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County still behind in property appraisals

By Jared S. Hopkins
 Times-News writer

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To prevent the state from withholding sales tax revenue from the county, Gerry Bowden

must perform about 260 appraisals each week to finish one-quarter of the nearly 36,000 parcels by the end of a five-year cycle in July.

State law, however, required he have one-quarter remaining in July. In May, Bowden and the county commissioners signed a contract with the Idaho State Tax Commission for it to monitor Bowden and "strictly" require 235 appraisals be performed each week — a figure that has since grown because of inconsistency.

The weekly totals in October were 263, 95, 164 and 316.

Bowden and tax commission officials said he will meet the deadline, but missing it could prompt the state to finish the job itself by hiring independent appraisers with sales-tax money that many public entities rely on for funding. The county

receives about \$3.2 million annually in sales tax and its 37 taxing districts get a portion quarterly.

"We don't want to be in that business," said Scott Irvin, Tax Commission. "That can be financially devastating to a lot of folks out there if we get involved in withholding sales-tax money." As of Aug. 9, the county had

appraised 53 percent. The only other non-compliant county in Idaho, Lincoln County, was at 69.75 percent. Bowden blamed an understaffed office and unexpected growth — the county has grown 11 percent — but Ada County, which has grown 12 percent since 2000, has met state requirements.

The county gave Bowden \$175,000 to among other things, increase the number of

full-time appraisers from six to 11, according to the contract.

Bowden said the two low weeks in October were a result of employees taking vacation and him working on new construction parcels, which he said are not reflected in the statistics. "We're ahead of schedule and things are moving right along pretty good," he said.

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A safer bomb squad



Police officer Luke Allen, one of five bomb squad officers with the Twin Falls Police Department, operates the Andros F6A Wednesday as Staff Sgt. Dan Lewin observes during a training day.

Twin Falls squad gets high tech help

By Cassidy Friedman
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Bomb squad commander Dan Lewin used to be the guy who raced against the fleeing crowd

toward the ticking bomb or the hostile gunman. Now those days are over, the senior bomb squad man says thankfully.

His luck changed one day shortly after the anti-terrorism hype of 9/11 when a newly reconfigured federal government began granting his club of ill-equipped bomb diffusers every item marked on their wish list. It started when a \$129,000 Andros F6A robot arrived in Twin Falls.

"Shoot at it (the robot) all you want," Lewin said. "I'd prefer you shooting at this cop

"Shoot at it (the robot) all you want. I'd prefer you shooting at this cop than at me."
 — Dan Lewin, bomb squad commander

than at me." Whenever the bomb squad can, it sends in the robot and watches from a remote control unit set up inside a trailer.

When the FBI conducted its first 50-state needs survey, the robot was not all the Twin Falls bomb squad was awarded. At that point, the Twin Falls police bomb squad — the easternmost of only four in Idaho — was barely holding onto its national accreditation with an aged ambulance, a used bomb suit donated by the Air Force and an old manual film X-ray

machine. It was given a high-tech robot, the first of several \$30,000 bomb suits, a real time X-ray machine and disarming tools.

Whose tab does this sudden burst of generosity get slapped on?

"They send me this," Lewin said, pointing at Andros F6A. "And they send the bill elsewhere. That's how it works." In other words, the federal government picks up the tab. Or said otherwise, it gets dispersed across the 50 states. The bomb squad, which



See it online
 Watch the robot in action at www.magicalvalley.com

serves Twin Falls, has never turned down a city or county that has requested its immediate help. Its southern Idaho location puts it in better stead to make excursions into east Idaho than the three squads in Boise, Nampa and Ada County.

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Do you sema Swahili?

CSI Refugee Center might receive Burundi refugees



By Joshua Palmer
 Times-News writer

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But the center needs people who speak Swahili or Kirundi before the federal government will approve resettlement in

Many Burundi refugees are victims of tribal and political wars between Hutu and Tutsi militias. After fleeing from Burundi, the refugees settled in camps in neighboring Tanzania in 1972. Currently, Tanzania is trying to close the refugee camps. Burundi refugees who were born in the camps are not considered Burundi, neither are they considered Tanzanians.

the Twin Falls area. The center has found a few people in Magic Valley who speak Swahili, but Ron Black, director of the refugee center, said it needs more.

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CAMPAIGN FINANCES

Otter, Brady up \$700,000

The Associated Press

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This year, Otter has raised \$1.4 million to Brady's \$1.1 million. Otter has \$262,000 remaining, and Brady \$148,000, and both have bought TV ads in the final weeks of the campaign.

According to the financial reports, Otter received

\$5,000 donations from businesses that included Washington Group International, Simplot Co., and Tamarack resort. Also making \$5,000 donations were Idaho Business PAC, Stimson Lumber Co. of Portland, Ore., and Three Rivers Timber Inc. in Kamiah.

He also received \$60,000 in donations from contributors in the Salt Lake City area.

Most of Brady's donors were individuals from Idaho. He also received \$5,000 from Teresa Heinz Kerry, wife of 2004 Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry.

Brady got \$1,980 from Larry Antocco, the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, and \$2,183 from D.L. Evans Bank, which is owned by the family of former Idaho Gov. John Evans, a Democrat.

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Doctors report success with novel treatment for heart failure

By Jeff Dean
 Associated Press writer

BOSTON — Doctors are reporting surprising early success with a novel treatment they hope will one day cure congestive heart failure in thousands of dying patients: They shrink the bloated heart with drugs while an artificial pump temporarily takes over the workload.

Though small, the British study more than tripled the usual recovery rate for patients with severe heart failure, a common killer once

viewed as unstoppable. Eight of 24 patients seem fully recovered, though their dying hearts had once ballooned up to twice the normal size. And the benefit has lasted at least four years and counting.

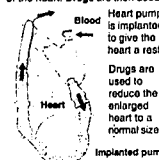
"Maybe in some patients, the failing heart is not end stage after all," Drs. Dale Renlund and Abdallah Kfoury of the Utah Transplantation Affiliated Hospitals declared in an accompanying editorial. The findings were published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine. The technique must now be

confirmed in larger studies and probably will not spread anytime soon in the United States, since one of the drugs isn't even approved for general use here, doctors say. Also, heart pumps can cost \$200,000, including hospital care. The study was backed by pump maker Thoratec Corp. of Pleasanton, Calif.

Nevertheless, the findings excited doctors, because congestive heart failure afflicts about 5 million Americans and each year kills about

Calming the heart enough to strengthen it

Doctors have cited success with treatment that could possibly cure congestive heart failure with a device used to ease the workload of the heart. Drugs are then used to shrink it to a normal size.



Once the heart has gone down in size, more drugs can be given to strengthen the organ. Implant is removed.

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SOURCE: New England Journal of Medicine AP

TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS		
Today	Tonight	Friday
Mostly cloudy, perhaps a little rain	Partly cloudy and spotty showers	Mostly cloudy with no local rain likely
High 52	Low 37	57 / 39

MINI-CASSIA
 Today: Mostly cloudy skies expected. Little to no rain likely. Highs low 50s.
 Tonight: A few stary sprinkles may pass, otherwise cloudy. Lows middle 30s.
 Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with no local rainfall expected. Highs middle 50s.

Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Drum!, a revue of the folk music, dance, poetry, video and rhythm of Nova Scotia, 7:30 p.m., the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, \$25 for adults and \$18 for children, 732-6288.

CHURCH EVENTS

Inquiry Classes for St. Edwards Catholic Church (R.C.I.A.), 7 to 9 p.m., parish hall, 152 7th Ave. E., Twin Falls, 734-7003.

EXHIBITS

The College of Southern Idaho Art Faculty Show, an exhibit including the works of 11 C.S.I. faculty members, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, C.S.I. campus, no cost, 732-6655.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
 Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. City Hall, 115 E. Poplar, 788-2128.
 Kimberly Public Library Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 Madison W., 423-4556.
 Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St., 536-5161.

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho's Over Sixty and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at Filer Elementary 9:15-10:15 a.m. at Hagerman High School Gym and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School, no cost, 732-6475.
 Twin Falls Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program for senior citizens, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St., Twin Falls, free for all senior citizens, 737-5946.
 Exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2126.

HOBBIES

The Idaho Oldtime Fiddlers Association (IOTFA) District 6B of Twin Falls County meeting, with jamming at 6 p.m., a brief meeting at 6:45 p.m. and more jamming afterward, the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center, 530 Shoshone Street W., 735-1580.
 Class on "easy to knit" crafts, taught by Joan Holloway of Filer, 7 p.m., Buhl Public Library, 215 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl, no cost (pre-registration required), 543-6500.

List your event

Please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

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CAJUNS FROM ACADIA

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COMING TOMORROW

ALONG THE RIFT
 Fall travels along the Great Rift.
 FRIDAY IN OUTDOORS

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Crews put out fire on historic Rupert Square

RUPERT — Fire threatened historic Rupert Square on Wednesday, but firefighters were able to contain the damage to one store. The call came in about 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, said Rupert Fire Chief Larry Pool, and by 9 p.m. his crew was still putting out hot spots. Damage was limited to the Dollar Daze store. No one was hurt.

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Teens go a-haunting to raise money for UNICEF

BUHL — Teenagers usually don't have any business dressing up for Halloween — unless they are members of their high school Key Club with the goal of raising money for UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund.

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OBITUARIES

Raymond "Buddy" Gerald Hagg, 67
 Leslie Lena Wickel, 73
 Bertha E. DeWitt, 92
 Patrick H. Bairden, 79

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IDAHO/WEST



Legendary Stardust casino closes its doors

LAS VEGAS — The Stardust casino-hotel, longtime host to topless revues and "Danke Schoen" singer Wayne Newton, saw the last roll of the dice Wednesday and shut its doors. The 48-year-old hotel that once set the standard for vice, glitz and glitter on the Las Vegas Strip is destined to be razed to make way for a new \$4 billion resort.

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Micron patent portfolio ranked best in world

BOISE — An international association of technology engineers says chip-maker Micron Technology Inc.'s patent portfolio is the most valuable in the world. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., a New Jersey-based nonprofit organization with 365,000 members, ranked Micron ahead of traditional patent heavyweights such as IBM and Hewlett-Packard.

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N. Idaho schools post kids' grades online

COEUR D'ALENE — The Post Falls and Coeur d'Alene school districts have started an online system that allows parents to check on how their children are doing. Parents can see their children's grades, attendance records, and assignment lists by going to a Web site that's protected with a password.

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Reno fire firm kills six; arson suspected

RENO, Nev. — A woman was arrested Wednesday on arson and murder charges after a fire swept through a three-story hotel in Reno's downtown casino district, killing six people and injuring dozens of others. Police Chief Michael Hochman said Valerie Moore, 47, set fire to a mattress in her room at the Mizpah Hotel. Officials were still trying to determine a motive.

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Hispanic immigrant voter drive falls short

NEW YORK — Activists hoped to turn immigration rallies quickly into political power, especially among Hispanics, but it's been slow going. They wanted to register 1 million people to vote, but of last week they have managed only 150,000, an umbrella group says.

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Kerry apologizes for remark about troops

WASHINGTON — Thrust into the midst of the midterm election campaign, Sen. John Kerry apologized Wednesday to "any service member, family member or American" offended by remarks deemed by Republicans and Democrats alike to be insulting to U.S. forces in Iraq. Six days before the election, the 2004 Democratic presidential nominee said he sincerely regretted his words, were "misinterpreted to imply anything negative about those in uniform." In a brief statement, Kerry attacked President Bush for a "failed security policy." The apology was issued after prominent Democrats had urged him to cancel public appearances.

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Red wine found to aid health in rats

WASHINGTON — Obese mice on a high-fat diet got the benefits of being thin — living healthier, longer. Thus — without the pain of dieting when they consumed huge doses of red wine extract, according to a landmark new study.

