provide all her transportation, prepare her meals, and we all eat together every evening.

This kind of living arrangement is complex, and a lot of people can't handle it. Cohabitation is about much more than money alone. Perhaps that grandma knows that money can't buy happiness, and living in a happy household is worth the money.

— ONE BIG HAPPY FAMILY IN OAKLAND, FLA.

The violin is older than the cello

Not only is the violin the smallest and highest of the modern string instruments, it is older than its modern cousins like the cello, viola and double bass.

This day in history: On Aug. 22, 1902, Teddy Roosevelt stepped into a Columbia Electric Victoria in Hartford, Conn., and became the first U.S. president to ever go for a car ride.

"Anacardic" sounds like a word that has to do with your heart, but it's really an adjective describing anything associated with cashews.

The World War I song may go "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," but locals of the Irish town prefer the name "Tobrald Arinnan."

In the United States' ever-growing prison population, 10 million people are there for non-violent crimes.

In 1921, as Babe Ruth



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

became famous for his ball playing, a slicker named Otto Schneringer rushed out of the "Baby Ruth" candy bar. When challenged by the Babe's lawyers, Schneringer disingenuously claimed that he'd named the bar after Grover Cleveland's preteen daughter who had died 17 years earlier.

Then the audacious Schneringer successfully sued Ruth for coming out with a "Babe Ruth Home Run Bar."

Doggy IQ testers say herding dogs are the most intelligent. That group includes the retrievers, cattle dogs, collies, poodles, pinschers, sheepdogs

and shepherds. The least intelligent are the hounds and toy breeds.

Hair on your scalp will grow approximately a half of an inch per month.

There's nothing wrong with being an oenophile (lover of wine), as long as you avoid oenophyllia (drunkenness).

Got an alligator clamped around your arm? Try nailing its eye or punching its nose. We've heard these are the best ways to get free of its grip — however, we haven't actually tried it, and guarantee nothing.

Iowan President Herbert Hoover was the first American president born west of the Mississippi River.

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World Aquarium opens its doors to two-headed animals

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Officials of the World Aquarium at the City Museum subscribe wholeheartedly to the maxim that two heads are better than one.

If they're on the same animal, that is.

Aquarium officials hope an exhibit that opens next week and runs through Sept. 5 will prompt the creation of a Guinness World Record for the most two-headed animals on display.

So far, the aquarium has lined up 10 two-headed snakes and turtles, including "We," the aquarium's rare albino two-headed rat snake. The other nine animals are owned by Fred Lally of West Fork, Ark.

And if a local reptile dealer with a two-headed snake adds his to the exhibit, the head count would rise to 22.

"It should be a huge two-headed party," aquarium presi-

dent Leonard Sennschein said Tuesday.

Sennschein hopes two of the guests will hit it off. He would like to mate one of Lally's snakes, a two-headed albino rat snake named "Golden Girls," with We.

The aquarium has been trying to breed We since failing to sell the snake online in January. Officials had hoped it would bring \$150,000, but there were no bidders and two subsequent offers were under \$50,000.

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COUNTRY ROADS

Seize control of weeds

By Carol Pinsky
Newsday

GREENLAWN, N.Y. — Jean Fessenden, a 50-year-old working mother, knows all about a certain irresistible, bordering-on-loony impulse. A few years ago, she was over-seeing her son's birthday party at an outdoor amusement park when she found herself on her knees, weeding a flower bed.

"Someone asked me a question, thinking I worked there, and I thought, 'Wow.' I didn't even realize what I was doing, it came so naturally to me."

At home, she prefers to weed at night, with a miner's light on her forehead, and sometimes the car headlights on. No one interrupts her solitary meditations, no neighbors stop to chat. "It's like a personal thing," she said. "Sometimes I'll take my journal and write down the ideas I get while weeding."

Fessenden is lucky that she enjoys weeding — although many gardeners do find a sense of accomplishment in making a patch of weeds disappear.

"You have something to show for it when you're finished," says retired teacher Barbara Levine of Roslyn, president of the Long Island Horticultural Society, a club for gardening enthusiasts.

But whether it's meditative, rewarding or just a taxing bore, weeding simply has to be done or there is no garden.

"The nature of the garden is the human hand and human cultivation," says Peter Grant, director of horticulture and operations at Old Westbury Gardens. "If the hand goes away, nature reclaims itself. You could probably say weeding is gardening."

Weeds — broadleaf varieties and grasses, annuals, biennials and perennials — are a formidable adversary. Think about it. There are more than 200,000 species in a summer. Weeds that grow in pavement cracks and rock-lined roadsides and hard-packed, infertile dirt. Spaghetti-like parasitic weeds that detach from their roots after latching onto plants to suck their juices. Weeds that set seeds that germinate days, weeks and years later. Weeds that regrow from every tiny piece of taproot and rhizome left underground.

"Weeds have hyperactivity," says Nancy Peterson, a retired financial analyst and master gardener who tends her rose garden in Westhampton Beach and gives lectures on weeds, likening them to "thugs on the run who survive by living on garbage."

One garden and lawn may have a dozen or more types of



Each dandelion plant crown can produce up to 5,000 seeds a season.



Crabgrass is less likely to germinate if grass is at least 3 inches tall, keeping ground in shade.



Horsetweed stems crowded with leaves grow tall, then branch out to flower.



