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Meet Alice Schenk, a 48-year-old Rupert housewife who will compete in her first triathlon on Saturday. Image, page D1

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**Twin Falls adopts organic West Nile control**

Larvicide will reduce mosquitoes next year

By Jaffe Peace  
For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Three years ago, health officials predicted Idaho could be hit hard any time by the West Nile virus. Last week, three Twin Falls County commissioners began a process to control the mosquitoes that carry the virus.

On Wednesday, commissioners Tom Mikessell, Gary Grindsstaff and Bill Brockman approved a resolution that allocates money for a natural larvicide that kills the eggs of virus-carrying mosquitoes. As of Sept. 15, there have been 718 reported cases of West Nile in humans. Eighty percent of human cases are not reported because symptoms are either mild or nonexistent. Idaho leads the nation this year for the virus.

The commissioners' action is good news for organic producers and fish farmers, who have complained to commissioners they don't want chemicals spread throughout the county by airplane. Buhl resident Theresa Strolberg, an organic producer, was jubilant on Wednesday when she heard the commissioners' decision. "I think it is a wise decision," Strolberg said. "I think aerial spraying should never be done

**Get it for free**

What: Mosquito larvicide  
Where: County extension office, 248 3rd Ave. E.  
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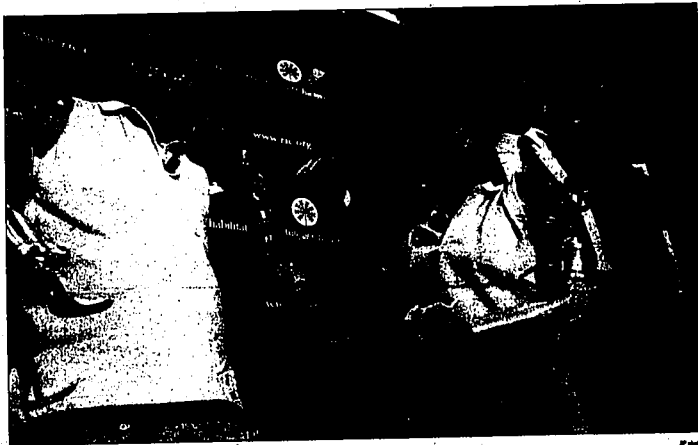
because it is dangerous to everyone and everything."

However, just because commissioners are choosing to go with a natural means for the time being, that doesn't mean they might not have to use more aggressive measures sometime in the future. "It's one step in what will be many steps," Mikessell said. "Hopefully it will reduce the population of mosquitoes next year."

On the east end of the county, Murrigh resident Shula Heggworth is gathering signatures to ask voters in November, according to state law, to approve a mosquito abatement district. And on the west end, Jim DeKleinhaus is gathering signatures in hopes that he can force commissioners to declare a state of emergency so aerial spraying of chemical insecticides can begin.

Under state law, county officials could declare an emergency. Please see WEST NILE, Page A3

**Bionic breakthrough**



Claudia Mitchell, the world's first bionic woman (center), and Jesse Sullivan, the first successful recipient of the bionic arm (left), demonstrate their bionic limbs as Dr. Todd Kuiken, the developer of the bionic technology, speaks during a news conference Thursday at the National Press Club in Washington. Kuiken grew up in Twin Falls and graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1976.

**For woman with bionic arm, a new life is in reach**

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer and The Washington Post

TWIN FALLS — The last couple of days have been a whirlwind for Dr. Todd Kuiken, director of the Neural Engineering Center for Artificial Limbs and Center for Bionic Medicine at the Rehabilitation Center of Chicago. There have been interviews with CNN, the BBC and all the major networks. There were interviews with large newspapers in the United States and London. And, there was an interview with the Times-News in Twin Falls, where Kuiken grew up and graduated from high school in 1976. "In the last week, I've done probably 20 interviews," Kuiken said Friday in a phone interview with the Times-News. Kuiken, son of Edna Kuiken Frank of Twin Falls and the late Bill Kuiken, has taken his ground-breaking research in bionic technology one step further. His 26-year-old patient, Claudia Mitchell of Ellicott City, Md., who lost her left arm in a motorcycle accident, became the fourth person, and first woman, to receive a "bionic" arm that allows her to control

parts of the device by her thoughts alone. The technology, designed by Kuiken and other physicians and engineers at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, works by detecting the movements of a chest muscle that has been rewired to the stumps of nerves that once went to her now-missing limb. On Thursday, Kuiken joined Mitchell and Jesse Sullivan, the first person to get a bionic arm, for a news conference in Washington, D.C., where they demonstrated their prostheses. Kuiken said applying the technology to a woman created some new challenges. "There were two new things," Kuiken told the Times-News. "First, she had a breast over the main muscles. With lesser, pretty woman and we could not remove her breast and disfigure her. So, we figured out how to work around her breast by using muscles above her breast and off to the side." "That wasn't all that was different this

time around. "She's the first person where we did sensation nerve transfers on purpose," Kuiken said. "With Jesse, we only focused on his motor nerves. We had taken all the fat from under his skin so we could listen closely to the muscles. In the process, we cut the nerves to his chest skin and by accident, the sensation nerves from his hand grew into his chest skin so when you touch his chest, he feels you touching his hand." Kuiken and the research team took a different route this time. "With Claudia, we weren't going to remove all that fat so we specifically found remove all the fat from the chest and then directed them to the hand nerves," Kuiken said. "Her hand nerves grew into her chest on purpose." Kuiken and the team rewired the skin above her left breast so that when the area is stimulated by impulses from the bionic

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**Rodeo blues**  
Cowboys struggling with high gas prices

By Nicholas K. Geranios  
Associated Press writer

SPOKANE, Wash. — There's a new element to the sad country song that is a rodeo cowboy's life. To the raging bulls, lonely nights and lingering bruises, add high gas prices. Fuel costs hovering around \$3 per gallon are wreaking havoc on the wallets of rodeo cowboys, who often drive hundreds of miles per day in beefy pickup trucks pulling horse trailers to get to the next go-round. The image of the solitary cowboy traveling back roads may be an archetype of the modern West, but it is quickly going the way of the buffalo. These days, a rodeo cowboy is likely to share a gas-sipping economy car with three or four others. "Hell yes!" said Fred Boettcher, a top professional bull rider, when asked if gasoline prices were impacting his season. Scrambling to qualify for the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Boettcher these days often parks his pickup truck and flies or drives rental economy cars to far-flung rodeos. "I travel with lots of people," Boettcher said. "The more the better."

While gas prices have retreated to about \$2.82 per gallon in much of the country, prices are higher in eight Western states. Spokane drivers are paying \$3.08 per gallon. Bull rider Bret Summers of Spokane competes mostly in the Northwest, but that doesn't help his bottom line much. One recent weekend he drove from Spokane to Monroe, Wash., up to Winthrop near the Canadian border and then down to Kamiah, Idaho, and then home. "That was 1,200 miles in a Dodge Ram pickup that gets 10 miles to the gallon. All to hang onto a bull for 8 seconds and I'm good enough doing it to win some prize money. The reason: It's 13th in bull riding in the Pro West rodeo association and only the top 12 qualify for the Pro West Finals in Omak at the end of September. In his first season on the rodeo circuit, Summers, 23, figures he's broken even on entry fees with \$1,400 in winnings. Travel costs come out

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Bull rider Bret Summers, stands by cattle Thursday at the Dearing Ranch in Deer Park, Wash. Due to high gas prices, Summers carpools with his fellow competitors to rodeo events.

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**Man arrested after abducted girl sends text message to mom**

By Jeffrey Collins  
Associate Staff writer

LUGOFF S.C. — A man suspected of kidnapping a 14-year-old girl and keeping her in an underground bunker was charged Sunday with raping the teen, Kershaw County Sheriff Steve McCaskill said. Kershaw County Sheriff Steve McCaskill said Vinson Filyaw had eluded police with an elaborate system of hideouts and bunkers since November 2005 when he was charged with

criminal sexual conduct on a 12-year-old girl. He surrendered Sunday morning to police as he walked along Interstate 20 near Columbia, about five miles from where investigators found the teenage Filyaw, 36, abducted from a school bus stop on Sept. 6. Investigators arrested Filyaw in neighboring Richland County about 24 hours after rescuing the girl, who sent a

text message to her mother on Filyaw's phone while he was a sleep Wednesday, McCaskill said. The sheriff said Filyaw woke up and the girl still had the phone, but she told him she was simply playing with the phone. Investigators used cell towers to determine a general location






Filyaw

of the phone and deputies began searching for Filyaw on Friday night, McCaskill said the girl cried out as searchers approached the bunker. "This little lady getting that message out was really the break in the case," the sheriff said. "She helped herself as much as we helped her." Police say they still have not interviewed the girl, whose name was previously released when she was a missing person. The Associated Press is not using her name because police

have identified her as a victim of sexual assault. The girl was found Saturday about a mile from her home, hidden in a booby-trapped, 15-foot-deep hole carved out of the side of a hill and covered with plywood. The bunker had a hand-dug privy with toilet paper, a camp stove and cans and cans. McCaskill said it looked like Filyaw was trying to dig another bunker under that one as a possible backup hiding place.



# TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS		
Today	Tonight	Tuesday
		
High 73	Low 46	70 / 46

**MINI-CASSIA**  
**Today:** Mostly sunny skies and pleasant temperatures. Highs in the lower 70s.  
**Tonight:** Partly to mostly cloudy and mostly dry. Lows in the lower 40s.  
**Tomorrow:** Increasing clouds with a chance of showers late in the day. Highs in the lower 70s.

**Complete weather report: See page B4**

# TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

**FAMILY**  
 "Youth Options," activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, \$2, 733-8720.

**HEALTH**  
**College of Southern Idaho Over Sixty and Getting Fit** programs—a guided-walking-workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Jerome Rec Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Gym, Blaine County Campus Gym and Filer Elementary, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475.

**TO HAVE AN EVENT** listed in the monthly October calendar (including on-going events and support groups), please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number by noon Sept. 25 to Suzie Browne by e-mail to sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

# GOVERNMENT MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- TODAY**
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
  - 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.
  - College of Southern Idaho Board, 5:30 p.m., Student Union Room 248, Taylor Administration building, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 732-6261.
  - Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N., 728-3841.
  - Blaine Planning and Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., 768-5570.
  - Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W., 934-5669.
  - Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 550 Main, 423-5158.
  - Mindoka County School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 633 Fremont, Rupert, 531-4101.
  - Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library, 601 E. Highway 30, 352-4445.

- TUESDAY**
- Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley.
  - Buhl School Board, 6:30 p.m., district office, 920 Main.
  - Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1404 Overland Ave.
  - Castletford School Board, 7 p.m., school library, 500 W. Main.
  - Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m. council chambers, 300 Main.
  - Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.
  - Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
  - Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, 11 a.m., Joslin Room, airport terminal.
  - Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St.
  - Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Roll St. W.
  - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
  - Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high school library, 750 E. Main.

- WEDNESDAY**
- Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 140 Kentucky St.
  - Filer School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library, 700 Stevens.
  - Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., Hagerman Senior Center, 140 E. Lake.
  - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

- THURSDAY**
- Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar.
  - Kimberly School Board, 7:30 p.m. Intermediate school library, 244 Center St. W.
  - Mindoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 4 p.m., courthouse, 715 G St. S., Rupert.
  - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
  - Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St.

- FRIDAY**
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

This list is compiled from advance schedules. Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

## MAGIC VALLEY



**Rupert woman readies for first triathlon**

**RUPERT** — Alice Schenk has run around the world. Almost twice. Most of Alice's miles weren't tallied at the equator, though. They were run along canals outside of Rupert, later this month, Alice will add 26.2 miles to her personal count. Plus, she'll swim 2.4 miles and bike 112. Alice, a 48-year-old housewife, plans to complete a triathlon — her first — in Oklahoma on Saturday. A lifelong runner, she has, in a sense, been preparing for her most difficult athletic challenge her entire life.

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## 'Alive and Well' column returns to Image

If you're fighting the battle of the bulge side by side, a man and a woman, don't expect the same outcome with a similar effort. It can be a most exasperating experience to peddle your bike cross country with your hubby for a solid week. He drops five pounds and you, girlfriend, don't budge the scale one little iota. Here's the simple truth, Jan Mitchell writes in the first of a new series of "Alive and Well" columns: Men are often able to control their weight with less effort than women.



Mitchell

**Doctor gives a helping hand ... and arm**  
**TWIN FALLS** — The last couple of days have been a whirlwind for Twin Falls native Dr. Todd Kulken, director of the Neural Engineering Center for Artificial Limbs and Center for Bionic Medicine at the Rehabilitation Center of Chicago.

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## Woman embraced deaf, blind students

**GOODING** — Dorothy McCall had a twinkle in her eye and a soft spot in her heart for children. In the eyes of students at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, a 4-foot-10-inch woman was a giant. McCall died Sept. 10. She was 92.

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- Juanita Armenta, 87.
- Delia Olive (Goley) Whitmore, 85.
- Joey Carl Gorringer, 30.
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## MAGIC VALLEY



**Perrine Bridge Festival unites crowd**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Perrine Bridge seems to connect more than just two sides of a canyon, and that was evident on Sunday afternoon during the last day of the Perrine Bridge Festival.

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## County officials meet this week in Burley

**BURLEY** — Officials from Idaho's 44 counties will be in Burley this week for their annual conference.

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## Heyburn ponders electricity options

**HEYBURN** — To buy or not to buy, in that is the question. Heyburn officials approved an ordinance calling for its citizens to decide in November if the city should buy into Utah's proposed Intermountain Power Project III.

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## Cassia students try hands at pioneer life

**BURLEY** — Cassia Joint School District fourth-graders got a glimpse of how the Idaho pioneers lived during the school district's 10th-annual Living Idaho History day.

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**Conjoined twins go home after separation**

**SALT LAKE CITY** — The parents of 4-year-old twin girls conjoined at birth carried them out of a hospital. Sunday, six weeks after separation surgery, Kendra and Malynah Herrin departed Primary Children's Medical Center with an enthusiastic greeting for reporters.

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## NATION/WORLD



**Pope's explanation accepted by some**

**VATICAN CITY** — Pope Benedict XVI said he is "deeply sorry" his remarks on Islam and violence offended Muslims, but the unusual expression of papal regret drew a mixed reaction from Islamic leaders as the Vatican worried about a backlash of violence.

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## Secret prison network is a legal vacuum

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — In the few short years since the first shocked Afghan shuffled off to Guantanamo, the U.S. military has created a global network of prisons, keeping 14,000 detainees beyond the reach of established law. Disclosures of torture and arbitrary detentions have drawn rebuke. The bitterest words come from inside the system.

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## Compromise seen on interrogation program

**WASHINGTON** — Despite professing a willingness to compromise, the president's national security aides and holdout GOP senators are not saying how they can reconcile deep differences over the limits of CIA interrogations of suspected terrorists.

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## Swedish opposition ousts government

**STOCKHOLM, Sweden** — Sweden's center-right opposition alliance declared victory after nearly complete official election results showed it narrowly defeating the governing Social Democrats. Swedish Prime Minister Goran Persson conceded defeat.

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## Outbreak of E. coli grows to 109 cases

**SAN FRANCISCO** — Federal agents from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention intervened this weekend to help investigate an E. coli outbreak tied to tainted spinach from California's Salinas Valley. The greens, which appear to be grown by the world's largest producer of organic produce, have sickened 109 people, including the death of a 77-year-old woman, according to health officials. Epidemiologists are helping test spinach samples and stool samples of those who have been infected.

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## SPORTS



**Latham captures championship at MVS**

**TWIN FALLS** — Perhaps he didn't do it the hard way, but Bobby Latham III earned the title of 2006 feature Division I Champion Saturday night at the Magic Valley Speedway closed the door — on the season. As Latham set up camp in the pits second in the standings, Steve Jones, of Blaine, headed to the Magic Valley Speedway with the points lead and a good chance to sew up the 2006 feature division title. Instead, Jones had things sewn up in a very different way. Jones spent his Saturday night at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a case of appendicitis warranted an emergency appendectomy for the 37-year-old driver, but just a few short hours before race time and drastically changed his chances for a fourth feature division championship.