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Gunnmen abduct Sunni coaches in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Gunnmen abducted a top Iraqi basketball official and a blind athletic coach, both Sunnis, on Wednesday, a day after U.S. and Iraqi forces lifted a blockade on Baghdad's Shiite militia stronghold of Sadr City. The attack took place at a youth club on relatively prosperous Palestine Street in eastern Baghdad near the Sadr City district, which is controlled by anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr's Mahdi Army. The militia has been linked to scores of abductions and torture killings of Sunnis. They seized basketball federation chief Khalid Nejim, who also was a coach for the national basketball team, and Issam Khalifa, who coached blind athletes.

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Israeli troops kill 8 Palestinians in Gaza

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli troops seized a northern Gaza town Wednesday in one of the largest strikes against Palestinian rocket squads in months, imposing a curfew, deploying snipers on rooftops and patrolling streets in tanks. Eight Palestinians and an Israeli soldier were killed. Cabinet ministers scrapped a plan to widen the conflict, however.

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SPORTS



CSI men play season opener tonight

TWIN FALLS — Now it's time to enter it. Starting with tonight's season opener against the Pro Look All-Stars during Day 1 of the 30th Annual K&T Steel Tournament at the CSI gymnasium, the CSI men's basketball team will start going about the task of putting the paying public in the seats and a NCAA National Championship banner in the rafters.

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CSI women roll in tune-up for NIC

TWIN FALLS — When what you want is what you're getting, it's best not to complain. The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team had few complaints Wednesday night after rolling past the visiting Treasure Valley Community College Chukars of Ontario, Ore., 30-21, 30-16, 30-22 in nonconference action at the CSI gymnasium.

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Area spikers enjoy all-star event

TWIN FALLS — The 30 best seniors from the Magic Valley gathered Wednesday night at Bann Gymnasium at Twin Falls High School to play what could be for some their last high school volleyball match. "It's all about just having fun," said Dana Naylor of Richfield, a member of the North East team.

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Glenns Ferry hopes to beat defending champs

TWIN FALLS — The Glenns Ferry Pilots have navigated these waters before. Tonight, Glenns Ferry faces the Elfrth Cougars at Holt-Arena in Pocatello, the team that knocked the Pilots out of contention during the first round of the 2005 Class 2A state football playoffs 53-12. Since Glenns Ferry took state runner-up in 2001 (the senior year for current Boise State University linebacker Corey Hall) and 2002, the Pilots haven't made it past the quarterfinals.

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Bomb

Locally, the squad has fielded a fair number of calls recently. The five-man team intercepted a commercial explosive device from a load of coal that could have reached the furnace at the Amalgamated Sugar plant. The squad was heavily called out to deal with a man who had barricaded himself in a trailer park in west Twin Falls.

On Oct. 21, at 9 p.m. they responded to 893 Robbins Avenue West where a pipe bomb had been inserted into a resident's mailbox, but not lit.

The resident told police she saw two young white men

jump into a dark car with a spoiler on the rear and speed off. The robot was sent in to remove the item. Upon examination, Lewis grew certain that had it been successfully ignited it would have instantaneously exploded in the hands of the culprits.

Thanks to the robot, at no point did members of the squad place themselves at risk. "Seventy-five to 80 percent of the time he is our eyes and hands," Lewis said.

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Appraisal

In the average, you're going to have good weeks and you're going to have bad weeks."

Nevertheless, Irwin — who said those two weeks were the two worst since he began monitoring — said he remains confident the deadline will be met.

"It looks like they're staying on target pretty well; they only had one week that you blink your eye at," he said, adding, "I know this — they're down to working with the hardest properties left to do."

Irwin said the state encourages counties to schedule easier appraisals early so there is more time to finish harder ones, like commercial or farming properties, but said he was unsure how Bowden executed appraisals.

Apparently, Bowden, who is

running unopposed on Nov. 7, said he does not schedule the way the state suggests and declined any further details other than that he tries to perform 300 appraisals a week.

"It's hard in two or three sentences to explain how a plan is derived, but we're not looking for easy ones or hard ones and instead just trying to get them all done," he said. "What you do is make a target where the need is, not so much where it's hard or easy."

County Commissioner Bill Brockman, who is retiring in December, said he expects Bowden to meet the deadline.

"I'm still confident," he said. "I had a low spot in the numbers here the last two weeks, but this week it was right on the mark. I think the parcels are getting more difficult and Gerry understands that."

Swahili

"Surprisingly, we do have a few people who speak Swahili," Black said. "Looking for a specific language isn't as hard as it would seem in this area, but we would like to find more people who could interpret if we get there (Burundi)."

Although the center does not know for sure if the refugees will resettle in the Twin Falls area, it has begun preparing for that case. The center receives federal approval. Black said the center has already contacted local schools and businesses.

Doris Sommer, coordinator of English as a Second Language program in the Twin Falls School District, said the refugee center has told them of the possibility of incoming refugee children.

The district receives federal and state money for any student who does not speak English — regardless if they are refugees.

Sommer said the district does not hire interpreters because it teaches only in English.

"We do not teach bilingual," she said. "We have 22 different languages but we only teach English, and that's English."

If the Burundi refugees do resettle in Twin Falls, it would be the first African-refugee group to settle in this area. But Black said there is still a lot of work to do.

In order to relocate them to your community, you have to have certain resources available," Black said. "It's a long process to not only make sure that those resources are in place, but also to make sure that they (refugees) are prepared to live here."

The center receives \$850 for each refugee that it resettles. Half of the money is designated for administrative costs while the other half pays for the refugee's needs. Refugees are eligible for up to eight months of social-service benefits. However, when they begin

working in the United States, they are no longer eligible for assistance.

In the past four years, the center has brought in three language groups, which include: Russian, Serbo-Croatian and Farsi. Black said many refugees are industrious citizens in the community and are sought by local employers.

"Every day we're getting calls from employers saying, 'Hey, do you have anymore workers?'" Black said. "We have a lot of them (refugees) working in construction jobs and as truck drivers, and they tend to do a good job and stay with it."

He said many of the refugees stay in the same job for several years because their culture emphasizes loyalty. He also said some refugees may have not been taught to read or write, but they are very experienced in trade skills such as construction.

"Most of these people just want a chance," he said. "They want to blend in with the community and work."

But he said many do not have that chance.

"It's not that they can just go to Mexico and sneak across the border," Black said. "It's long and sometimes dangerous process."

He said some refugees must pay thousands-of-dollars-to immigrate to the United States, and many risk punishment or even death in their own country if they are caught. Black said the grandmother of one refugee family in Twin Falls was killed because her family had immigrated to the United States.

As for the Burundi refugees, only time will tell if they will resettle in Twin Falls, but if they do, at least you will know how to ask if they speak Swahili.

Novelist William Styron, author of 'The Confessions of Nat Turner,' dies at age 81

By Hilde Italia
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — William Styron, the Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist whose explorations of the darkest corners of the human mind and experience were charged by his own near-suicidal demons, died Wednesday in Martha's Vineyard, Mass. He was 81.

Styron's daughter, Alexandra, said the author died of pneumonia at Martha's Vineyard Hospital. Styron, who had homes in



Styron

Martha's Vineyard and Connecticut, had been in failing health for a long time.

A handsome, muscular man, with a strong chin and wavy dark hair that turned an elegant white, Styron was a Virginia native whose obsessions with race, class and personal guilt led to such tor-

mented narratives as "Lie Down in Darkness" and "The Confessions of Nat Turner," which won the Pulitzer despite protests that the book was racist and inaccurate.

His other works included "Sophie's Choice," the award-winning novel about a Holocaust survivor from Poland, and "A Tidewater Morning," a collection of fiction pieces.

He also published a book of essays, "This Quiet Dust," and the best-selling memoir "Darkness Visible," in which

Styron recalled nearly taking his own life.

Styron was a liberal long involved in public causes, from supporting a Connecticut teacher suspended for refusing to say the Pledge of Allegiance to advocating for human rights for Jews in the Soviet Union. In the 1980s, Styron was among a group of authors and historians who successfully opposed plans for a Disney theme park near the Manassas National Battlefield in northern Virginia.

Heart

58,000. Some drugs and pacemakers treat its early forms, but it often gets worse. These damaged or overworked hearts ultimately pump so weakly that sufferers cannot even perform simple daily tasks.

Once that happens, the only solution is either a transplant — an donor heart — or an artificial heart pump. These implanted pumps can take over much of the heart's work, but they can cause clots or infections in the long run and bring about recovery in no more than 10 percent of patients. Something else is needed.

The English team at Harfield Hospital in Middlesex got the idea of combining the heart drugs and the implanted pumps. The theory was that the devices would give the heart a working vacation while the drug returned it to its normal size.

Since this rest can eventually weaken heart muscle, the researchers added one more drug, a heart-strengthening called denbutolol.

As the study began, the hospital put the pumping implants into 24 patients without a previous heart attack or infection. Nine were sick for further treatment or soon died, but 15 took all the drugs. Eleven were well enough to remove the implants mostly within a year, and the treatment left eight fully recovered.

Four years later, they were leading "normal lives, with normal heart function," said lead researcher Emma Birks. "It's quite dramatic, really."

Dr. Gregg Fonarow, a heart failure expert at UCLA, said up to 40,000 Americans might ultimately be candidates for such treatments each year, if the technique is clearly proved by bigger and better studies. "This could be incredibly important," he said.

Others also wondered whether patients with certain disease could take a similar battery of drugs, get better, and maybe never need the heart pumps.

Yet some were doubtful about the study's approach and small size. Dr. Steven Nissen, a Cleveland Clinic heart expert, said it is impossible to tell without a comparison group how such

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Dr. Eric Llose, heart-pump surgeon at Columbia University in New York

patients would fare without a heart pump or some of the drugs.

"It's a very interesting paper," he said. "I have some concerns about whether it's actually going to represent the breakthrough that it seems."

The heart-strengthening drug, denbutolol, is sometimes used to bulk up cattle or athletes but is not approved by the FDA. It is not clear if it would work well or safely in many patients, doctors say.

Dr. Eric Llose, a pioneering heart-pump surgeon at Columbia University in New York, questioned how the other drugs — which are often used for heart disease — could seemingly work so well in these patients, when coupled with the implants.

"This field has been plagued by hyped expectations in the past," he said. "It can have the effect of setting the field back. I hope that won't be the case here."

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Detainees ask appeals court to overturn military trials law

By Matt Azzo
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Lawyers for dozens of Guantanamo Bay detainees asked a federal appeals court Wednesday to declare a key part of President Bush's new military trials law unconstitutional.

The detainees' lawyers challenged the military's authority to arrest people overseas and

detain them indefinitely without allowing them to use the U.S. courts to contest their detention.

Bush gave the military that authority last month when he signed a law that sets up special commissions to hold trials for foreigners designated as "enemy combatants." Bush hailed the law as a crucial tool in the war on terrorism.

In written arguments, attorneys

for more than 100 detainees who would be locked out of the regular judicial system asked the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit to let the detainees keep their legal challenges going in civilian courts.

The framers of the Constitution never would have permitted the government to hold people indefinitely without charges, the lawyers wrote.

"Persons imprisoned without charge must retain the right to obtain a court inquiry into the factual and legal bases for their imprisonment," they wrote.

This argument echoes a Supreme Court ruling in June in which the justices ruled that the Bush administration's system for trying enemy combatants violated U.S. and international law. Within weeks, the president persuaded Congress

to pass a law setting up military commissions and barring detainees from using the civilian court system.

Shortly after the law was signed, the Justice Department told hundreds of detainees that their cases in the U.S. courts had been rendered moot.

Even if the court decides not to declare the law unconstitutional, attorneys offered a creative way for the court to keep

the case alive. They suggested the judges rule that the law doesn't mean what the Justice Department thinks it means—because if it did, it would be unconstitutional.

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Pentagon sets out to battle bad news

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — As concern in the Defense Department mounts over increasingly negative coverage of the Iraq war, the Pentagon has launched a new rapid-response public-relations effort to rebut news stories that officials say are inaccurate or misleading.

Although all presidential administrations have been critical of the news media, most have avoided regular, ongoing public fights with journalists. But in recent weeks the Bush administration has shown a new willingness to fight over facts and reporters' analyses of news events.

The Defense Department's rapid-response efforts echo a White House initiative called "Setting the Record Straight," which counters news reports by inserting them of inaccuracies or of quotations taken out of context.

