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Couric takes over 'CBS Evening News' today

Former 'Today' host is network TV's first solo female evening anchor

By David Bander
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — With a rebuilt newsroom behind her and new theme music from an Academy Award-winning composer, Katie Couric is set to make the most talked-about debut of the fall television season today on the "CBS Evening News."

CBS hopes that many of the viewers who watched Couric during her 15 years at NBC's "Today" Show will stay with her in the evening, lifting a broadcast that has spent several years in the ratings basement.

Tuesday caps a tumultuous two years for network evening newscasts. For more than two decades, the networks had been the TV homes of Tom Brokaw, Peter Jennings and Walter Cronkite. Now, Couric will compete against Brian Williams at the top-rated NBC "Nightly News" and Charles Gibson at ABC's "World News."

It's part of a season of changes for TV. Rosie O'Donnell makes her debut on the daytime talk show "The View" Tuesday. Meredith Vieira replaces Couric on "Today" next week, and a brand new network — the CW — will shortly put the WB and UPN out of business.

CBS cleared out the newsroom at its headquarters on Manhattan's West Side this summer and built a new one that will be used for Couric's set. James Horner, who composed the music for "Titanic," wrote the show's new theme. Couric even went on a sily city "listening tour" to hear what viewers want on the news.

Legendary CBS newsmen Walter Cronkite recorded an introduction for Tuesday's show, but it still wasn't clear Monday whether it would be used, spokeswoman Sandra Genetius said.

Anticipating the debut of the first woman hired to solely anchor a network evening newscast, a few newswomen in the industry have observed over everything from what Couric will wear to how serious a demeanor she will present coming from the often sily world of morning TV. Expect a few newswomen in the newscast, like a regular



Couric



Vieira

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TRUCK TREK



Cody Sparrow, 32, of Kimberly pulls a wheelie Monday afternoon near the Third Fork and Trout trail head parking area in the South Hills. Sparrow's been riding ATVs since he was 11 and started riding motorcycles at 6.

Labor Day offers 'marshmallow tire' respite for tractor-trailer driver

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

SOUTH HILLS — He knows his sanity's ingredients. Cody Sparrow, 32, tosses aside his usual 18 wheels and 13 torpid gears for four marshmallow tires and five roaring gears whenever he can. On Labor Day, he deserted his tractor-trailer rig and abandoned the 10 1/2-hour stretch between Twin Falls and Utah where another Monday he might have been hauling Styrofoam.

Instead, he spent the day chasing his mental well-being around the South Hills on an all-terrain vehicle.

"If I didn't have wheelers and hikes, I'd go crazy," Sparrow said. Popping wheelies, switching through loose dirt and covering the Third Fork and Trout trails on his four-wheeler, Sparrow, and his buddy, James Baker, and his 8-year-old son Jake dart through amazing scenery.

"The truck, it takes forever to get going," Sparrow said, imitating the sound of a begrudging transmission changing gears uphill. Then he flips on the ignition, compresses the shift bar while his left foot trips the transmission into first. He blasts down the long stretch of parking lot near the trail head where the trio plans to head soon.

He swivels around in a cloud of dust. He races back, covering his tracks but only with his rear two wheels.

"At the other end of the parking lot, Jake is engaged in doing cookies — turning the handlebar sideways and accelerating into a



James Baker of Jerome inflates an ATV tire while Jace Sparrow, 8, waits Monday afternoon in the South Hills.

spiralizing fishtail. This is how the Sparrow family decompresses. But Sparrow's wife and second child are absent. His wife, who enjoys riding ATVs with her boys, is shopping for a pickup. he says with noticeable chagrin.

Sparrow travels here to ride motorcycles and ATVs with friends, usually including today's companion James Baker, once every other week.

Baker epitomizes the supportive team member. He pulls to the side, kills his engine to watch Sparrow vanish in his own dust and re-emerge on hind wheels.

"When he gets up, he can just ride 'em forever," Baker said. "I suck at it."

Sparrow began riding motorcycles at age 6. By age 11, his parents bought him his first ATV. Counting the 450 YF Yamaha

ATV he now owns, Sparrow guesses he has owned 10 recreational motorized vehicles in his lifetime. Both Baker and Sparrow spend their days around machines. Baker, is a mechanic. Sparrow drives trucks. When they come to the mountains for Labor Day, the modus operandi remains intact.

"(On ATVs) you see a lot of places, you get to cover more ground," Sparrow said. "The downside is you miss a lot." "Everybody's got to enjoy it in their own way," he said. "As long as everybody has respect for each other, that's what makes things work."

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More Idaho families may get child care subsidized

By Rebecca Boone
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho Health and Welfare administrators are considering a proposal that would allow more low-income families to qualify for subsidized child care.

The department currently only allows families to receive the subsidized care if they meet an income standard based on the 1998 federal poverty level.

The outdated poverty level forces some Idaho families to choose between earning at least some money — and face paying their entire child care bill on their own — or turning

down raises or remaining unemployed so they can qualify for state help. Department of Health and Welfare spokesman Tom Shanahan said.

"When you're making \$8.50 an hour and have to pay for rent and food, can you afford to pay \$550 for child care?"

— Tom Shanahan, Department of Health and Welfare spokesman

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U.N. to mediate between Israel and Hezbollah

The Associated Press

JDDAH, Saudi Arabia — U.N. chief Kofi Annan said Monday he would appoint a mediator for indirect talks between Israel and Hezbollah on the release of two abducted Israeli soldiers, the first public word of negotiations between the bitter enemies since fighting in Lebanon ended.

The announcement raised the possibility of a prisoner swap to win the soldiers' release, an exchange which Israel has repeatedly rejected, at least in public. Until now, Israel had insisted that it would not hold any contacts with Hezbollah, but its government has been under increasing domestic pressure to bring the two home.

The agreement on the mediation effort could mark a breakthrough on an issue that is crucial to preserving the fragile 3-week-old cease-fire that ended 34 days of Israel-Hezbollah fighting.

Israel mounted its offensive in Lebanon after the Shiite guerrillas freed the two soldiers and killed three others in a cross-border raid July 12.



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More than 30 bodies found across Baghdad.

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COMING TOMORROW:
The elongating canyon's construction.

WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME



Spur-of-the-moment matrimony corralled in Vegas

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — No longer is this a city that formally recognizes the need to get married "right now" or "after this drink" to someone you just met. No longer is it a place that caters to celebrities slipping in a quickie wedding out of paparazzi's view.

No more is it the destination of urgent lovers who know that you could get in your car after work on Friday and make it a place where time didn't matter.

With little debate and no fanfare,

a little piece of Las Vegas legend is gone. County officials have shuttered the downtown Las Vegas marriage bureau's 24-hour service, and in a quiet commission vote quashed what passed for ritual in the city of reinvention.

The new schedule was driven by an administrative shuffle and cost-cutting efforts. It eliminated the all-night service Fridays through Sundays, and on holidays, and replaced it with a daily 8 a.m. to midnight schedule effective Aug. 30.

"They're taking the spark out of Las Vegas," said Joe LaBlanc, 48, who was one of the last to wed on the fly in Las Vegas. He married his fiancée of one week, Brenda Fureta, 46, around 2:30 a.m. early Aug. 26. He got the license about 15 minutes before the ceremony.

"Bureaucrats." County officials argue they're not trying to do anything to curb pre-dawn weddings, they're just forcing couples to do a little more planning. Although the bureau is



After getting their license at the Las Vegas Marriage License Bureau at 1 a.m. Aug. 26 county official Jessica Garman, in her prom gown, and Pfc. Jeremy Wood, in his uniform, exchange vows at the 'Garden of Love' Wedding Chapel.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 91, Low 59, 89/55).

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Mostly sunny and hot. Highs, lower 90s. Tonight: Still dry. Lows 50s. Tomorrow: Perhaps a touch cooler with a few clouds. Highs, 80s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

FAMILY

'Baby and Me' class, learning about immunizations, 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

- 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. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, 878-7302. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700. Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7274. Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N., 726-3841. Albion City Council, 7 p.m., community center, 124 S. Main, 673-5352. Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave., 878-2224. Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W., 934-5669. Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A., 324-8189. Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4151. Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St., 436-9600. Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030. Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls Mediation and Arbitration Center, 163 Second Ave. W., 736-4000. Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main, 326-5000.

MUSEUMS

'Mingle in the Jungle' free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, no cost, 732-6655.

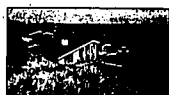
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COMING TOMORROW

Wednesday in Food & Home

Built on rock

The challenges of canyonside construction.



WEB READER REACTION

On 'Public Enemy No. 2'

EX DOG OWNER: 'I feel very bad for this man. I think dog owners should take full thought of what or whose their dog is at all times. You wouldn't let your kids go take a poop in the cemetery or wait, would they, because they don't care where their kids are? Is it so hard to keep a poop baggie on hand? Oh wait, the cell phone call is more important. I think this man or anybody who witnesses this wrong act should report and take license plate numbers or should confront them right away about how they will take care of their poop or trash they leave behind. And I hope if anyone sees a dog pooping downtown on the sidewalk (they say something right away and not just walk around it or blow it off and say anything.'

JANE SUCKERS: 'I also walk the canyon at least three times a week. I have dodged the dog doo for years. The city has done a wonderful job creating these trails, but little to protect them. Finish the job: Put up a sign at the visitor center directing leashers, a bag station and ideally a dog park in the circle directly south of the parking lot. Give the trails back to the humans who they were created for.'

On 'County workers find mosquitoes carrying West Nile near Murtaugh'

MILLENBANK: 'Why do we have to put spraying for disease carrying bugs on a ballot? This article talked a lot about "common sense" to protect yourself ... live in Twin Falls county and those nasty bugs are everywhere ... Are you supposed to spray yourself down every time you have to leave your house to get into your car? This town is infested! SPRAY THE ... BUGS!'

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YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

NATION/WORLD



Stingray kills 'Crocodile Hunter' as he films

CAIRNS, Australia — He faced off with poisonous snakes. He wrestled with crocodiles. When the end came for television's beloved "Crocodile Hunter," it was in an encounter with a stingray and its venomous tail barb. SEE PAGE C1.

Bodies of 33 men found throughout Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Police found the tortured, blindfolded bodies of 33 men scattered across the capital Monday and the U.S.-led coalition reported combat deaths of seven servicemen, a day after Iraqi leaders said the capture of a top terror suspect would reduce violence. SEE PAGE C1.

Study: Older dads make autism more likely

CHICAGO — Children born to fathers over age 40 are almost 10 times more likely to develop autism than those born to men under 30, an Israeli study of more than 100,000 couples found. SEE PAGE A4.

Study: Fat toddlers likely to be obese at 12

CHICAGO — Pudge toddlers face a good chance of becoming overweight or obese by age 12, according to government research that shows down the road that kids outgrow early obesity. SEE PAGE A4.

Bush vows to keep U.S. workers competitive

PINEY POINT, Md. — President Bush marked Labor Day on Monday by promising to help keep U.S. workers competitive in global markets and reduce U.S. reliance on foreign oil so it doesn't choke U.S. economic expansion. "Dependence on foreign oil jeopardizes our capacity to grow," Bush said in a speech focused on the U.S. economy — a key issue in November elections that will determine whether the GOP retains control of the House and Senate. SEE PAGE A4.

EU, Iranian officials might meet about nukes

VIENNA, Austria — The EU's foreign policy chief and Iran's senior nuclear negotiator tentatively agreed late Monday to meet in two days in Vienna to try and bridge differences over Tehran's nuclear program, U.N. and European officials said. The officials, who demanded anonymity for discussing confidential information with The Associated Press, stressed the date and venue still could change despite "initial agreement to meet Wednesday in the Austrian capital. SEE PAGE A7.

Hunters warned fugitive may be hiding in woods

FREDONIA, N.Y. — A State police officer said Monday that "the noise is tightening," in the mountains for an escaped inmate accused of deadly "police ambush," and warned hunters to stay out of the woods where the fugitive may be hiding. SEE PAGE A4.

IDAHO/WEST



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Behind-the-scenes agency has a hand in many Risch decisions

BOISE — Gov. Jim Risch has shaken up several state agencies in his first four months as governor and behind many of the moves, the governor has cited the analysis of a little-known forensic chemist who came to Boise from northern Idaho. Bakesh Mohan, director of the Office of Performance Evaluations, the state's auditing agency, has, rather improbably, become one of the most trusted men in Idaho government. SEE PAGE D5.

Attempt to recall St. Anthony mayor fails

ST. ANTHONY — A recall petition against Bill Beck, the embattled mayor of this small eastern Idaho city, failed to gather sufficient signatures of registered voters. Residents turned in 338 signatures to Secretary of State Ben Ysursa's office last month, but fell short of a requirement that at least 293 of the petitioners be registered voters. Recall advocates gathered only 213 signatures from registered voters. SEE PAGE D5.

Sinclair selling Idaho, Montana gas stations

SALT LAKE CITY — The Sinclair Oil Corp., which owns Sun Valley Resort, plans to auction nine gas-station properties in Montana and four in Idaho this month. SEE PAGE D5.

Glacier Bancorp acquires Utah bank

KALISPELL — Glacier Bancorp Inc. has announced completion of its acquisition of First National Bank of Morgan. SEE PAGE D5.

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Tiger Woods' winning streak now at five

NORITON, Mass. — What began as a rally quickly turned into a rout for Tiger Woods, who matched the lowest final round of his career Monday in the Deutsche Bank Championship to win for the fifth straight time on the PGA Tour. With a splendid array of shots and key putts, Woods crushed Vijay Singh's spirit on his way to the 1-under-68, turning a three-shot deficit into a two-shot victory for his longest winning streak in a season. The streak began in July with a victory in the British Open; his "first" since his father died in May. SEE PAGE B1.