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## Harvick dominates at New Hampshire

**LOUDON, N.H.** — Kevin Harvick saw this hole in open track between two other cars. Driving through it would be risky, but Harvick's never shied away from taking chances. So he blew his Chevrolet in between Denny Hamlin and Jeff Burton, forcing his way to the front and running away with the win Sunday at the International Speedway. This is how Harvick plans to run for his first Nextel Cup title: Unafraid, unapologetic and with everything he's got.

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## Seahawks slide past stumbling Cardinals

**SEATTLE** — Seattle started with touchdowns by Shaun Alexander and Thaddeus Bishop on its first two drives before a strong pass rush and repeatedly blown opportunities by the stumbling Cardinals. Defending Seattle is 2-0 for the third time in four seasons despite Pro Bowler Matt Hasselbeck throwing two interceptions and going just 12-for-27 for 221 yards, his first game under 50 percent passing in two seasons. Alexander, last year's league MVP, ran for 189 yards on 22 carries, most of them late.

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# COMING IN THE TIMES-NEWS THIS WEEK

**The grid**  
 Finding your way on country roads.  
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## West Nile

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gency to protect agricultural animals. With a killing frost due shortly, commissioners say they are going with the most conservative method, because it will reduce the spring hatch in 2007, plus give county workers more time to locate the hot spots for the troublesome mosquitoes.

Grindstaff said if the county went with chemical spraying, some producers would have to wait 30 days until residue had dissipated, to sell their crops. Also, studies have shown aerial applications of the chemicals used to kill mosquitoes will prevent weight gain in meat, the production of which accounts for a \$100 million industry in western Magic Valley.

The active ingredient of the natural larvicide the commissioners chose is called Bacillus thuringiensis, or Bt. The commercial name is VectoLex.

People who have standing pools of water of any sort can get it for free at the county extension office, but they must fill out paperwork proving they have a need for the product, commissioners said.

Bt comes in briquettes over three to four weeks. Kelli VanLeuven, Twin Falls County Weed and Pest Control supervisor, said she has discovered mosquitoes with West Nile on both the east and west ends of the county.

Though it is estimated that between 750 and 1,000 mosquitoes can hatch from

a mud imprint of a cow's hoof with one-inch of standing water, she said so far she has not found any West Nile virus-bearing mosquitoes on or near any dairies.

"Even though mosquitoes like to lay eggs where there's lots of organic matter, we haven't found any near lagoons," she said.

She speculated the compounds and swirling water in most lagoons repel the insects.

Bud Compher, Filer public works supervisor, said he has been using the larvicide since last fall in the storm drains there about Filer. And since the ... "I've used very few mosquitoes," VanLeuven said she has received virtually no complaints about mosquitoes this year from Filer residents.

## Bionic arm

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arm, the skin sends a message to the region of her brain that feels her hand.

Future arms will also be able to perform more complicated motions. Williams recently spent time at the Chicago hospital trying out a prototype with six motors, not just the three of her current prosthesis. It will theoretically allow her to reach for things over her head.

But even the first-generation device "has changed my life dramatically," she said. "I use it to help with cooking, for holding a laundry basket, for folding clothes — all kinds of daily tasks."

For Kalken, a physician and biomedical engineer, this is the latest step in his 20-year effort to make a better artificial arm. Over that time, his laboratory has spent about \$3 million

on research and development, with more than \$2 million provided by the National Institutes of Health.

"Our goal is to build a prosthesis that has sensors in the hands and fingers so that when she touches something with the prosthetic hand, we can push on her chest skin and it will feel like she's touching the object with her own hand," Kalken said.

Now Kalken and his team are taking the technology to wounded warriors. The Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago is part of a multi-billion dollar, funded with nearly \$20 million from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), to create more useful and natural artificial limbs for amputees.

As of July, 41 members of the military serving in Iraq, and 37 in Afghanistan, have suf-

fered wounds requiring amputation of at least one limb. Mitchell spent four years in the Marine Corps but did not lose her arm during military service.

"It's a Department of Defense initiative to make better upper limb prostheses," Kalken said. "They have two teams building it, and we're on both teams. I'm excited to be working with the guys at Walter Reed (Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.) and Brooke Army (Medical Center in Texas). We've visited there and we're talking about hopefully doing the procedure."

For Kalken, the world of medicine, like the Army, is not just a job — it's an adventure.

"I have the best job in the world," Kalken said. "I've got the fibers to lead a helping hand, but I get to build better ones and give them away."

## Cowboys

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of his earnings in construction. He tries to shave those costs by packing up to seven people in his truck for trips to rodeos.

"You scrunch up as much as possible," he said.

In the past, gas prices didn't matter much when a cowboy was planning a weekend trip to a series of rodeos. Now they do.

"If you win first and can't cover your expenses, it's not worth going," said Jeanne Benson of Laramie, Mont., editor of Cowboy's Digest, a twice-monthly publication of rodeo results and news. "That was not a factor a couple of years ago."

Benson's husband, Bill, is a team toper. They travel to rodeos together with their daughter. Their truck pulls a trailer for two horses that also includes sleeping quarters for the family.

The rig gets maybe 11 miles per gallon, not much when you consider that over the Labor Day weekend they traveled to rodeos in the Mountain towns of Hamilton, Platts, White Sulphur Springs, Helmville and Dillon.

The towns are hundreds of miles apart, although that is considered close by the standards of the Sky Country.

Along with gas and living expenses, each rodeo costs some \$100 to enter. It's no wonder that Bill Benson works for the state highway department when not at rodeos.

Family time is sometimes sacrificed to the realities of gas prices.

"We stay home if he travels with somebody," Jeanne said.

Ann Bleiker, spokeswoman for the Professional Rodeo Cowboys' Association in Colorado Springs, Colo., said it is too soon to spot the immediate impact of gas prices.

Entries are not down at the major professional rodeos this summer, but she expected that some cowboys who are too far down in the standings to make the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas may cut back on their travel.

"We see more guys carpooling and riding together," she said. "Some guys fly now instead of drive. It costs the same and it's faster to fly."

Dolly Hughes, director of facilities for the Spokane

County Fair, said the number of entrants at their recent rodeo was down in team roping and barrel racing, events in which the competitors must bring their own livestock.

"We were down 15 percent on barrel racers," Hughes said.

Boeticher, of Rice Lake, Wis., has career winnings of more than \$600,000 since joining the PRCA in 1995. "This year he's ranked 22nd among bull riders, and is struggling to break into the top 15 to qualify for the big money at the National Finals on Nov. 30. He often travels with bull rider B.J. Schumacher of Hillsboro, Wis., currently ranked ninth.

Boeticher remembers paying 45 cents a gallon to fill a diesel pickup truck in 1995. Now it's \$5.30 a gallon in California.

Boeticher has been skipping some rodeos where the pay isn't high enough to cover expenses. But he can't skip too many because he needs points to qualify for the finals.

"I had a great winter and a lousy summer," Boeticher said. "I have no choice but to chuck it up and go."

"I might spend \$20,000 in the next month and a half to make \$20,000, but that's the way it is," Boeticher said, a full-time bull rider, 30 and has no plans to quit.

"It's either suck it up and do it or quit and get a 9-5," Boeticher said.

## Please join us...

as the Citizens Advisory Board deliberates on cleanup at the Idaho National Laboratory Site including:

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- Lysimeter Functions and Data Report
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## Heyburn voters to see power plan

By Renee Welch  
For the Times-News

HEYBURN — To buy in or not to buy in, that is the question. Heyburn officials approved an ordinance calling for its citizens to decide in November if the city should buy into Utah's proposed Intermountain Power Project II.

Councilman Rocky Baker presented a positive report on the plan following his recent visit to the Delta plant site, where IPP I and IPP II are producing nearly 20,000 megawatts of power.

"Let me get this straight. They want us to put our money into something that hasn't even been built yet?"

— council member  
Cleo Gallegos

Baker said the visit eased concerns he had about Heyburn participating in the plan. But council members Cleo Gallegos and Dee Ray Bailey were not swayed by Baker's report.

"Let me get this straight," Gallegos said. "They want us to put our money into something that hasn't even been built yet."

Heyburn made a presentation from UAMPS Marketing, spokesman Jackie Coombs a few weeks ago. She explained that several Idaho communities were considering a buy-in option with the company to alleviate a future power dilemma. The cities of Burley, Heyburn and Rupert could be short of power or faced with extremely high costs when Intermountain Power Administration, which provides energy to most municipal power companies in Idaho, ceases providing load requirements for many of these customers in 2012.

Burley City Manager Mark Milton said the IPP II plan being presented to some local entities is a big concern because energy is a main infrastructure concern.

"Power, water and sewer are the three things a community has to be able to provide to those who locate there," Milton said.

When council members questioned what other Idaho communities have opted to buy into the UAMPS proposal, Gallegos said she wanted to wait to see the outcome in those cities, but she was told that in those cities, too, will be voting on the issue in November.

# BRIDGE DRAWS CROWD

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Perrine Bridge seems to connect more than just two sides of a canyon, and that was evident on Sunday afternoon during the last day of the Perrine Bridge Festival.

Despite two days of unusually wet, cold and windy weather, the festival managed to attract a small crowd and earn more than \$25,000 for children with disabilities.

But it was the crowd that made things interesting. There was Raymond Toone, a retired engineer who moved to Portland, Ore., from Melbourne, Australia, about a year ago; there was Erik Rober, a BASE jumper from Truckee, Calif.; and there were the six leather-clad bikers who roared by on their Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

"It's a very interesting group of people," Toone said. "It's almost as if we have someone from every walk of life, but it's still a very peaceful celebration."

Along the canyon rim, kids played to the sound of a live band while BASE jumpers dove off the Perrine Bridge. Under a large tent, bikers stopped to eat a barbecue lunch alongside "retroees" from Twin Falls, and just before the last BASE jumper dove off the bridge Toone said he was talking with a "young man who also enjoyed 'bridge diving'."

Albeit an odd mix of people, it was typical of Twin Falls, where people from both near and far are fascinated by the iconic bridge and the freedom people have to simply jump off it.

"You definitely do not see this very often," Toone said, pointing to four sheriff's deputies watching as a BASE jumper dove off the bridge. "I think that's illegal in most places, you know."

But not in Twin Falls, where the right to swim, run or jump off a bridge trumps any legal jargon over liability.

"This is the only place where you can high-five the cops instead of running away from them after you jump," said one BASE jumper from Thboe.

Darrah Brown, a sergeant with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department, said it was just another extreme sport and because it wasn't illegal, law enforcement didn't get involved unless there was an accident.

"I like to fish and hunt, other people like to jump off the bridge," Brown said. "It's not illegal, and I would say that we have a pretty good rapport with the BASE jumpers, and my fellow BASE jumper Miles Daisler, who set a record for BASE jumping 57 times off the Perrine Bridge and liking out of



also from Truckee, Calif., said the festival was different because it brought together a group of jumpers to support children with disabilities and fellow BASE jumper Miles Daisler, who set a record for BASE jumping 57 times off the Perrine Bridge and liking out of

the canyon. The event's organizer, Nikki Daisler, said this year's festival was a learning experience, but one that will make next year's festival even better. "The community has really stepped up," she said. "And we have businesses that are

already promising support for next year." When asked if the weather might be a problem next year, Nikki said it wouldn't. "As Idahoans, we just bundle up when the weather is bad," she said. "Otherwise we would be cooped up inside all year."



## Dorothy Lee McCall

Born: Aug. 1, 1914  
Died: Sept. 10, 2006  
Survivors: Daughters, Carole (Bill) DeWald of Twin Falls; sister, Louretta Whitte of Golden City, Mo.; brothers, Robert Holland of Phoenix, and David (Barbara) Holland of Burbank, Calif.; best friend, Nina Myers of Gooding; good friend, Fern Fowler of Dexter, Mo.; granddaughter, Shanan (Mike) Walt; grandson, Kirk DeWald of Boise; and great-granddaughter, Jasmine Walt.  
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## With a twinkle in her eye ...

By Jani Whited  
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Dorothy McCall had a twinkle in her eye and a soft spot in her heart for children.

In the eyes of students at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, the 4-foot-10-inch woman was a giant. McCall died Sept. 10. She was 92.

When some friends convinced the McCalls to join them in Gooding, they left her hometown of Lewkwood, Mo., and ventured west during the harsh winter of 1948. Once they got to Gooding, they were awfully glad they stayed.

McCall found her professional calling at the ISDB where she first served as night watchman over the dorms, checking to make sure students were safe in their beds. She later became a houseparent of the girls and was her daughter, Carole DeWald, described, it was a perfect fit.

"She was a hard worker," DeWald said. "She just loved doing things for people."

She spent time helping students with their homework; making sure they ate and other motherly type duties for the students who stayed in the dormitories.

"She was there for it, and a mamma to them," DeWald said. "She loved every one of them and took very good care of them."

The students she helped all those years ago still remember the kindness and care that McCall bestowed upon them. Many kept in touch with her over the years and their parents are just as appreciative of her concern.

She hated to retire but when the time finally came she filled in every once in awhile and she faithfully kept up her compassionate nature.

DeWald said her mother used to tell her not to worry about anything until it happened, and that was something she herself took to heart. "She never worried about anything, never got down about anything," McCall said. "She was an upbeat person. Everyone that got to know her liked her."

Her loss of children wasn't solely directed at her ISDB students, though. Any child she saw was greeted with a warm smile and a little chat.

"I felt she could be a help to anybody or if there was something they needed and she could help them it just made her day," DeWald said.

To suggest a Life Remembered story or contact Jani, she can be reached at [jwhited@cablonet.net](mailto:jwhited@cablonet.net)

## Cassia County students practice living like pioneers

By Laurie Welch  
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Cassia Joint School District fourth-graders got a glimpse of how the Idaho pioneers lived during the school district's 18th-annual Living Idaho History Day.

Students were bused to the Cassia County Fairgrounds on Thursday, where 17 staffs offered the children hands-on learning about frontier living and World War II history.

"We love it because it's hands-on and they get to learn things they never would in a classroom," said Ruby Gebhart,

a teacher at White Pine Intermediate School.

The students toured the county museum, learned about World War II, visited an old-time schoolhouse, learned how to spin wool, listened to the Old Time Fiddlers, spent time with a mountain man, panned for gold, experienced Dutch oven cooking, and used a machine shop. Made rope, learned about native wildlife, the history of irrigation, Indian love and how cheese and butter are made.

"Gebhart said her favorite stations is the old schoolhouse, an accident by Twyla Hunt.

"She used to be a teacher and brings a lot of wisdom and I am always amazed that we can squeeze so many kids into such a small building," she said.

Gebhart said another display that really seemed to reach the children was the World War II display.

They gave them little Stars of David today and showed them scrolls containing names of the people who were there," Gebhart said.

White Pine Intermediate School fourth-grader Joshua Montoya said one of the things he learned was that Pearl Harbor was a place and not a



Mountain man Randy Hall shows students his knife-throwing skills on Thursday during the 18th-annual Living Idaho History Day at the Cassia County Fairgrounds.

person. Volunteer Richard Randall showed the youngsters how to make feta cheese using a milk and white vinegar.

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## Officials from around Idaho will meet in Burley starting today

By Renee Welch  
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Officials from Idaho's 44 counties will be in Burley this week for their annual conference.

The four-day Idaho Association of Counties event will include workshops, policy

steering committee meetings and meetings to create the association's 2007 legislative priority package.

Working in that will be a plan to seek mail-in voting in all Idaho counties. The method was tried in some areas throughout the state in last year's election, including three

Cassia County precincts.

The event will kick off today with a golf event at the Burley Municipal Golf Course, followed by a fun run and walk at Riverside Park in Heyburn.

The first general session will be Tuesday afternoon, with Gov. Jim Risch speaking at 2 p.m.

All day Wednesday will be a general session.

Treasurers will meet Thursday morning. A meeting for clerks will be held at 8 a.m. and a general commissioners meeting will be held at the same time. These will be directly followed by the Idaho Association of Commissioners

and Clerks meeting. State coroners will meet all day Thursday.

On Friday, the Idaho Sheriff's Association will hold a final meeting and luncheon.

Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higgins said the association will be discussing food service regulations in the state's jails,

jail standards, professional development, search and rescue and other issues.

"We get the opportunity to meet with newly appointed directors of POST (Peace Officers Standards and Training) and the Department of Corrections," Higgins said.