Among the first results of the Pentagon response is a new "For the Record" section of the Defense Department's Web site, www.defenselink.mil. The site currently features critiques of a Washington Post news article, a Newsweek cover story and two New York Times editorials, as well as a list of "Five Myths about the War on Terror."

Pentagon officials say the new effort is not in response to negative coverage of the war, but to an attempt to adapt to new technologies and find ways to communicate with the American public and international audiences.

"We've always thought it is important to go out and correct the record," Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman said. "If we are doing it more aggressively, it is because we understand in this information age it is easy for wrong information to be perpetuated."

The effort shows Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld's frustration with increasingly negative coverage of the war, said Marvin Kalb, a Washington-based senior fellow for Harvard's Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy. But Kalb said as long as the war is going badly, the news coverage is sure to be negative.

"It is not a matter of improving communication, it is a matter of the reality of the war," Kalb said. "The effective response has to be in the policy you pursue, not in the way the policy is covered."

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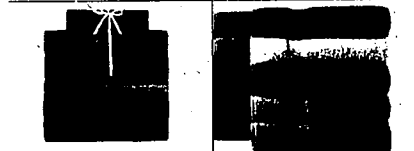
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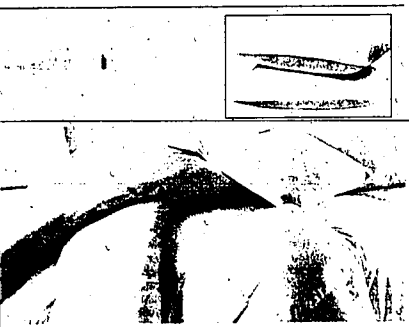
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EDITORIAL

Concerns for black cats shouldn't spook shelters

It's common knowledge around Magic Valley and the Wood River Valley, that if you want to adopt a pet from the animal shelter, you'd better bring your A-game. Local shelters do a spot-on job of finding you a prospective pet owners don't just adopt for the short term. They also weed out the careless candidate, as well as any sickos who want to hurt helpless animals.

So it's worth asking why some animal shelters, including one in Coeur d'Alene, are kicking up a fight by banning adoptions of black cats around Halloween. The Kootenai Humane Society prohibits those adoptions from Oct. 24 to Nov. 2, as do some other shelters nationwide.

"It's kind of an urban legend," explained Kootenai Humane Society executive director Phil Morgan. "But in the humane industry it's pretty typical that shelters don't do adoptions of black cats or white bunnies because of the whole satanic sacrificial thing."

With all due respect, what in the name of Josie and the Pussycats is he talking about?

While witchcraft probably doesn't flourish openly in society, it's not exactly wise to set policy according to "urban legend." Besides, if anyone wanted to perform a ghastly sacrifice on an animal shelter pet, he would still need to get past guardians of pre-adoption pets—namely, those who work in animal shelters.

Prospective pet owners must usually fill out lengthy applications that consider a candidate's ability to own a pet. The history of the pet owners, their residence, their family size, time at home, yard size, and other factors, are all in there.

"Because we have a good application process, not many people would purchase an animal to pull a prank," said Kathleen Olmstead, shelter supervisor for the Humane Society in Twin Falls. "We really haven't ever had that occur since I've been here."

Robin Potts, the shelter administrator in Halley, said a black cat ban isn't in the rules for Halloween, but there is an awareness to look out for mischievous vandals. "I wouldn't say it's a written policy, but it's something we take into consideration," she said. "Possibly we could hold off on adoption. We certainly have the right to do that."

That's a far more reasonable policy than banning certain adoptions during holiday seasons. Why limit the opportunities available for when pets can find a new home? What's next, a ban on puppy adoptions before Christmas?

Shelters should be applauded for making sure potential owners match their pets all 52 weeks of the year, not just when they're spooked by urban legends.

Our shelter: Animal view: shelters don't need to halt pet adoptions during seasonal holidays.

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



Water solutions require fresh ideas

Fixing past mistakes is rarely pleasant but sometimes necessary in order to get it right the second time. That is the condition facing the state of Idaho's water.

Few issues are as critical to southern Idaho as resolution of the water law. District Judge Barry Wood ruled that current water-use regulations are illegal because they do not comply with constitutional requirements of "first in time, first in right." Unless that ruling is reversed by the Idaho Supreme Court, a total rewrite of water allocation rules will be required.

Accomplishing this task quickly is critical. Water is key to nearly all economic activity in southern Idaho. Any enterprise relying on water will be in jeopardy until new regula-



READER COMMENT
Scott McClure

tions are put in place. How soon this task is accomplished, and what provisions it contains for water allocation, are the tough questions.

I believe there are four critical elements that need to be addressed. Each requires a change of direction from allocation practices of the last 15 years, and each is essential.

First is the required compliance with the constitutional rule of first in time, first in right. It must be accomplished to pass legal muster but also as reaffirmation of a long-

standing practice. Second, new rules must balance inputs and outputs from the aquifer. We can determine the amount of water entering the aquifer, and regulations must balance the amount leaving the aquifer. Current practices allow excessive aquifer withdrawals of 350,000 acre feet of water each year. This is not sustainable, and the Legislature should know it.

Third, they must take a comprehensive view of the entire aquifer. It covers more than 10,000 square miles and ranges from Ashton to Glenn Ferry. What happens in eastern Idaho does impact the Magic Valley.

Finally, a method must be put into place where those needing water but who do not have an active water right can purchase or rent water from

those who do. Transfers must be based upon the willing buyer-willing seller concept, but procedures allowing such transfers must be streamlined to expedite the process.

The Chinese symbol for crisis is the same symbol used to describe opportunity. I believe the same situation occurs here. If the Department of Water Resources and the Legislature act promptly, they can correct many critical water problems, and the state will benefit. If they retain the same procedures of the past, they will become that symbol for crisis for all of Southern Idaho.

Scott McClure is the Democrat candidate for the Idaho House of Representatives, Seat 26A, Jerome and Mindlaka counties.

Voters can bring improvements to Wendell

For most of us, wastewater treatment is not at the top of the list for daily concerns — until the system breaks and no longer provides the service we take for granted.

Such was the case in Wendell last week when utility digging resulted in a water main break and a residential sewer line was damaged.

Homes and businesses were without water, and one residence had to cope with the realities that come with a failure in sewer service. An experience like this hints at more serious concerns about our wastewater system.

Wendell's existing wastewater treatment system is undersized to meet the current and future needs of our community. The lagoons are too small to meet storage volume and aeration capacity requirements. Undersized buffer zones between fields where treated effluent is sprayed onto the land are too close to residential areas and impact nearby wells. In some parts of Wendell, the sewer collection lines are simply too small to meet demands.

The system no longer meets environmental quality standards. The city can no longer comply with discharge limits allowed under its Idaho Department of Environmental

While citizens will share the expense for upgrades, not funding improvements now would be far more costly to taxpayers in the long run. If the bond fails and no improvements are made, the city risks additional fines or penalties.



READER COMMENT
Patrick Munyan

Quality land application permit, resulting in periodic violations. Earlier this year, the city was fined \$9,000 by Department of Environmental Quality and was given a two-year deadline to design and implement improvements, or face additional fines.

An \$11.2 million bond to fund improvements will go before voters in the Nov. 7 election. Paying for these critical improvements is an expensive undertaking and most residents would see an increase in their monthly sewer bill. Preliminary estimates suggest that passage of the bond could raise the monthly rate to \$55 to \$70 per

month. Fee increases may be graduated over time. For example, the monthly fee might increase to \$35 during the first year, to \$45 the next year and so on.

The city will pursue additional funding through state and federal grants and low-interest loans to help minimize monthly fee increases. Passing the bond demonstrates community support and increases the city's chances for receiving grants.

While citizens will share the expense for upgrades, not funding improvements now would be far more costly to taxpayers in the long run. If the bond fails and no improvements are made, the city risks additional fines or penalties. The project would likely go through a judicial confirmation process, leaving in the hands of the voters, citizens, to decide whether the upgrades are necessary and ordinary.

With increasing costs of

concrete, steel and fuel, a postponed project could result in significant construction cost increases and, in turn, higher user rates at a later date. Grant funding options are severely limited without the bond. Congressional appropriations would be less likely, and the city would be ineligible for certain grants.

Wendell is not alone with this problem. Filtr will also put a bond to its voters in next week's election. Buhl passed bonds to fund wastewater and drinking water facility improvements in August.

The reality is that things don't last indefinitely and need to be replaced from time to time. A road peppered with potholes and broken asphalt must be resurfaced. A car eventually wears out, breaks down repeatedly and a better vehicle is purchased. A stove or refrigerator may last 20 years, but eventually elements go out, wiring deteriorates and these, too, must be upgraded.

It's time to upgrade our wastewater treatment system. Voting to pass the bond will provide safe, reliable sewer service now and for the future.

Patrick Munyan is the public works director for the City of Wendell.

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LETTERS

Mini-Cassia voters: chime in on power issue

Our city leaders are again run amok. Now they want to sell millions of dollars of bonds and have us support it to buy a share in a coal-fired electrical plant which is in Utah. Of course, no long-term discussion, no looking at other alternatives. Do you know this is on the ballot this Election Day?

But that's what you don't know is that you can vote on this at your regular polling place. Funniest thing, you have to go to City Hall to vote on this issue. Please join me in voting how you like on this issue, but please do vote on it. Don't let them slip another thing through on us.

In case you don't know, the electric rates put a lot of money into the city. Also, our electric rates are much higher than, for example, Twin Falls. Please vote or we could have another WPFS on our hands.

BRUCE HUIZINGA
Bury

School initiative forces another sales tax

I agree with the editorial in Sunday's paper (Oct. 29). All the talk about smaller class size, more and better teachers, among other things.

All these things would be great for our school children, but what is to be the source for funding these things? The proponents claim

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that they are not wanting an increase in the sales tax. The one special session of the Legislature passed hasn't been in place long enough to tell whether it will generate enough revenue to do the things needed for the schools, so why push for more right now. Give it a chance.

Or are the proponents of this proposition proposing to give the Legislature "carte blanche" to raise the funds any way it wants? Giving the Legislature license to raise money any way it wants is nothing but stupidity. Give it a chance and it usually goes "hog wild." (Talk about pork fat.)

Granted, our children need every chance to get a good education, but unless the proponents of this proposition become open and above board about what they really want, I will vote no and urge everyone else to do the same.

NANCY LANCASTER
Twin Falls

National leaders betray fiscal responsibilities

The U.S. national debt now stands just short of \$9 trillion. This country fought World War II on both sides of the world, with men and materials enough to supplement all the other allied belligerents, for less than \$700 billion!

What's going on? Reagan topped the first trillion and left office with a \$3 trillion national debt. The elder Bush added \$2 trillion, and

George W. has just added nearly \$4 trillion in six years. Along the way, Clinton left office with a surplus! Today, we are the greatest debtor nation in history; passing this to our children is a dismal future and a shameful past.

Now, I'm no Democrat, nor am I a Republican; I am an independent observer and a resources conservationist. I support individuals and performance records, not party affiliations. I want leaders with the capacity to take this

LETTER

country to its former heights and pull the populace up with it, people with a vision for all segments of society and the future of the country, not "pork" projects and posturing on politics and issues of no national consequence.

Are you aware that of the 535 members of the U.S. House and Senate, only six have a relative serving with the U.S. military in the war on terror? That's disgraceful in World War II. For Wendell all participated, three with Navy ships of the line and

the fourth, Elliott, forced with the Army Air Corps as commander of the 8th Air Force Reconnaissance Wing. In contrast, the jokers in the current U.S. Congress can't even participate with relatives in staff officer desk jobs!

Personally, I don't intend to vote for any incumbent at any level of government. Elitism among elected officials must be brought to a halt. Your vote counts, use it!