What to do with the most common rural Idaho institution

KIMBERLY — If there's one thing rural Idahoans can count on, it's rocks. Like clockwork each year — to the dismay of farmers — new stones rise to the surface of Magic Valley fields and get tossed into piles. "My father used to say that his most reliable crop was his rocks," said Jo Ann Robbins, a crop and horticulture specialist with the Jerome County Extension Office. Rocks rise naturally to the surface as a result of freezing and thawing cycles, she explained. It's a never-ending pattern with a never-ending supply. SEE PAGE D1.

FAIR MEMORIES

A Twin Falls County Fair photo essay



EDITORIAL

Now look at tax relief for food purchases

Thanks to Gov. Jim Risch and the Idaho Legislature, your sales taxes will be going up to 6 percent on Oct. 1. State lawmakers approved Risch's plan to remove \$260 million of local property tax supports for public schools and shift those costs over to the state general fund. The tax shift has been applauded as genuine tax relief for those residents who have been hit with rocketing property tax assessments. Now, it's time to look at sales tax relief on grocery items. It's obvious that more aid needs to go out to working families. The problem, however, lies with the many options in how to do it. SEE PAGE A6.

OBITUARY

Earl Wayne Wilson

Earl Wayne Wilson, 87, died Monday. He was a resident of Twin Falls, Idaho. SEE PAGE D5.

No stocks today

U.S. financial markets were closed Monday for Labor Day.

SPORTS



Duke lacrosse team returns to practice

DURHAM, N.C. — They were back at practice, enthusiastically going through lacrosse drills on an overcast Monday morning. It was as if everything was normal again. But so much has happened since the last game in the months at Duke. And now, just the mere presence of the players on the field suggested this was anything but routine. SEE PAGE B2.

Tigers trouble Washburn, Mariners

DETROIT — Omar Infante's two-run double kept Seattle on Monday in Detroit. Robertson (12-11) allowed one run on eight hits and two walks. He had four strikeouts, all of Adrian Beltre, while improving to 2-5 in his last seven starts. Jarrod Washburn (8-13) lost for the second time in six starts, giving up six runs and six hits in 6-2 innings. SEE PAGE B2.

Chargers' Foley shot, will miss season

SAN DIEGO — Chargers linebacker Steve Foley will miss the season after being shot by an off-duty police officer. Foley was placed on the mandatory injured reserve list on Monday, a day after he was shot near his suburban Poway home by an off-duty Coronado officer. The outside linebacker, who was being counted on to help anchor the toughest run defense in the NFL, remained hospitalized in stable condition, according to his agent, David Levine. SEE PAGE B6.

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commentary segment featuring outsiders called "Free Speech."

with Scheffer in camera while the two sat in director's chairs in front of the new set. She appeared later that night at a cocktail party at a midtown Manhattan restaurant to honor Scheffer, who will contribute commentary to the newscast and continue as "Face the Nation" host.

gracious person," Couric said. Besides Tuesday's newscast, CBS is setting up a flashy launch for Couric. She's scheduled to interview President Bush at the White House on Wednesday for a prime-time special, and her first "60 Minutes" report about the toxic fallout from the World Trade Center collapse is set for Sunday.

Weddings

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open until midnight, ceremonies still can be conducted at any hour.

Hummer service to and from the bureau unnecessary. "I think it's silly," said Frank Stankevich, manager, photographer and driver at Garden of Love. "We do business all night long. This is Las Vegas."

quences of their actions. That rule has caused some uncomfortable scenes, but also some grateful parties.

Child care

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Four years ago the state Office of Performance Evaluation is recommending that the department use a current poverty standard, but the change was never made because of limited funding.

student parents with jobs would qualify for the program for two years.

parents to go on welfare if they can't get out and find jobs and make sure their child care is taken care of.

Eligibility for the program is based on a complicated formula that considers the 1990 federal poverty standard, the child care rates in the region where the family lives, the family's income and the number of children in the family.

Those changes would likely cut enough families from the program to cover the estimated increase from updating the poverty eligibility rates, Shanahan said.

Karen Mason, the executive director of the Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children, said the Health and Welfare Department is working hard to make sure it's taking care of families that are struggling the most.

"Right now, if we had a single mom making \$8.50 an hour, she doesn't qualify for the program," Shanahan said. "In Boise, child care runs around \$5.50 to \$6.00. When you're making \$8.50 an hour and have to pay for rent and food, can you afford to pay \$5.50 for child care?"

Though not yet official, the department may present the plan to lawmakers in the 2007 legislative session, he said.

"Right now the eligibility requirements are so low that many many people are kept out," Mason said. "It's really important that the department bring the poverty rate to a more current year."

If the department raised the eligibility requirement to the 2005 federal poverty level - allowing about 100 more children into the program - it would cost about \$1.1 million more next year, he said.

Ami Gjerdy with New Horizon Childcare in Boise said any change to help the lowest-income workers afford child care is welcome.

"I'm glad to see the program that do qualify for the program do not get free childcare. Instead the state helps cover the cost of child care based on a sliding scale," Shanahan said, with most parents expected to pay at least part of the cost.

But because the bulk of the money for the program comes from capped federal "temporary assistance" for Needy Families funds, Shanahan said, making such a change would likely mean cuts elsewhere.

Even now, most of the families that do qualify for the program do not get free childcare.

Department officials will meet with child care providers across the state during September to discuss the proposed changes, he said.

The department is considering cutting some families from the program by enacting stricter rules for parents enrolled in higher education programs.

Under the proposal, low-income parents who are attending secondary school would also have to work in order for their children to qualify for the assistance. Even

Jessica Gorman packed her prom dress, her mother, her best friend and her brother last Friday and drove from Riverside, Calif. to Las Vegas to do the deed. The 19-year-old had not stopped to think much about where or when she just knew she was getting married before dawn.

No waiting period. No appointment needed. (No credit cards, either, but there's an ATM in the marriage bureau.)

Brown said it can be hard to tell tips from gifts, and harder still to tell gobs from nervous jangles, often longer key pieces of information - a parent's birthplace or middle name - just out of nerves.

"We've got a 2 a.m. appointment," Gorman paused, as she applied for her marriage license, and struggled to think of the name of the site she had chosen to sanction and memorialize her eternal union to the Jerome Wood.

Its operations have catered to high-profile couples ostensibly trying to keep their nuptials on the down low by heading to the bureau under the cover of night.

"We're going to go see Elvis. The fashion student said as she snatched her fingers and stomped her pumps. "It's toll!"

At 32, this Phisley obtained her marriage license to Priscilla Anne Beaudin, 21, at 3:30 a.m. Michael Jordan and wife Janina Yancy number on their license at 2:30 a.m. Bruce Willis and Demi Moore sneaked in after midnight, as did heiress Nicky Hilton and pop star Britney Spears.

There are other motivations. Bureau clerks are instructed to refuse to issue a license if either party appears too drunk to understand the conse-

quence of their actions. That rule has caused some uncomfortable scenes, but also some grateful parties.

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HEALTH

Study says babies may not outgrow chubbiness

CHICAGO — Pudge toddlers face a good chance of becoming overweight 12 years later, according to government research that shoots down the notion that kids just naturally outgrow early chubbiness.

Children who were overweight at age 2 or later during their preschool years faced a five times higher risk of being overweight at age 12 than youngsters who were not overweight early on, the study reported. Ninety percent of the children who were overweight at any time during the preschool period were overweight at age 12.

Children were considered overweight if their body mass index was in the 85th percentile or higher for their gender and age. That means they were heavier than at least 85 percent of children their same age and sex.

These results suggest that the time a child reaches the 85th percentile for BMI may be an appropriate time for intervention, the researchers wrote.

These findings underscore the need to maintain a healthy weight beginning in early childhood. Contrary to popular belief, young children who are overweight or obese typically won't lose the extra weight simply as a result of getting older, said Dr. Duane Alexander, director of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, which funded the study.

AROUND THE NATION

unpopular

"The problem is we get all from some parts of the world and they simply don't like us," Bush said. "And so the more dependent we are on that type of energy, the less likely it will be that we are able to compete, and so people have good, high-paying jobs."

Bush said he is working to advance technologies so that they can power automobiles on short trips and ethanol can replace gasoline. He also renewed his support for nuclear energy.

NEW YORK

Hunters warned fugitive may be hiding in woods

FREDONIA, N.Y. — A state police official said Monday that the man whose lightning in the mansion for an escaped inmate caused a deadly police ambush, and warned hunters to stay out of the woods where the fugitive may be hiding.

Hunters in rural and wooded Chautauque County are "interfering" with the search and face danger from Ralph "Buck" Phillips and authorities pursuing him, State Police Maj. Michael Manning said.

"They can certainly be mistaken for the wrong individual," Manning said. Many officers are searching the western New York woods for Phillips, the prime suspect in Thursday's ambush of troopers Donald Baker Jr., 38, and Joseph Longobardo, 32, who died Sunday. Baker remained in serious condition at a hospital Monday, police said.

Phillips, 44, wounded another trooper near Elmira in June and has eluded police since his April 2 escape from an Erie County jail.

SWAT teams from Buffalo, Rochester and Jamestown joined troopers in the search Monday, Manning said. Other reinforcements have come from the FBI, Drug Enforcement Administration, nearby Erie County and police agencies in neighboring Pennsylvania.

NEVADA

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Desert, 110 miles north of Reno.

The eclectic art festival was to end its weeklong run Monday after the burning of a 40-foot artwork Sunday night, including the "Belgian Wall," the "Temple of Lights" and the "Temple of Hope."

HEALTH

Child born to older dad at higher risk of autism

CHICAGO — Men who become fathers in their 40s or older are much more likely to have autistic children than

younger dads; a new study released Monday shows, bolstering evidence that genetics contributes to the mental disorder. The research involved about 1,000 Israeli Jews born in the 1980s. Those fathered by older men were almost six times more likely to have autism or related disorders than those fathered by men younger than 30, and more than one-and-a-half

times more likely than children fathered by men ages 30-39. The mothers' age at childbirth appeared to have little impact on autism, although

the researchers said they couldn't rule out a possible "small effect" from the oldest mothers.

— Compiled from wire reports

Discovery May Control Diabetes

Washington — A new formulation of cow's milk-based insulin may help control diabetes.

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ECONOMY

Bush vows to keep U.S. workers competitive

FREDDY POINT, Md. — President Bush marked Labor Day on Monday by promising to help keep U.S. workers competitive in global markets and reduce U.S. reliance on foreign oil so it doesn't choke U.S. economic expansion.

"Dependence on foreign oil jeopardizes our capacity to grow," Bush said in a speech he used on the U.S. economy a key issue in November elections that will determine whether the GOP retains control of the House and Senate.

Democrats contend the middle class isn't enjoying the benefits of recent U.S. economic gains. They say sluggish median earnings show paychecks have failed to keep pace with inflation, and they note rising health care and energy costs.

Average prices at the gas pump have eased over the past month from more than \$3 for a gallon for unleaded regular gasoline to \$2.79. That has given Americans some relief, but Bush warned against continued reliance on oil-producing countries where the United States is



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Pharmacists now armed with a powerful new weapon that delivers real joint comfort

Luck of the draw gives local readers 56 hour window to be the first to get the new pills

BY G.W. NAPIER
Universal Media Syndicate

Scientists and doctors have developed an amazing new oral tablet called Trigosamine. It's so impressive that one key ingredient has the ability to retain fluid up to 1000 times its own weight, with the potential to increase lubrication for the joints allowing them to move with ease.

"Using Trigosamine is like taking a can of oil and applying it directly to your joints," said Dr. Joseph Dietz, Chief of Health Sciences.

And thanks to the luck of the draw, readers of this publication will be among the first to get it. That's because this area has already been assigned a toll-free Regional Health Hotline, but the catch is, the hotline is set to close in just 56 hours.

"We recommend that those living in this area call now to get their share first," said Matthew J. Woods, Director of The Regional Health Hotline.

"Right now we're shipping out everything we have on a first come first served basis. We may not be able to meet everyone's demands as word continues to spread across the country," he said.

Trigosamine contains one of the most promising joint nutrients known to man. Researchers refer to it as HA13.

"This important nutrient is a building block of naturally occurring joint oil which is medically known as synovial fluid. This fluid reduces friction in the joints allowing for effortless motion. It not only lubricates the joints but it also acts as a comfortable shock absorber.

"As the body ages the production of synovial fluid declines which forces the joints to grind together resulting in aching discomfort," Dr. Dietz said.

"HA13 has been shown to be absorbed into the body and made available to the joints. That means it has the potential to replenish the ultra slippery synovial fluid which allows joints to slide freely and smoothly," said Dr. Dietz.

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A clinical study conducted by the United States government found that glucosamine and chondroitin, similar to those present in Trigosamine, had a remarkable 79.2% effective rate for those with moderate to severe joint discomfort.

It was also announced at The American College of Rheumatology meeting that the combination of glucosamine and chondroitin showed promise among persons with moderate to severe discomfort.

"The clinical trials have been consistent. The essential blend like the one present in new Trigosamine has been proven safe and is extremely effective," Dr. Dietz said.

One of the reasons Trigosamine is receiving so much attention is because it is derived from natural sources. The ingredients are combined to make a revolutionary new formulation that is taken orally just once a day without a prescription.

"The tough part now is how to get it.

"Everybody wants it," Woods said. "The first drugstore to get this new formula couldn't keep it on the shelves."