Curly Dock prefers lawns with not enough fertilizer or lime.

weeds: chickweed, smartweed, pokeweed, fireweed, sow thistle, horse nettle, goutweed, prostrate knotweed, spotted spurge, corn speedwell, horsetweed, virginia pepperweed, crabgrass, plantains, docks, dandelions, ground ivy, oxalis, wild violets, clover, wild onion and garlic, and mugwort.

Did we mention black medic, bitterweed, purslane, lambquarters, pigweed, yellow nutsedge and hairy galinsogas? While a weed is simply a plant growing where it's not wanted, "some plants exhibit characteristics that make them very successful as weeds," says Andrew Senesac, a Cornell Cooperative Extension weed scientist who grows and studies weeds (and herbicides) at the Cornell University Long Island Horticulture and Research Lab in Riverhead. Even though enormous sums of money are spent trying to control dandelions and crabgrass, Senesac says, they remain the No. 1 and No. 2 lawn weed problems. "The primary reason is their ability to produce so many seeds that are so easily spread," he says.

Really invasive weeds can outcompete and overpower native ecosystems and actually change the soil structure and chemistry.

Unlike fussy cultivars, many can survive in almost any set of

conditions: "They don't care about soil fertility, moisture, sun, soil compaction," says Kim Johnson, assistant director of horticulture at Old Westbury Gardens.

"Twisting her foot on a plantain growing between paving stones, tearing it apart, she says, 'That will survive... They're so tenacious because they can grow in areas where plants with needs cannot.'"

Many of today's weeds were actually introduced from other continents for ornamental, herbal, culinary or medicinal purposes, but escaped into the wild and quickly proliferated.

Weed control requires a multi-pronged approach of vigilant weeding, cultivation of a healthy lawn and garden, mulches that hamper weed growth and cautious use of herbicides.

The earlier gardeners jump on emerging weeds — starting as early as March, before they have a chance to set seeds and establish root systems — the less likely they will be there the following year, the experts say. Bonnie Klein, who answers the public's gardening questions at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office at Eisenhower Park in East Meadow, says the best defense against weeds is a healthy, well-tended lawn and garden where dense turf and flourishing

plants leave little room for weeds to get established.

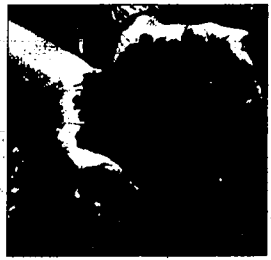
"The problem with most homeowners is they don't keep their lawns up to par, and weeds are opportunistic and will come in where there are bare areas or where the lawn isn't properly fertilized or watered," she says.

Mulches of wood chips, porous plastic, newspapers and gravel help keep weeds down, she says.

Those who work closely with weeds develop a respect, and even a fondness, for the tenacious adversaries.

Peters is writing a book about what weeds can tell gardeners about what their garden needs. When she finds drought-loving spurge in her rose beds, for instance, she says she knows the beds need more water. Water-loving smartweed can indicate too much irrigation.

And, she acknowledges, some weeds actually do some good in the landscape, whether by providing nitrogen or aeration or preventing erosion. But that doesn't stop her from weeding. "I acknowledge them, but then I pull them," she says, laughing. "You've done a good job, now get out. I find it very satisfying. You never get to eradicate evil in the world, but you can pull out a weed."



Gathering materials for an eco-friendly compost pile is a prime opportunity to introduce children to nature. Member's Zeltzer, compost guru at Brookside Gardens in Wheaton Md., displays the finished product, ready to use as fertilizer.

Playing in the dirt, with a purpose

By Akaya Dickson
The Washington Post

Take advantage of the warm weather: Teach your tots to create an eco-friendly compost pile that will be ready by late fall.

How does a compost pile work? An assortment of organic waste is grouped together to decompose for between one and four months. The results make great fertilizer for your yard.

Gathering materials for the pile is a prime opportunity to introduce children to nature. Not to mention, it's the perfect excuse for them (and you) to play outdoors in the dirt!

Use the following tips from park naturalists at Potomac Overlook Regional Park.

What you'll need

- Browns: dead leaves, branches and twigs
 - Greens: fresh grass trimmings and vegetable and fruit scraps
 - A shovel
 - A hose
1. Select a dry, shaded spot near a water source for your compost pile or bin.
 2. Before adding the browns and greens to the pile, make sure they are shredded into small pieces because they will decompose faster than larger ones.
 3. Cover the area with a six-inch layer of brown materials.
 4. Add a three-inch layer of

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Landscape roses

Landscape or ground cover roses were developed to be used in commercial and public spaces to grow with little fuss and a minimum of spraying, watering and pruning (other than a hard rough cut in late winter). This toughness also makes them great for the home gardener with difficult sites, or holes to fill in late summer. They bloom on and off from May to December, and in early August go through their second major flush of the

season. A number of varieties and series have been developed in the past two decades. Some to consider: Carefree Wonder, Carefree Delight, Carefree Beauty, Bonica, the Fairy, Knock Out, Blushing Knock Out, Sunrise Sunset, Red Meidiland, Pink Meidiland and White Meidiland. Not for deep shade or wet sites.

All these plants offer floral highlights for the dull zone of August, but you still need the softer notes of forms and textures.

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