JACK WENDLING
Filler

LETTERS

Now's time to change helm of Congress

It is time for a change. I have been a Republican since I became eligible to vote. We have to change the "Do Nothing Congress." Adherence must tell the do-nothing Republicans that they should not take the vote for granted. Our best men and women are dying for a daddy's personal war, calling it war on terrorism — rubber-stamping everything for King George II. According to them, the economy is booming, while the chief executive officers are paid millions and Congress gives itself a raise every year, the minimum wage earners are needing two jobs to be able to pay for the basics. Every time the elections come closer, King George II and Uncle Cheney come up with the bogeyman story, "vote for us or Osama will get you."

We are borrowing from communist China to pay for everything, while Republicans are having the gay marriage issue on the ballot for the voters.

Don't be a sucker for Prop 1 and Prop 2 and gay marriage issues. Throw the bums out of the office, remember the change is better than the same usual do-nothing Republicans.

Benjamin Franklin's warning, "Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety."

So go out and vote. God bless America.
BARI FEDAIE
Twin Falls

Prop 1 measure will track funds spent

When it comes to educating children, we need a full team in our schools — we can't afford not to have all the resources students need.

Education support professionals have enormous responsibilities and liabilities. They work individually with students who have disabilities, keep track of students on individual education plans in multiple grade levels, complete mountains of paperwork, often work after clock hours without compensation, instruct small groups with quality teaching strategies, meet the requirements to be designated "highly qualified" under the No Child Left Behind law, and often work through their lunch break.

Schools cannot function effectively without education support professionals. But we also need for parents and community members to be active in public education. That's why more than 80,000 Idaho citizens put a measure — Proposition 1 — on the November ballot. The intention will produce adequate and stable funding to provide such essentials as classroom aides. Proposition 1 requires local school districts to report annually to the public about how the funds were used. This is a good return on our investment.

I encourage you to join the thousands who already support Proposition 1 and vote yes on Nov. 7.
RALYN NELSON
Rupert

Our policies dishonor our valiant troops

I am a World War II veteran and am appalled at the current situation in Iraq. We are at war and yet our servicemen and women are being court-martialed, arrested and prosecuted for doing their jobs.

It doesn't seem fair that we call these people to go to war, and then punish them for defending our country. These people signed up to maintain the freedom of the United States of America, most of all of them gave up their lives and families to go over and perform their jobs. It's not OK that many have lost their lives in this war. Parents will never see their kids again, children will never experience a hug from their parent again, grandparents will never get to celebrate a birthday again, brothers and sisters will forever feel the void of losing their sibling. Let's face it; this war is different than the rest. These people that we are at war with

have no regard for human life. We are at war, people, and war is an ugly thing. Why are we allowing our government to punish court-martial our men and women that are over fighting that war?

When most of you will never experience what they have went through, the physical torment, the loneliness for their families, the physical demands on their bodies, and the visions that we forever remain in their minds after the war is over. We are supposed to support our troops and stand together as a united nation."

DON CULLEY
Paul

Schools don't warrant Prop 1 spending

No Prop 1. Vote no on Prop 1. Vote no on Prop 1.

I would rather see the teachers and bus drivers or anyone who works for any school have to take drug tests. I have been told by school workers that they never take a drug test.

I was few years back a substitute for janitors here in Jerome. Not once was a background check done on me nor a drug test. I was called one day to substitute for a kindergarten class. I didn't do it as I was working another job that day. But just think, the school didn't know me. I could have been someone you would never want around your children. I am a good person; never been to jail or had a ticket. I don't believe in any drugs, but just stop and think what or who might be working at our schools.

And people want to give our schools more money. Why, when you don't even know if any of the school staff of any kind are using drugs. Thank heavens I have no children in this school system here.
JOYCE ANDOE
Jerome

Hansen wages a campaign to support

Quick, think of a political group, industry, or "special interest" that you support, one whose ideas and causes mirror your own. Got it? Now think of a group with which you do not agree. A group working tirelessly to promote policies you consider dangerous, wrongheaded or

even diabolical.

Maybe you thought of (in alphabetical order) the dairy industry, the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, Semptra, the Teamsters Union, or any of 10,000 other groups that turn their economic muscle into political muscle by flooding our elections with money every two years. Varied as they are, though, these groups have something else in common.

Jim Hansen will not take their money.

Take a moment to let that sink in. In the 2nd District congressional race where the incumbent has raised 73 percent of his money from political action committees and advocacy groups, we can elect a representative who is accountable to us. Jim only accepts contributions from individuals, and limits that amount to \$100. "If you believe in the campaign and want to give more, tell your friends and neighbors that what we are doing together." So here goes.

You won't see Jim Hansen commercials on television. You may have seen him on your front porch, though. He has been walking around the district for the last year or so, talking to people and, more importantly, listening. He has heard that you are disgusted with "business as usual" in Congress. He understands that Idaho needs a congressman that will put our interests first, without having his judgment clouded by the Jack Abramoffs of this world.

Mike Simpson may not be a corrupt person, but he is a strong defender of a corrupt system, and neither of us just doesn't do it for me anymore. Please join me in supporting Jim Hansen on Nov. 7.
SUSAN WORST
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The armchair quarterbacks discussion (of white) disgraced Charl Hampton is coach) are so tiresome (Oct. 18 letter to the editor). Mr. Hampton sits with his neat and tidy ideas of how schools, teachers and administrators should be performing without being on the field. It's easy to sit back and complain without ever hav-

ing to actually go in the trenches and see what the perspective is from the inside. When is the last time you spent any time inside a classroom, Mr. Hampton? Inside a school? At a board meeting?

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Mr. Hampton, you seem to think our test scores are so appalling; well, why don't you volunteer to tutor after school? Or join the mentoring program and have lunch with students to get to know them better? You may not want to think it takes a village to raise a child, but that's the truth. So get up out of your armchair and get involved — apparently our schools need your expertise.

You're "tired of supporting a dysfunctional school system." I'm tired of armchair education experts who hear what they want to hear but refuse to actually see what's going on. After you spend some time in the trenches, Mr. Hampton, then let's talk about how to improve public education.
LESLEY HOLLISTER
Twin Falls

Luna presents promise for education system

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CSI men open season tonight in annual tourney



College of Southern Idaho head basketball coach Barrett Peery talks with his players Tuesday during practice.

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Now it's time to earn it.

A tangible buzz has followed the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team through this year's well-attended preseason scrimmages. Starting with tonight's season opener against the Pro Look All-Stars during Day 1 of the 30th Annual K&T Steel Tournament at the CSI gymnasium, the Golden Eagles will start going about the task of putting the paying public in the seats and a NJCAA National Championship banner in the rafters.

Though the 2006-07 junior college basketball season may have crept up on the general populous, second-year CSI head coach Barrett Peery and his players have been preparing for this for months — some including returning sophomore Derek Lorenzen, since

30th Annual K&T Steel Tournament
At College of Southern Idaho gymnasium

Tonight's games
Sheridan College vs. Central Arizona, 5:30 p.m.
CSI vs. Pro Look All-Stars, 7:30 p.m.
Friday's games
Sheridan College vs. Pro Look All-Stars, 5:30 p.m.
CSI vs. Central Arizona, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Pro Look All-Stars vs. Central Arizona, 5:30 p.m.
CSI vs. Sheridan College, 7:30 p.m.
On Saturday: There will be a pre-tourna-

Eagle Eyes

ment function in the aerobics room at 4 p.m., following the volleyball match and preceding the basketball tournament. Food will be served and CSI Booster Club members will be admitted free. Others are welcome to attend for a set donation. CSI volleyball and men's and women's basketball players will be available briefly during this function.

During the tournament: The quilt Connor Hardy fabricated out of area athletic T-shirts will be on display. It will be raffled off during next weekend's Coke Classic tournament. Tickets will be available for \$1 each or buy for \$5.

the end of last season. Through summer workouts and a fall season full of running the lanes and running lines, the Golden Eagles have figured this much out — they're ready to play.

"I'm ready to get on the court," CSI sophomore center Brandon Stores said. "I'm ready to get on the court

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CSI cruises in tune-up for Cards

Golden Eagles earn easy sweep of TVCC

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When what you want is what you're getting, it's best not to complain.

The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team had few complaints Wednesday night after rolling past the visiting Treasure Valley Community College Chukars of Ontario, Ore., 30-21, 30-16, 30-22 in nonconference action at the CSI gymnasium.

The match was anything but competitive, but proved just the tune-up the Golden Eagles needed for Saturday's final match of the season, a Scenic West Athletic Conference showdown against the No. 8 North Idaho College Cardinals.

"I think it's good for us because if you come and see our practices, we have eight players, so it's good to have a game to prepare for Saturday," CSI head coach Heidi Carrisser said. "It's nice to have to play at game speed to prepare for North Idaho."

The Golden Eagles didn't jump out of the gate in any of the sweep, but overpowered the Chukars in the middle stages. The Chukars simply didn't have the type of block or defense to hang with a high-powered CSI attack that hit on a collective 35-percent hitting efficiency. As has been the case all season, freshman libero Chanelle Esteban sparked the Golden Eagles through the win, finishing with 12 digs and three aces.

"It was a nonconference game, easy, fun and I just took it as a more competitive day practice," Esteban said. "I got there just excited to win, and we don't lose to anybody, I don't want to play down to the level of another team. We have to play sharp."

Freshman outside hitter Ivana Bramborova finished with a match-high 20 kills, while Jackie Fou played through some illness to finish with 12

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Kevin Davis collides with Mo Taukiueva during practice Tuesday. At age 25, Taukiueva is the oldest player on this year's CSI roster.

Mo's the man

At 25, Taukiueva is making the most of his second chance

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The watershed moment of Moleni Taukiueva's young life was supposed to come years ago. In a way, it did.

Back before 9/11 meant something, before Barrett Peery or even Gib Arnold were anything but unknown names around the world of College of Southern Idaho men's basketball, Taukiueva was an unheralded 1999 graduate of Salt Lake City's West High School about to give up hope of ever playing competitive basketball again. Then Norm Parrish, longtime Salt Lake Community College head coach, asked Taukiueva to start running with his team.

That was to be Taukiueva's big break — a foot in the door of collegiate basketball, a chance to mold the rest of his life. Then, in a blind moment of broken glass and twisted steel, that life disappeared.

"Well, I don't remember anything about the accident, but from what the witnesses said, it looked like I fell asleep," Taukiueva said. "So that's pretty much what I have to say happened, that I fell asleep at the wheel. From there, the whole dashboard of my car was sitting in the passenger's side, so I was trying to even make it out with my legs, let alone a dislocation."

Taukiueva came away from the traffic accident in Salt Lake City with his legs, but also with a dislocated hip that required surgery to repair. In the eyes of the game, Taukiueva was a racehorse gone lame. His hoop dreams had to be put down.

"Best pure athlete on our team right there," Peery, CSI's second-year head coach, shouts across the CSI gymnasium as Taukiueva sits with a reporter. Peery's mischievous side doesn't naturally permeate around the business of the basketball court, but Peery and

CSI men's hoops slide show at Magic Valley.com

his team have already found two things they're good at this season — running the fast break and teasing Taukiueva. At 25 years of age, the 6-foot-5, 250-pound Taukiueva is going about the business of striking. While CSI students across campus worry about the freshman-15, Taukiueva's steady diet of lines ran across the CSI gymnasium points back to a time when circumstance steered him away from his first chance at college hoops.

"I was working," Taukiueva said of his life at his teammates' age. "Just working a 9-to-5 and gaining weight, pretty much. I gained close to 80 pounds during my three years off. I'm just trying to work it off now."

For three years after his surgery, college basketball was the last thing on Taukiueva's to-do list. He worked as a shipper for Deluxe Financial Group in Salt Lake City and in 2001, married Heidi, his wife of now five years. When Deluxe didn't pony up enough cash for Taukiueva to support his new family, he found a better-paying job, as a shipper/installer for International Metals Manufacturing. The new job got Taukiueva up and moving more, and as his hip strengthened, he found his way back to a basketball court.

"All my friends back home, everyone plays ball," he said. "So the time that we hung out together, that's pretty much what we were doing. So as I started to get my range of motion back, things started to feel good. But as far as college ball goes, I never thought of it."