That makes the next 56 hours so critical for everyone living in the local area. Those

who get through to the Regional Health Hotline before the deadline will get Trigosamine sent directly to their homes.

Otherwise, those who miss the deadline, and everybody else living in other parts of the country will be hard pressed to get it.

So, even with the clock ticking local readers still have the advantage of being among the first to get their hands on this new medical breakthrough.

Here's how to get it

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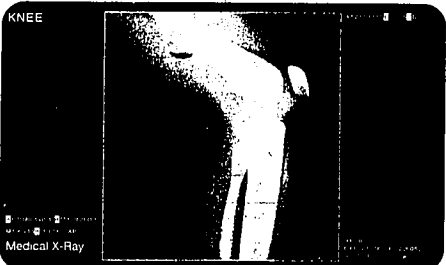
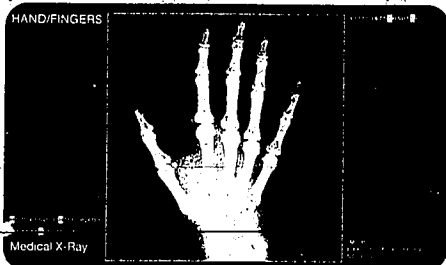
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Unclaimed Cash: \$1Mill handover of rare money sheets now underway

BY MARY BETH ANDREWS
Universal Media Syndicate

(UMS) One Million Dollars in unclaimed rare currency sheets is now up for grabs.

And those who are getting it say it feels like winning the Lottery.

Here's how it's being tendered to the public.

Thousands of crisp new full uncut sheets of \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 dollar bills were recently left unclaimed, not with the government, but at the central vaults of the private World Reserve Monetary Exchange.

"Just before Christmas hundreds of thousands of people beat the National 48-hour deadline to get the money. But some were left out in the cold because of incomplete billing and shipping information. As a result, those rare currency sheets could not be shipped and were left sitting in our vault. Amazingly, it adds up to over a million dollars," confirmed Stephen S. Speakman, National Director of Currency Operations.

The unclaimed full uncut sheets of real money are now being given up,

not to banks, not to dealers and not just to the rich and famous, but directly to the general public.

But the only way to claim these left-

over currency sheets now is through a special worldwide web connection set up to distribute the unclaimed money.

"The phone deadline for calling has

already passed. Now the unclaimed money is only being offered through the special website on a first come first served basis. But when it is gone, they will have to be turned off," Speakman confirmed.

"Just think what these currency sheets could be worth years from now. Values always fluctuate. It's difficult when you are comparing apples to oranges. But, according to the *Official Standard Guide to US Paper Money* which provides valuations, some uncirculated \$128 one-dollar bills have increased in value by over 6,000%.

In fact, a full uncut dozen of \$28 dollar bills sold for \$18,000," Speakman said.

"You would expect to see these one million money sheets on display in the Oval Office or under guard at the Smithsonian," he said.

Until now, only those lucky enough to be "in the know" could get their hands on uncut sheets of real money. In fact, banks don't even have them. But now you can get them direct by logging on to the special website.

"You can actually spend it. It's

real money. But anyone would be an absolute fool to cash them in because they're worth so much more," Speakman confirmed.

"There's going to be a lot of excited people when they get their hands on these valuable unclaimed sheets of money. It's a ton of money when you see all four sheets of \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 dollar bills in the full Banker's Stack."

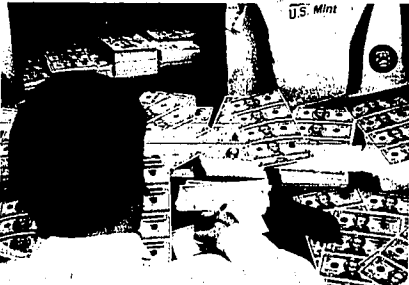
But readers better be sure to get plenty now because if they try to get more later, they may be out of luck. When they're gone, they're gone.

"That's why it is important that the general public now log on to the special website that is listed below to beat the rush."

So, on your mark, get set, go. Hopefully, you'll be the first to get your share of the unclaimed money."

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EDITORIAL

State should plan on tax relief for food purchases

The Labor Day weekend is over, which means this is a perfectly rotten time to return to Idahoans of what lies ahead for their upcoming paychecks. Thanks to Gov. Jim Risch and the Idaho Legislature, your sales taxes will be going up to 6 percent on Oct. 1. State lawmakers approved Risch's plan to remove \$260 million of local property tax support for public schools and shift those costs over to the state general fund. To pay for all those costs goes up to raise an additional \$210 million in revenue. The state will use part of the 2006 fiscal surplus (\$50 million of it) to total \$260 million that will keep schools whole.

The tax shift has been applauded as genuine tax relief for the state resident. Taxes have been hit with rocketing property tax assessments. The relief is expected to take effect in December when new assessments roll out.

For now, however, it's all about sales taxes. Consumers will spend more on most purchases, including food, clothes, dining meals, and large consumer goods.

If that doesn't provide much encouragement, here's this thought. Many legislators who voted to raise the sales tax now want to pass sales tax relief on grocery items. Thirty states have no tax on food, according to the Center on Budget and Tax Priorities. Some states still charge a grocery tax, but at a smaller rate than other sales tax-assessed items.

Idaho, however, continues to use a meager \$20-per-person income tax credit to help in grocery tax relief. (A senior citizen receives a \$35 credit.) For a family of four, that's \$140 a year in savings. That kind of money doesn't add up to much relief, even though a majority of Idahoans are claiming the credit. In a meeting with the Times-News last month, Risch said 1.2 million of 1.4 million Idahoans represented on income tax rolls are claiming the grocery tax credit.

With so many Idahoans needing, or at least claiming that assistance, it's obvious that more aid needs to go out to working families.

The problem, however, lies with the many options in how to do it. Should legislators lift the grocery tax credit? Should they partially drop the tax or remove it entirely? That is an absolutely legitimate discussion that needs to be taken. Risch said, "The grocery tax credit ought to be increased and I will be shocked if the next legislative session doesn't increase it."

That's a good start, but a credit increase probably doesn't cover it all. Even Risch concedes the argument that grocery taxes represent a regressive hit. Risch argues that while the poorest of the poor use food stamps, which are exempt from sales tax, others are still feeling the pinch.

"If there's any part of the sales tax increase that's regressive, it's probably the food tax," he said. "About anything else, it's a voluntary tax. You can pay it or not pay it by consuming or not consuming it."

We are not saying that kind of removal would be cheap. Dan John, a policy manager at the Idaho Tax Commission, said food purchases generate 15 percent of the gross receipts in state sales tax. "That comes from data we got from Washington and South Carolina, who had it and took it off."

Whether Idaho's elected leaders, including a new governor, are willing to provide that much aid, is unknown. But officials owe something more to consumers who have made the sales tax a reliable cash cow for the state.

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LETTERS

Be aware of the agenda for La Raza movement

The agenda of "La Raza" (The Race) movement is coming to light. Unfortunately, it enjoys immense support from both the Republican and Democratic parties as demonstrated by Karl Rove, Bill Clinton and others. Plus, much of upper corporate America, wishing to drive down labor cost, has actively supported La Raza to achieve support for a significant portion of the population — minimum 10 percent, secure sanctuaries from which guerrilla formations can operate (clearly an adjacent country whose government actively supports the guerrillas — like President Fox's Mexico), and ongoing aid — financial, diplomatic, advisory and

arms from governments. Mao wrote, "Without these three conditions, revolutions tend to be defeated and revolutionary agendas devolve into bandit gangs." My friend, Ludmila Otkhovsky, a Russian English interpreter during the Cold War, while discussing this issue with me, remarked, "Sounds like you're going to have a Chechnya of your own." I agreed.

Make no mistake: "La Raza" is a danger. Recognize La Raza is — by its own admission — a revolutionary army that has no legitimacy. Founded by greed from above, a racist Marxist ideology from below and directed by a treasonous leadership wishing all legal persons in the U.S. should be indifferent to any real American — regardless of color — and clearly the moral high ground is with us.

Upon what authority do we stand? The U.S. Constitution, Article 4, Section 4: "The United States shall guarantee to every State government in this Union a republican form of government, and shall protect each of them against invasion." MARK SCHUCKERT Twin Falls

Bush must change on Iraq

Spare us another White House campaign to convince the American people that it's absolutely necessary to continue the same effort in Iraq. If I'm counting correctly, this is the fourth time in the past 12 months that President Bush has embarked on this type of campaign.

The situation has deteriorated so badly in Iraq — and the American people know it — that rhetoric will make no difference. The only way Bush is going to get attention, let alone support, starts with firing his existing national security team, replacing it with bipartisan team and finding a different strategy in Iraq.

JAMES KLURFELD

In January 1968, President Johnson, reeling from criticism of his war in Vietnam, got rid of Defense Secretary Robert McNamara and brought in Clark Clifford. Clifford soon leveled with Johnson: The war couldn't be won; it was time to begin diminishing the American presence and looking for a diplomatic way out. That should be Bush's model now. The thought that we are going to have to endure more than another two years of his "we must stay the course" rhetoric is utterly depressing.

Rather than making another series of speeches about why a precipitous withdrawal from Iraq is not in the United States' interests, Bush must finally get rid of his failed wartime secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld, and bring in someone such as former Georgia Democratic Sen. Sam Nunn, who commands the respect of the military and Republicans and Democrats.

At last that would get the attention of the American people. Nobody is going to listen to yet another iteration of what has just "not" and "run." Bush's approval rating in the latest Associated Press poll is an anemic 33 percent. Support for the war is also at 33 percent. Anybody see a correlation?

Coming up with a new poli-



'Criticism appeases the terrorists.'

cy will be much more difficult than coming up with a new national security team. If I thought there were a viable alternative, I would certainly be writing about it in this column. But sometimes there are no good solutions to problems. The bitter irony in Iraq right now might well be that Bush is correct when he says that just getting out would cause more problems than it would solve. But I want to hear it from a team of advisers that has more credibility than the one that got us into this mess in the first place — a team willing to take a fresh look at everything.

Two Persian Gulf specialists, Kenneth Pollack and Daniel Livnat, suggested recently that a civil war in Iraq was all

but a reality now that U.S. policy has to be restructured to minimize its negative consequences. That might even mean a greater American troop presence in the region, a major effort to deal with a mass of refugees (often a byproduct of a civil war), major diplomatic and even military actions to prevent a civil war from spreading to the whole region, and plans to prevent Iraq from becoming a terrorist stronghold the way Afghanistan did under the Taliban.

That's not a pretty picture at all. But consider this: More Iraqis died in fighting during the past month than Lebanese and Israelis did in the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

My instinct is that he's going to do what once too often, it won't work.

The first of several speeches — leading up to Sept. 11's fifth anniversary — about the need to "win" in Iraq and criticizing Democrats who want to set a timetable for withdrawing troops "before the job is done." He also said, apparently with a straight face, that "amazing progress" is being made. Over the next two weeks he will be returning to the theme that has worked so well for him in the past: linking the effort in Iraq with the war on terrorism and the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

My instinct is that he's going to do what once too often, it won't work.

James Klurfeld is a columnist and editor of Newsday's editorial pages.

Plamegate: A handy guide for the perplexed



DAVID BROOKS

Perhaps, dear reader, you are perplexed. Perhaps you remember the scandal surrounding the outing of the CIA agent Valerie Plame, a crime so heinous that her husband was forced to end his repeated magazine photo-shoots. Perhaps you remember Karl Rove's face on the covers of magazines and newspapers, along with hundreds of stories and dozens of columns.

Perhaps you remember the left-wing bloggers fuming at the thought of Rove's coming imprisonment so they looked like the Chin Pansy of gloe. Perhaps you remember a city of TV bookers periodically canceling their lunch plans because of rumors that the flow indication was imminent, thus leaving behind a dangerous oversupply of salad eaters.

Perhaps you remember how much this all mattered. And yet now it has been revealed that the primary leaker was not Ben Foley or Richard Armitage, a former deputy secretary of state. And this news produces no outrage at all. Nothing. A yawn. Perhaps you are wondering how this could happen.

Well, dear reader, there are four things you must remember about your political class. First, there is a big difference between politically useful

wrongdoing and politically useless wrongdoing, the core of which is that politically useless wrongdoing is not really wrong, doing it at all.

Back to the Plame affair was a way to expose the black heart of the Bush administration. It was used to support accusations by John Kerry, Barbara Boxer and other truth-seekers that the Bushies were so vicious they would use classified information to discredit anyone who dared to criticize them.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg accused Rove of treason. Howard Dean and a cast of thousands called for his firing. But now it turns out that the leaker cannot be used to discredit the president, that he was a critic of the Iraq war. And with the political usefulness of the scandal at hand, a sweet cloud of indifference has settled upon the metropolis.

Second, you must remember that a scandal is like a shipboard romance, and once it is gone, the magic can never

return. Back at the height of the frenzy, big-time TV personalities were wondering if it was worse than Watergate (of sacred memory). They were spinning formidable data points into conspiracy theories of calculated complexity. Of anonymous sources and wild allegations there was no shortage. Alleged felons were lined up and rhetorically shot.

The capital rode for a time on the delirious rapids of speculation. Everything was wrapped in the Christmas Eve anticipation that comes over those who suspect that somebody more powerful than themselves is about to be brought low. But once the scandal wears off, once the details are forgotten, the excitement can never be brought back. New information, even vital information, just seems like pointless residue from an embarrassing bling.