The convention ends Friday.

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### Joey Carl Gorrige

Beloved father, son, brother, nephew, cousin and friend. WENDELL — Joey Carl Gorrige was born on July 1, 1976, in Burley, Idaho, the son of Jean and Dan Gorrige. Joey passed away September 15, 2006, at 30, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Twin Falls, Idaho.



He is the father of Kaylee Jo Gorrige of Fallon, Nevada, Taylor Cece Renee, Austin Lee & Alia Marie of Wendell, Idaho. He is the brother of Jason (Shauna) Gorrige of Burley, ID, Lesia (Tommy) Knowlton of Fairfield, Jackie (Patrick) Carnahan of Dugway, Utah, and Justin (Stephanie) Gorrige of Idaho Falls, ID. Joey was loved by everyone including his numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. He will be dearly missed. Joey has now gone to join

his beloved little sister, Angie Deann and his grandparents, Carl & Mickey Gorrige, and Myrtle & Jack Jackson. Joey's first love and commitment in his life was his girls. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for any one of them. He loves them with all his heart.

Funeral services for Joey will be held Tuesday, September 19, 2006, at 10:00 A.M. at the Wendell Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Interment will follow at the Holy Family Cemetery in Oakley, Idaho. Friends may call Monday, September 18, 2006 from 5:00-8:00 P.M. at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Joey C. Gorrige Memorial fund in care of any branch of U.S. Bank.

All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

### DeLila Olive Whitmore

DeLila Olive (Goley) Whitmore, 82, of Twin Falls, passed away Sept. 15, 2006, at the St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.



She was born on April 30, 1921, to Eugene and Millie Goley DeLila went to the eighth grade in Conda at Soda Springs, Idaho. The family soon moved to Twin Falls, where she has lived ever since. DeLila married Gale Robert Whitmore on Nov. 16, 1940. They had 46 years of happiness until Gale's death. Then she lived with her son Maurice, until her passing. She and Gale raised four children.

Surviving are her children — Maurice Whitmore, and Charlene (Larry) McKay of Twin Falls, and Tony Whitmore of Hollister, and Esther (Larry) Gilbert of Tomblah, Texas. She was also blessed with eight grandchildren — Rich, Dean,

Mike, Ginger, Doug, Jason, Kip, Phil, children and great-grandchildren — Logan, Kesia, Austin, Colt, Ashland, Shaylan, Riley, Tiarnan, Jordan, Sabrina, Darby Lynn, Olivia, and Kristin. Brothers Bob Goley of Jerome, Laurence Goley of Twin Falls, sisters — Alice, Gullizi of Burley, and Orlene (Glen) Peterson of Rathdrum, Idaho. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Robert Whitmore, sisters Esther and Frances, and her brothers Elmer, Bill, Ray, and Clifford.

She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Visitation will be held Tuesday, September 19, 2006, from 5 - 7 P.M. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls, with funeral services to follow on Wednesday, September 20, 2006 at 10:00 A.M. at the Funeral Home.

The family wishes those who like to make memorial contribution in her name to the Multiple Sclerosis Association or to the charity of one's choice.

### Earl Seeley

POCATELLO — Earl W. Seeley, 89, passed away of natural causes at a local assisted living facility (Ashley Manor) on Friday, Sept. 15.

Earl was born on Sept. 10, 1917, in raised in Albion, ID, and lived most of his life in Rupert, ID. He was respected for his hard work, willingness, and respect for his dedication to his family. His claim that it is impossible to get too much education provided valuable guidance for his family. He loved to fish, hunt, spend time with his family, and dance with his dear friends, from Rupert and Burley. Earl moved to Pocatello in 2002 to be close to family members.

He is survived by two sons, Vernon (Patricia) of Modesto, CA and Rod (Jeanette) of

Pocatello, ID. A daughter, Marjorie of Rupert, ID preceded him in death, in 2001. He has nine grandchildren: Mark, Julie, Tony, Jeff, Amber, Teri, Alicia, Chris, and Kara. Funeral services will be held at the Downard Hansen Funeral Home, 241 North Cardiff Ave. in Pocatello on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 11 a.m. Friends will be received from 10:30-11:00 a.m., prior to the service. Family and friends are also welcome at Rod and Jeanette's home at 4065 Mohawk in Pocatello, Tuesday Sept. 19, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 20. Funeral services and a brief graveside dedication will be conducted by family members.

### SERVICES

Lorene Rose Scott "Scotty" of Joyden, memorial service at 10 a.m., today at the Heyburn LDS Ward building, 530 Villa Drive (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Wayne West of Wendell, celebration of life at 10 a.m., today at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Walter Ray Fox of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Hussnussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Edna May Clifford Bell Rea of Hagerman, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Hagerman Methodist Church, 270 E. Main; friends and family may call from 10 to 11 a.m. today at the church (Demaray's Wendell Chapel).

Irene Doane of Murtaugh, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Murtaugh LDS Chapel, 23709 Highway 30; family will greet friends one hour before the service at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Iva L. Cantrell of King Hill and formerly of Wendell, graveside service at 2:30 p.m. today at the Wendell Cemetery (Demaray Funeral Service in Wendell).

Joey Carl Gorrige of Wendell, funeral at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Wendell LDS Church; friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Ireta "Jane" Croft of Shoshone, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Shoshone LDS

Church; visitation for family and friends from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Relief Society room at the church (Demaray Funeral Service in Shoshone).

Lee R. Lowry of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Rupert LDS Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W. in Rupert; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Wanona Hodges Tolman of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Jerome 3rd Ward LDS Chapel, 825 E. Ave. B; visitation for family and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday and from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the Narzaranne Church (Hussnussen Mortuary in Jerome).

Robert Lee Grubbs of Bliss, memorial service at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Narzaranne Church in Buhl; friends may call one hour before the service at the church (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

"Mary" Marian Magdalena Miller Metts of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Andrew Paul Florence Jr. of Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, 161 Sixth Ave. E. in Twin Falls; rosary prayer service at 7 p.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2486 Addison Ave. in Ft. Linn Falls.

Richard William Pumphrey of Gooding, memorial service at 2 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Saleon Methodist Church in Slanesville, W.Va. (Demaray Funeral Service in Gooding).

71. of Rupert, passed away Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006 at Mindoka Memorial Hospital. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**Wanda Hays**  
EAGLE — Wanda Hays, 92, of Eagle, died Sunday at home. Services are pending at Alesia Chapel and Tribute Center in Boise.

**Sylvia Dunn**  
BOISE — Sylvia Dunn, 61, died Thursday at a local care center. Services pending Alesia Chapel and Tribute Center in Boise.

**Rosetta Vinson**  
RUPERT — Rosetta Vinson,

## Separated twins are released from hospital

By Jennifer Dobner  
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Declaring it a "huge day," the parents of 4-year-old twin girls conjoined at birth carried them out of a hospital Sunday, six weeks after separation surgery.

Kendra and Malayah separated Primary Children's Medical Center with an enthusiastic greeting for reporters.

"Hey, everybody, it's us!" Malayah said as she emerged from the revolving door in the arms of her father, Luke Herrin.

Their maternal grandfather pulled the twins around the grounds in a red wagon while

awaiting the family minivan, shortly after noon. The girls spent 86 days in the hospital, arriving June 23 to prepare for the separation.

"This is a huge day for us, going home," said Herrin, 26, standing next to wife Erin, 25. "We can't believe it's here already. We've been dreaming of this day for a very long time."

The next stage in the recovery will come at home. In North Salt Lake, where Kendra and Malayah had lived as sisters fused at the torso and sharing a pair of legs and critical organs.

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### Juanita Armenta

TWIN FALLS — Juanita Armenta, beloved mother, sister, aunt and grandmother, passed away due to complications of diabetes on September 15, 2006. She passed away peacefully in her sleep in Twin Falls, Idaho. A long time resident of the state of Idaho, she was employed for decades in the retail industry. Her hobbies included dancing, listening to music, her family's children, going to the movies and reading.



She was born in Cameron County, Texas, to Bartola and Marlo Aleman on February 11, 1949. On May 12, 1974, she gave birth to her first child: Michael. Then on September 21, 1975, she gave birth to her second son, Tony. Then on February 14, 1980, she married Juan Armenta in Burley, Idaho.

Mrs. Armenta was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Manuel

### Camacho.

Mrs. Armenta is survived by her family, husband; Juan Armenta of Twin Falls, Idaho; her son and daughter-in-law; Tony and Yolanda Hernandez of Twin Falls, Idaho; Son; Michael Jimenez of Las Vegas, Nevada, and her grandson; Gabriel Hernandez, of Twin Falls, Idaho. She is also survived by her siblings; Frank and Ernestine Garza of Bay Town, Texas, Lupe and Frank Lorente of San Jose, CA., Mike and Theresa Camacho, Gilbert and Linda Camacho, Geaniva and Robert Langston, Mario Jr. and Lisa Aleman all of Pocatello, Idaho, Rosalinda and Benny Gonzalez of Hissoux, and Reyes Camacho of Olympia, WA., and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Armenta requested to be cremated, there will be no services. The family requests donations be given to the American Diabetes Association in her name. Donations may be mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303 for forwarding.

### Marie O'Harrow

TWIN FALLS — Marie O'Harrow, 88, died Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006 at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho. Marie was born on December 24, 1917 in La Harp, Illinois, to Grace and John Turner. She lost her father to illness when she was only 4 years old. Her mother later married a friend of her father's, Lester Sears of Twin Falls.

Marie married Ralph O'Harrow on August 4, 1937, and they had 2 children. She worked for Penny's, the Idaho Dept Store and Warren Kays, accountant all in Jerome doing bookkeeping. She and her husband bought Jerome Bowl and managed it during the mid-50s. In 1970, Marie and Ralph retired and moved to Queen Valley, AZ, to spend 35 years as snowbirds, enjoying the warm weather during winters there, but returning to Idaho in the summers to be near family.

Marie enjoyed sewing and crocheting afghans for her family and friends. She was

also and athlete, playing softball with the Kees's Koeds after WWII. Bowling and golf became favorites and she served in many "officer" assignments for both. She loved organizing events and taking a difficult task - the kind of person sought after when the going gets tough. She was a major competitor in the duplicate bridge circuit.

From the past-pression era, Marie valued what she had and remembered that it had not always been that way. Consequently, she was compelled to help others if she felt they had a need, be it financial or in other ways.

Marie is survived by her husband, her daughter, Sharon (Ed) Peterson of Jerome, Idaho, one sister Eloise Olson of Twin Falls, she was preceded in death by her parents; her son Patrick O'Harrow (Rita), two sisters Vivian Keefe and Mary Roby; a stepbrother, Bill Sears, a sister, Marie Sears, and a sister, Wilma Jean Eastman.

A memorial service will be conducted at 3:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

### Elsie Crane

BURLEY — Elsie Crane, an 85-year-old resident of Burley, died Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006, at Mindoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, 2006, at the Burley State Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave., with Bishop Lance and Leonard officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

### DEATH NOTICES

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday at Resurrection Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church. A complete obituary will appear in a future edition.

**Devon H. Osterhout**  
DECLO — Devon H. Osterhout, a 76-year-old resident of Declo, died Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006, at Mindoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

**Wanda Hays**  
EAGLE — Wanda Hays, 92, of Eagle, died Sunday at home. Services are pending at Alesia Chapel and Tribute Center in Boise.

**Rosetta Vinson**  
RUPERT — Rosetta Vinson,

# White House, senators see compromise on interrogation program

By Nadra Pickler  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration and holdout GOP senators expressed confidence on Sunday they could reach a compromise on rules for CIA interrogations of suspected terrorists.

Neither the president's national security aides nor some of the lawmakers who've shied from White House pressure would say how they can reconcile their deep differences after a week of public sparring.

As a result, it is unclear if

Congress quickly can pass legislation authorizing aggressive methods against terrorist detainees, as President Bush wants, Congress is likely to adjourn in two weeks for the fall elections.

Bush says CIA personnel should be able to resume tough interrogation techniques to extract information from detainees. Several senators from his own party are standing in the way, seeking changes.

They say the United States must adhere strictly to international standards in the Geneva Conventions and that setting

harsher ones could put U.S. troops at risk if they are captured.

"We have to hold the moral high ground," said Sen. John McCain of Arizona, one of the Republicans not satisfied with the White House proposal. "We don't think al-Qaida will ever observe those conventions, but we're going to be the other way."

McCain elaborated later Sunday at a reception in Concord, N.H., after helping kick off a NASCAR race about 100 miles away. One of the things that sustained Americans captured during the Vietnam War

was the knowledge that "we come from a better nation with better values," McCain told about 70 people.

He warned against breaking with provisions of the Geneva Conventions that protect wartime prisoners. "That's what we do not want, because Americans would be setting the precedent for changing a treaty that has been untouched by any nation for 57 years," he said.

A Supreme Court ruling in June essentially said the Geneva Conventions should apply to suspected terrorists in CIA custody. The decision froze

interrogations and eventually led the administration to turn over the last 14 prisoners in CIA custody to the military officials running a prison for detainees at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Bush's national intelligence director, John Negroponte, said the interrogation program has had "precious little activity of that kind for a number of



Negroponte

months now" because of questions about its legality. But, he said, it is important that the program continue.

"It's provided invaluable information that has saved lives of Americans and significant lives against our homeland have been disrupted as a result. And, surely, there is a way of finding a way forward that would permit this program to continue and, at the same time, do it in a way that is both respectful of our law and Constitution and our international obligations," Negroponte said.

# Ex-detainees say system hurting war on terror

U.S. prison network grows into legal vacuum for 14,000

By Patrick Quinn  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — In the few short years since the first shackled Afghan shuffled off to Guantanamo, the U.S. military has created a global network of overseas prisons, its islands of high security keeping 14,000 detainees beyond the reach of established law.

Disclosures of torture and long-term arbitrary detentions have won rebuke from leading voices including the U.S. secretary general at the U.S. Supreme Court. But the bitterest words come from inside the system, the size of several major U.S. penitentiaries.

"It was hard to believe I'd get out of Baghdad," shopkeeper Amlid Qasim al-Alyawi said. The Associated Press after his release — without charge — last month. "I lived with the Americans for one year and eight months as if I was living in hell."

Captured on battlefields, pulled from beds at midnight, grabbed off streets as suspected insurgents, tens of thousands now have passed through U.S. detention, the vast majority in Iraq. Many say they were often interrogated around the clock, then released months or years later



Ex-detainee Amlid Qasim al-Alyawi, 31, plays with his pet parrot recently at his home in Baghdad, Iraq. "It was hard to believe I'd get out," al-Alyawi said after his release from a U.S. military prison, without charge, in August.

without apology, compensation or any word on why they were taken.

Defenders of the system say it's an unfortunate necessity in the battles to pacify Iraq and Afghanistan, and to keep suspected terrorists out of action.

Every U.S. detainee in Iraq "is detained because he poses a security threat to the government of Iraq or coalition forces," said U.S. Army Lt. Col. Keir-Kevin Curry, a spokesman for U.S.-led military detainee operations in Iraq.

But dozens of ex-detainees, government ministers and lawmakers, human rights activists, lawyers and scholars in Iraq, Afghanistan and the United States interviewed by The Associated Press said the detention system often is unjust and hurts the war on terror by inflaming anti-

Americanism in Iraq and elsewhere.

Reports of extreme physical and mental abuse, symbolized by the notorious Abu Ghraib prison photos of 2004, have abated since the Pentagon has rejected torture-like treatment of the inmates. Most recently, on Sept. 6, the Pentagon issued a new interrogation manual banning forced nakedness, hooding, stress positions and other abusive techniques.

The same day, President Bush said the CIA's secret outposts in the prison network had been emptied.

Whatever the progress, small or significant, grim realities persist.

Human rights groups count dozens of detainee deaths for which no one has been punished or that were never explained. The secret prisons — unknown in number and

location — remain available for future detainees. The new manual banning torture doesn't cover CIA interrogators. And thousands of people still languish in a limbo, deprived of one of common law's oldest rights, habeas corpus, the right to know why you are imprisoned.

"If you, God forbid, are an innocent Afghan who gets sold down the river by some warlord rival, you can end up at (Bagram prison, Afghanistan) and you have absolutely no way of clearing your name," said John Sifton of Human Rights Watch in New York.