Those pickup games led Taukiueva to a summer tournament in Cedar City, Utah, though, where Southern Utah University head coach Bill Evans had to find out about the bruising big man, with the

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Seniors shine in District IV all-star games

By Diane Philbin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The 30 best seniors from the area gathered Wednesday night at Twin Falls High School to play what could be for some their last high school volleyball matches.

"It's all about just having fun," said Dana Naylor of Richfield, a member of the North East team at the District IV All-Star Volleyball games. "It is kinda awkward and a challenge but for sure fun."

Naylor's North East team opened the night with a 25-14 win over the North West team as they jumped out to a quick 5-0 lead behind the serving of Jerome's Megan Parrish.

"It was kinda hard with people

District IV All-Star Volleyball results

North East def. North West 25-14
South West def. South East 25-18
South West def. North West 25-21
South East def. North East 25-23
North West def. South East 25-23
South West def. North East 25-22

from other teams but well worth it after working hard during the season," said Angelina Sorensen from Dietrich also on the North East team. "And it's just not a big deal if you make a mistake — you just laugh about it."

Shaylana Higgins from Hansen

played on the South East team. "The hardest thing is the rotation — and not knowing where you are supposed to be," she said.

Higgins teammate on the South East team, Valley's Natalie Hanson, just smiled and said "It's been a lot of fun."

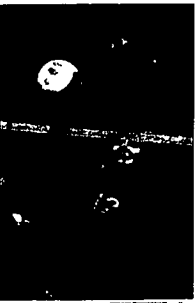
Kelsey Jardine from Twin Falls was unable to participate in any of the games because she is recovering from strep throat.

"I missed regionals," said Jardine. "And seeing them (South West team) having fun out there, makes it worse."

The North East and South West teams tied with 2-1 records for the night and the North West and South East ended at 1-2.



Twin Falls player Jessica Bond sets the ball Wednesday night for the South West team during the District IV All-Star Volleyball game in Twin Falls.



College of Southern Idaho's Jordan Price goes for a block Wednesday against Treasure Valley Community College in Twin Falls.

SPORTS

Mo

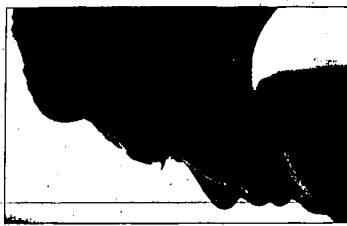
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sweet touch from the perimeter. Taukueva didn't have the grades to play Division I basketball, but at Evans' urging, he found himself in St. George, Utah, last season with a roster spot on coach Jon Judkins' Dixie State Rebels team.

In the Rebels' last year of NJCAA play before this year's move to the NCAA Division II ranks, Taukueva led the Rebels to the Region 18 Tournament championship game, averaging 13.1 points, 6.1 rebounds, and shooting 39 percent from 3-point range. This year, as a Golden Eagle, Taukueva has found his niche as co-captain and someone his teammates depend on.

"Oh man, I enjoy myself immensely here," he said. "I feel like I'm a person to make fun of because of my age, but at the same time, I'm a person to look up to for advice. These kids, they're just having fun. College students always do. I'm grateful that I'm not caught up in that mentality, but at the same time, I'm grateful that I can relate to these guys."

Taukueva and his wife live off campus and have sacrificed one steady income to chase a



College of Southern Idaho sophomore Mo Taukueva catches his breath during practice earlier this week.

dream that once looked to be unreachable.

"I'm blessed to have this opportunity to come back around," he said. "I want to make the best of this, I mean, not working right now, having no real income and being married is really hard, so I have to make the best of this opportunity and make sure that it was worth it. Make sure that it will pay off for my wife, as well as me."

As CSI prepares for tonight's first game of the new season, Taukueva has embraced his

role as the 'old man' on the CSI roster. His normally stoic demeanor plays a friendly, playful side that comes out in spurts. His given name as Molani, but he's simply Mo to anyone within earshot. Peery praises Taukueva for knowing when to be the role model and when to be the teammate, finding a balance between maturity and youth.

"I see the guys really gravitate towards Mo," Peery said. "He's a good friend to everybody and gets along well with everybody. I think his home has kind of

become the hang-out because he's the only guy that doesn't live in the dorms. I've gotten along with Mo from Day 1 and I like Mo. He's going to be very successful in anything he chooses to do."

That's the real question — Taukueva's life at this point — what he will choose to do when the Division I coaches come calling. For there is personal glory to chase in this second chance at basketball that he has been given. But personal glory is for the selfish, and Taukueva knows that a married man cannot be that.

"That's the plan," Taukueva said of playing Division I ball. "It's not a decision I'm making on my own, though. I have to take into consideration where my wife stands and how she feels about things. So hopefully, in the long run, everything works out and everyone is happy. Whether I do play DI or I don't, I just want to be happy and want my wife to be happy."

Taukueva knows that in the long run, basketball will pass him by eventually as it does every player.

For now, he's doing his best to enjoy splitting his time between the game and the woman he loves.

Glenns Ferry faces stiff test versus Firth

By Brad Gaire
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Glenns Ferry Pilots have navigated these waters before.

Tonight, Glenns Ferry again faces the Firth Cougars at Holt Arena in Pocatello, the team which knocked the Pilots out of contention during the first round of the 2005 Class 2A state football playoffs 53-12.

Since Glenns Ferry took state runner-up in 2001 (the senior year for current Boise State University linebacker Corey Hall) and 2002, the Pilots haven't made it past the quarterfinals and will look to remedy that. To the Cougars, Glenns Ferry is just the next step to defending their 2005 state championship.

"This is a really good team, no doubt," Pilots head coach Rob Spriggs said. "And they've improved from last year."

With a strong running game and a physical line that has no trouble controlling the line of scrimmage, the Cougars are a dominant bunch ready to pounce. They've already lashed out at one Canyon Conference team when they vanquished Valley 60-0 last

week in the opening round.

Firth went 5-0 in the Nuclear Conference, and the fallout from its style of play is devastating. The Cougars boast a record of 8-1 with their only loss coming against 3A Shelley during Zero Week. At 26-19, the loss wasn't a blowout either. The Cougars have no problem working on either side of the ball for some lopsided wins. Firth has scored 356 points (40.6 ppg) while allowing only 72 — thanks in part to three shutouts. Each of the blankings was by a margin of 55 points or more (61-0 over Challis, 55-0 over North Fremont, 60-0 over Valley).

So how can the Pilots avoid a meltdown?

"We've got to come out and be physical," Spriggs said. "We can't be timid."

Quarterback Cody Darrington, receiver Chase Bitterman, running back Jesus Rodriguez and receiver Tanner Shrum lead the Pilots offense, but against Firth's defense they'll need to score on short drives. Cue the special teams performance.

The Pilots and Cougars lock it up at 6:15 p.m. tonight in Holt Arena in Pocatello.

Tourney

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and beat everybody. Take 35 in a row. I'm getting tired of playing my teammates."

Though CSI practices have a little variety with the 16 players on the CSI roster plus two practice players, everyone concerned is ready to hit the court against some unfamiliar faces. That opportunity comes tonight against the Pro Look All-Stars, a traveling team of former collegiate players out of Salt Lake City. While the Golden Eagles would love to rail off 35 consecutive wins and claim a national title just like any other team, Peery knows that the early part of the season is an invaluable time to develop as a squad.

"It's interesting. You always want to win, but you don't win any regional championships or national championships in November or December," Peery said. "I think you really want to formulate roles and learn about your team. It's one thing to practice with your guys every day. It's

another to see them under the lights and in front of people."

CSI opens the season with nine consecutive home games, so they will have the comfort of home-court advantage to help them work through any hiccups. The Golden Eagles' first taste of NCAA opposition comes tomorrow night against Central Arizona College. The Vaqueros finished last season with an 11-17 mark and were led by current University of Idaho player Michael Crowell. This year's Vaqueros team will have to battle through a decided size disadvantage against CSI.

The Golden Eagles face one of their toughest early-season tests on Saturday against No. 17 Sheridan (Wyo.) College. Sheridan finished last season with a 30-6 record and made it to the NCAA National Tournament. The game will be a rare early meeting of two Top 25 teams and a good test of just how prepared the Golden Eagles are for the stretch run of the season.

"November, being at home for all those

games, it's interesting to see how the guys react to the situation, and I get excited for that," Peery said. "Last year, we lost a couple games in November, but I think people were really concerned about it and I think we were just still learning about our team."

"Unfortunately, sometimes you have to lose to learn about your team and get better. I don't plan on losing ever, but with all these new guys, there's going to be ups and downs. I don't know if they'll be through wins and losses, but with all these new people learning their roles, guys are still fighting for playing time."

The K&T Steel Tournament is, by all related accounts, the longest-running continually-sponsored junior college tournament in the nation. Its inaugural run came in 1977, when CSI capped off a 2-1 upset to the season with a 64-51 victory over Snow College (Utah). The original owners of K&T Steel, Bill Koch Sr. and Lavear Thornock, sponsored the event, which has been running since.

Volleyball

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kills. Gabriela Bolawczyk finished with eight kills for 29 aces, while Jordana Price added nine kills.

Former Jerome High School standout Aileen German finished with four kills for the Chukars, as did former Hagerman High star Sara Jackson. Allison Courter led TVCC with five kills, but the Chukars offense never seriously challenged the CSI defense.

Now, the season is down to Saturday's 3 p.m. home match as the 29-13 (8-3 SWAC) Golden Eagles have one win at conference-leading NIC. Shut at

and CSI will finish tied atop the regular-season SWAC standings and become co-champions in their last match of the year.

"I didn't feel the fire tonight from the whole team, but we just need to talk it up, stick together as a whole team and play our hearts out because NIC is a tough game on Saturday," Esteban said. "I really want to win this game. Prove something."

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- #25 CSI vs. Pro Look All-Stars – 7:30 p.m.

Friday

- #17 Sheridan vs. Pro Look All-Stars – 5:30 p.m.
- #25 CSI vs. Central Arizona – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

- Central Arizona vs. Pro Look All-Stars – 5:30 p.m.
- #25 CSI vs. #17 Sheridan – 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to a pre-game tailgate party in the CSI Aerobics Room Saturday immediately following the Golden Eagles final volleyball match vs. NIC and prior to tip-off of the 5:30 p.m. K&T Steel Tournament basketball game. Admission is free to booster members. Non-booster members have the option of joining the booster club or paying \$3 at the door.

Come support the Golden Eagles in their 2006-'07 season debut today, Friday and Saturday.

SPORTS

Fisher, jazz best Rockets in season opener

Utah Jazz guard Derik Fisher (2) slips around Houston Rockets forward Steve Novak (20) during the first quarter Wednesday in Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Derek Fisher had 13 points and six assists in his Utah debut, and led a decisive run down the stretch as the jazz beat the Houston Rockets 107-97 Wednesday night in the season opener for both teams.

Chris Andersen had 24 points and 19 rebounds and Deron Williams also had a double-double with 18 points and 10 assists for Utah, while let a 20-point lead fall to five before regaining control with an 8-0 run in the final few minutes.

Melvin Ott scored 21 points and Ronnie Brewer, Utah's first-round draft pick last summer, had nine in his NBA debut.

The jazz fans when he came off the bench in the first quarter. At the end, he had his hands rearing with some humming plays and clutch shooting after the Jazz let the Rockets back into it.

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GAME PLAN

LOCAL

High School Football
Postseason
Class 2A state playoffs
Gaines Ferry at Fort Hill, Arena, Collegen, 6:15 p.m.

College
CSI K&L State Tournament
Pro Look All-Stars at CSI, 7:30 p.m.

TV SCHEDULE
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
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Fans pay tribute to late Celtics legend Red Auerbach

BOSTON (AP) — A bouquet of green roses topped by a single, white clematis sat in Red Auerbach's empty seat at the new Boston Garden on Wednesday night as the Celtics opened the season without their patriarch for the first time in half a century.

A program tribute showed video of Auerbach — accompanied by Frank Sinatra's "My Way" — running his teams through drills, beating officials, banking out plays and settling back in his chair to light up a victory cigar.