Third, character matters. Richard Armitage, as is often made clear, is the very emblem of martial virtue. Unlike the pencil-necked chicken heawks that has come to bedevil him, he had his character forged in the heat of battle amid the whiff of bullets. And what he apparently learned is that if you keep quiet while others are being put through the ringer, then you will come out fine in the end. Armitage did keep quiet as the

frenzy hotted, and he will come out fine.

Finally, you must always remember that it's better to be One of Us than One of Them. Washington attracts a community of smart public-service-oriented people. This permanent community has its own set of mores. It's important to be politically temperate. It's important even though you supported the Iraq war in 2003, to act as if you opposed it all along. Above all one must engage in the off-the-record gossip and background looking that imparts to each other the spin each other while pretending they are not spinning.

Members of the Washington community, like members of all elected communities, protect each other. Richard Armitage is a member of this community. Karl Rove is not. When a scandal hits One of Us, it is like Pepto-Bismol on an upset stomach. Everybody has compassionate feelings. When a scandal hits One of Them, it's like a match on gasoline.

I hope, dear reader, I have explained some of the rituals of our political culture. And I hope you will not judge us harshly. We only destroy those who are unfaithful.

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LETTER

Federal agencies tie the hands of fire fighters

Regarding the fire in Stanley: Tell me your guys at the Times-News made a printing mistake. Your article on Aug. 30, Page D1, "Fire crews brace for bad weather," stated "Federal policy only allows firefighters to use primitive hand tools to battle blazes in such areas." Who, why and how did any-

one with an ounce of common sense make that kind policy? Oh, I know some tree huggers that lives on Park Avenue in New York City and the only forest they have ever seen is the Central Park or on the Discovery channel. Whoever signed that policy order should be put on the fire lines, and I mean today.

If it was a man on the frontline, I would pack my bags and go home. Give them all the

tools needed to protect life and property or let it burn. Sort of reminds me of going to war and calling it a police action. If you go to war you take all the tools needed to win the battle, you don't leave your Air Force on standby.

What's the next federal policy? Maybe we should ask our law enforcement to leave their weapons in the car when making a traffic stop. Don't want to

offend who? But what do I know, I'm not an elected official, nor do I have a high federal position to make those kind of stupid decisions, or even allow someone else to do so.

Times-News, please tell me you will be printing a correction, and this is one time I am hoping you did make a mistake. ROBERT B. NORTON Twin Falls

Iranian, EU officials tentatively agree to meet in Vienna over nuclear impasse

By George Jaha
Associated Press writer

VIENNA, Austria — The EU's foreign policy chief and Iran's senior nuclear negotiator tentatively agreed late Monday to meet in two days in Vienna to

try and bridge differences over Tehran's nuclear program, U.N. and European officials said. The officials, who demanded anonymity for discussing confidential information with the Associated Press, stressed the date and venue still could

change despite initial agreement to meet Wednesday in the Austrian capital. While word leaked last week that the Iranians had agreed to meet with the EU's Javier Solana to explore potential chances of solving the impasse,

the time and venue are official-ly being kept secret in an apparent attempt not to jeopardize any chance of diplomatic success. Asked to confirm the reports, Solana's spokeswoman Cristina Gallach only would say

"the lines of communications are being kept open" between the two sides. At issue is Tehran's refusal to consider freezing, uranium enrichment, a potential pathway to nuclear weapons, despite a demand by the U.N.

Security Council. On Thursday, the last day of a council deadline for Iran to suspend enrichment, the International Atomic Energy Agency confirmed that Tehran had failed to do so, despite the threat of U.N. sanctions.

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A Seminole victory

Florida State defense stout in 13-10 win

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press writer

MIAMI — Gary Cismesia took his final warmup kick on the sideline, rubbed his head, fastened his helmet strap and jogged onto the field. He looked over and calm, then did what so many Florida State kickers over the years could not.

He beat Miami.

Cismesia's 33-yard field goal with 8:06 left lifted the 11th-ranked Seminoles to a 13-10 win over the No. 12 Hurricanes on Monday night.

Michael Ray Garcia intercepted Kyle Wright's final pass with 29 seconds left, sealing the victory.

It was the second straight win in the series for the Seminoles, who also eked out a three-point win over their Sunshine State rival in last season's opener.

"Drew Weatherford, who was awful in the 2005 win, was solid this time — throwing for 175 yards, 62 of them on a pair of pivotal third-down conversions that set up the Seminoles' lone touchdown early in the fourth quarter. And Florida State's hopes almost entirely hinged on the passing game, since Miami's defense from held the Seminoles to 1 yard on 25 rushes.

Still, even a performance like that wasn't enough to carry the Hurricanes, who managed only 17 yards in the second half and wasted a 10-3 halftime lead.

"You don't know how hard it is to beat Miami," Seminoles coach Bobby Bowden said. "I mean, I've been playing these guys for 31 years. They've probably got a thousand defenses over there in the country, unless it's us."

Charlie Jones had a 4-yard touchdown run for Miami, which hadn't lost to Florida State in the Orange Bowl since 1998 — and has now lost six of its last four games overall dating back to last season. The revamped Hurricane offense struggled mightily; Wright was 18-of-27 passing, but gained only 132 yards.

As for the defense, like Florida State's, was nonexistent: Miami had 2 yards on 26 carries, the second-lowest total in school history.

"What you saw tonight was a typical Miami-Florida State game... I want to make sure our fans give up on this football team," Miami coach Larry Coker said. "This is going to be a very good football team. It's a long



Miami running back Charlie Jones (34) dives to the goal line for a touchdown during the second quarter of Monday's football game against Florida State at the Orange Bowl in Miami.

season."

Joe Surritt had a 1-yard touchdown punting for Florida State on the first play of the final quarter, and DeCody Fagg had three catches for 60 yards for the Seminoles.

Darnell Jenkins and Lance Leggett each had four catches and combined for 93 yards for the Hurricanes, but the duo made only one catch in the second half.

With one swing of Cismesia's right leg, finally, Gerry Thomas, Dan Mowrey, Matt Mynoy and Xavier Belita could enjoy seeing a late-game kick against the Hurricanes.

Each of Florida State's former kickers had missed pivotal chances late

in games against Miami in recent years, a trend that has long bedeviled the Seminoles.

Thomas missed in 1991, Wide Right I.

Mowrey missed the next year, Wide Right II.

Mynoy's miss was in 2000, Wide Right III.

And Belita missed three in his career against Miami — wide I-4 at the end of the 2002 game, another in the 2004 Orange Bowl loss to Miami, then a block in the Hurricanes' 16-10 win that opened the 2004 season.

But Cismesia — who missed an extra point and then two field goals in overtime against Penn State last

season in the Orange Bowl — finally delivered a dagger.

Without Weatherford's clutch play in the third quarter, Cismesia may never have gotten his chance.

Weatherford — now 2-0 against Miami as a starter — had third-down passes of 29 and 34 yards to breathe life into a stagnant Florida State offense, setting up Surritt's catch that pulled the Seminoles into a 10-10 tie.

A close game shouldn't have surprised anyone at the Orange Bowl — this marked the seventh time in the last eight meetings between the schools that the outcome was decided by eight points or less.



Tiger Woods pumps his fist after dropping a putt on the 10th hole during the final round at the Deutsche Bank Championship golf tournament at the TPC of Boston in Horton, Mass., Monday.

It's five for Tiger

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

NORTHON, Mass. — What began as a rally quickly turned into a rout for Tiger Woods, who matched the lowest final round of his career Monday in the Deutsche Bank Championship to win for the fifth straight time on the PGA Tour.

With a splendid array of shots and key putts, Woods crushed Vijay Singh's spirit on his way to an 8-under-63, turning a three-shot deficit into a two-shot victory for his longest winning streak in a season.

The streak began in July with a victory in the British Open, his first since his father died in May. It continued on a sunny afternoon outside Boston with some of his best golf of the year and allowed him to average a low 68.5 at this tournament two years ago.

Woods needed only three holes to erase the deficit, including a 6-iron over a marsh and into 10 feet for eagle at No. 2. He pulled ahead with a 25-foot birdie putt at No. 5, and he seized control with a 3-wood from 266 yards, a piercing shot into a gentle breeze that banged into the slope fronting the green and stopped 10 feet away for another eagle.

He played his first seven holes in a 6 under par, and Singh never got closer than two shots the rest of the way.

Singh beat him two years ago to end Woods' five-year reign atop the world ranking. The 43-year-old Indian closed with a 68, not his best golf but good enough to win with a three-shot lead in swirling breezes.

But not against Woods, and certainly not when the world's No. 1 player is on this kind of a roll.

"Tiger played unbelievably," Singh said. "He made two eagles and just took it away."

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Roddick defeats Becker at Open

By Howard Fendick
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Gasping for breath after long exchanges, Serena Williams ran out of energy and answers against Amelie Mauresmo.

In a showoff win between two women who've been ranked No. 1 and own a total of nine Grand Slam titles, the top-seeded Mauresmo won nine of the last 12 points Ma might not have given up on, as Williams 6-4, 0-6, 6-2 and reach the U.S. Open quarterfinals.

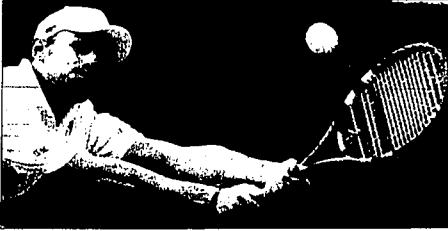
"I could have come out on top had I made a few more shots and had I just been a little bit more consistent," said Williams, who didn't think her recent lack of matches was a factor. "Maybe a little bit more fire or something."

Williams came to Flushing Meadows having played only 12 matches all season because of a six-month break she used to rehab her surgically repaired left knee and to refresh herself mentally, too. During the time off, Williams tumbled out of the top 100 in the rankings, and needed a wild-card invitation to play at the U.S. Open.

Now, Mauresmo, plays No. 12 Dinara Safina, whose path to the final eight hasn't included a match against a seeded player.

The match under the lights at Arthur Ashe Stadium brought back some electricity to a tournament that felt a bit Monday afternoon like a party carrying on after the guest of honor has left. The U.S. Open did indeed proceed without Andre Agassi, although a fan cried out, "Do it for Andre!" during Andy Roddick's fourth-round match.

Roddick obliged, putting together a 6-



Andy Roddick reaches to make a return against Benjamin Becker, of Germany, at the U.S. Open in New York, Monday.

3, 6-4, 6-3 victory over Benjamin Becker, the German qualifier who ended Agassi's, career the day before.

Roddick and No. 5 James Blake, whose fourth-round match against No. 12 Tomas Berdych is Tuesday, are the only U.S. men left in the tournament. No. 18 Bobby Ghemri bowed out with a 7-6 (1), 6-3, 3-6, 3-5, 7-6 (1) loss to No. 13 Tommy Haas.

Haas next faces 2000 Open champion Marat Safin, Safin's older brother. Other past winners still in it are Lindsay Davenport and Justine Henin-Hardenne, who set up a quarterfinal clash with straight-set wins. But 2004 Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova is gone after losing to No. 19 Jelena Jankovic 6-7 (5) 6-3, 6-2, also into the quarterfinals were No. 3 Maria Sharapova — who, lost the first three games before eliminating No. 24 Li Na of

China 6-4, 6-2 — along with 2001 runner-up Elena Dementieva.

Roddick won the 2003 Open but lost in the first round last year, part of a dismal stretch that briefly dropped him out of the top 10. Now he has Jimmy Connors as his coach and a 10-match winning streak.

"If you can't draw motivation from six months of bad results," Roddick said, "then you're not going to draw it from much."

His next foe is 2001 U.S. Open champion on Lleyton Hewitt or No. 25 Richard Gasquet, who were to meet in Monday night's last match on Ashe.

"It was tough yesterday for me to enjoy it, because it was tough for me to accept that I deserved to be the last guy that Agassi played," said Becker, competing in his second major. "It's been a pretty, pretty amazing trip for me."

Latham wins M.V. Amateur

Winner finishes one over par for tournament

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — He led wire-to-wire and Monday afternoon, follow Latham claimed the 2006 Pressbox Maggie Valley Amateur title at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

The Twin Falls native fought through some early putting woes and scored key birdies on No. 14 and 19 to card a final-round 71 to top second-place Brady Stanger by five strokes.

Latham finished the three-round tournament in 206 strokes, carding a final 68 and a second-round 66.

He finished one stroke over par for the tournament.

Stanger finished at 210 with a 72 on Monday, while Bob Lutz surged into third with a final-round 69 to finish at 212.

Jason Wahlstrom, Sam

Davis and Alan Ward all tied for fourth in the championship flight starting at 213.

John Slight carded the tournament's low round of 66 on Saturday, but ended up in a tie for second with Doug MacKay, as Bob Lutz steadily finished at 220 and 75 to finish at 429 and take the first flight title.

The second flight championship went to Dirk Reisma, who out-duelled Ken Ibrer and Chris Schaubel by two strokes with a three-day total of 271.

Greg Lanning carded a final-round 72 to surpass Randy Rogers for the third-flight title, carding a 68 better than Dan Grubbs and Jack Hansen in the "Grunt" flight.

Pat Day's Round 1 77 gave him a huge cushion in the 18th flight, and after two rounds of 82, he went on to win the gross title by 12 strokes over Tony Woods.

The trio of Blaine McAllister, Joe Thiel and Bryan Walker all carded net totals of 202 to tie for top

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SPORTS

Tigers trouble Washburn, M's

DETROIT (AP) — Omar Infante's two-run double keyed a four-run seventh and Nate Robertson pitched seven strong innings to help the Tigers beat Seattle on Monday in Detroit.