The U.S. government has contended it can hold detainees until the "war on terror" ends — as it determines. "When we get up to 'forever,' I think it will be tested" in court, said retired admiral John D. Ruson, former top lawyer for the U.S. Navy.

In Iraq, the Army oversees about 13,000 prisoners at Camp Cropper near Baghdad airport. Camp Bucca in the southern desert, and Fort Suse in the Kurdish north.

Neither prisoners of war nor criminal defendants, they are just "security detainees" held "for imperative reasons of security," said command spokesman Curry, using language from an annex to a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing the U.S. presence here.

Others say there's no need to hold these thousands outside of the rules for prisoners of war established by the Geneva Conventions.

# Tornado kills girl, damages hundreds of homes in Minnesota

ROGERS, Minn. (AP) — A "tornado swept through this Minnesota town, killing a 10-year-old girl, damaging hundreds of homes and scattering debris across the city, officials said Sunday.

The girl was at a neighbor's house with her 19-year-old brother when it collapsed about 10 p.m. Saturday, Police Chief Keith Oldfather said.

"The roof is in the basement," Oldfather said after an aerial view of the damage Sunday morning. He said 200 to 300 homes were significantly damaged in Rogers, a town 26 miles northwest of Minneapolis.

"It's more severe than we thought," he said. "It just came out of nowhere and really did a lot of damage."

Other people were injured, and two remained hospitalized Sunday morning.

The National Weather Service determined the storm was an F2 tornado, with winds of 113 to 157 mph.

No tornado warning was issued for Rogers, but a severe thunderstorm warning had been issued, said Karen Trammell, a weather service meteorologist.

Gov. Tim Pawlenty was expected to fly over later in the afternoon.

In Rogers, some blocks were devastated while others were hardly touched. Vehicles were crumpled by snapped trees and debris and other debris.

# Swedish center-right opposition ousts Social Democratic government in close election

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — A center-right opposition vowing to revamp Sweden's famed welfare state ousted the Social Democratic government in a close parliamentary election Sunday.

Social Democratic Prime Minister Goran Persson, who had governed for 10 years, conceded defeat and said his government would resign after the party's worst election showing in decades.

With 99 percent of districts counted, the four-party opposition alliance led by Fredrik Reinfeldt had 40 percent of the votes, compared to 46.2 percent for the Social Democrats and their two allied parties.

"It was tough work that helped us win," Reinfeldt said in a victory speech to jubilant supporters in downtown Stockholm.

Persson said Sweden's social model — a market economy blended with a high-tax welfare state — was at stake in the election.

But the opposition led by Reinfeldt's Moderate Party insisted it would not dismantle the system but help it survive by promoting jobs over welfare handouts.

The results showed Reinfeldt's Moderate Party with 26 percent, a strong gain from 2002 when it won only 15

percent of the vote. After taking over the party leadership in 2003, Reinfeldt, 41, has steered the party toward the center by toning down its conservative policies.

"We dared to challenge ourselves, we dared to admit our faults," Reinfeldt said. "That restraint has not just begun, it will continue into the future."

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# Number of spinach E. coli cases rises to 109

By Justin M. Horton  
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — The number of people sickened by an E. coli outbreak traced to tainted spinach rose to 109 on Sunday, as federal officials announced more brands recalling their products.

"This is unquestionably a significant outbreak in terms of E. coli," said Dr. David Acherson, chief medical officer with the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

Natural Selection Foods LLC, the world's largest producer of organic produce, has been linked to the infected greens, prompting a recall of 34 brands. Those brands include the company's own labels and those of other companies that had contracts with Natural Selection, based in San Juan Batista, Calif., to produce or package its spinach.

On Sunday, River Ranch Fresh Foods of Salinas, Calif., added to its recall spring mixes containing spinach that were sold under the labels Hy Vee, Fresh and Easy, and Farmers

Market, FDA officials said. All contain spinach purchased from Natural Selection, they said.

The recalls came as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention intervened to help investigate the outbreak, which killed a 77-year-old Wisconsin woman, officials said.

In Ohio, state health officials said they were investigating the death of a 23-month-old girl who was sickened by E. coli to determine if, other the case was related to the outbreak. The girl's mother said she often buys bagged spinach.

CDC officials said Sunday they've started an Atlanta-based emergency operations center to help state health agencies with E. coli testing. Epidemiologists are helping test spinach samples and stool samples of infected people, center spokeswoman Lola Russell said.

The center is helping when state health agencies can't perform the tests or when a second opinion is needed, Russell said.

E. coli cases linked to tainted spinach have been reported in 19 states, with a majority of cases in Wisconsin.

Other states reporting cases were California, Connecticut, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah, Virginia, Washington and Wyoming, according to the CDC. The seven new cases reported Sunday were in states with previous illnesses, Acherson said.

The food and drug administration continued to warn consumers not to eat fresh spinach or products containing fresh spinach until further notice.

The investigation by the FDA and the California Department of Health Services will widen Monday with the aim of tracing the spinach to individual farms, Acherson said.

The inquiry will review irrigation methods, harvest conditions and other practices at farms possibly involved.

The spinach could have been contaminated in the field or during processing. About 74 percent of the fresh market spinach grown in the U.S. comes from California, according to the California Farm Bureau Federation.

## Shuttle leaves space station

By Marc Kaufman  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The space shuttle Atlantis left the international space station Sunday after completing all its planned tasks and more — leaving NASA officials "ecstatic" and optimistic about prospects for finishing the long-delayed station.

The six-member Atlantis crew did a fly-around of the station before leaving, taking photos of the newly installed girders and solar-power arrays that substantially changed the look of the space lab. The solar wings are the first addition to the station, which orbits more than 200 miles above Earth, since the 2003 Columbia disaster.

Reflecting the "pick-up" in space station activity, a Russian Soyuz spacecraft will ferry two station members and the first female space

tourist was scheduled to launch early Monday in Kazakhstan, and is supposed to arrive Wednesday. Atlantis is set to land at the Kennedy Space Center later that day.

"As you need more air traffic controllers when the airport gets busier, that's the situation that we're facing," American astronaut Michael Lopez-Alegria said from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, where he is scheduled to blast off in the Soyuz. "I frankly think it's very exciting and I think it bodes well for our future."

The Soyuz rocket will also carry Russian cosmonaut Mikhail Yurii and American astronaut, an Iranian American businesswoman who will pay an estimated \$20 million to be the fourth amateur to visit the space station. The 40-year-old Anshari, who lives in Dallas, will conduct blood and muscular experiments for the European

Space Agency during her eight days on the station. She will return to Earth on Sept. 28 with two of the station's current crew, American Jeffrey Williams and Russian Pavel Vinogradov, who have been on board since early April.

The space station crew is also preparing for the departure of a Progress cargo ship, which has been filled with used equipment and trash. The Progress will be sent down to burnlessly burn up in the Earth's atmosphere.

NASA plans to send 14 more shuttle missions to the station by 2010, when the station is scheduled to be completed and the shuttle program terminated. Building the station has already cost an estimated \$100 billion, and NASA officials are eager to turn their attention and resources to the next task — returning astronauts to the moon and exploring Mars.

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Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, is applauded by PeaceJam participants as he arrives to address them at the University of Denver on Saturday.

## Archbishop tells teens they must change world

By Chase Squires  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — Archbishop Desmond Tutu looked across a sea of cheering teenagers from around the globe Sunday, saying they not only can change the world, but they must.

"I look at you, and I am in awe," he said on the final day of an international call for peace and action called PeaceJam. "You are the ones who are going to make this a better world."

The South African archbishop, the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize recipient, was one of 10 Nobel laureates to commute to Denver. Over the three-day event, laureates urged the world's youth to yearn for peace — and to do something about it.

The fact of the matter is, Nobel laureates don't come floating down from heaven," Tutu said. "There was a time when we were very much like you."

From writing letters urging the United Nations to push the government of Myanmar to change, to seeking the end of political imprisonment worldwide, the laureates demanded that the assembled teens answer the call.

"You come here and you say, 'I will make a difference. I care about poverty. I care about war,'" Tutu said. "And all of you are peacemakers. We are opposed to war. We stand for peace."

After his speech, Tutu called on participants to come onstage and speak about something that inspired them. One by one, from Costa Rica, from Minnesota, from Michigan, teens read a line of poetry or recalled a memory.

One 23-year-old, Leway Cherry of Myanmar, drew a huge crowd by addressing the U.N.'s new role in monitoring the oppressive regime in her country. The Security Council voted last week to put Myanmar and the country's military dictatorship on its agenda.

"I want to — think — you, Archbishop Tutu," she said, before turning to him and receiving a hug.

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How Montana steered clear of elk imbrogio

The Missoulian (Mont.)

A worrisome spectacle unfolding southwest of Yellowstone National Parks has us thinking, "There but for the grace of Montana voters go we."

Wildlife managers are attempting to track down and kill scores of domesticated elk that recently escaped an Idaho game farm in the heat of the wild elk breeding season. Idaho's governor has ordered the escapes killed before the animals pollute the wild gene pool and possibly spread disease to wild elk herds of inestimable value. The runaway animals, however, have scattered into the countryside. Capturing or killing and accounting for every last one could prove most difficult.

As many as 200 elk escaped from the Chief Joseph "hunting" reserve in eastern Idaho sometime last month. We put "hunting" in quotes because, of course, shooting captive animals for a hefty fee is not hunting; it's shooting. The owner of that game farm had previously been fined \$750,000 for various violations, according to the Idaho Statesman newspaper in Boise, but that state's legislature dismissed the fines in 2002.

The threat domesticated elk pose to wild elk is significant. Many domesticated elk are descended from animals bred with European deer and they carry genes that don't belong in elk of the Northern Rockies. Animals selectively bred in captivity also bypass natural selection. Genes that contribute to success for domestic animals may have the opposite effect among wild animals. The potential for domesticated elk to breed with wild elk creates the potential to taint a gene pool that evolved over millennia. This is messing with Mother Nature on a potentially disastrous level.

Diseases are another clear and present danger. Throughout the West, and increasingly in the Midwest and East, game farms have been associated with the spread of chronic wasting disease and other diseases. Even diseases that in nature are more likely to be spread inside enclosures, and the shipping of domesticated deer and elk over long distances creates the potential to transmit diseases farther and faster than free-ranging animals ever could. Diseases are hard enough to control in domestic herds; doing so among very elusive wild animals verges on the impossible.

These are the reasons why intermingling of domesticated and wild elk, especially during the breeding season, is such a serious matter. This is the exact scenario that Montana voters contemplated in 2000 when they passed Initiative 143, banning new game farms and restricting the marketing of elk, deer and other animals from those already in existence.

Sportsmen led the charge in that election. Aversion to canned pseudo-hunts was part of the motivation. The violation of fair-chase principles is an ethical issue that has every potential to undermine overall public support for real hunting.

The commercialization of wildlife creates other social and economic pressures with potential to undermine legitimate hunting. But the risk of disease and genetic pollution loomed large in the I-143 debate. Montana's wildlife are integral to life in Montana culturally, economically and spiritually. Our wildlife represents an inherited asset that Montanans aren't inclined to squander. Montana's Legislature failed to heed the public's concerns about game farms, which is why the matter was handled through an initiative.

Colorado didn't take the threats posed by game farms seriously until it was too late, with chronic wasting disease now endemic in some areas. Wyoming was ahead of the curve, banning game farms outright decades ago.

Montanans passed I-143 amid growing concerns about chronic wasting and other diseases. We can only hope I-143 came in time.

Idaho's obviously got some catching up to do. They'd better close the barn door before any more livestock runs off.

Since state lines aren't something wildlife recognize, sloppy wildlife stewardship in Idaho can have implications throughout the region.

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Our view: Montana clamped down on game farms, but risks persist right across the Idaho line. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Congress and its clear Iraq conscience

The headline Thursday morning from Iraq read: "Nearly 100 Killed in Baghdad During 3 Brutal Hours." That's what faced embattled Republican Rep. Chris Shays of Connecticut — along with a plate of lukewarm scrambled eggs and a table full of reporters at a press breakfast sponsored by the Christian Science Monitor.

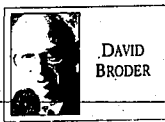
Shays waved away the breakfast plate, but he had a harder time dismissing his own doubts about what he terms "the noble mission" that brought the United States to Iraq.

By the end of an hour, it was clear to everyone that the war has exceeded this first-old, nine-term veteran of the House to a complete head case — consumed by the convoluted efforts to square the circle of his own conflicting impulses.

Shays' symptoms are important, because he is no ordinary member of Congress. He has made 14 trips to Iraq in the past three years as chairman of a subcommittee on national security — more, he says, than any other legislator. He made news in August by saying that, as a longtime supporter of the war, it was time to tell the Iraq government that unless it acted promptly to unify the country, U.S. forces would have no choice but to withdraw.

What emerged at breakfast was a far more nuanced — and a self-absorbed soliloquy that may reveal what is going on inside the heads of other politicians less prone than Shays to treat a reporters' breakfast as a session on the psychiatrist's couch.

Shays brought a bundle of contradictions to the Iraq issue. A conscientious objector



DAVID BRODER

during the Vietnam War, he had to wrestle with his conscience and, he said, his religious faith as a Christian Scientist before he could support the first President Bush's decision to use force to repel Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait. But he had no qualms about the current president's decision to invade Iraq, because he believed Saddam had weapons of mass destruction. And even now, he expresses scorn for those who say they regret their votes to authorize this war because the weapons were not there. "I would never back away from my vote," he said.

"On the other hand ... 'The president has no credibility,' Shays said, because of

that intelligence blunder, and because the management of the war has been awful. Notable as he found the Iraq's political achievement in writing and ratifying a constitution and electing a government, he had his side.

"Since January, there has been no progress" toward reconciling Shiite-Sunni conflicts and transferring the responsibility for policing the country to the growing army of Iraqis. Shays said he has become skeptical that the Shiite-dominated government on which the administration has placed its reliance will ever take the necessary steps — unless the United States makes them a condition for its remaining.

On the other hand ... It would be "immoral" simply to set a date for a timetable for withdrawal, as Ned Lamont, who won the Democratic Senate nomination in Connecticut over Sen. Joseph Lieberman, has suggested. But Shays said withdrawal should be conditioned on the Iraqis reaching certain specified troop levels,

alter which every new Iraqi soldier returning would mean another American could come home, until only a residual force was left.

Shays' position now is almost identical to that of the Democratic challenger, Diane Farrell, who has continued to attack President Bush's policies and fault Shays and the Republican Congress for "tax oversight" of the war. But Shays says that unlike his critics, he believes fervently that the threat of Islamic terrorism is real and growing, and that the president's so-called inaugural speech, calling for a worldwide offensive for democracy, represents a "historic" redefinition of American purpose.

Shays stepped off at Scotland Yard on his way home from Iraq last month and what he learned from the British alarmed him: al-Qaida cells with technology more advanced than those arrested in August for planning to blow up trans-Atlantic airplanes are probably operating today. He is convinced we will be attacked some day with chemical, biological and possibly nuclear weapons. He feels like a lonely Paul Revere, trying to warn people to take precautions.

But ultimately, he acknowledges, his own credibility is my own credibility. It is terribly important to Shays that his agonizing over Iraq not be confused with any wry about re-election. "Race is very, very important, but he wants everyone to know 'if Iraq costs the election,' it will not be other him. He just wants his constituents to know his cares.

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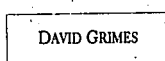
Judging the candidate by the campaign sign

Like many other voters who were dropped on their heads as infants, I judge the candidates according to their campaign signs.

A candidate who doesn't have the good sense to use the requisite red, white and blue color scheme may as well pay off his campaign staff and head back to his job at the plumbing supply store, or whatever, because I will not be voting for him.

If you are not smart enough to go with a red, white and blue campaign sign that you are not sure about to send our troops off to unnecessary wars, take illegal contributions from lobbyists, have an affair with an intern or perform any of the other important functions of government, in my opinion,

Down the street from me, a candidate for circuit-court judge posted a sign with a yellow and black color scheme in the primary election. I think he got something like 5 percent of the votes. He may as well have put up a sign that said, "Serial



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killers are people, too." Messages of this sort do not usually resonate with voters, in my experience.