There was, of course, ample footage of players carrying him off the court on their shoulders, hugging him in a postgame celebration and honoring up one of the NBA-record 16 championship trophies the franchise won under his watch.

Bagpipers skirted "Amazing Grace" and some of the 56 years worth of team pictures — with Auerbach in the middle, holding the ball — circled the arena on the message board. On the court, two decals portrayed Auerbach in silhouette, smoking a cigar.

"It was a great honor for me to even know Red," Celtics captain Paul Pierce told the fans from midcourt, surrounded by past greats such as Bob Cousy, John Havlicek, Celtics opening the season without their patriarch for the first time in half a century.

Then, Pierce told the sellout crowd of 18,624 there was one thing that Auerbach liked best. "Winning," came the shout from the bleachers.

"Even better than winning," Pierce answered, Auerbach liked the chant of "Let's go, Celtics!" And the crowd responded.

The Celtics wore black, shamrock-shaped patches on their uniforms for the game against the New Orleans Hornets and said they would dedicate the season to the former coach, general manager and president who died Saturday at the age of 89. He buried Tuesday in Falls Church, Va.

"Aside from the talk about — and truth about — his competitiveness and people sharing stories about Red yelling at them," NBA commissioner David Stern told reporters before the game, "this was a real gentleman and a very good friend."

NFL

Jets' Martin out for at least this year

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Curtis Martin tried to outrun the inevitable. After months of rehabilitation and countless hours working to get back on the field for the New York Jets, reality finally caught up to the NFL's No. 4 career rusher.

"I think this is as good as my knee gets, where it is right now," Martin said Wednesday at a news conference.

The Jets played the 33-year-old Martin on the reserve physically-unable-to-perform list with a bone-on-bone condition in his right knee, ending his season before it ever got started and jeopardizing his career.

"I usually deal with things the way they are now, and with the information that I know about my future, it doesn't look like it's too bright as far as me having a further career," Martin said. "And if that happens, great."

Sports Shorts

National and Magic Valley briefs

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR penalized Robby Gordon on Wednesday for intentionally causing a caution at Atlanta Motor Speedway that affected the race outcome for championship contender Jeff Burton.

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GOLF

Azingir to become next U.S. captain

with knowledge of the appointment. "They're not wanting to be identified because the PGA of America has not announced its selection, which could come as early as next week.

Azingir will be in charge of a U.S. team that has lost three straight times to Europe.

MAGIC VALLEY

Kimberly boosters to meet Monday

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly booster club will hold a meeting Monday, Nov. 6, at 7 p.m. in the media center of the high school. For more information, contact George Plew at 423-4987.

Canned Food for Bowling event near

BURLEY — The Snake River Bowl will hold Canned Food Bowling events for students in Mindokoo and Cassia Counties. Cassia County students can bowl from 2-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3, and Mindokoo County students can bowl from 2-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17.

The cost is two cans of food per game of bowling, and includes a hot meal while making a donation to the Mini-Cassia Christmas Center, an organization that helps the less fortunate during the holiday season.

Gooding to host chili dinner today

Inheriting challenges

Candidates for State Superintendent of Public Instruction face tough issues

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The next State Superintendent of Public Instruction will inherit several controversial issues facing education in Idaho.

At the forefront the debate are issues concerning the expansion of community colleges in Idaho, teacher shortages and a growing number of charter schools competing with local school districts.

The *Times-News* asked both candidates about their position on these issues and how they would address them.

Q. The Idaho Legislature asked the Interim Committee on Community Colleges to collectively support any recommendations it will make regarding the community college debate. However, as the deadline for the recommendations is approaching, it appears that the committee is not going to reach a collective decision.

As the Republican candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, what is your position on the lack of community-college services in Idaho and what do you think needs to be done?

Tom Luna — "I think that we need to expand the number of community colleges that we have in Idaho, and I think the best example of how a community college should work is the College of Southern Idaho right here in Magic Valley. It works to meet the needs that the community has, so what we really need to 'have' is more programs similar to the one we have here."

Jana Jones — "As a state superintendent you have limited power over the community college system. You have to work with the State Board and the Legislature on any decisions that are made."

"I do think that we need more affordable higher-education opportunities in Idaho.

"But North Idaho College and the College of Southern Idaho are doing a very good job, so we need to work with other communities without harming those institutions."

Q. The No Child Left Behind Act has increased teaching requirements even as schools struggle to hire and retain qualified teachers. Idaho is also competing with neighboring states, which pay higher salaries for teachers.

What would you do to attract and retain qualified teachers in Idaho?

TL — "I understand the No Child Left Behind law because I lived it when I was in school. I think we need to look at what we're requiring as a state in terms of competency, and we need to remove barriers to make it easier for people who want to transfer into the public teaching sector."

"I'm proposing a plan that will remove some of those barriers by creating a \$500 dollar tax credit and a \$350 stipend for teachers to compensate them for classroom expenses that they pay out of their own pocket."

"I think we also need to bring in a career ladder, which is a way for all teachers to make it to the top and keep the best teachers in the classroom."

JJ — "We have been negotiating with the feds on the highly-qualified teacher plan. I think the federal government has gone too far in managing our schools — especially in our rural schools."

"We do need to have competitive pay in Idaho, and that is why I am proposing salary-based appointment. We also need to look at providing loans for scholars, so we can help with the education of teachers in Idaho."

"I think we also need to create a better-working environment, and that means that we don't expect teachers to pay for textbooks, supplies and other materials they need in their classrooms."

Q. There are more than 20 charter schools in Idaho, and more are requesting to open schools within the next five years. Regardless of the arguments on either side of the debate about charter schools, do you think there are changes that need to be made to either restrict or expand the system?

JJ — "I think we have a good balance in our system right now in Idaho."

"Charter schools are another option for parents and students, but the whole issue is about the quality of education. We need to focus on the quality of our options rather than the quantity of certain options. We need to look at all the options, such as magnet schools and alternative schools, not just charter schools."

TL — "Right now there are about 4,000 students wanting to get into a charter school or a magnet school. I think we need to raise the cap that restricts the number of charter schools that can open each year because currently we are not able to raise the charter schools fast enough. The cap used to allow up to 12 charter schools to open each year, but that cap has been raised to six. I think we need to raise the cap back up."

Blaze threatens Rupert Square

Southern Idaho Press

RUPERT — Fire threatened historic Rupert Square on Wednesday, but firefighters were able to contain the damage to one store.

The call came in about 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, said Rupert Fire Chief Larry Pool, and by 5 p.m. his crew was still putting out hot spots.

Damage was limited to the Dollar Daze store.

No one was hurt.

Pool said 61 firefighters participated. At press time Wednesday, he had not been able to enter the building and was not certain about the cause of the fire or the extent of damage.



Firefighters battle a blaze that breaks out early Wednesday morning in the Dollar Daze store on the west side of Rupert.

SWEET SOUNDS



The Thomas Marriott Quartet (l-r) with Brent Jensen, saxophone; Thomas Marriott, trumpet; Matt Jorgensen, drums; and Jeff Johnson, bass performed at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday afternoon as a presentation of the CSI Jazz Club.

Trick-or-treating for UNICEF

Buhl Key Club hits the street for change

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Teenagers usually don't have any business dressing up for a partying Halloween — unless those teens are members of their high school Key Club with the goal of raising money for UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund.

This year a handful of students with the Buhl High School Key Club went door to door not for candy, but for donations for the "Kicking AIDS out of Kenya" program implemented by UNICEF.

"Every three or four years, Key Club picks a special project through UNICEF to give to. For a couple of years we raised money for countries suffering from iodine deficiency and now we are raising money for Kenya," said BHS Key Club President Andrea Storey, 17.

Storey explained that the money raised will be used to buy supplies, like team jerseys and soccer balls used in the AIDS education and prevention initiative.

"It is really nice to help the Key Club out," said Nache Acevedo, a 17-year-old foreign exchange student from Chile. "I sold but I think it will be worth it."

In years past the club has raised several hundred dollars by trick-or-treating for the cause and they hoped to do well again this year.

"It would be nice to raise \$250, but every dollar really does make a difference," said Key Club Adviser Trish Weitzstein.

Making a difference is what the club is all about, Weitzstein said.

"This is only one of many service projects the club does each year. In November, we will be having our annual canned food drive and that is really successful every year," she said.

"The canned food is

boxed up so that those in need can have a Thanksgiving meal.

"Trick-or-treating for UNICEF is fun, but the canned food drive is our big project that really impacts a lot of local families," Weitzstein said.

Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF was inspired by five children in Philadelphia who went door to door in 1950, collecting money for their post-World War II European peers, according to the UNICEF Web site. They raised \$17 and donated it all to the organization.



A group of Buhl High School Key Club members pose with their change collection boxes before trick-or-treating for UNICEF.

In 1967, President Lyndon Johnson declared Halloween to be "UNICEF Day."

More than \$132 million has been raised by U.S. supporters over the past 56 years. The fundraising efforts have spread around the globe with children from Canada, Ireland, Mexico and Hong Kong now participating in Halloween-related campaigns for UNICEF.

Times-News correspondent Blair Koch can be reached by e-mail at blairkoc@csn.com or by calling 316-2607.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Local candidate forum at CSI today

TWIN FALLS — A forum for local candidates will be held today at the College of Southern Idaho.

The forum is scheduled for 2 p.m. in the second floor cafeteria of the Taylor Building and will last for about 90 minutes.

All area candidates were invited and some seeking both Twin Falls County commissioner and the state Legislature are expected to attend. It is free and open to the public.

Juvenile stabbed

TWIN FALLS — A juvenile was stabbed with a large fight erupted Halloween night in northeastern Twin Falls, reported Twin Falls police on Wednesday.

No names of the estimated 20 juveniles involved in the fight in the Candy Cane Park area have been released. The stabbing victim was transported to St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for treatment.

Twin Falls police are interviewing several of the juveniles involved and the prosecutor's office is examining whether the Wendell City Council should charge. Other individuals were reportedly injured in the skirmish.

Further information is expected to become available on Friday.

Wendell public hearing, council meeting tonight

WENDELL — A public hearing is being called for 6 p.m., today, in order to discuss changes to a "public works ordinance."

Following the public hearing will be the Wendell City Council's regularly scheduled meeting, set for 7 p.m.

On the meeting's agenda is the upcoming sewer bond, set for Nov. 7.

All meetings will take place at the Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 375 First Ave. E., Wendell.

For more information call 536-5161.

Telescopes to track Mercury

TWIN FALLS — The large research telescope at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science and five other smaller telescopes will be outfitted with special solar filters Wednesday to watch the planet Mercury pass across the face of the sun.

The Herrett's Centennial Observatory and members of the Magic Valley Astronomy Society will have telescopes following the event, known as a "transit of Mercury." MVAS spokesman David Olsen said though they are not as dramatic as an eclipse, transits are rare, occurring only about once every seven years. Of those, there is a good chance that a transit will barely skirt the face of the sun or not be visible to the Earth. The next transit of Mercury that Idahoans can see will be in 2016. An even rarer transit of Venus will be partly visible to some Idahoans in 2012.

Mercury begins its journey across the sun's face at 12:12 p.m. Wednesday and will conclude at approximately 5 p.m. Olsen issues a strong caution that this event can not be seen without a telescope that is correctly filtered.

The Herrett Center's observatory will be free and open to the public starting at noon Wednesday. In addition, images from the large telescope will be transmitted to the Faulkner Planetarium to allow viewers the option of witnessing the event more comfortably.

For more information, call the observatory at 732-6666 or visit the Web site at www.csi.edu/herrett.

Lessons from the heart

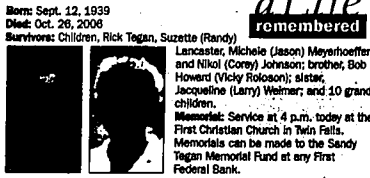
By Jani Whitton
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Sandy Tegan led a remarkable life filled with lessons of strength and love that impacted everyone around her.

Sandy, 67, died Oct. 26. At age 5, her mother died and she and her brother, Bob Howard, were raised by their grandmother, Lula Howard, in Buhl. Through Howard's example and the strict responsibilities of farm life the values of a strong work ethic were instilled.