Robertson (12-11) allowed one run on eight hits and two walks. He had four strikeouts, all of Adrian Beltre, while improving to 2-5 in his last seven starts.

Jarrod Washburn (0-13) lost for the second time in six starts, giving up six runs and six hits in 6 2-3 innings. Detroit had lost eight of 11, while the Mariners are 1-14 in their last 15 road games.

Devil Rays 2, Twins 1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Randall White hit a go-ahead two-run homer and Floof Bonser allowed one run in 6 1-3 innings to help Minnesota beat Tampa Bay 2-1, continuing the Twins' domination of the Devil Rays.

Minnesota has won 13 in a row against Tampa Bay dating back to 2004. Trailing 1-0 in the seventh, White gave the Twins the lead with a shot to left off Tim Lincecum (4-7).

Blue Jays 4, Indians 3

TORONTO — Vernon Wells and Ilied Johnson homered to help Toronto beat Cleveland for its third straight win. The Blue Jays entered the day two games behind Boston for second place in the AL East. The last time Toronto finished higher than third place was in 1993, when they won the division and the World Series.

Rangers 8, Athletics 1

OAKLAND, Calif. — Ronke Nelson Cruz hit an inside-the-park homer and a three-run shot on the way to a career-high five RBIs.

Robinson Tejeda (4-3) took a shutout into the seventh, Ian Kinsler added a solo homer and Eric Young hit a two-run double in his first big league at-bat in more than a month.

Red Sox 3, White Sox 2

BOSTON — Sparked by the return of Manny Ramirez, Tim Lincecum and Jason Varitek, the Red Sox tied the score in the ninth and won on Carlos Pena's home run off Braundon McCarthy (3-6) leading off the 10th.

Yankees 12, Royals 5

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jorge Posada started a 10-run, eighth-inning rally with a two-run homer and Robinson Cano capped it with a three-run drive to lead the Yankees over the City Royals 12-5.

New York trailed 5-1 before getting seven hits and three walks off four pitchers in its biggest inning since scoring 13 in the eighth against Tampa Bay on June 21 last year.

National League Nationals 4, Cardinals 1

WASHINGTON — Ryan Ortz came within three outs of pitching the nation's first no-hitter in more than two years and the Nationals beat the Cardinals 4-1.

Ortiz, who homered in the eighth inning to put the Nationals up 3-0, began the night against Aaron Miles. With the crowd cheering on the right-handers, Miles lined the second pitch into center field for a clean single.

Mariners 8, Diamondbacks 5

MIAMI — The resilient Florida Marlins became the first team in major-league history to climb above .500 after being 20



Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Jarrod Washburn reacts after giving up four runs in the seventh inning during Monday's game against the Detroit Tigers in Detroit.

Games under-rallying to heat Detroit Arizona

Joe Borcherds' three-run homer capped a six-run sixth inning against the Diamondbacks, who have lost six in a row despite leading in each of the past five games. Dan Uggla hit a two-run homer, his 22nd, and broke Jeff Conine's franchise record for RBIs by a rookie with 81.

Phillies 3, Astros 2, 10 innings

PHILADELPHIA — Chase Utley's home run with two outs in the 10th inning gave the Phillies a win over the Astros.

After both teams traded opportunities to win late in the game, Utley hit his 25th homer, right off Dave Luskowski (1-2). The second baseman was mobbed by his teammates and helped the Phillies snap a 12-game losing streak to Houston that dated back to August 2004.

Pirates 5, Cubs 4

CHICAGO — Xavier Nady's three-run double capped a four-run first inning and the Pirates held off the Cubs.

Cubs ace Carlos Zambrano led the game after 1-3 innings with lower back stiffness. It was the shortest outing of his career. After a meeting with the trainer on the mound, Zambrano (14-6) left the game trailing 5-0. He gave up four earned runs, four hits and four walks and lost for the first time in five starts.

The Pirates have won four straight against the Cubs in a battle of the NL's two worst teams, and are just a half-game back of the Cubs for fifth place in the NL Central.

Brewers 6, Dodgers 3

MILWAUKEE — Greg Maddux lost his first decision since joining the Dodgers as the Brewers, ended a 10-game losing streak.

Maddux, who was 100 since being traded to Los Angeles by the Chicago Cubs on July 31, allowed a run and two hits in his first four innings. But an infield hit snuffed up Maddux's glove in the fifth, giving up a three-run inning for Milwaukee.

Braves 5, Mets 0

NEW YORK — Chuck James pitched one-hit ball for eight neat innings, shutting down the Mets.

James (8-3) also scored twice and got his first hit of the season for Atlanta. Helped by a string of strong defensive plays, he allowed only a second-inning single off the left-field fence to David Wright, who was thrown out at second by Matt Diaz on the play.

Giants 5, Reds 4

CINCINNATI — Barry Bonds hit a tying, two-run homer in the eighth inning and Shea Hillenbrand had a solo shot in the 10th off David Weathers (4-4). With 730 homers, Bonds is 25 shy of Hank Aaron's record.

Ken Griffey Jr. dug his right cleat into the padded wall while vainly trying to catch Bonds' homer, which landed in the first row in right-center field. Griffey left with a dislocated toe next to the big toe on his right foot.

Padres 7, Rockies 5

SAN DIEGO — Brooke Joshi Barfield hit a three-run homer with one out in the ninth inning and the Padres beat the Rockies 7-5 on night to keep their 11 1/2-game lead in the NL wild-card race.

Barfield finished with four RBIs for the leading NL West champion Padres, who pulled within two games of Los Angeles in the division.



Duke lacrosse players listen during practice in Durham, N.C., Monday, five months after its season was canceled because of a rape scandal, the Duke lacrosse team returned to practice Monday.

Duke lacrosse is back to practice

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — They were back at practice, enthusiastically going through lacrosse drills on an overcast Monday morning. It was as if nothing had happened.

But so much has happened in the last five months at Duke. And now, just the mere presence of the players on the field suggested this was anything but routine.

The last time the Duke men's lacrosse team practiced together, the players were determined to get back to the NCAA title game and win a championship that eluded them in previous seasons. Instead, everything was about to fall apart because of a rape scandal that would lead to charges against three teammates, the resignation of the longtime coach and the shutdown of a program poised to take its place among the best in the nation.

On Monday, the Blue Devils returned to the practice field, for the first time in more than five months. It was further proof that they are finally getting their lives back.

And on this day, even a bad pass looked pretty good. "I can say personally, I definitely appreciate it more," said Matt Danowski, the "Blue Devils' All-American" attackman and the son of new coach John Danowski. "I took it for granted. We got going to the national championship game for granted. All the cool stuff we get to wear every day for free. I took all that for granted."

And playing games on Saturdays in front of fans, it

wasn't just a win. "I didn't realize how much I missed it until it was gone. I'm glad to be here, and I don't think my worst critic could be any harder than it will be for this year."

The workout marked the start of a five-week fall training camp under John Danowski, who left Hristira after 21 years to lead Duke's revival.

"It felt great," senior defenseman Tony McDevitt said. "There's not too many times that you can really appreciate a great sweat. And today was one of those. Everybody appreciated that."

The players didn't seem to mind the extra attention. "Thanks for coming out," senior defenseman Casey Carroll said, "especially as we walked off the field."

The team opens preseason practice in January and plays its first game in late February. Danowski said he hopes to have the schedule completed by Friday.

Meanwhile, the team has a new motto: "suicida virens," a Latin phrase that is the motto for The Holston School in Morrisville, N.C. — where Seligmann and three current Blue Devils went to high school.

"It means, 'When cut down, it grows back stronger,'" Matt Danowski said. "Last season obviously got cut short. And I think we realize what a privilege it is and how much we actually miss and love playing lacrosse, so it's pretty fitting for us."

Tiger

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Byron Nelson won 11 straight tournaments in 1915, a streak regarded as one of the most untouchable in sports. Woods won six straight at the end of 1999 and the start of 2000, and Ben Hogan won six in a row in 1948.

"You've got to have so many things go right," Woods said. "In this day and age, with this competition, to win 11 in a row would be almost unheard of."

What Byron accomplished, that goes down as one of the great years in the history of our sport, you've got to have one bad week somewhere, I guess his bad

week was a win. "Can the record be reached? "If a lot of guys pull out," Woods said with a laugh.

Woods now takes a week off before heading to England for the 1992 World Match Play Championship, followed by the Ryder Cup. His next PGA Tour start will be the American Express Championship outside London at the end of September.

He still isn't even halfway home to Nelson's halfway mark, but he surpassed Lord Byron in one category: with his 53rd victory, moving into fifth place alone on the career list.

Latham

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honors in the fifth-flight scoring.

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GOLF

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MAGIC VALLEY Kimberly boosters meet

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Booster Club will hold a meeting Tuesday, 7 p.m., at the media center at Kimberly High School. For more information, contact Geoff Flew at 423-4967.

Ponderosa holds Nite Lite Scramble

ROBILLY — Ponderosa Golf Course will hold a Nite Lite Scramble Sept. 6. The format is a four-person scramble. Cost is \$20 per player and includes golf ball. Field is limited to first 18 names. Call 679-5730 for more information.

Fall instructional league forming

TWIN FALLS — Registration for the Twin Falls County Youth Baseball second annual fall instructional league will be this Thursday, Sept. 7, at 6:30 p.m. at the Thomas Park Field Building. The league will start Sept. 16 and run from 5:30 p.m. each Saturday and Oct. 7 at the Twin Falls County Baseball field.

Dolphins sign Suggs as backup RB

DAYTON, Fla. — Injury-plagued running back Lee Suggs signed with the Miami Dolphins on Monday, two days after being released by Cleveland.

Suggs led the Browns with 244 yards rushing in 2004, but he has missed 24 of all career games with neck, shoulder, toe, ankle and thumb injuries. Last month he was traded by Cleveland to the New York Jets, and then returned to the Browns when he failed a physical.

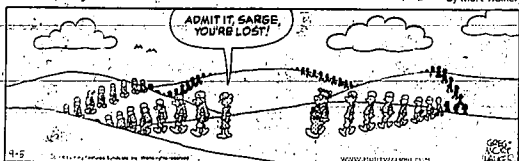
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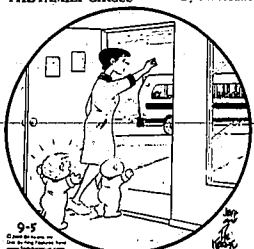
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Judgment based on looks proves later to be wrong



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 11-year-old girl with a perfect 1.00 starting high school as a freshman last year. I got more trouble at school than I've ever had in my entire life. I even got kicked out of a program that's supposed to help students get into a good college. My grades went down and I have been talking to my only teacher but she's not my mother. Mom thinks it's because my father died.

Doctors Without Borders to help inoculate people who have never had the basic childhood vaccinations against rubella, tetanus, etc. I feel completely ashamed of myself for forming such an opinion about this wonderful young person simply from his appearance at a distance. I have since gotten to know him during his weekend visits home to see his mother and have discovered what an intelligent, compassionate, giving individual he is and I am honored to have him as a neighbor.

Can you tell me something that will help me stop talking back?
— TALKING BACK
— INVINCIBLE
DEAR TALKING BACK: Have a couple of suggestions that might help. The first is because your father passes away within the last couple years, your mother might not be sure that your problem is repressed anger of your father's death, often coming out as a grief coping mechanism. A journal to express feelings in an acceptable way.
— Another effective way to express your emotions would be to start journaling and to do it every night. A journal is a healthy place to dump anger and frustration, as well as to state your hopes, dreams and victories. The more of your feelings you get out, the fewer your outbursts will be, and that's a promise.

Please warn your readers not to make the same mistake I did the rest of my neighbors made in judging a worthwhile young man by his appearance at first glance.
— ASHAMED
IN BRANSON, MO.
DEAR ASHAMED: With pleasure. Your letter is a timely one because it applies not only to individuals who dress differently, but also to people of different races and religions. It is important that we don't teach the children to read and write. He also goes with

You know Judith and Rachael as queens of hearts and diamonds



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

Who are Judith, Rachael, Argine, and Palas? They're the queens of hearts, diamonds, clubs and spades, respectively. Their husbands are Charlemagne, Caesar, Alexander and David, and their knaves are La Hire, Hector, Lancelot and Ogier of which La Hire and Ogier are one-eyed.

Polynesians decided they didn't want just draft cotton whities so they decorated the fabrics with bright designs. And thus, the Hawaiian shirt was born.

This day in history: Sept. 1975 was a great month for President Gerald Ford. On Sept. 5, Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme became the first of two wannabe woman assassins who'd take a potshot at him this month.

The earliest silent films were shot in Hollywood, which was then just a sleepy farm community best-known for its figs. Back then, the film capital of the world was Fort Lee, N.J., home of Thomas Edison's studio.

We're almost afraid to ask why, but highway designers call an entrance or exit to freeways the "gorge area." The stripes that mark the gorge area are called the "chevron."

Graham flour and graham crackers were both named after Sylvester Graham, a radical nutritionist of the 1840s. At a time when diets were controversial ideas, Graham advocated taking baths, brushing

Teddy Roosevelt's bull terrier Pete once caused an international stink when he tore the pants off the French Ambassador.



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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Sunny skies and very warm hot temperatures. Highs: Lower 80s.
 Tonight: Clear, dry and quiet. Lows near 60.
 Tomorrow: A few clouds with above average temperatures. Highs: upper 80s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and hot. Highs: lower 90s.
 Tonight: Still dry. Lows: 50s.
 Tomorrow: Perhaps a touch cooler with a few clouds. Highs: 80s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Forecasters will be hard to come by over the next two to three days. Rather, expect partly cloudy skies and very mild temperatures in the afternoon and cool conditions at night.