The size of the campaign sign is also important. Because this is America, bigger is always better. A local man who is running for Congress spent approximately \$3 billion of his own money to erect 575,000 signs around the district that are, on average, the size of a circus tent. It goes without saying that he won handily in the primary election. You see a sign that obscures all the surrounding countryside and kills your eye for its vast shadow and you say to yourself, "This is a guy who will go to Washington and never bother me again."

You really can't ask more of a candidate than that. Some candidates like to supplement their signage by stand-

ing on street corners and waving. I am not a big fan of this idea.

In me, this just says, "My campaign signs are inferior. You know it and I know it. I am standing out here in the hot sun waving my hand like a lunatic in a pathetic attempt to overcome this glaring deficiency. If I kneel would I look more earnest?"

Sorry, but this feeble plea for sympathy just makes me want to rebuttal my future and vote graded in your face.

You would think a responsible electorate would treat its candidates more charitably, but these are angry times.

Candidates need to be very careful because we're all on edge right now. As my mother used to say, "I've got one nerve left and you're on it."

Which brings us to "negative" campaigning or what should more accurately be called "smear tactics." Personally I'm all for it. If you give me my greater

pleasure than watching wealthy candidates for elected office making complete jerks of themselves, it's sort of like watching a cockfight only without the risk of arrest.

This is not a 100 percent certainty but the candidate who makes the most outrageous statements or accusations during his or her campaign will often have the highest amusement value once in office.

I'm not saying that that should be your only reason to vote for a person.

I am not in the business of recommending candidates; that is the job of our Editorial Board, believe me, they can save me.

But I would suggest that you pay closer attention to campaign signs.

Because they can tell you a lot. David Grimes is a columnist for the Herald-Tribune in Saratoga, Fla. Contact him at david.grimes@heraldtribune.com.

LETTERS

BILL CHISHOLM: Buh!

Disrespect for flag warrants public outrage

I just read your front-page article about the "Two patriots ... and felt the need to comment.

I appreciate that you took the time to mention the proper treatment of the flag on this important day in history.

The perspectives of both Mr. Harmon and Mr. Bradshaw are interesting to note.

They appear to be proud of their country and proud of the flag that represents it. Although their flags are treated a bit differently, they at least have respect for our American flag.

Good for everyone! However, everyone on the planet remembers the Janet Jackson debacle at the Super Bowl a few years ago, but never anywhere, at a anytime, did anyone stand up and say, "shame on you," to rocker Kid Rock who wore the American flag around his head and

shoulders. His display of the American flag violated U.S. Code, Title 36, U.S.C., Chapter 10, as amended by PL 334, 94th Congress, and approved July 7, 1976. Section 176 part 2

His behavior was not only illegal but totally disrespectful and shameful.

This scene was witnessed by millions of people all over the world, including our military, but the only thing we heard about was Janet Jackson's wardrobe malfunction.

Personally, I was so upset by Kid Rock's treatment of the American flag that I didn't even notice Janet Jackson being disrobed by Justin Timberlake.

I think it is sad commentary about what is important to people in general. A huge stick is made of a slight peep show on television, but the blatant disrespect and shameful behavior is completely ignored.

There is something so very wrong with this picture.

DEBBIE COTTONWARE Shoshone

Proposition 2 is a wolf in sheep's clothing

Be wary of wolves in sheep's clothing. Means of course that things are not necessarily as they appear.

Case in point is Proposition 2, a right-to-sue and property proposal to limit the power of gov't in our lives.

Under the guise of taking on "eminent domain" to keep the government from taking your property for private economic gain; what Prop2 does is seek to destroy the "local land use planning act."

The following paragraph comes directly from Proposition 2:

It clearly goes beyond eminent domain and ties in all land use laws.

The end result could be that you might end up with a coal plant, a confined animal feeding operation, a rural suburb or a junkyard for a neighbor; or, we the taxpayers, would pay for that not to happen.

Whereas, the people of Idaho find that, notwithstanding these clear constitutional

rights, the state and municipal governments of Idaho consistently overreach on the property rights of its private citizens to own and use their property, especially as a result of the enactment and enforcement of land use laws that have the effect of reducing the fair market value of their property.

The net result is one less protection for Idaho's quality of life.

Prop 2 is being pushed by out-of-state interests. It is not about protecting private property rights, but about taking away local control and the precautions that we have in place.

We haven't done a great job with land-use planning in Idaho, but without those "land-use" laws, Idaho would be a sorry place to live.

Proposition 2 is a ruid wolf in sheep's clothing and needs to be exposed for what it is. Don't be fooled, vote no on Prop 2.

Our rights are only secure if we embrace our responsibilities.

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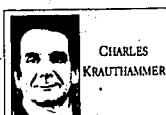
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# Countdown to attack on Iran

In his televised 9/11 address, President Bush said that we must not "leave our children to face a Middle East overrun by terrorist states and radical dictators armed with nuclear weapons."



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER

There's only one such current candidate: Iran. The next day, he responded thus as reported by Hieh Lowry and Kate O'Leirne of National Review to a question on Iran: "It's very important for the American people to see the president try to solve problems diplomatically before resorting to military force."

"Before" implies that the one follows the other. The signal is unmistakable. An aerial attack on Iran's nuclear facilities lies just beyond the horizon of diplomacy. With the crisis advancing and the moment of truth approaching, it is important to begin looking now with unflinching honesty at the military option.

The costs will be terrible: **Economic**—An attack on Iran will likely send oil prices overnight to \$100 or even to \$150. That will cause a worldwide recession perhaps as deep as the one triggered by the Iranian revolution of 1979.

Iran might suspend its own 2.5 million barrels a day of oil exports, and might even be joined by Venezuela's Hugo Chavez, asserting primacy as the world's leading anti-imperialist. But even more effectively, Iran will shock the oil markets by closing the Strait of Hormuz through which 40 percent of the world's exports flow every day.

Iran could do this by attacking ships in the Strait, scuttling its own ships, laying

mines or just threatening to launch Silksworn anti-ship missiles at any passing tanker.

The U.S. Navy will be forced to break the blockade. We will succeed but at considerable cost. And it will take time—during which time the world economy will be in a deep spiral.

Military, Iran will activate its proxies in Iraq, most notably, **Muqtada al-Sadr's** Alahdi Army. Sadr is already wreaking havoc with sectarian attacks on Sunni civilians. Iran could order the Alahdi Army and its other agents within the police and armed forces to take up arms against the institutions of the central government itself, threatening the very nucleus of the new Iraq.

Many Alahdi will die, but they live to die.

Many Iraqis and coalition soldiers are likely to die as well.

Among the lesser military changes, Iran might activate terrorist cells around the world, although without nuclear capability that threat is hardly strategic.

It will also be very difficult to unleash its proxy Hezbollah, now chastened by the destruction it brought upon Lebanon in the latest round with Israel and decelerated by the presence of Europeans in the south Lebanon buffer zone.

**Diplomatic.** There will be massive criticism of America

from around the world. Much of it is to be discounted. The Muslim street will come out again for a few days, having replenished its supply of flammable American flags most recently exhausted during the cartoon riots.

Their governments will express solidarity with a fellow Muslim state, but this will be entirely hypocritical. The Arabs are terrified about the rise of a nuclear Iran, and would privately rejoice in its defanging.

The Europeans will be less hypocritical because their visceral anti-Americanism trumps rational calculation. We will have done them an enormous favor by sparing them the threat of Iranian nukes, but they will vilify us nonetheless.

These are the costs. There is no denying them. However, equally undeniable is the cost of doing nothing.

In the region, Persian Iran will immediately become the hegemonic power in the Arab Middle East.

Today it is deterred from overt aggression against its neighbors by the threat of conventional retaliation.

Against a nuclear Iran, such deterrence becomes far less credible. As its weak, non-nuclear Persian Gulf neighbors accommodate to it, Iran will gain control of the most strategic region on the globe.

Then there is the larger danger of permitting nuclear weapons to be acquired by religious fanatics seized with an eschatological belief in the imminent apocalypse and in their own divine duty to hasten the End of Days.

The mullahs are infinitely more likely to use these weapons than anyone in the history of the nuclear age.

Every city in the civilized world will live under the specter of instant annihilation delivered either by missile or by terrorist.

This from a country that has an official Death to America Day and has declared since Ayatollah Khomeini's ascension that Israel must be wiped off the map.

Against millennium fanaticism glorying in a cult of death, deterrence is a mere wish. Is the West prepared to wager its cities with their millions of inhabitants on that feeble gamble?

These are the questions. These are the calculations. The decision is no more than a year away.

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## Hating government doesn't mean you hate the country

Kenneth Kuhlman believes there is a "late America set" of individuals (presumably Americans, though he isn't entirely clear about it), who were educated in a very liberal elementary school.

"He also believes that, "... if they went on to a higher education, they went to a highly liberal college or university like Berkeley, Yale or Harvard, for example" (see Times-News, Aug. 21). I wonder, does he include George W. Bush and his antecedents in his "late America set"?

I've lived in five states and visited numerous others and have had thousands of conversations with people from many walks of life and have yet to meet one person who hates America.

However, as a point of full disclosure, I have met many persons who have an intense feeling of repugnance for some of the policies of the U.S. government, and a few persons who have exclaimed that they hate what "they" are doing in this country and the rest of the world.

Kenneth believes that the secular humanists are the root cause for the "late American set." He should, then, be quite chuffed at the latest outburst from the holocaust-denying, testis-deficient lunatic president of Iran, who has called on Iranian students to purge

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moderate, liberal and (Oh! God gracious!) secular university teachers and professors.

When asked what he thought about his president's newest idiosyncrasy, Saeed Al-Agha, a professor at Tehran University had this to say:

"This is the beginning of a so-called cultural revolution..." They (the religious fundamentalists) want to rote the brains of youth here."

My word! To think that there very well could be at least one person in Burley, Idaho, who might agree with the thinking and actions of the president of Iran is alarming.

JOHN WALSH  
Burley

## Foreign relations council needs to be exposed

There is a plot to create a tyrannical one-world government by elites of The Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission.

Long-time CFR President and Trilateral Commission chief architect David Rockefeller proudly admits to the global government conspiracy on Page 405 of his book, "Memoirs."

"I wrote, "Some ideological extremists" believe we are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States... conspiring with others around the world to build a more integrated global political and economic

structure, one world, if you will. If that's the charge, I stand guilty, and I am proud of it."

CFR members are secretive and include elected leaders, judges, key media figures and others in positions of public trust and authority. CFR defectors maintain that this secret network isn't a "conspiracy" because its activities are legal. This ignores the fact that the CFR has become sufficiently powerful to hinder the law to its globalist purposes like Nazi Germany did to persecute and murder innocent people.

In 1966, Georgetown historian Carroll Quigley publishes "Tragedy and Hope," where he disclosed that there exists an international Anglophile network. He was permitted to examine CFR secret records.

The United Nations is the framework for global government, and regional governments like the European Union and the CFR plan to create a North American Union with the United States, Canada and Mexico is being implemented now without congressional approval. It will make the U.S. a "Third World country!"

It ruins the steppe and we must get out of the United Nations before we lose our independence and freedom as we become slaves to the globalist elite. See www.jhs.org for details.

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## How Can Senior Women Improve Retirement Outlook?

If you are a senior woman, you need to be diligent in managing your financial resources to enjoy a comfortable lifestyle in retirement. Fortunately, by planning ahead and making "right" moves, you can help alleviate any inequalities that may exist between you and the men of the world.

What are some of these disparities? Here are a couple to consider:

- **Longer life expectancy** - Both women and men are living longer these days. But you've still got the edge: A woman reaching age 65 can expect to live 19.8 years, while a 65-year-old man can anticipate 16.4 years, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. And more years of life mean more expenses.
- **Lower earnings** - The "wage gap" between men and women has narrowed—but it hasn't disappeared. Women who work full time still earn, on average, only about 77 cents for every dollar earned by men, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. And women drop out of the work force for an average of 12 years to care for young children or aging parents, according to the Older Women's League, a research and advocacy group. And this time away from the workforce results in more than \$500,000 in lost wages.

Furthermore, there may be lifestyle issues that put greater financial pressure on senior women: For example, when it comes to giving money to their adult children, women may be more generous than men. Of course, that's hard to prove, but according to annual surveys conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California at Los Angeles, there has been a major income disparity between the sexes over the past four decades: Approximately two-thirds of women say "helping others who are in difficulty" is an essential or very important life objective, compared to only half of the men. Thus, it seems plausible that retired women may be more committed to providing assistance to their grown children—which, of course, could lead to additional financial strains.

Taking all these factors together, it's clear that, as retirement approaches, you need to take action. Here are a few suggestions:

- **Take advantage of your retirement plan.** Put in as much as you can possibly afford to your IRA and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan. Every time you get a raise, try to increase the amount you contribute to your retirement plan.
- **Know how much to expect from Social Security.** Contact Social Security (www.ssa.gov) to make sure your earnings records are right and to find out the size of your benefits checks.
- **Be aware of wills, trusts and beneficiary designations.** If you are married, make sure you know what legal arrangements have been made for you to receive financial assets from your husband should you outlive him—which, statistically speaking, is likely.
- **Get professional help.** To identify and quantify your retirement planning goals, and to choose the mix of investments that can help you make progress toward those goals, you may well want to work with a financial professional.

And here's one final tip: Stay informed. Whether you're single or married, divorced or widowed, know where you stand in regard to your savings, investments and retirement plans. Your financial future is in your hands—so get a good grip on it.

- Questions:**
1. True or False - Women have a longer life expectancy than men.
  2. True or False - Women are allowed to put more money in a 401(k) than men.

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# Pope's explanation accepted by some Muslim leaders, others say it's not enough, caution against violence

By Frances D'Emilio  
Associated Press writer

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Some Muslim leaders accepted Pope Benedict XVI's explanation Sunday of his remarks on Islam and violence. Others said it wasn't enough, but cautioned followers against a violent backlash after attacks on churches in Palestinian areas and the slaying of a nun in Somalia.

The pontiff said he was "deeply sorry" his speech last week in Germany offended Muslims, particularly his quoting of a medieval text that characterized some of the teachings of Islam's founder as "evil and inhuman" and referred to spreading Islam "by the sword."

He said those words did not reflect his own opinions.

"I hope that this serves to appease hearts and to clarify the true meaning of my address, which in its totality was an invitation to frank and sincere dialogue, with great mutual respect," the pope said during his weekly Sunday appearance before pilgrims.

Seeking to placate spreading Muslim anger, Vatican officials previously said the pope held Islam in high esteem and stressed that the central thrust of his speech was to condemn the use of any religious motivation for violence, whatever the religion.

"While Benedict expressed regret his speech caused hurt, he did not retract what he said or say he was sorry he uttered what proved to be explosive words."

Anger was still intense in Muslim lands.

Two churches were set on fire in the West Bank, raising to at least seven the number of church attacks in Palestinian areas over the weekend blamed on outrage sparked by the speech.

There was also concern that the furor was behind the



Pope Benedict XVI raises his arms as he looks at the rainy sky, during the Angelus address to the faithful in his summer palace in Castel Gandolfo, on the outskirts of Rome, Sunday.

shooting death of an Italian missionary nun at the hospital where she worked for years in the nation of Somalia. The killing came just hours after a Somali cleric condemned the pope's speech.

Police across Italy were ordered to step up security out of concern that the anger could cause Roman Catholics to become terrorist targets.

Police outside the pope's summer palace confiscated metal-tipped umbrellas and bottles of liquids from faithful.

Benedict's expression of sorrow for the offense he caused

satisfied some Islamic leaders.

The head of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, a banned group but still the largest Islamic movement in that country, said the outrage was justified but predicted it would subside quickly.

"Our relations with Christians should remain good, civilized and cooperative," Mohammed Mahdi Akef told The Associated Press in Cairo.

But others were still demanding an apology for the words, including in Turkey, where questions have been

raised about whether Benedict should go ahead with a visit scheduled for November as the first trip of his papacy to a Muslim nation.

"It is very saddening. The Islamic world is expecting an explanation from the pope himself," Turkish State Minister Mehmet Aydin told reporters in Istanbul. "You either have to say this 'I'm sorry' in a proper way or not saying such a thing or because of its consequences."