After graduating high school in 1957 she attended Idaho State University to become a teacher. Due to family reasons, she had to quit in 1960. She married Mike

Sandy Tegan
Born: Sept. 12, 1939
Died: Oct. 26, 2006
Survivors: Children, Rick Tegan, Suzette (Randy)



Tegan in 1961, started her family and continued giving swimming lessons, a lifelong passion, eventually from her own backyard.

aLife remembered
Lanester, Michele (JASON) Meyerhoeffer and Nikol (Corey) Johnson; brother, Bob Howard (Vicky Rotosen); sister, Jacqueline (Larry) Weimer; and 10 grandchildren.
Memorial Service at 4 p.m. today at the First Christian Church in Twin Falls. Memorials can be made to the Sandy Tegan Memorial Fund at any First Federal Bank.

Twin Falls School District Superintendent Wiley Dobbs was

OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICES

Lloyd E. Tuttle

ALBION — Lloyd E. Tuttle, 90, of Albion, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, in Pocatello.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St. Burial will follow at the Albion Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour before the service at the chapel.

Instead of flowers, donation can be made to a favorite charity.

Jessica Sanchez

PAUL — Jessica Sanchez, infant daughter of Maria Elena and Armando Sanchez, was stillborn Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. today, at the Rupert Cemetery with the Rev. Father Mike St. Marie of St. Nicholas Catholic Church officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Massman Funeral Home in Burley.

Scott W. Tangey

HANSEN — Scott Wayne Tangey, 60, of Hansen, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, of a heart attack.

The family will host a memorial service for friends at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at the family farm at 3946 E. 3600 N. in Hansen. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Lawrence Smith

MESA, Ariz. — Lawrence "Larry" Barrett Smith III, 62, of Mesa, Ariz., and formerly of Rupert, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at his home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Massman Funeral Home in Burley.

Frances Balkenende

TWIN FALLS — Frances Balkenende, 89, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2006, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Archer L. Mills

BURLEY — Archer L. Mills, 88, of Burley, died Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2006, at his home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Massman Funeral Home in Burley.

Rex Taylor

BURLEY — Parley Rex Taylor, 92, of Burley and Lava Hot Springs, died Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2006, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave., in Burley.

ENGAGEMENTS

Freeman-Wrigley

BURLEY — Lacey Marie Freeman and Tyson Blair Wrigley announce their engagement.

Freeman is the daughter of Dan and Terri Freeman of Declo and Patsy Zies of Burley. She is a graduate of Declo High School.

Wrigley is the son of Rick and Edith Wrigley of Burley. He attended Bridgeland Applied Technology College in Logan, Utah, and is employed at Wray Ranches in Burley.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Marsh

Hassman-Miller

TWIN FALLS — Jeanne Hassman of Rexburg announces the engagement of her daughter, Carrie Hassman, to Brandon Miller, son of Gary and Suzanne Miller of Twin Falls.

Hassman is employed at First Federal in Twin Falls.

Miller is a graduate of Twin Falls High School. He served a mission for the Philippines for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is employed at Miller Concrete and Excavation in Twin Falls and Magic Mountain in Hansen.

The wedding is planned for

with Bishop Scott Bray officiating. Burial will be at Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from noon to 12:10 p.m. Saturday at the church. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's newspaper.

Jim S. Tateoka

HAZELTON — Jim Suetaka Tateoka, 83, of Hazelton, died Thursday, Nov. 1, 2006, of complications related to Alzheimer's.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Emerson LDS 1st Ward Church, 127 S. 950 W. in Paul, with Bishop Ted Tutco officiating. A viewing will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel, 321 E. Main St. Interment will be at the Paul Cemetery. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's newspaper.

Stuart E. Tschannen

BUIHL — Stuart E. Tschannen, 89, formerly of Buhl, died Saturday, Oct. 28, 2006, at his daughters' home in Plumas Lake, Calif.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 6, at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Arrangements are under the direction of Sierra View, Mortuary in Marysville, Calif.

Cherish Manwaring

TWIN FALLS — Cherish Zion Manwaring, infant daughter of Paul and Ruth Manwaring of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at her home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls. A complete obituary will appear in Friday's newspaper.

Deanna C. Rex

JEROME — Deanna C. Rex, 41, of Jerome, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at her home.

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

Ted L. Lisle

KING HILL — Ted LeRoy Lisle, 72, of King Hill, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Rost Funeral Home; McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home.

Daniel J. Brice

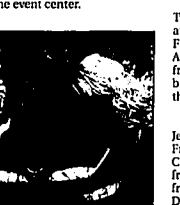
FILER — Daniel Joseph Brice, 60, of Filer, died Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2006, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A celebration of his life will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4, at his home at 314 Yakima in Filer.

Cremation and arrangements were under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.



Lacey Marie Freeman and Tyson Blair Wrigley Creek Event Center in Albion. A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the event center.



Brandon Miller and Cassie Hassman. The wedding is planned for Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Marsh

Bertha E. DeWitt

TWIN FALLS — Bertha E. DeWitt, 92, of Twin Falls, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Oct. 31, 2006.



Bertha was born Nov. 30, 1914, in Filer, Idaho, to Elmer and Sarah Strawn Dixon, the eldest of three children. She attended and grew up in rural Benepaha and graduated from Keapaha County High School. She attended Chadron State Teachers' College and taught school for six years in rural Nebraska. She married Lloyd DeWitt on Sept. 16, 1937, in Valentine, Neb. They moved to Twin Falls in 1940, where they were members of the Assemblies of God Church, where she faithfully served in many capacities, including Sunday school teacher and Church Treasurer. She loved to garden and had an amazing green thumb. For many years she raised African violets and, at one time, had more than 100 plants in her

home. She and Lloyd farmed and operated a small dairy and an arted logging home.

She is survived by her three sons, Paul (Marilyn), Lloyd (Ber) and Stephen (Marie), all of Twin Falls; four grandchildren, Paul (Ann) DeWitt, Wayne (Brenda) DeWitt, Karen (Mark) Dufabis and Ashley DeWitt, all of Boise; six great-grandchildren; two brothers: Howard (Irene) Dixon of Springfield, Neb., and Orville (Iona) Dixon of Pierre, S.D.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial gifts to Mission Vietnam, P.O. Box 6063, Twin Falls, ID 83303, a non-profit ministry in which some of her children are involved, and in which she was greatly interested.

Bertha's funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at First Assembly of God Church, 143 Locust St. N. Twin Falls.

The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the employees of Deser Rose Assisted Living who cared for Bertha the last year of her life. Services are under the direction of "White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Leslie Lenn Wickel

EL PASO, Texas — Leslie Lenn Wickel, 73, returned to his loving Heavenly Father on Oct. 31, 2006, in El Paso, Texas. He died from a massive heart attack.



He was the son of Lemmon Leonard Wickel (deceased) and Anna Bigler Wickel (deceased). He was born in Preston, both from Burley, Idaho. He was apprenticed as a jockey by the Park's Magic Valley brothers from Declo, and trained under the tutelage of Ben Creech of Cicero, Illinois. He was successful in winning many grand races and was voted Jockey of the Year at one time in his career for which he won a wristwatch. It was while in the Chicago area that he met and married his first wife, Nelda. A daughter, Edie, was born to this union.

Leslie married Lucy Val Dez in 1959, in Elko, Nevada. They had three children, Terry (Lena) Leslie Wickel Jr., and Lisa Wickel Casillas, all from El Paso, Texas, where Leslie and Lucy went to give Leslie the ability to continue

in the racing field. They made frequent visits home to Burley, where Leslie always insisted on being able to visit with all his relatives and his in-laws.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy; his sons, Terry and Leslie Jr.; his daughter, Lisa (Bertr) Casillas; grandsons, Gilberto Jr. and Diego, from El Paso; his mother, Anna Preston; his sister, Joy Platts; his daughter, Edie (Ron deceased). Standish of Chicago, Illinois; two grand-children, Eric Standish and Crystal (Russ) Knack; and a great-granddaughter, Darla Knack, all of Chicago.

Leslie was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Jacob Edwin Bigler and Hannah Hepworth Bigler Edwards; his paternal grandparents, Henry Lemmon Wickel and Elizabeth Jane Bigler Wickel; various uncles, aunts and cousins; and two grand nephews, Sam and Jason Stone.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at Hillcrest Funeral Home, 5084 Doniphan Drive, El Paso, Texas, where friends and family may call on Friday from 4 to 9 p.m.

SERVICES

Ila Crossley Darrington of Declo, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Declo LDS Stake Center, 213 W. Main St.; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Betty Ann Montgomery of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

James R. Bolton of Twin Falls, military rites at 1:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls City Park for family and friends (White Mortuary).

Beatrice Ann Pepper of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; friends may call from noon to 1:45 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Sandy L. Tegan of Twin Falls, memorial service at 4 p.m. today at the First Christian Church in Twin Falls (White Mortuary).

Michael Arzumanyan of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; friends may call one hour before the service today at the funeral chapel.

Marcia Peterson of Jordan, funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at the Wendell LDS Church, 605 N. Idaho St.; friends and family may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Demary Funeral Chapel in Jordan and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.

Robert Mitchell Allred of Burley, funeral—11—11 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Burley.

2262 Highland; family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the church and one hour before the service Friday (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

D.J. Stephenson of Kimberly, funeral at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hillcrest Funeral WDS Chapel, 222 Birch St. S. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Susan R. Horn, formerly of the Magic Valley area, memorial graveside service, at 3 p.m. Friday at the Hagerman Cemetery (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Dorothy Grace Chesterfield of Buhl, rosary at 7 p.m. Friday at the Community Church of the Brethren in Twin Falls; memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the church (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

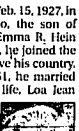
Sadie Jayne Probst of Twin Falls, celebration of life at noon Saturday at the Hillcrest WDS Stake Center, 841 W. Midway in Filer; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the church; graveside service at the church Monday at the Midway Cemetery in Midway, Utah (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Roger Lee Kolb II of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley area, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Bowman Funeral Parlor in Garden City.

Dorothy L. Sanborn of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Nov. 11 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466-Addison-Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Patrick H. Barden

TWIN FALLS — Patrick H. Barden, 79, of Twin Falls, passed away Oct. 31, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls.



He was born Feb. 15, 1927, in Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Charles E. and Emma R. Stein Garden. In 1945, he joined the U.S. Navy to serve his country. On Aug. 22, 1951, he married the love of his life, Loa Jean Schultz, in Missoula, Mont. To this union were born two children. Together they shared 55 years of marriage. In 1955, Patrick started working for the BLM. During his career, he was instrumental in conjunction with NASA in developing infra-red technology for night time fire fighting, in which he received recognition from Washington, D.C. At the time of his retirement, he worked at the Boise Intergency Fire Center.

After his retirement, Pat and Loa Jean enjoyed traveling in their RV across the country for 13 years. They enjoyed being camp hosts at numerous caravans across America. In 1986, they settled in Twin

Falls to enjoy being closer to family. During their time together in Twin Falls, they volunteered at the Twin Falls Visitors Center. Patrick also delivered Meals On Wheels and greatly enjoyed being a Santa's helper at the Magic Valley Mall and Senior Center.

Throughout his life, he was active in the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, Shriners, as well as singing with the Magicians of Magic Valley.

Surviving are his wife, Loa Jean Barden of Twin Falls; son, Timothy (Brenda) Barden of Salem, Mass.; daughter, Sandra (David) Rasmussen of Twin Falls; grandsons, Christian (Kerrie) Tarter of Twin Falls, Erik Peterson of Duluth, Minn., along with great-grandson, Evan Peterson of Duluth, Minn. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Memorial services for Patrick will be held Friday, Nov. 10, at 1 p.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home. The family request those who wish to make memorial contributions in his name to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023. Arrangements are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Raymond 'Buddy' Gerald Haga

SHOSHONE — Raymond "Buddy" Gerald Haga, age 67, of Shoshone, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2006, at his residence.