BOISE Highs: 78 to 86. Lows: 58 to 65.
 Now through at least the middle of the week, high pressure will be the dominating weather feature. That means very warm to hot sunny September temperatures and dry conditions at night.

Full Moon Sep 11
First Quarter Sep 17
Full Moon Sep 22
Last Quarter Sep 29

NORTHERN UTAH

A few hot or miss thunderstorms cannot be ruled out over the next couple of days as a little moisture streams in from the south.

Idaho Falls 80/49
Pocatello 81/58
Burley 81/53
Rupert 81/53
Mountain Home 80/55
Shoshone 80/55

Yesterday's Twin Falls: 79 at 10:00 AM, 73 at 10:00 PM. At 10:00 AM, the mercury fell to 68 at 10:00 PM. At 10:00 PM, it rose to 73 at 10:00 AM.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Very warm hot and sunny	Dry and clear	Partly cloudy	Misty sunny skies	A few clouds still	Scattered clouds
High 91	Low 69	69 / 85	67 / 80	62 / 81	79 / 80

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure
Yesterday's High: 86 Yesterday's Low: 66 Normal High: 78.48 Normal Low: 52.15	0.00" 0.00" 0.00" 0.00"	Yesterday's Maximum: 43% Today's Maximum: 31% Today's Minimum: 13% Year to Date: 16.04"	6.99 mbars Today 30.02 in Yesterday 30.02 in

MOON PHASES

Day	Phase	Time
Today	Waxing Crescent	6:08 AM
Tomorrow	First Quarter	7:48 PM
Wednesday	Waxing Gibbous	8:26 AM
Thursday	Full Moon	8:52 AM

Yesterday's Weather

City	HI	Lo	Prep
Boise	85	63	0.00"
Idaho Falls	80	52	Trace
Chubbuck	87	57	0.00"
Blackfoot	80	52	0.00"
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Barometric

Today	Yesterday	Pressure
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Sunrise and Sunset

City	Sunrise	Sunset
Boise	7:09 AM	8:03 PM
Idaho Falls	7:10 AM	8:04 PM
Blackfoot	7:11 AM	8:05 PM

Pollen Count

City	Pollen Count
Boise	17
Idaho Falls	17
Blackfoot	17

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City	U.V. Index
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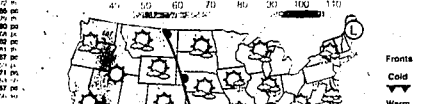
REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Thursday
Boise	81-91	80-87	80-87
Idaho Falls	78-88	77-84	77-84
Blackfoot	80-90	79-86	79-86
Chubbuck	81-91	80-87	80-87
Mountain Home	81-91	80-87	80-87
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Mountain Home	81-91	80-87	80-87
Shoshone	81-91	80-87	80-87

NATIONAL FORECAST

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Idaho Falls	78-88	77-84	77-84
Blackfoot	80-90	79-86	79-86
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Chubbuck	81-91	80-87	80-87
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

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GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You are what you repeatedly do. Excellence is not an event - it is a habit."
 - Aristotle

Can the Steelers repeat?

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers hadn't yet found a permanent spot for their fifth Super Bowl trophy when coach Bill Cowher set about last spring trying to win a sixth.

"I'm not sure we were the best team last year," he said. "I think we played the best at the right time of year, but I think it's a fine line."

The line may have gotten finer when quarterback Ben Roethlisberger was lost for at least the season opener after undergoing an emergency appendectomy. Still, his backup, Charlie Batch, was 2-0 last year in games he started.

The players remain optimistic.

Joey Porter, never one to shy away from a comment, was the first to jump on Cowher's remarks. He knows what the coach was saying — that, at 11-5, the Steelers weren't the best regular-season team — but also thinks the best team won in February.

"I feel like we definitely were the best team," Porter said. "He probably has a different outlook than I do. He breaks down film different ways than I do."

What didn't break down, for a change, were the Steelers in the playoffs. After losing four times in the AFC championship game, in 11 years, all at home, the Steelers took to the road and did what no team had done by sweeping its way to a Super Bowl as a sixth-seeded team.

"Which leads them to think they can do it again."

The Steelers' 26-6 record over the last two seasons is the best in the league (31-7 counting the playoffs) and they return 19 of 22 starters. That makes them one of the least-changed defending champions since NFL free agency began in 1993 as they open the season Thursday against Miami.

They had to go outside the organization to replace only one of those three missing starters. Free safety Ryan Clark was signed from the Redskins to replace Chris Hopkins on a defense where the other safety, Troy Polamalu, has become one of the NFL's best playmakers.

"I think we're going to be really good, as long as we stay healthy," said Brett Keisel, a former backup who replaces Kimon Oelhoffen at defensive end.

Or, in particular, if Roethlisberger could only stay healthy.

The Steelers got a big scare when the youngest quarterback to win a Super Bowl wrecked his motorcycle June 12 in an accident that easily could have killed him. But after missing no training camp time following a remarkable recovery from the crash, he had the appendectomy Sunday.

It was Roethlisberger's third operation in 10 months, following arthroscopic knee surgery last season and the seven-hour operation to



Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger watches a replay from the sidelines during the game against the Baltimore Ravens, in this Oct. 31, 2005 file photo. Roethlisberger had an emergency appendectomy after becoming ill before practice Sunday and will miss Thursday night's season opener against Miami.

repair facial injuries following the crash.

"This is the situation you've been dealt," Cowher said. "We are not asking for any pity nor are we going to make any excuses."

Still, losing Roethlisberger for even a short period of time is a setback, especially with franchise icon Jerome Bettis now retired and Roethlisberger taking his place as the leader of the offense.

Roethlisberger didn't play especially well in the Super Bowl, but his downfield throwing, poise and confidence were what separated him from the playoff-failure Steelers QBs of recent vintage. The Steelers were only 2-2 when he was out with injuries last season.

Not that the Steelers don't have some other issues as they try to emulate their 1975 and 1979 teams by following up a Super Bowl championship with another.

Cowher's status is a concern — he is signed only through next season, but has dropped hints this might be his last. Polamalu has fretted that losing Hopkins may be a bigger setback to the defense than believed anticipated. And star wide receiver Hines Ward missed most of training camp with a sore hamstring and is questionable for the opener.

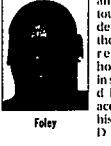
Still, these Steelers think they have the ability and mindset to become a team like the 1998 Broncos, who followed a Super Bowl victory by winning a second title even more convincingly.

Chargers' Foley to miss season

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Chargers linebacker Steve Foley will miss the season after being shot by an off-duty police officer.

Foley was placed on the non-football injured reserve list on Monday, a day after he was shot near his suburban Poway home by an off-duty Coronado officer.

The outside linebacker, who was being counted on to help



Foley

anchor the longest run defense in the NFL remained hospitalized in stable condition, according to his agent D.A. Levine.

"Our concern right now is for Steve's overall health and well-being," Chargers general manager A.J. Smith said in a statement. "Steve's health needs to be his No. 1 priority. Football is secondary right now."

The Chargers will open the season next Monday night at Oakland.

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Australia's 'Crocodile Hunter' Steve Irwin killed by stingray

By Brian Cassey
Associated Press writer

Cairns, Australia — He stalked lions. He faced off with poisonous snakes. He wrestled with crocodiles.

When the end came for television's beloved "Crocodile Hunter," it was in an encounter with a stingray and its venomous tail barb.

Perhaps it wasn't surprising. Steve Irwin died doing what he loved best, getting too close to one of the dangerous animals he dedicated his life to protecting with an impressive, effectiveness, personality, that propelled him to global fame.

The 44-year-old Irwin's heart was pierced by the serrated, poisonous spine of a stingray as he swam with the creature Monday while shooting a new TV show on the Great Barrier Reef, his manager and producer John Stainton said.

News of Irwin's death reverberated around the world, where he won popularity with millions as the man who regularly leaped on the back of huge, crocodile-like and grabbed deadly snakes by the tail.

"Griskey" — was his catchphrase, repeated whenever there was a close call — or just about any other event — during his TV programs, delivered with a broad Australian twang, mile-a-minute delivery and big arm gestures.

"I am shocked and distressed at Steve Irwin's sudden, untimely and freakish death," Australian Prime Minister John Howard said. "It's a huge loss to Australia."

Conservationists said all the world would feel the loss of Irwin, who turned a child's hood love of snakes and lizards and knowledge learned at his parents' side into a message of wildlife

preservation that reached a television audience that reportedly exceeded 200 million.

"He was probably one of the most knowledgeable and grateful people in the entire world," Jack Hanna, director-emeritus of the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium in Ohio, told ABC's "Good Morning America."

In high-energy programs from Africa, the Americas and Asia, but especially his beloved Australia, Irwin — dressed always in khaki shorts, shirt and heavy boots — crept up on lions, chased and was chased by komodo dragons, and went eye-to-eye with poisonous snakes.

He was a committed conservationist, running a wildlife park for crocodiles and other Australian fauna, including kangaroos, koalas and possums, and using some of his TV revenue to buy tracts of land

for use as natural habitat.

Irwin was in the water at Batt Reef, off the Australian resort town of Port Douglas about 60 miles north of Cairns, shooting a series called "Ocean's Deadliest" when he swam too close to the stingray. Stainton told reporters.

"He came on top of the stingray and the stingray's barb went up and into his chest and put a hole into his heart," said Stainton, who was on board Irwin's boat. Croc was on board Irwin's boat. Croc was on board Irwin's boat.

Crew members administered CPR and rushed to rendezvous with a rescue helicopter that flew to nearby Low Isle, but Irwin was pronounced dead when the paramedics arrived, Stainton said.

"The world has lost a great wildlife icon, a passionate conservationist and one of the proudest dads on the planet," Stainton said.



Australian Steve Irwin of the TV show "The Crocodile Hunter" holds a nine-foot female alligator with his American wife Terri, who is from Eugene, Oregon, at his Australia Zoo in Beerwah, Queensland, Irwin is killed in 1999. Irwin was killed by a stingray barb during a diving expedition.

AFGHANISTAN U.S. planes mistakenly kill Canadian soldier

Kandahar, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. warplanes mistakenly fired on Canadian troops fighting Taliban forces Monday in southern Afghanistan, killing one soldier and wounding five in an operation that NATO said also has left 200 injured dead.

A British soldier attached to NATO and four Afghans also were killed in a suicide-bombing Monday in Kabul.

AROUND THE WORLD

while 16 suspected Taliban militants and five Afghan police were killed elsewhere in the country.

The intense fighting comes amid Afghanistan's deadliest spate of violence since U.S.-led forces toppled the hard-line Taliban regime for hosting al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden after the Sept. 11 attacks. It also underscored the

increased danger to NATO-led multinational forces since they took over control of security in the volatile south from the U.S.-led coalition last month.

IRAQ More than 30 bodies found across Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Police found the tortured, blindfolded bodies of 33 men scattered across the capital Monday and Tuesday, Iraqi news reports. The bodies were found in combat deaths of seven veter-

men, a day after Iraqi leaders said the capture of a top terror suspect would reduce violence.

Kidnappers also dragged off a popular soccer star in Baghdad, while a security crackdown in the city expanded into the upscale Mansour neighborhood.

An al-Qaida-affiliated group dismissed the Iraqi government's claim that the organization's second most important leader had been arrested, suggesting the man was not a senior figure and denying the terror group had suffered a significant blow.

JORDAN
On Sunday, Iraq's national security adviser announced the arrest of Hamed Jaumal Farid al-Saeedi, also known as Abu Humam or Abu Bana, and said that had left al-Qaida in Iraq suffering a "serious leadership crisis."

JORDAN Gunman kills one in attack on tourists

AMMAN, Jordan — A gunman opened fire on Western tourists at Roman ruins in the

heart of Jordan's capital Monday, killing a British man and wounding six people before being overpowered. Police said the attacker came from the same area as the slain leader of al-Qaida in Iraq.

The attack at an ancient amphitheater came despite a heavy clampdown on security in this key U.S. ally since a string of deadly bombings at hotels last November that al-Qaida in Iraq claimed to have staged.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
Case No. CV-06-0654
A Petition to change the name of Xavier Pooler, born in Twin Falls, Idaho, residing at 732 Alpha Circle, Twin Falls, has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court under Case No. CV-06-0654. The petitioner's father is living and his address is Antona, Arizona. The petitioner's mother is living and her address is 732 Alpha Circle. A hearing on the petition will be scheduled at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can prove to the court a good reason against the name change. Date: August 23, 2006. By Deputy Clerk.