In Damascus, Syria, lawmaker Mohammad Habash said the pope offered a "clarification and not (an) apology."

# Italian nun slain by Somali gunmen

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — An elderly Italian nun who devoted her life to helping the sick in Africa was shot dead by two gunmen at a hospital Sunday in an attack possibly linked to worldwide Muslim anger toward Pope Benedict XVI.

Sister Leonella, 65, was shot in the back four times by pistol-wielding attackers as she left the Austrian-run S.O.S. hospital at lunch time after finishing nursing school for trainee medics. Her bodyguard was also slain.

There was no claim of responsibility for the attack, which came just hours after a leading Somali cleric condemned the pope's remarks last week on Islam and violence.

The head of security for the Islamic militia that controls much of southern Somalia, Yusuf Mohamed Siad, said one man had been arrested and the second was being hunted. He said the killing might have stemmed from the uproar over the pope but stressed he didn't know for sure.

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## Bobby Latham III captures championship at MVS

### Medical emergency keeps Jones out of race

By Linda Brittain  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Perhaps he didn't do it the hard way, but Bobby Latham III earned the title of 2006 Feature Division Champion Saturday night as the Magic Valley Speedway closed the door on the season. As Latham set up camp in the pits second in the standings, Steve Jones, of Boise, headed to the Magic Valley Speedway with the points lead and a good chance to sew up the 2006 feature division title. Instead, Jones had things sewn up in a very different way. Jones spent his Saturday night at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a case of appendicitis warranted an emergency appendectomy.

my for the 37-year-old driver just a few short hours before race time and drastically changed his chances for a fourth feature division championship.

Latham and Mike Buddenhagen, Jones' closest competitors, therefore had their chances open up to capture the title in the final event of the season. Rob Vest and Shelby Stroebel began the battle for the lead in the 50-lap main at Lap 6 and continued to run side-by-side throughout the remainder of the race. Meanwhile, the cars behind the pair were fighting their own battles, resulting in several cautions as Latham and Buddenhagen fought to gain as many positions as possible. Latham was able to work



Bobby Latham III (left) smiles as he speaks with track announcer Bob Adams in the winner's circle after capturing the 2006 Pepsi Premier Division championship at the Magic Valley Speedway Saturday night.

his way up to his eventual finishing position of fourth at Lap 15, while Buddenhagen made his way into fifth the following lap. On the restart at Lap 27 after a caution for T.J. Wondahl, who had drifted off the track in turn 3, any luck

Buddenhagen had took a turn for the worse. He collided with David Patrick and Allen Williams just yards past the flag stand and the No. 40 car and driver spent the remainder of the race in the pits. After the restart, Vest and

Stroebel once again took up the battle for the lead while Latham seemed satisfied with his position behind Darryl Wert, who finished the race with a season-high third-place showing.

After a bobble in turn two by Stroebel, Vest was able to pull to end the race with his third main-event win of the season.

"When Shelby was on the outside of me, he started pulling away so when we got a caution I figured I'd take the line away from him and it worked," Vest said. "I think we only touched one time. I feel really bad for Steve (Jones) though. He's a good guy and it's too bad it had to end this way for him."

When it all was over, the 21-year-old Latham, in his first full season, had not only captured the track championship, but a spot in the Dodge Weekly Racing Series Division II battle as well. "It's definitely not the way

you want to win the championship," Latham said. "But somebody has to represent the track and I'm happy to do it. This is even a fairly late season for us. We've had our ups and downs but the guys stuck with me. It really hasn't sunk in yet that I'm the track champion. It's an awesome deal."

The Budweiser Grand National Division track championship was also on the line, with Jerry Rice atop in the point standings. His lead was slim, however, just five over Jerry McKeen and seven over Louis Lopez, 2005 MVS Grand Nationals track champion.

Lopez began the 25-lap main event in sixth, with McKeen and Rice directly behind.

Lopez took the lead at Lap 14 after dancing his way around the pits. He was followed by McKeen and Rice. Lopez pulled farther and farther, but the two jerseys went for

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## Seahawks romp past Cardinals

### Seattle not yet pleased at 2-0

By Gregg Bell  
Associated Press writer

SEATTLE — Standards have risen so high in Seattle that some members of the Seahawks aren't happy — despite being 2-0.

None of those would be on defense. "Everybody expects us to be the team that was in the Super Bowl," running back Shaun Alexander said after a 21-10 win Sunday over Arizona. "This is only the second week. So I think we have a good, second-week offense instead of the team that walked into the Super Bowl."

Last year's year MVP ran for a relatively modest 89 yards on 28 carries — most of those late — and scored an early touchdown.

Then Seattle's swarming, blitzing defense continually harassed quarterback Kurt Warner and the Cardinals into missed opportunities in the Seahawks' second consecutive underwhelming win.

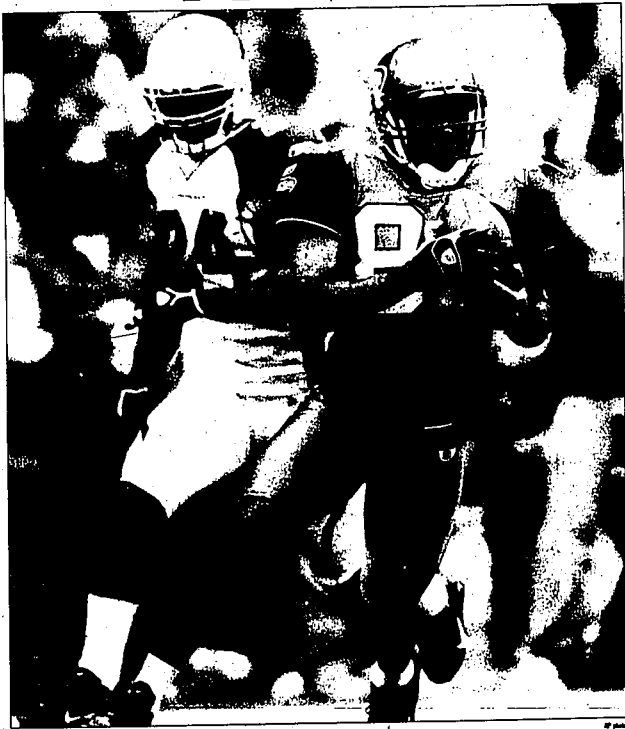
"Our defense really stepped up today. I think they have a chance to be a special group. I really do," said Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren, who calls Seattle's plays.

"Offensively," he added, "it is a work in progress."

Seattle is 2-0 for the third time in four seasons despite Pro Bowler Matt Hasselbeck throwing two interceptions and going 12-for-27 for 221 yards — his first game under 50 percent passing in two seasons.

And Alexander, last season's league rushing champion, was

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Seattle Seahawks wide receiver Darrell Jackson, right, pulls in a pass from quarterback Matt Hasselbeck in front of Arizona Cardinals cornerback Adrian Wilson and runs in for a touchdown during the first quarter of Sunday's game in Seattle.

## Harvick rolls to cup lead

By Jenna Fryer  
Associated Press writer

LOUDON, N.J. — Kevin Harvick saw the hole in front of him, a small patch of open track between two other cars.

Driving through it would be risky, but Harvick's never shied away from taking chances. So he shoved his Chevrolet in between Denny Hamlin and Jeff Burton, forcing his way to the front and running away with the win Sunday at New Hampshire International Speedway.

This is how Harvick plans to run for his first Nextel Cup title. Unafraid, unapologetic and with everything he's got.

"At this point, it's all about the championship and going for it and throwing caution to the wind," Harvick said of his three-side pass for 37 laps into the race. "If you look back on it, I probably wouldn't do that again."

Harvick turned New Hampshire International Speedway into his personal playground, dominating the entire weekend to take the early lead in NASCAR's Chase for the championship.

Harvick, who started from the pole and paced almost every practice session, led 196 of the 300 laps to run away with the first round of the 10-race Chase. He moved to the top of the points standings for the first time in his career, and holds a 35-point lead over rookie Denny Hamlin, who finished fourth.

"We sure have the momentum right now," said Harvick, who won for the second straight week and fourth time this season. "We just have to keep doing what we're doing. If we keep winning races, we're not going to get outscored in points."

Defending series champion Tony Stewart, who did not make the Chase this season and isn't eligible for the championship, finished second in one of the more nerve-racking races of his career. Although he wants to run hard these final 10 races, he's struggling to find the balance between doing so and being respectful of the 10 drivers battling to take his title.

"I don't feel like we have to prove anything. I think 26 (career) wins and two championships is proof enough — we just had a bad year this year," he said. "It's just a matter of will at this point. We want to go out and win races for ourselves."

"But it is a frustrating day when you are racing those guys that are in the top 10 in points. You are just so cautious around them and it is hard to race real hard and be around those guys, worrying about getting into them."

Jeff Gordon was third and jumped all the way up to fourth in the standings, the lone bright spot in an otherwise dismal day for Hendrick Motorsports. Chase drivers Kyle Busch and Jimmie Johnson (both) finished early, finished 38th and 39th, and dropped to the back of the 10-driver championship field.

## Elam is the hero again in 9-6 overtime win

By Arnie Stapleton  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — Jake Plummer struggled early, got an earful from Broncos fans and played mostly mediocre.

He waited until overtime to quiet the calls for his benching.

Plummer led Denver to a 9-6 win over Kansas City on Jason Elam's 39-yard field goal 5:10 into overtime Sunday. Denver's defense hasn't allowed a touchdown in the first two weeks, but the Broncos (1-1) once again struggled on offense until overtime, when Plummer hit Javon Walker for 24 yards to set up Elam's third field goal.

Kansas City (0-2) lost despite an impeccable game plan. Damon Hubbard, starting for the injured Trent Green, completed 17 of 23 passes for 133 yards in his first start in nearly six seasons, and Larry Johnson gained 126 yards rushing and 41 receiving.

The Broncos won the toss and recovered the ball at their 16 after

Cedric Cobbs coughed up the kickoff. Plummer hit David Kircus for 14 yards and Tatum Bell hurt through for a 20-yard run before Walker raced down the right sideline, slyly shoved cornerback Ty Law and hauled in Plummer's pass.

Walker, acquired in the offseason from Green Bay, led Denver with five catches for 79 yards.

Plummer, who had four turnovers at St. Louis in the opener, was a mediocre 16-of-30 for 173 yards and an interception for a dismal passer rating of 56.7.

And the Broncos and their quarterback heard from Denver fans when their first eight possessions netted six points. They failed to get across the goal line after getting a first down at the Chiefs' 14 late in the fourth quarter and settled for Elam's 22-yard field goal with 5:54 left in regulation.

The Chiefs took a 6-3 lead into the fourth quarter on Lawrence Tynes' field goals of 29 and 45 yards.



Denver Broncos kicker Jason Elam (11) high-fives a coach after kicking a 39-yard game-winning field goal in overtime to beat the Kansas City Chiefs 9-6 during Sunday's game at Invesco Field at Mile High in Denver.

Hubard made one of his few mistakes early in the fourth quarter when defensive end Michael Myers

batted his pass right back into the quarterback's arms and Hubbard fumbled. Please see BRONCOS, Page B4









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GENERAL FOOD PROCESSING plant in Jerome, Idaho has openings for various full-time positions on all three shifts. Starting wages \$10.50 per hour plus shift differential and bonuses. Good advancement potential and regular pay increases. Benefits include medical, dental, life insurance and long term disability insurance 100% paid by company. Liberal vacation plan with retirement plan and 401(k) plan. Apply in person at 218 S Birch St Jerome, ID 83308 or send resume to PO Box 427 Jerome, ID 83338 or via e-mail to tallia@chesepowder.com.

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#96 Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. 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-10.

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— John Dryden

The strategy of leading aces against slams is one that divides the expert, and nonexpert community alike.

My guess is that at least as many contracts are let through by not leading an ace as are made when an ace is wrongly cashed.

On today's deal I would surely have tried to cash the club ace. If dummy has a club control, as the auction implies, no great harm can come from looking around and deciding what to do next. If dummy has a singleton club, it is relatively unlikely that allowing one discard will be critical. If dummy has the club king, no real harm can be done.

At the table, though, West saw no further than the lead of his singleton. Declarer took the trick with dummy's king, drew trumps in three rounds ending in hand, and more in hope than expectation played a heart up to the dummy. When West showed out, it would have been easy to concede one down, but South was made of sterner stuff. He won dummy's heart ace, cashed the diamond ace, king and queen, and then led a club up.

What was West to do? If he ducked the trick, declarer would avoid losing a club trick altogether and just concede one heart. So West took his ace and returned a club. Declarer finessed the jack, pitching one of his hearts, then took the club king to shake his other heart loser, and had only trumps left — making 12 tricks.

- 09-18-A**
- NORTH**  
 ♠ Q 6 3  
 ♥ A K 10 G  
 ♦ A K 7  
 ♣ K J 6

- WEST**  
 ♠ 7 5  
 ♥ 7  
 ♦ J 10 4  
 ♣ A 9 8 7 5 2
- EAST**  
 ♠ 10 9 8  
 ♥ Q 9 5 2  
 ♦ 9 5 2  
 ♣ 10 3

- SOUTH**  
 ♠ A K J 4 2  
 ♥ Q 8 3  
 ♦ Q 10  
 ♣ 4

Vulnerable: Both  
Dealer: West

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 4 ♠ Pass 2 NT Pass  
 5 ♣ Pass 6 ♠ All pass

\*Two of the five "aces" (counting the trump king as an ace)

Opening lead: Heart seven

### LEAD WITH THE ACES

- 09-18-B**
- South holds:  
 ♠ K 7 4 2  
 ♥ Q 8 3  
 ♦ 7 4  
 ♣ K J 9 6

- South West North East**  
 Pass 2 ♠ Pass 2 NT  
 Pass 3 NT All pass

**ANSWER:** Lead the club six. Spades and clubs are equally likely to be successful on this auction, but you need an awful lot less from partner in clubs for the lead to strike gold. Even a four-card spade suit opposite will not necessarily achieve much, but queen-rich clubs probably set your suit up at once.

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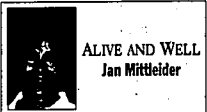


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## His and her weight control: Different rules apply

If you're fighting the battle of the bulge side by side, a man and a woman, don't expect the same outcome with a similar effort. It can be a most exasperating experience to peddle your bike cross-country with your hubby for a solid week. He drops five pounds and you, girlfriend, don't budge the scale one little iota. I'm all too familiar with this annoying outcome.

Here's the simple truth: Men are often able to control their weight with less effort than women. "I constantly encounter women who are frustrated by how much easier it is for men to keep their weight in line," says Lydia Hanich, author of "Honey, Does This Make My Butt Look Big?"



**ALIVE AND WELL**  
Jan Mittelder

"I tell them comparisons are pointless, given the biological differences." Despite the challenges of watching your waistline, an active partner does increase your potential to successfully reach your goals. But the path to better health can be littered with pitfalls, unless you're aware of gender differences.

### Calorie battle of the sexes

Whether you're male or female, there are really only three rules to weight loss: 1. Eat a little less. 2. Exercise a little more. 3. Repeat steps one and two a little more often. However, men are typically larger than women, so their caloric needs are higher. Men, by nature, have more muscle, a high-maintenance tissue that burns more calories than the corresponding amount of fat tissue.

And the rules change with age. Growing older means a steady decline in muscle tissue for both men and women which, of course, reduces caloric needs. Hormonal changes at menopause accelerate age-related muscle loss for women. In particular, strength-training exercises which build muscle can be a woman's best bet for leveling the calorie-burning since stronger muscles simply burn more calories.

### Exercise ... but not too hard

Sedentary people, especially men, who increase their physical activity are likely to lose weight with no change in caloric intake. "When men increase exercise, they lose weight because their bodies don't encourage them to eat more," says nutritionist Nancy Clark. "When women exercise hard, their bodies say 'Let's eat!'"

Lower-intensity activity, on the other hand, does not whet the appetite. Moderate, not intense, physical activity may be most beneficial for women trying to slim a few pounds.

Strenuous exercise can counteract weight-loss efforts in older women and men, too. In a study at the University of Vermont, older adults who added vigorous walking to their daily schedules didn't burn more calories than walkers with a less intense workout initially. Why? They compensated for the extra walking by moving less the rest of the day.