INVITATION TO BID PWP # EL-2006-304
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an order of the Board of County Commissioners, County of Elko, State of Nevada, made at a regular meeting of the board, Elko County will receive separate sealed bids for the construction of the JACKPOY JUSTICE COURT, Elko, Nevada. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked, indicating the subject item of bid enclosed. Sealed bids will be received at Elko County Courthouse, 150 South State Street, Elko, Nevada 89601 (Pacific Time), September 19, 2006. Said bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by and at Elko County Public Works at 2:00 p.m. (Pacific Time), September 19, 2006. All interested parties are invited to attend. No bids or changes to bids will be received via electronic means or facsimile. Bids will not be received after the above-stated date and time. The Director of Public Works, Lynn Forsberg, is the person designated to receive bids. Major items of work consist of Provide Plans to Deliver Building (23 X 29) to Site, Nevada State Tax, Concrete Foundation Plan and footing, Rail Building onto Steam Wall Foundation to be constructed by others. Close up all of Exterior and Interior Scaffolds, All Electrical and HVAC Crossovers. All questions regarding the bid and the project-at-large should be directed to: Elko County Public Works, 150 South State Street, Elko, NV 89601. All documents can be obtained at the following locations: J.D. Long Architect NCRB, 950 Idaho Street Elko, NV 89601. JOB DESCRIPTION: The work generally consists of: 1) construction of a one-story modular Building (28 X 72), approximately 2016 sq ft, building will be the Jackpoy Justice Court Room and Administrative offices. Lobby with commercial grade finishes, solid core doors with metal frames, Jury Room, HVAC system, 6 gallon water heater, red (2 1/4" x 12" - 1 1/2" ong. Wood joists), Electrical outlets (55 amp), and floor texture paint. (Steele (tan color), 2x4 sheet rock (16 on center), 200 AMP Single Phase (main panel) withdrawers, 4x22 recessed diffused interior light (32), 2 Emergency exit lights, outside light (2), full brick walkout (Exterior-2 side panels), or equal to on all items. Excavate; Permits to sit Building at Site, Electrical Disconnect, Excavation or Site Work, Utilities, Water, Sewer and Power, and Concrete work to be performed or installed by others. Bids must be made upon the bid forms bound in the Bid Documents and must be accompanied by certified check or bid bond payable to the Elko County Treasurer in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount bid. No bid for a construction contract shall be considered by the County unless the bidder is properly licensed with the State of Nevada State Contractors Board prior to the bid opening. This is a contract for a public work, subject to the provisions of the state prevailing wage and no bid will be received or considered unless the bid contains a statement by the bidder as part of the bid that the provisions of the state are to be complied with. Attention is called to the fact that not less than the prevailing rate of wage must be paid on this project in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes, and that the Contractor must ensure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, age, or disability. Elko County reserves the right to reject any or all bids not in compliance with the above stated public work and to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder. Bids can be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after the actual date of opening.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study those notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

IMPORTANT
Please address all legal advertising to:
LEGAL ADVERTISING
The Times-News
PO Box 548
Twin Falls, Idaho
83303-0548
email to: legal@magicvalley.com

Deadlines for legal ads: 3 days prior to publication, noon on Wednesday for Sunday, noon on Thursday for Monday, noon on Friday for Tuesday and Wednesday, noon on Monday for Thursday and noon on Tuesday for Friday and Saturday. Holiday deadlines may vary. If you have any questions call Ruby, legal clerk, at 208-733-3324.

101 Lost and Found LOST (2) dark Choccolate Lab male and female. No collars. Reward: 208-216-0816. LOST Black Lab, female, 8-9 years old. Maroon St. Light patches of fur on both sides. Reward: \$100. since 8/27. Call 420-2638. LOST cat, female. Many Colored. 700 Collier. Has been spayed. Lost 8/21 near 350 N 100 W. Reward: 978-3109. LOST Chocolate Lab, older. Age of 9-10. Reward: Call at 333-8306. LOST Jockey Striped, plug, lost on corner of Addison & Morrison. Reward: Please call 328-5643. LOST mens denim jacket, possibly by Pei-Min. Please call 208-525-5408 or 412-121. LOST min. Schmeizer at 1410 C St. Heyburn. Male. wearing collar. Black, scar on back. 208-878-1111. LOST mens denim jacket, possibly by Pei-Min. Please call 208-525-5408 or 412-121. LOST red cat photo at Burley Mall. Reward offered. Please call 208-878-1111. A white female, 9 mo old, wearing a blue collar with flowers. Answers to "Sophie". Found on Green Tree Way. Call 737-4688. LOST miniature Doberman Pinscher in the Rupper area. Very friendly. Please call 426-4124 or 431-3306.	108 Professional Services Bankruptcy Chapter 7. Guaranteed lowest price for attorney representation. We are a debt relief agency. Free Consultation. Call 1-855-688-2399. Child Care Services CHILD CARE in Jerome has limited openings. State licensed, ICCP approved, First Aid and CPR certified. Certified teacher and CDA. exceptional. Full-time part-time and drop-in care for children from each adult. Ages: 0-5 years. Call 328-3426 or 324-4183. Lif' Sprouts Day Care has openings. 0-12 years full or part-time. ICCP welcome state licensed. Please call Jacquie at 436-3261. 2006 Employment ACCOUNTING Lund Vorn Fentzler is hiring for a Staff Accountant. Primary responsibilities: preparation of financial statements, including a balance sheet, P & L accounts, accounts payable/receivable, bank reconciliations. Qualifications: accounting degree, 1-3 yrs. accounting exp. proficient in Excel. Access & Word. detail oriented and strong communication skills. Send resume. PO Box 86 Minidoka, ID 83343 If you have a job to fill let us know. Advertise the job. Call 208-554-3211
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INVITATION TO BID
ALL sealed Bids must be received by 5:00 P.M. on September 13, 2006. All Sealed Bids will be opened at 10:30 A.M. on September 14, 2006 at the Idaho Transportation Department, Supply Services Purchasing Section located at 3311 West State Street, Boise, Idaho. Bidders and other interested parties are invited to be present at the bid opening. This is to furnish all materials, equipment and labor to haul and crush Anti-Skid Material. Type 2 Modified, per the specifications contained in requisition number D-017190.
PUBLIC WORKS LICENSE REQUIRED
No bid will be considered unless accompanied by an acceptable guaranty in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. This guaranty must be in the form of a certified check or a cashier's check drawn on some Idaho bank, made payable to the Idaho Transportation Department, or a bidder's bond. Surety will be forfeited in the event of failure to sign the contract.
The Transportation Department reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for the State of Idaho.
Contact Tina Klamt, at 208-342-2006
TINA KLAMT, PURCHASING AGENT
IDaho TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
Contract Administration, including all Drawings, Bid Results and Plan Holders List, may be obtained by visiting our web site at: <http://idahocontract.com/procurement.htm> or by contacting your local Plan Room.
PUBLISH: August 31 through September 8, 2006

101 Lost and Found
FOUND Doberman Pinscher, red, fixed male, about 9 months old, red collar. Call at Elko County Public Works, 150 South State Street, Elko, Idaho 89601. Call 208-735-0243.
FOUND dog, near Buhl mountain, blue collar, male, brown & black spots, part Beagle, about 8-9 weeks old. Call 208-735-0243.
FOUND dog, young, white, male, black oars. Found in Jerome. Call 328-6677.
FOUND kiten, gold Tabby, with collar, found on Green Tree Way. Call 737-4688.
FOUND miniature Doberman Pinscher in the Rupper area. Very friendly. Please call 426-4124 or 431-3306.
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FOUND Border Collie at the Batt Reef area. Female, black and white eyes. Just clipped, short black and white mottled hair color. Bury hill, small build, 49 lbs. Wearing blue collar. Lost in the area of Park View Dr and North College. Her name is Conroy. Very sweet. Needs her medicine. Marip 490-0720 or 734-3338.
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Shopping the Classifieds will save you time and money. 733-0931

ROBERT K. STOKES
Business Manager
August 29, 2006
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200 Employment

ACCOUNTING Payroll clerk needed in... Must be customer oriented...

All advertising is subject to the newspaper's standards of acceptance. The Times-News reserves the right to edit, abbreviate, decline or properly classify any ad...

Asking Questions Conduct public opinion polls over the telephone. Absolutely NO SALES!!

ATTENTION Car Sale People! Are you tired of losing deals because your customers don't qualify for your lenders programs...

CONSTRUCTION Experienced Dump Truck Drivers (CDL) Instruction 735-6656

CONSTRUCTION Wanted Heavy Equipment Operators. Excellent benefits. Pay DOE. Drug Free Workplace.

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DRIVERS Point-to-point drivers... Experience preferred. Bureau Area, 431-9100.

DRIVERS 10 Wheel truck drivers... Newer auto make trucks. Women encouraged to apply.

DRIVERS Class A CDL Drivers... Full-time position. Home every night. Benefits include medical, 401k vacation.

DRIVERS Top Gun Truck Drivers... CDL required. 401k and medical insurance. Excellent pay and benefits available.

DRIVERS Class A & B Drivers... Excellent benefits. Drug Free Workplace. Applications at 1 & C Custom.

DRIVERS Immediate Openings! Class A & B Drivers. Excellent benefits. Drug Free Workplace.

DRIVERS Dedicated routes, home evenings. Excellent pay and full benefit package. garysmithtrucking.com

DRIVERS OTR drivers for Western and upper Midwest routes. Home often. 2 years OTR with tanker endorsement required.

DRIVERS Red-Mix Drivers wanted. CDL required. Full benefits. Apply at Irma Concrete Co.

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DRIVERS Trucking & Truck Brokerage... Dispatch Truck position open. Must be self-motivated.

EDUCATION Seeking applications for PT (16 hrs/week) Special Ed Aide. Position open at Hillside District Office.

GENERAL Collection position. Prior experience a plus. Good telephone skills req. Full-time, Mon-Fri, Bilingual a plus.

FISH PROCESSING Looking for competent employees in the food processing area. Hatching work to include all aspects of fish hatching.

GENERAL Flying J Inc. is looking for friendly, guest-oriented drivers with a dedication to excellent customer service.

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FARM Harvest-Truck Operator... Trucking & Tractor. Area: Mag 509-3835

GROCERY Sales/Inventory Clerk... Part-time position. District Office: 837-4777

GROUNDSCOOPER Groundkeeper... Full-time position. 6600 Mon-Fri 8-5.

HEALTHCARE Activities Assistant... Full-time position. 20 hrs/week, days, evenings and weekends.

INSTALLER Window Installer... Full-time position. 674 Eastland Dr, Twin Falls, Idaho

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Sudoku puzzle grid with numbers 4, 6, 7, 3, 5 in the top row and 1, 8, 5, 4, 6 in the second row.

V. EASY # 92 Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page C-8.

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805 Rooms For Rent

TWIN FALLS sleeping room, kitchen & laundry privileges, utilities included. 543-6130

806 Mobile Homes

Country setting, 3 bdrm., 2 bath, \$425 mo. plus utilities. Includes pool. 208-313-0277

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TWIN FALLS 2,500 sq. ft. with 5 offices and conference room plus show room or studio area. Fully carpeted. Wood-Flux-Flux sq. ft. drive in garage with 12 1/2 foot truck door. 52,250 monthly. 2158 W. Ave. E #1 Call 208-733-0991

808 Commercial Property

TWIN FALLS Warehouse/OfficeShop 144,200, 121,500 sq. ft. Overhead door. Docks. Twin Falls Rentals, 734-4334 twinfallsrentals.com

809 Storage/Warehouse

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810 Storage/Warehouse

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WANTED Country Home 3, 4 bdrms., 2 baths, like \$700. Must be neat & clean. Call 208-316-2582

812 Roommates - Wanted

TWIN FALLS 2 rooms for rent. \$250 mo. + \$200 rent. No smoking. Call 208-735-4824

813 Livestock/Poultry

TWIN FALLS Looking for responsible roommate, \$300 mo. plus utilities. Call 208-735-1630

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BLACK LAB puppies - AKC registered, have had first shots, ready to go. \$250. Please call 208-431-2615 or 208-438-5667.

843 Pets And Pet Supplies

BLUE HEELER pups - 10 weeks old, \$100. AKC registered, have had first shots, ready to go. \$250. Please call 208-431-2615 or 208-438-5667.

844 Pets And Pet Supplies

BORDER COLLIE pups - \$25 each. Call 208-431-2615 or 208-438-5667.

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CHIHUAHUA adorable puppies for sale. Please call 208-431-2615 or 208-438-5667.

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COCKER SPANIEL - 12 weeks old, \$100. AKC registered, have had first shots, ready to go. \$250. Please call 208-431-2615 or 208-438-5667.

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NORTH (9-5-A)
 ♠ A 4
 ♥ K 5 4 2
 ♦ A 10 8 2
 ♣ A 9 5 3

WEST
 ♠ 8 6 5 3 2
 ♥ A J 10
 ♦ 7 5 3
 ♣ J 10

EAST
 ♠ J 10 9
 ♥ Q 9 6 3
 ♦ K 9 4
 ♣ K 7 4

SOUTH
 ♠ A K Q 7
 ♥ 8 7
 ♦ Q J 6
 ♣ Q 8 6 2

All the deals this week come from the European Championships of 2004. Today's hand comes from the match between France and Belgium. At one of the two relevant tables the Belgian defenders led and continued spades, allowing three no-trump to take nine tricks.

However, in the room that we are focusing on, West led the diamond seven, suggesting a weak suit. East won the diamond king and astutely shifted to the heart three rather than making the tempting play of a spade. He knew his partner had five spades but had not led the suit, implying a weak holding, but the heart shift was still well-done.

Vulnerable: East-West
 Dealer: East

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass
 1♠ NT All pass

Opening lead: Diamond seven

BID WITH THE ACES (9-5-B)

South holds:
 ♠ J 10 9
 ♥ Q 9 6 3
 ♦ K 9 4
 ♣ K 7 4

South West North East
 1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass
 1♠ NT All pass

Now the spotlight turned to West. Had he inserted the 10 of hearts on the first round, he would probably have set the game. Instead, he went in with the ace and returned the heart jack, ducked, then the heart 10.

Dealer, Alain Kaplan, won the third heart. Can you see how he managed to make the contract now?

The defenders appear to have three hearts, a club and a diamond trick. But Kaplan cashed the three top spades before running the diamonds, ending in dummy.

At this point declarer had played off three spades, three hearts and four diamonds. In the three-card ending, East was forced down to two clubs and a master heart. When he was thrown in with the heart, he had to lead clubs, allowing declarer to put up the queen and take the last two tricks, making the board a wash.