"When it comes to weight control, it's important to stay active throughout the day, not just walk for 30 minutes and then sit around," Clark advises.

### The bottom line

Three tips for women to counteract the gender difference:

1. Add strength training using body resistance, elastic bands or weight machines to your workouts to minimize muscle loss.
2. Find ways to add movement throughout the day, without stirring up a ravenous appetite.
3. Avoid direct comparisons with a dieting partner. A woman's weight loss seldom matches that of a man.

Health educator Jan Mittelder is co-director of the 100 calorie Getting Fit Program at the College of Southern Idaho.

# To the finish line

## Rupert woman readies for first triathlon

... but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.

— Isaiah 40:31

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Alice Schenk has run around the world. Almost twice.

Let's clarify: She's run nearly 40,000 miles in her lifetime. That's almost enough to have made two trips around the globe.

Most of Alice's miles weren't tallied at the equator, though. They were run along canals outside of Rupert. Later this month, Alice will add 26.2 miles to her personal count. Plus, she'll swim 2.4 miles and bike 112.

Alice, a 48-year-old housewife, plans to complete a triathlon — her first — in Okinawa on Saturday.

### Staying on pace

Rupert housewife Alice Schenk will compete in her first triathlon later this month. Here is how she hopes to fare:

**Swim**  
Distance: 2.4 miles  
Goal: two hours

**Bike**  
Distance: 112 miles  
Goal: 7.5 hours

**Run**  
Distance: 26.2 miles  
Goal: five hours

**What it will take:** Averaging 1.2 mph

**What it will take:** Averaging about 15 mph

**What it will take:** Averaging 5.24 mph

A lifelong runner, she has, in a sense, been preparing for her most difficult athletic challenge her entire life. But it's the past two years of training that pushed her to her physical, emotional and spiritual limits.

For starters, she had to learn to swim. At first in the shallow end of a swimming pool, then later — accompanied by kayaking friends — in the Snake River, Alice mastered her breathing technique.

Veteran Mini-Cassia triathlon athlete Randy Stone, whom Alice calls her "mentor," took her under his wing. He taught her about pace. He taught her about endurance. He taught her about keeping confidence in the face of the unknown.

"You've got to be very strong-willed to do something like this," Stone said. "And Alice is." Strong-willed but not without fear.

"Do it afraid," Alice said. "That's my motto. Some of the stronger swimmers (during a race) will swim right over you. I just have to do my thing."

It is a fear acknowledged, Alice bought a bicycle. At first, rides lasted just a few miles. One pedal rotation at a time, though, the distances built. She sought other bikers who could teach her about racing. She pushed herself to complete grueling daylong rides, sometimes putting in more than 100 miles between sunrise and sunset. She learned about pace. She learned about endurance. She learned about keeping her confidence when she was tired and there were still 20 miles to ride.

"The thing about any endurance endeavor," she said, "is gradual adaptation."

Alice knew she wasn't going to go out and ride 100 miles the first day she snapped on a helmet. But she knew if she could ride 25 one day, she could do 26 the next. So slowly, over the past year and a half, Alice has gone a little farther, a little faster, every day.

Throughout the process, her family has been her best cheerleaders. Before a run last week, her husband, Wayne, stepped into their one-level Rupert farmhouse for a quick kiss.

"Besides being a great athlete," Wayne said as he wrapped long arms around his wife, "you're very cute." He kissed her and she squealed.

But nothing inspires like a bit of competition. Or the dread of washing dishes for a half a year. When Alice's daughter, Sarah, broke a high school 3-palot record, Alice promised her a reprieve from dishes for six months. However, a new deal is on: If Alice finishes the triathlon in under 15 hours, it's back to dishes for Sarah. "And I plan on doing a lot of baking," Alice said. As much as triathlon training brings Alice closer to her family — and herself — it has strengthened her

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Alice Schenk runs along a canal near her home in Rupert. Schenk, who has been running most of her life and has logged almost 40,000 miles, is preparing to compete in a triathlon later this month in Okinawa.



"You've got to be very strong-willed to do something like this. And Alice is."

— triathlete Randy Stone

Schenk prepares for a run. One wall of her garage is plastered with running posters that inspire her while she pulls on her shoes.

## Think again: It is possible to teach an old brain new tricks

By Kama Metzler Fitzgerald  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It sounds like science fiction. Researchers say it's pretty far from it.

The method is called Mem/Aerobics, and its inventor is on his way to Twin Falls to appear at the Senior Expo next weekend. Roger Annunen developed Mem/Aerobics after working with older adults and noticing a lack of cognitive exer-

cises available. The bottom line, he says, is that you can teach old brains new tricks. At the core of his program is learning something new each day then, without writing it down, remembering that information later. "They learn how their

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### 2006 Senior Expo for seniors and their families

It's set for 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the College of Southern Idaho Gymnasium. Admission is free. For details and a description of events and workshops, see "Early

Signs," a special section of the Times-News, in yesterday's edition.

### Memory workshop

It's 8:30 to 10 a.m. Friday. It's free, but pre-registration is required. Call CSI's Office on Aging at 738-2122.



# COMICS

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

friggling.

THE RISSING ON A FRIGATE.

WILEY'S DICTIONARY

**Baldo** By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

DID YOU GO TO WORK FOR ME TONIGHT?

NO, BALDO. IT WOULDN'T BE RIGHT.

WELL, COULDN'T YOU AT LEAST TRY?

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

ALICE, I'M SENDING YOU TO A COMMUNICATION CLASS.

BECAUSE I'VE NOTICED THAT YOUR WORDS OFTEN SAY ONE THING WHILE YOUR BODY LANGUAGE SAYS ANOTHER.

FRANKLY, IT'S CREEPY. THANK YOU, I APPRECIATE THE USEFUL FEEDBACK.

**The Elderberries** By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

The word "gnome" derives from the Latin *gnomus* and the Greek *gnosis*...

Most interesting Professor!

They often appeared in Grimm's Fairy Tales!

Really?

We modern talk always depict them in conical hats, dressed only in solid colors.

Truth be known, STRIPES DE MAKE ME LOOK FAT?

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

EVERYBODY CAN VOTE! WHAT ABOUT IGNORANCE AND APATHY?

LET'S JUST HOPE THEY CANCEL EACH OTHER OUT!

**Mallard Fillmore** By Bruce Tinsley

HEY!

REMEMBER WHEN THE MEDIA ADMITTED THAT THEY WERE IRRESPONSIBLE AND HASTY IN DOING THOUSANDS OF GIBBERISH STORIES ABOUT THE WHITE HOUSE "OUTING" CIA AGENT VALERIE PLAME, WHEN IT WAS REALLY SOME GUY AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT?...

OH, YEAH. NEITHER DO I.

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

WE SHOULD DO MORE THINGS TOGETHER. I THINK IT'D BE GOOD FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP.

HOW?

I THINK IT'D HELP US TO BE NICER TO EACH OTHER.

LET'S START WITH THIS CROSSWORD PUZZLE. I'LL DO ACROSS AND YOU DO DOWN.

CAN I BORROW THE PENCIL?

GET YOUR OWN.

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

I PUT A HERCULES IN HIS CAGE SO I CAN MANAGE HIS CONDITION.

WHAT?

I GOTTA GO!

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

I DUNNO... SOMETHING ABOUT STALKING LEANS AND A RESTRAINING ORDER.

THE LEGAL EXPLANATION OF HOW HE BECAME THE TOP PREDATOR.

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

BUT WE NOW BELIEVE THE PEOPLE OF THE 21ST CENTURY MAY HAVE USED THIS AS A KIND OF CALENDAR...

**Baby Blues** By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

SOORY I'M GONNA GO TO CONY AT 11:30.

GREAT! (MISHEARS) LONG. (SILENCE) BRILLIANT! (GOSTS) 9:11E. (AMERICAN) FOCUSER. 14,999. (HEADACHE) ENOUGH.

**Brevity** By Guy & Rodd

GIAMATTI

**Doonesbury** By Garry Trudeau

YOU SURE YOU WANT TO GO TO THE MEANTIME? (SILENCE) BECAUSE I'VE GOT TO GO TO THE EMPLOYER.

OH, NO. (SILENCE) NOT TO GO TO THE EMPLOYER.

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

YOU WOULD THINK I'D BE A GOOD DAD. (SILENCE) THIS IS THE BEST I CAN DO.

ANY PARENTS ARE PROBABLY LOOKING FOR A GOOD DAD. (SILENCE) I'VE GOT TO GO TO THE EMPLOYER.

**Luann** By Greg Evans

TELL US MORE ABOUT YOURS. (SILENCE) THIS IS THE FIRST WE'VE HEARD OF IT.

IT'S NOT A PLAN EXACTLY. (SILENCE) IT'S JUST THAT I'M A PLAGIARIST. (SILENCE) I DON'T NEED TO LIVE AT HOME ANYMORE. SEEMS LIKE YOU'D BE HAPPY TO GET RID OF ME.

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

Lullooooo, zeebo neigba... Heestee. That is so... My hope is that his future killer of you.

FATHER, YOU KNOW THAT I'VE GIVEN THEM A LOT OF THOUGHT AND THAT I'VE DECIDED THE MOST ETHICAL THING FOR ME TO DO IS TO BECOME A VEGETARIAN.

**Rose Is Rose** By Pat Brady

THANK YOU FOR COMING IN! (SILENCE) I HAVE GOOD NEWS?

ACTUALLY, IT'S ABOUT HOW DOES THE CLASS NOW? (SILENCE) SHE'LL BE HAVING HER BIRTHDAY IN A FEW DAYS AND WE'VE GOT TO ALTERNATE.

## Gemini: Avoid wishful thinking

**IF SEPT. 18 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Power struggles within relationships may prove disruptive this year unless you disstep them. Don't let yourself become so independent that you think you don't need anyone—yourself feel different later. Your creativity is a special gift this year, but don't let it become a distraction from what must get done. Money should flow freely as long as you stay focused and avoid succumbing to total impracticality.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Pragmatism is still the order of the day and could well be your salvation if you're tempted by some pie-in-the-sky concept. Use this time to work on future plans, but don't put them into practice just yet.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** Enjoy attention, but don't let it turn your head or lead you into unworthy places. Keep those hooves firmly planted on terra firma today, as your next practicality could be swept away by cosmic illusions.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Communications could veer wildly off course today. Take great care to keep your thinking decisions and written or verbal interchanges accurate and on point. Avoid wishful thinking.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Today, you could again be marked for greatness. Your thoughts are all over the map—some may be overinflated and unwieldy — so proceed with care. Wacky humor amuses those around you, but your important priorities forward. Be careful not to bulldoze more timid souls.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You should have some time now to catch up on all those things you've neglected. You can also use this fairly quiet time to busily plan for the future—though the time for implementation has not yet arrived.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Overworldly creative impulses lead you for a day or so. It's a great opportunity to accomplish anything artistic, but timing for anything requiring analytical thinking or bottom-line pragmatism.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Don't busy into the rationale; let the ends justify the means: Those around you have long memories, and butting your head against the wall is seldom the most efficient approach. Use kindness.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Take care to keep your plans and ideas within the realm of the possible. You could be carried away with an impossible dream or just live off more than anyone could reasonably chew.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** It is still easy for you to judge others adversely, but at least you have the presence of mind not to broadcast your opinions today. Give others some wiggle room, they can't be as disciplined as you are.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You have a rare ability to understand and express your feelings now. You can also be incredibly verbally seductive and incredibly witty. It would be hard for anyone to outshine you now.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Ooh-la-la! You are hot stuff for the next couple of days. Make sure not to believe your own press to the point that you think you are above the limitations of mere mortals or don't have to play by the rules.

**HOROSCOPE**  
Jeraldine Saunders

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom, & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



The Wizard of Id

By Briant Parker & Johnny Hart



Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



# Wife is shy about letting it all hang out at beach

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are in our late 30s, healthy and in good shape. Our life is good, and we get along better now than we ever have in our marriage.

Before we get any older, my husband has asked me to visit a nudist beach or resort with him. He also says he would like to spice up our sex life by making love in the forest beside a mountain stream, or even the back seat of our car in a secluded spot.

Coming from a religious background, I am not totally comfortable with the idea of going nude at a beach in front of a lot of other people, or the thought of being caught having sex in the woods. My husband says that visiting a nudist beach or resort is not about exhibitionism or immorality. He says it is about enjoying nature and feeling the sensation of being free outdoors.

To be honest, these are things I might like to try, but I am just not sure. I'm concerned about what others would think if they found out. My husband says what we do is our own business, and the only way anyone we know would find out is if we told them.

Would it be wrong for us to go to a nude beach or resort, just to try it out?

—WONDERING WIFE IN PENNSYLVANIA



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR WONDERING WIFE: I recommend you consider your husband's suggestions one at a time, and see how comfortable you are with each one.

There is nothing sinful about going to a nude beach with one's husband. When you do, you will see entire families and people of every age enjoying themselves — all looking remarkably similar, and none of them leering at anyone else. Should you run into people you know, I can't imagine anyone gossiping about it, since they would have to explain how they happened to see you.

As to spicing up your sex life by making love in public places: Although some people may enjoy the "danger" of possibly being discovered, I don't recommend it because it leaves couples vulnerable to being exploited by anyone who happens by, or being cited for violating local ordinances against indecent exposure.

DEAR ABBY: I have a dilemma with my neighbors, a young couple who moved into our neighborhood a couple of years

ago. They are a very nice couple and we became friendly. But over the last several months, they have been spending an inordinate amount of time in our home.

They show up unannounced and often stay for more than two hours. My husband and I have two children and full-time jobs, so we don't have a lot of free time as it is. But when these two show up, we can't accomplish anything. They don't pick up on hints or gentle nudging when we try to get them to leave.

I dread the sound of the doorbell these days because I know it will be them. Sometimes it seems like they are watching to see when we come home. How can I tell them we need some space without hurting their feelings? I like them, but these unwanted visits are starting to take a toll on me.

—TRAPPED IN MY OWN HOME, FRONT ROYAL, VA.

DEAR TRAPPED: Your neighbors do not respect boundaries because you have set none for them. The next time they show up, do not let them in. Tell them you have chores you must do, and ask them to call before coming over in the future to see if it is convenient for them to visit. To speak up is not rude — it is self-defense, which you have a right to practice when your home is being invaded.

## American buffalo are technically 'bison'

The word "buffalo" comes from the Latin "bubalus," meaning "wild ox."

American buffalo are technically "bison": not buffalo at all. Buffalo, the town in New York that we shuffle off to, gets its name from a Seneca Indian tribe that once inhabited the area. There's no correlation between the two words, whatsoever.

This day in history: On Sept. 18, 1983, Britisbar George Meegan finished a six-year, 19,021-mile walk from the southernmost tip of South America to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska.

Do you need a comforting thought while traveling? No matter where you are on earth, you can never get more than 12,500 miles from home. Or may be a flock of seagulls, but it's a "pat" of flamingos. Samuel Taylor Coleridge wrote his famous poem Kubla Khan while high on opium. He never finished it, because a visitor knocked on the door and interrupted his creative reverie.

Until the 1800s, dental professionals in Europe believed a type of burrowing worm caused tooth decay. Standard treatment was to drop sulfuric acid into the cavity to kill the "worm." All it really did, though, was destroy the nerve tissue and kill the tooth.

Do you absolutely love your job? That makes you an ergophile.

A flamingo's knee is actually located high up, hidden beneath its body and feathers. The part of the leg you see bending backward is actually the flamingo's ankle.

According to tests done by the FFA and U.S. Agriculture Department, apples are number one in pesticide residue, followed by peaches and strawberries.

Despite all that armor, armadillos can swim. They inflate their intestines to add buoyancy, then paddle through the water. For small waterways, though, most prefer to hold their breath and crawl across the bottom.



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

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Contact Shauna Wasko at the CSI Office on Aging for more information 736-2122 ext. 307.

**Elder Law Forum**

Straight Talk on Elder Law and Estate Planning

**WILL CODICILS**

**QUESTION: What is a will codicil?**

A codicil is a legal document that supplements or modifies a prior will. It must be executed with the same formalities as a will.

Codicils are useful when you want to replace your choice for estate executor or guardian of minors, or enlarge or diminish the powers given to an executor or trustee of any trust provided for in your will.