ANSWER: You do not have enough to redouble, but must show some values now. The choice is to bid one heart — which is forcing and simply says you would have made this call had your RHO passed — or (my preference) one no-trump, suggesting 7-10 or so. With only a moderate four-card heart suit, you probably don't need to look for fit. After all, there is a suit; the hearts may not split.

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Rock on



Steve Brill says he usually doesn't add much color to his sandblasted stones. This stone is one of his more intricate pieces, he says, because of the small dots on the back of the trout.

What to do with the most common rural Idaho institution

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — If there's one thing rural Idahoans can count on, it's rocks. Like clockwork each year — to the dismay of farmers — new stones rise to the surface of Magic Valley fields and get tossed into piles.

Big ones.
"My father used to say that his most reliable crop was his rocks," said Jo Ann Robbins, a crop and horticulture specialist with the Jerome County Extension Office. Rocks rise naturally to the surface as a result of freezing and thawing cycles, she explained. It's a never-ending pattern with a never-ending supply, sure to keep those piles growing perpetually skyward.

Many mounds are a hundred years in the making because, besides an occasional stone fence, most farmers don't know what to do with them.

That's where Steve Brill comes in. If you've got a rock, he's got a use for it.

Brill can turn any stone into a piece of art. All it

takes is a sandblaster and a stencil. The front yard of Brill's Kimberly home is encircled by rocks he's etched with elaborate birds, spiders, sheep, dogs, fish, American Indian designs, lighthouses.

Brill honed his etching and sandblasting skills years ago when he worked as (what else?) a headstone engraver. But after years tapping simple letters and designs, Brill bored with mortuary work. When a motorcycle accident limited his mobility, he quit his job and switched to rocks. Sure, he'll still do an occasional grave marker, but these days Brill works mostly with basket-ball-size boulders.

"Maybe people think I'm crazy," he said last week in his yard. He paused and eyed a stone near the front door. "I don't know. I think they're kinda neat."

So do other folks. Brill makes enough money from his stones to get by. Depending on intricacy, his rocks sell for about \$100.

But not everyone gets it. When Brill told a friend



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ABOVE: Steve Brill cuts out patterns Aug. 30 before sandblasting the design on a sandstone core. BELOW: A pile of small sandblasted stones is displayed outside Steve Brill's home in Kimberly.

he was "selling rocks," his buddy thought he meant drugs. In Kimberly, however, word has spread about Brill the art-rock seller. Now, strangers drop by with unusual rocks in tow. Brill's driveway is lined with dozens of donated stones.

They're stacked neatly — lava rocks in one pile, granite in another. Plus a few from elsewhere, like sandstone.

When his muse inspires a new

project, Brill selects a rock from the pile. The grains in the rock are important, he said. Density determines how deep he can cut and how close the lines can be to each other. In the motorcycle designs, some lines are millimeters apart.

Next step is choosing a design. Brill crafts most of the images from pre-drawn stencils made of rubber. With a hobby knife, he slices through the material to expose rock. In a small wooden shed behind the house — barely enough room for him to fit inside — Brill

blasts sand over the stencil. Minutes later, the artwork is complete. Sometimes, he'll fill in the engravings with paint, but mostly Brill sticks to simple etching.

He also works with glass, though rock is his favorite medium. No wonder: He has to buy glass. Blocks, of course, are plentiful.

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COUNTRY ROADS

Plants that like it hot and dry

By Joel M. Lerner
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — There are things you can do to reduce the impact of hot, dry weather and create a garden climate where plants will thrive. Some of these practices are behavioral, having to do with watering and maintenance; some are structural, concerning design and plant choice.

From a behavioral standpoint, you need to know that plants have to be watered, even if it has rained recently. How do you know when? The best way to check moisture is to stick your finger in the soil and see if it's moist. If you don't want to get dirt under your nails, use a moisture meter, available at garden and home improvement centers. They are not as accurate, though. Check several places — different areas have different drainage rates that can make a difference. If you can't feel moisture, water. Don't just sprinkle plants — provide them with a good long soaking so water can penetrate to the roots.

When you water, be efficient. Water plants in the early morning or early evening, when temperatures are cooler and winds are lighter, to minimize evaporation. If you water later in the day, make sure foliage has enough time to completely dry. A soaking hose is better than a sprinkler for gardens; a timed sprinkler system is ideal for turf. Although expensive to install, it can save water in the long run.

If you use movable sprinklers, check frequently and adjust so that only your lawn or garden is being watered — not the sidewalk. Don't waste runoff.

Direct downspouts and other runoff sources toward shrubs and trees. Use a rain barrel under a downspout to collect water for the garden.

You can also cut down on water consumption by reducing the amount of lawn you have. Turf is used to going three weeks to a month without rain, but after that, it needs to be soaked — as perfoliate



How to reduce the impact of hot, dry weather and create a garden climate where plants will thrive: Group plants with similar water requirements such as lavender, autumn joy sedum, switchgrass and black-eyed susans.

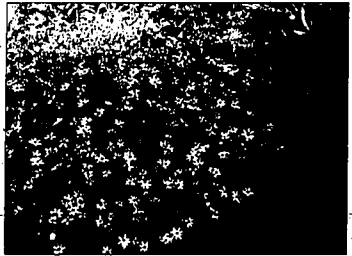
thunderstorms do on the prairie.

Whatever lawn you have, leave it a little taller when you mow (2 1/2 to 3 1/2 inches). Longer grass shades root systems and holds soil moisture better than a lawn that's been closely clipped. And leave the clippings on the lawn. That also helps hold moisture.

You can save water by collecting it from other sources and directing it to the garden. Some sources of second-hand household water are air conditioners, dehumidifiers and fish tanks. (Use the latter sparingly, as it's high in nitrogen and will encourage growth.) Gray water, such as bath, dish and cooking water, can also be used in the garden. Put it in the soil, not on the foliage. Don't use water that contains bleach, detergent or fabric softener.

Appropriate use of mulch can also slow evaporation of water from plants' root zones. Use organic mulches, such as compost or bark. Compost incorporated into the soil will hold moisture.

Keeping weeds out of the garden will also help. They use



When you choose plants, follow the principles of water-efficient landscaping, or xeriscaping: Moonbeam coreopsis is a drought-tolerant plant.

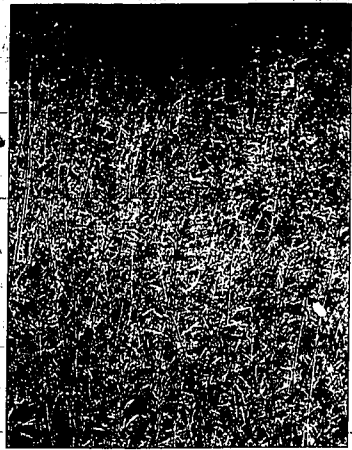
moisture that could be available to the plants you do want.

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When you choose plants, follow the principles of water-efficient landscaping, or xeriscaping. The word means "planting for dry conditions," but it's come to mean installing drought-resistant

plants and delivering water to them efficiently. In general, native plants are the best choices, as they are already adapted to local conditions. When you replace plants in an established garden, choose those that will withstand drier conditions.

Design for shade and coverage. Evaporation from plant leaves has a cooling effect on the environment. Ideally, trees,



Structurally, gardens can be designed and planted to withstand warmer, drier conditions: agastache thrives on low moisture and must have well-drained soil.

shrubs, perennials or annuals should cover 75 to 80 percent of the soil.

Group plants with similar water requirements. Some attractive groupings include coreopsis, autumn joy sedum, lavender, agastache, blue switch grass, blue oat grass and Elyria blue fescue. An established planting of black-eyed Susans, latisis and purple coneflowers might not require watering every week, while

moisture-loving — Cardinal flower, amsonia, yellow flag iris, bee balm and other plants that prefer cool, protected spots could wilt and dry with three days without irrigation.

If you may not be sure that talking to plants helps them grow better, but remember that your plants are constantly talking to you. Wilted and browning foliage can mean a plant is not receiving enough water or that it has "sweet feet" and is suffocating. If a plant doesn't thrive no matter what you do, there is a good chance it is planted in the wrong place.

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Tips for reviving dead soil, saving gardens

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Question: I have a 64-square-foot vegetable garden. Each spring I plant it with a variety of vegetables, mostly tomato plants. Before planting, I amend the soil with peat moss, topsoil and fertilizer. Each year, however, I get fewer plants that survive. The plants that do make it produce less fruit. Is there anything I can do to revive this plot?

Answer: You should have your soil tested to find out what is going on. The yearly addition of peat moss may have driven the soil pH down to a level that limits nutrient

availability for the vegetable plants.

If the same plants are repeatedly grown in the same area year after year, diseases may build up. The best way to avoid this is the practice of crop rotation. Your garden is small, and it may be difficult to rotate crops, but it can be done. Disrupt the root systems and move crops to a new quadrant every year.

You also should check the roots of your plants for signs of root-knot nematodes. These microscopic roundworms injure the roots and make for sickly, weak plants. As the name implies, they cause knot-like swellings on the roots.

There are only two ways to control them in the home garden — follow the land by planting it to grasses for several years, thereby depriving the nematodes of a suitable host, or solarize the soil.

To go the solarization route, create a single, airtight sheet of clear plastic that is a foot wider than your garden on all sides. Fill the soil wet it thoroughly and dig a shallow trench along the edge of the bed. Bury the edge of the plastic in the trench. This creates a greenhouse effect, and with strong sunlight for a period of three weeks, it heats the soil to a temperature that kills pests and diseases. This is best done in

late spring when the sun is high in the sky. So you would not plant your garden until mid-June or early July, but given enough water, summer crops flourish if planted this late. Some crops, including squash and tomatoes, generally yield more when a planted later.

Another possibility is that surrounding trees and shrubs have grown so close that they are shading, or girdling, the soil. If so, the answer is removing or severely pruning the trees, or finding a new site for the vegetable bed.

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Secrets to successful sun plantings

By Joel M. Lerner
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Question: Anything I plant keeps dying because I have direct sunlight all day. What type of plants will stand up to direct sun?

Answer: The secrets to the success of all plantings are site preparation and using the right plant for the proper sunlight requirements. Your soil should drain well and contain about one-third compost mixed into soil.

Water whenever there isn't enough rainfall, especially during the first year of establishing your garden.

Direct sun all day bodes better for many plants than it does for your air conditioning bills. The first step might be planting a shade tree or two, depending on the size of your yard. Locate them at least 25 feet from the house and, from each other so they can develop full canopies. Several shade trees to consider are scarlet oak (*Quercus coccinea*), red oak (*Q. rubra*), Princeton American elm (*Ulmus americana*), Princeton, October glory or red sunset red maple (*Acer rubrum*).

Some shrubs and perennials to grow in full sun are ornamental grasses, such as switch

grass (*Panicum virgatum*), and iris-growing perennials. Perennials to try are black-eyed Susans, lilies, coreopsis, iris or gladiolus, among hun-

dreds of others. Repeat the same plants in groupings and determine their mature sizes. Do not plant too close together or too close to structures.

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Finding the right replacement lawn mower

By Gary Dymond
Newsday

Question: I have enjoyed the use of an 18-inch, rear-bag, gas-powered lawn mower for 24 years. The machine, like the owner, has become tired. As a senior with a small yard, I have searched long and hard to either rebuild my mower or find another 18-inch mower. The new 21- or 22-inch models are too heavy and too large for my property. An electric model with a cord is not an option because of the layout of my property. Any ideas?

Answer: I've got options for you. First, Black & Decker makes a cordless electric mulching mower, the 19-inch CMM1000. It bags in the rear—but you probably won't use it much with the mulching action—and it's light, 76 pounds (probably about the same weight as your machine). A 24-volt rechargeable battery handles yards up to 1/3 of an acre. The unit sells for about \$450 at Target, Wal-Mart, Lowe's and Home Depot stores. I haven't used the machine, but according to several online reviewers, it's quiet, durable and a good buy. The only drawback might be the battery: It needs 16 hours to recharge to full power. Once recharged, it lasts about 45 minutes to an hour. Visit blackanddecker.com.

Another cordless electric option is the Sunlawn EM-1 mower by Reel. It's about \$375 at "ReelPushMowers.com." It also has a 24-volt rechargeable battery and is just a little smaller, with a 16-inch cutting width. At about 35 pounds, the unit is light enough to operate as an old-fashioned push mower when the battery wears down.

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Shealyn Emery of F3ic tags at a baby mini horse as she leads it into its pen Friday at the fair in Filco.

FAIR MEMORIES

TWIN FALLS COUNTY GET-TOGETHER GONE FOR ANOTHER YEAR

Photos by Meagan Thompson



Scott Miller of Bellevue and son Calvin pet a horse named BBI on Friday morning.



Brittany, 8 and her brother Scott, 6, climb into the Life Flight display helicopter at the St. Alphonsus booth Saturday.



Monetta Torrez and Heather Lavandowski of Montana make chocolate-covered strawberries Thursday morning at their concession stand at the fair. Lavandowski, owner of the Foot Long Booth, says they spend about six months of the year traveling to fairs throughout the Northwest. This week they will be on their way to Washington for the Yakima County Fair.



Four-year-old Jovani Quintero of Hagerman and his brother Alex, 5, hold hands as they wait for their turn on the pony ride Saturday.



Kimber Johnson leads Joe, her quarter horse, away from the arena Friday for the Open Horse Show at the Twin Falls County Fair in Filco.



4-H member Josie Peterson, 17, of Buhl works hard Thursday to clean another Mutton Buster member's sheep before judging.