Will amendments by codicil are strategically advantageous where you want to include or exclude another as beneficiary and your mental competency is in question. A successful challenge to a codicil's validity would not necessarily impact the validity of a prior will.

The wisdom of choosing a codicil over an altogether new will calls into play a careful weighing of such factors as the complexity of proposed amendments, the likelihood of a later contest, and the presence of mental competency issues.

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After hiking through the Red Barn Farm's non-sprayed apple orchard, Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006, Julie Robertson, 2, enjoys the fruits of her bounty near Platts City, Mo.

"MY TEACHER MUST THINK YOU'RE SICK, MOM. SHE KEGGS SAVIN' SHE PEELS SORRY FOR YOU."

# IMAGE

## Class teaches infant safety, CPR

An infant safety and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The program is offered as part of the prepared childbirth course. Organizers invite new parents and grandparents to attend to learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and injury prevention.

The class is free. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148.

### 'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me" classes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 W. Fifth Ave., Jerome. This week's topic will be reading baby cues.

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148 or go online at [www.nmvmc.org](http://www.nmvmc.org).

### Prepare for childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, this week through Oct. 18, in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The class will include instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and care of the newborn including breast feeding and bottle feeding, and a video tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148 or go online at [www.nmvmc.org](http://www.nmvmc.org).

### Alzheimer's support

SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Unit will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at SunBridge, 640 Filer Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The support group is open to Twin Falls-area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's. For information, call Steve Jones or Dawn Meyer at 734-8645.

### About childbirth

The third class of the pre-

### To do for you

pared childbirth class series will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday at the St. Benedict's Health, Education Center, 115 W. Fifth Ave., Jerome.

The topic will be labor, including the starting of labor, timing and comfort measures.

Participants are asked to bring two pillows, a blanket and one or two support people to each class.

The suggested fee is \$5 per class. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361.

### About diabetes

A Diabetes Day will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday at Kur's Pharmacy, 1203 Filer Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Maxine Schroeder, registered dietitian, will discuss the topic "Know Your Nutrition Program" at 2:30 p.m. Free glucose meters and free blood screenings will be available.

For information, call the pharmacy at 734-8177.

### Learn CPR/first aid

A first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class combines first aid and CPR training under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required; call 737-2007.

### Diabetes education

"The Healthy Diabetes Plate," a diabetes education program, will be offered from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 26 through Oct. 24, at the Twin Falls County Office Building, 246 Third Ave. E.

The program will be presented by Ilhea Laning and Carmie Joly, family and consumer sciences extension educator and Gretchen Ninkner, extension nutrition adviser.

Participants will learn how to successfully manage their diabetes through healthy eating

habits. People with diabetes and their family members and anyone interested in learning about diabetes are invited.

Cost, which is \$25 per person or \$35 per couple, will include materials, food and supplies for the five classes. Participants will receive cookbooks of the recipes.

### Breast cancer support

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Sept. 25 in the reception area at St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute, Twin Falls Cancer Center, 656 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The ongoing group is open to breast cancer survivors (male or female) and their families and friends.

The meeting is free. For information, call Lydia at 732-3242 or Mary at 734-1766.

### Support for widows

A widow support group is being offered through the Office of Aging. The eight-week class will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. beginning Sept. 27 at the Office of Aging - Senior Annex, 998 Washington St. N., Twin Falls. The Widowed Wellness course is designed to help individuals cope with the loss of a spouse.

There is a cost to participate, for those able to pay. For information, call Shawna Wasko at 736-2122 or 1-800-574-8656, ext. 307.

### Breast-feeding 101

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer a Breast-feeding 101 class from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 27 at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 W. Fifth St., Jerome.

The class is for expectant mothers, fathers, grandparents and other support people. First-time parents, mothers who haven't breast-fed their babies, and other parents as a refresher course.

A registered lactation consultant will teach the class. Organizers encourage parents to attend the class within two months of the baby's due date.

The class is free. To register, call 324-4301, ext. 3361.

### Learn Emotional Freedom Technique

Emotional Freedom Technique Workshop will be

held from 6 to 8 p.m. Sept. 27 and 28 in Room 115 at Magic Valley Hypnosis, 114 Locust St. N., Suite 212, Twin Falls.

A practitioner of Emotional Freedom Technique, a version of acupuncture except without needles, stimulates the energy meridian points on the body by tapping them with fingertips. The technique has been used as a treatment for pain management.

Cost is \$65. To register or for information, call 731-3895 or go online at [www.mvhypnosis.com](http://www.mvhypnosis.com).

### Learn CPR

A Heartsaver cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6 to 10 p.m. Sept. 28 in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class is offered under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required; call 737-2007.

### Learn belly dancing

"Intro to Belly Dance," with instructors from Shimmey Shakti studio in Twin Falls, will be offered from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at the College of Southern Idaho's Northside Center in Gooding.

The class, which is for women of all ages and sizes, is a way to get fit with the basics of belly dancing. No dance experience is required.

Cost is \$35. Wear comfortable clothing, and bring water to drink. To register, call the CSI North Side Center at 934-8678 or stop by the office at 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding.

"To do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Image section. Mail notices to: Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W.

### Autism's one-day workshop

last year.

"It was great. The information was simple, but it was effective, doable," she said.

She now works the exercises into her daily life — to the point that she almost doesn't realize she's doing it. Underwood is a case worker at the College of Southern Idaho's Office on Aging. Not only will she attend this year's workshop, she'll bring the entire case-management staff.

"It's well worth the time," she said.

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## Think

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brain works and how it fails," Anusien said. "Do it often, then they can rehabilitate through hard work on their own on a regular basis."

Anusien teaches the technique through simple games and exercises, in "Animal Congregation," for instance, he asks class participants to recall the names of groups of animals. Here's how it works: What do you call a group of llamas? A pride.

A group of geese? A gaggle. A group of giraffes? A tower. A group of flamingos? A stand.

A group of hummingbirds? A shimmer. Now, without writing it down, store that information.

## Triathlon

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spiritually more than anything else. When her legs burn, her head pounds and her lungs burn, Alice recites Bible verses in her head, namely Isaiah 40:31. She laminates Bible passages she hasn't yet memorized and files them to memory during canal-side runs. She also knows an entire chapter of an inspirational book by heart.

"You have a lot of time to think when you're out there," she said.

With 28 marathons under her belt, a happy marriage and successful children, you'd think Alice might be ready for a break. But idleness is the devil's workshop.

"If you're not careful, you end up believing you can't do something at a certain age," she said. "Besides, this is a good opportunity to go out and do something new."

## Next

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try to recall it in an hour. The next day, the next week. "Do it every day. This works on brand new neuroscience much less than two years old. Try to incorporate it into your daily life," Anusien said. "Less your brain to learn something new every day, doing a regular exercise with your brain."

Anusien says the exercise asks us to use several parts of the brain, and no matter what your age, you can encode information, store it and retrieve it. Once that's mastered, remembering someone's name or where you put the keys becomes easier.

Anusien has been teaching the technique for about six

### years, and neuroscience is

backing him up. According to a study published in the Lancet Neurology, in which the average age was 84, researchers were able to show that through this type of intervention, people were able to reverse the decline of cognitive ability.

"The process is more effective if the exercises are done in a group setting, Anusien said. "In studies out in May of 2006, the brain needs to have social interaction. It's called social cognition. If people interact on a regular basis with others, they will lower their risk of dementia over being a shaman," he said.

Sharon Underwood took

## Is long Term Care insurance for you or your family?

For years, long-term care insurance has been sold to individuals. "You want to be able to preserve your assets." "You want to be able to choose to reside care where you want it." "You don't want your children to have to take care of you." "You want to maintain your dignity." Guess what? Long-term care insurance is not about the individual in need of care. In fact, long-term insurance is not for you. It is for your family.

A sudden need for long-term care can literally tear families apart, emotionally and financially. There are very few instances where the burden of providing care for care is spread out evenly among family members. One child may have to quit his or her job to care for an aging parent. A wife may jeopardize her own health by caring for her husband, rather than hiring a professional to help. Long-term care insurance is not necessarily a replacement for the care of your family will provide. Rather, it allows families to keep their lives intact while taking care of you in a loving manner. It can remove some of the unnecessary burdens that people live on when there is no plan in place and a family member becomes sick.

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# Business Beat

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY

## Who Says There's No Such Thing as a "Free Lunch"?!

e'll buy your lunch — and save you money on your Chamber membership! The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce wants to help you make your business even more successful. If you're not a Chamber member, but would like to join — you're invited to a special "Free Lunch" on Friday, September 22. Check out the article inside on Page 3 for all the details and find out how Chamber membership can help you in your business, your personal satisfaction, and the community as we work together to enhance our economic vitality and quality of life.

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- New Chamber Members
- Monthly Calendar of Events



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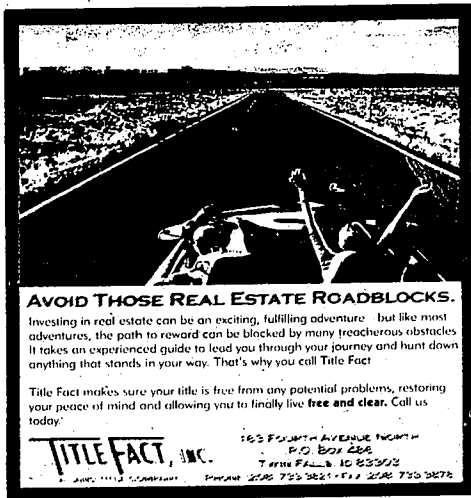
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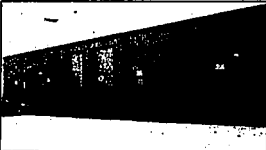
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membership in the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce is your key to business success. Through its various programs, services, and activities — the Chamber gives you the competitive edge.

**Key Benefits of Chamber Membership:**  
**Credibility** - people know you are part of a group of professionals, working together to positively impact the economy and quality of life in the Twin Falls area.

**Visibility** - your business will be featured in Twin Falls Chamber publications, working together to positively impact the economy and quality of life in the Twin Falls area.

**Exposure** - the Twin Falls Chamber refers ONLY Chamber members in response to the thousands of vacation, relocation; and general information requests we receive annually. Your business will also be listed in the Twin Falls Chamber's business directory and online on the Chamber's website.

**Networking** - take advantage of the opportunities to meet other Twin Falls Chamber members and learn how you can work with them to enhance everyone's business. Events include monthly Twin Falls Today luncheons, monthly Business After Hours get-togethers, the Annual Meeting and Banquet, the Annual Success Breakfast, and other special events.

**Representation and Advocacy** - the Twin Falls Chamber is hard at work every day representing the interests of the Twin Falls area business community to ensure achievement of the organization's mission. The Chamber also works closely with local, state, and federal government to promote issues of benefit to the business community.

**Involvement** - the Twin Falls Chamber offers many volunteer committees, access to educational seminars and workshops, and networking events to help you and your business grow.

The Chamber will host a special "Free Lunch" Membership Drive on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30am in the Herrett Center Rick Allen Room on the College of Southern

Idaho campus. Enjoy lunch, see and hear about the programs and services offered by the Twin Falls Chamber, listen to the business success stories from current Chamber members, and be entered in a drawing for a Snake River Dinner Cruise for two. If you attend the lunch - and join the Chamber before October 31<sup>st</sup>, we'll also waive your \$25 set-up fee! Current Chamber members are encouraged to bring a non-member to join — and you can enjoy free lunch, too...and a chance to win a great prize to thank you for your referral.

For more information about Chamber membership - or about the "Free Lunch" Membership Drive, contact Bobbi Pyle at the Chamber office at 733-3974.

### Ag Scholarship Applications Available

Community Foundations. The highlight of this recognition event is the awarding of scholarships to local students who intend to pursue a degree in an agriculture-related field at an Idaho college or university. If

you're a student wanting to apply for the scholarship, talk to your school counselor or ag instructor. Or get in touch with us here at the Chamber for details. The deadline for applications is October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

If you're a business wanting to support agriculture at the Chamber's scholarship program, applications are being accepted to fund these scholarships. Call here at the Chamber for details.

### Spring Cleaning in September

the parking lot of the Chamber office. If your business has inventory or good quality office equipment that it would like to get rid of or are looking for great deals

— please contact the Chamber office at 733-3974. Proceeds from the parking lot sale will be shared between the Chamber for maintenance of the Buzz Langdon Visitor

Center and Southern Idaho Networks for the 2007 4<sup>th</sup> of July Twin Falls Networks Display.

### Going Above and Beyond

during or doing any form of business in Twin Falls, a great experience? The Chamber Ambassadors would like to recognize

those individuals with the "Extra Mile" award. To nominate someone just write up a nomination including the person's

name and place of business and why you feel they deserve this recognition and send it back to the Chamber office.

### Your Turn for Input on Chamber Strategic Plan

links to the Chamber's online survey have been emailed to the main contacts of Chamber members. We emailed more than 500 - and have only received responses from about 100 of you.

Your input is critical to the successful update to the Chamber's short-

term and long-term goals for the organization to provide programs and activities to better serve the needs of the Chamber's nearly 750 member businesses.

If you're the main contact for your Chamber-member business and didn't receive a link to the survey, please email

Shawn at the Chamber at [shawn@twinfallschamber.com](mailto:shawn@twinfallschamber.com) to have the link sent to you. If you're the main contact — and don't have access to the Internet, we have printed copies of the survey that we can provide. Contact Jessica at [jessica@twinfallschamber.com](mailto:jessica@twinfallschamber.com) to have one mailed to you.

The Chamber Board and staff are anxious to draft a plan based on the responses from the membership. Please complete your survey by September 22. To be included in the process, once results are compiled, we'll draft a plan and share it with the membership for further input.

### Business After Hours

Thursday, September 28, 2006  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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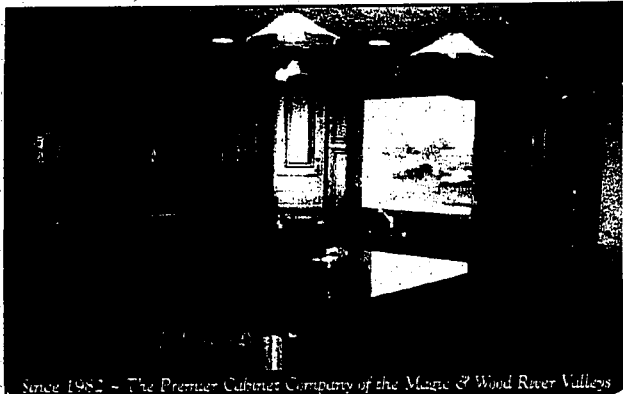
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## Twin Falls TravelCasts Hit the World Wide Web

The Chamber's new online program to invite visitors to Southern Idaho is under way on the Internet. The Chamber is producing a series of "Twin Falls TravelCast" podcasts to market Southern Idaho to visitors. Podcast marketing is the method of creating and publishing audio and video programs via the Internet. This allows a company's clients and customers to subscribe to a feed of new information about products and services. The Twin Falls Chamber is embracing this technology to market our product, our community and its economic vitality and quality of life. The first two episodes - featuring the Snake River Canyon and

Pertine Bridge area as well as Historic Downtown Twin Falls - are up and running. We plan 12 episodes over the next year on a variety of topics. The TravelCasts provide a snapshot of things to see and do, places to visit, and other local attractions.

You can check out the TravelCast in a number of ways.

- Go to [www.twinfallschamber.com](http://www.twinfallschamber.com) and click on the TravelCast Image on the website or TravelCast page in the left-hand navigation.
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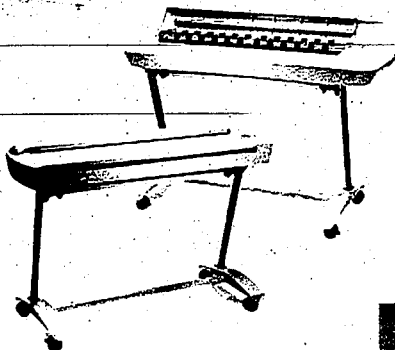
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how to make the most of the short amount of time you may have with visitors to the community to encourage them to stay longer and support our local economy. Stops on the field trip will include the Herrett Center at CSI, Blue Rock Winery and 8th Street Center in Buhl, The Hagerman Fossil Beds, and more. Meals, transportation,

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