Ray was born and raised north of Shoshone on the farm his grandparents owned. He was born April 1, 1939, the son of Richard and Marguerite Bernard Haga. He graduated from Shoshone High School in 1957. It was on Oct. 16, 1965, that they married Grace Johnson in Shoshone. After their marriage the couple resided in Shoshone, where Raymond was a cattle rancher.

Survivors include his wife, Grace; sons, Russell Haga and Bernie (Sher) Haga; six grandchildren, Kaitlyn Rae and Kyle Houtchens, Jade and Brooke Houtchens.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicalvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day.

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Advocates say immigrant voter drive falls short

By Eric Tenaris
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — After huge immigration protests earlier this year, advocates vowed to capitalize on the energy and register 1 million new foreign-born voters, mostly Hispanics. But rhetoric has run headlong into reality: Organizers say that, as of last week, they had signed up fewer than 150,000 people.

Advocates' experiences show that cultivating new voters is tough, plodding work, and that developing Latino power will rely not on street protests but on the group becoming more politically engaged as it gets older.

"People were waving signs — 'Today we march, tomorrow we vote' — but that may not be

Hispanic power

Activists hoped to turn immigration rallies into political power, especially among Hispanics, but so far they have managed to sign up fewer than 150,000 people.

Foreign-born voters registered by state, in thousands

Florida	57.0
Pennsylvania	25.7
New Jersey	20.6
Illinois	15.2
California	15.0
Arizona	8.8
New York	6.8
Tennessee	1.3

something that's literally tomorrow," said Lionel Sosa, a Republican political strategist who is chief executive of Mexicans & Americans Thinking Together, a Web-

based nonprofit. "It will be slow, but eventually everyone running for political office will understand that this is a vote to be reckoned with."

This spring, immigrants demonstrated nationwide, sparked by a House bill that would have made it a felony to be in the country illegally. The Senate's Immigration bill left that provision out and the two chambers failed to reach a compromise.

Immigrants' advocates seized on momentum from the protests and organized what they called Democracy Summer. They pledged to register 1 million new foreign-born voters by next week's election — and another 2 million before the presidential election in 2008. But Germonique Jones, spokeswoman for the Center

for Community Change, an umbrella organization of some of the nation's biggest immigrant groups, said the total is roughly 145,000. The Center for Community Change arrived at the figure by totaling estimates from the various groups with which it has been collaborating.

Such estimates are difficult to confirm because secretaries of state do not tally new registrations based on ethnicity or where voters were born, said Catherine Ennis, a spokeswoman for Pennsylvania's department of state.

But by all accounts, simply finding 1 million eligible new voters in just a few months would have been tough. "The 1 million — we were looking at the potential of immigrant voter power," Jones

said. "Looking back, we realize ... the immigrant community is complicated — not monolithic."

First off, more than one in three of the nation's 42 million-plus Hispanics are age 17 or younger. 2005 Census data show — you're young to vote. And some portion of that population, no one is sure how many, includes illegal immigrants.

Plus, organizers said, many newcomers lack basic civics information. Some barely understand the nation's political system — its structure, rules

and history — how and where to vote, and how to sort through political rhetoric to choose candidates. Some don't know that they can ask for election information in foreign languages, that voting is free or that the United States has elaborate voter protection laws.

Jones said the push now is to build "a culture of participation." Her group is testing a sort of civics class for immigrants in five states with plans to send it out to more states early next year.

"This is a democracy school," she said. "People are hungry for it."

Vice president to campaign in Idaho today

By Nicholas K. Gerans
Associated Press writer

SPOKANE, Wash. — Vice President Dick Cheney will rally supporters for Republican candidates in Idaho, one of the reddest of states, during a campaign stop in Coeur d'Alene on Thursday.

Cheney, making his second trip to the state in three months, will not be campaigning for any particular candidate, and no fundraisers are planned, his office said.

"He's attending an Idaho victory rally in support of all Republicans in Idaho," Cheney spokeswoman Megan McGinn said Wednesday.

He is on a swing that also includes stops in Montana, Wyoming and Colorado.

About 2,000 free tickets were being distributed for the event in the Empire Air hangar at the Coeur d'Alene Airport.

Drawing particular attention in Idaho is the race for an open U.S. House seat between Republican state legislator Bill Sall and Democratic business executive Larry Grant.

Sall, a conservative, has been dogged by criticism even from within his own party for some of his right-wing views. That has made Grant's campaign a credible challenge in a state where Democrats had virtually been relegated to third-party status.

A recent poll in Idaho showed surprising strength by Democrats.

The statewide poll of 625 voters who said they were likely to cast a ballot Nov. 7 found that U.S. Rep. C.L. "Bud" Otter, the GOP candidate for governor, was tied with Democrat Jerry Brady. The poll was conducted Oct. 23-25 by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research of Washington, D.C., for KIVI-TV and the Idaho Statesman of Boise.

N. Idaho parents can check kids' grades online

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Post Falls and Coeur d'Alene school districts have started an online system that allows parents to check on how their children are doing.

Parents can see their children's grades, attendance records, and assignment lists by going to a Web site that's protected with a password. Teachers update the sites with scores, assignment due dates and missed classes.

"I think it's an initiative nationally," Jean Bergdorf, Coeur d'Alene district director of technology, said during a meeting of the Parent Teacher Association presidents last week.

The Coeur d'Alene School District program is called Parent Connect, while the Post Falls School District online program is called Parental Access Support System.

"The only people that probably aren't really happy with the system are some of the students," said Jon Wilkerson, technology coordinator for the Post Falls School District.

The move toward online information will help schools save money by eliminating the expense of mailing high school newsletters.

John Bramley, principal of Lake City High School, told The Spokesman-Review that parents can still pick up a paper copy of the monthly newsletter.

but the school is saving about \$4,800 in printing and mailing costs. As more parents go online, schools might also cut back on printed reports.

"I would be very surprised to see that at least in a couple years we aren't doing printed progress reports by the exception and the rule," said Tom Hobson, administrative systems analyst for the Coeur

d'Alene School District. "I think that's still down the pike somewhat, but we've got to be really, really conscious that we're not cutting off parents that don't have access."

Hobson said the district has about 10,000 students, and the parents of about 2,600 of them use the online system. He said more parents continue to sign up.

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Reno hotel fire kills 6; arson suspected

By Tom Gardner
Associated Press writer

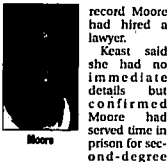
RENO, Nev. — A woman who served prison time for second-degree murder was arrested Wednesday and accused of setting the blaze that killed six people and gutted much of a historic brick building in the downtown casino district.

Valerie Moore, 47, a casino cook, was arrested on arson and murder charges in Tuesday night's fire at the Mizpah Hotel that police said began when she set fire to a mattress.

Hotel workers and neighbors, who described Moore as "nice" and a "good tenant," said she had been drinking and may have lost control after an argument with another tenant.

Moore was booked into the Washoe County jail at 5 a.m. Wednesday on suspicion of first-degree arson and six counts of first-degree murder. An additional parole violation charge was added, Washoe County Sheriff's Deputy Brooke L. Keast said.

Authorities said there was no



record Moore had hired a lawyer. Keast said she had no immediate details but confirmed Moore had served time in prison for second-degree murder.

"The original charge she had was second-degree murder and use of a deadly weapon, but we don't know where that charge was from. They are looking into that," Keast told The Associated Press.

Slate corrections records obtained by the AP show Moore was serving time on a charge of second-degree murder with use of a deadly weapon out of Washoe County in September 2003 when a prison guard was arrested for trying to smuggle two heroin-filled balloons into her at the Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Facility in North Las Vegas.

Investigators alleged that the guard, Constance Edwards, 33 was providing Moore with

cocaine and heroin and received \$50 to \$200 every time she brought contraband into the prison, sometimes hidden in her bra.

Moore was convicted Sept. 24, 1987, in Washoe County District Court for a killing on

Feb. 27 of that year. She started serving two life sentences on Nov. 5, 1987, but was released on parole in June 2005, state corrections records show.

Neighbors and hotel workers described Moore as a normally pleasant woman.



Craps customer James Kumhiro throws the last dice at the Stardust Hotel and Casino on Wednesday, in Las Vegas. The classic Las Vegas hotel, which first opened during the 'Atomic Age' in 1958, closed its doors Wednesday.

Stardust sees last roll of dice before planned demolition

By Ryan Nakashima
Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS — The Stardust, the neon-wrapped casino that once set the standard for size if not glitz on the Las Vegas Strip, witnessed its last roll of the dice Wednesday.

Wistful longtime employees and loyal gamblers gathered for a last farewell to the iconic 48-year-old institution, which is to be razed early next year to make way for Boyd Gaming Corp.'s planned \$4 billion Echelon Place resort.

The Stardust opened July 2, 1958, as the world's largest hotel with 1,065 rooms and catered to middle America with \$6-a-night rates and low-minimum stakes gambling. But as "bigger, classier" casinos sprung up around it in the late 1980s and '90s and patrons more willingly shelled out more for rooms, food and drinks, its luster began to fade. "I'm really going to miss this place," said Jimmy Kumhiro, a 60-year-old Honolulu resident, as he took a ceremonial last pass at the craps table. "It's a home away from home."

The resort became a favorite for its familiar friendliness as its mobbed-up past. In the 1995 movie "Casino," Robert DeNiro played the finely tailored Frank "Lefty" Rosenthal, who ran the hotel-casino in the mid-1970s, a portrayal that locals say was spot on.

"He truly was Cadillac sharp all the time," said Mickey Jones, a drummer and actor who made his first visit to the Stardust the week it opened and appeared as a guest on Rosenthal's infamous television broadcast from the hotel. "When the mob ran this town, everything functioned like clockwork."

Cocktail waitress Emma Houston remembered when she was hospitalized for major surgery in 1974 and Rosenthal sent money to make her mortgage payment.

"They knew everybody by name, not by badge," she said. "It was different back in that day," its heyday was the 1970s and '80s. Elvis Presley would drop by. Football Hall of Famer Jim Brown co-hosted a radio show from the sports book.

One night, Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr. and Dean Martin showed up at the "Moby Dick" restaurant in the Stardust, just as chef Frank Perkins, now 60, was closing. He reopened in a hurry.

"Sinatra said you can cook for me anytime," Perkins said. "So I will never forget that." With the 1980s came a crackdown by Nevada regulators on the mob's skimming from the casino cages. Boyd was brought in as an operator in 1983, and then bought the Stardust in 1985 when the mobbed-up owners lost their gambling license.

While the explosion of upscale resorts starting with The Mirage in 1989 reinvented the town, it wasn't long before Boyd Chairman Bill Boyd realized the Stardust's best days were behind it. "We saw a new wave," he said. "We saw many new properties with new amenities that we didn't have. We started to realize before too many years that we would have to imitate the Stardust and start over."

Echelon Place is expected to open in mid-2010 with more than 5,000 hotel rooms, two theaters, a shopping mall and more than 1 million square feet of meeting and convention space.

California wildfire probe looks at man held in two other blazes

By Gillian Triggs
Associated Press writer

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — A man described by authorities as "a person of interest" in the deadly Esperanza arson fire was being held Wednesday for investigation of two wildfires set in the region earlier this year.

Raymond Lee Oyler, 36, was arrested Tuesday in connection with two June fires in the Banning Pass area, a windy corridor that carries Interstate 10 between mountain ranges west of Palm Springs.

Riverside County prosecutors had not any charges against Oyler, but an arraignment was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Thursday. He remained jailed in lieu of \$25,000 bail.

Oyler's arrest came at the same hour the family of critically burned firefighter Pablo Cerda chose to remove life supports and the 23-year-old became the fifth member of his Forest Service crew to die of injuries from the blaze.

The Esperanza fire was set shortly after 1 a.m. on Oct. 26 in Cabazon, a city along I-10. Stoked by Santa Ana winds, it overran the firefighters and destroyed 34 homes before being contained Monday at 40,200 acres.

Investigators interviewed Oyler on Oct. 27 and served a search warrant on his Beaumont residence Monday, according to a Sheriff's Department statement that described his detention as a "probable cause arrest."

Authorities stressed that Oyler was only being held in connection with the June fires. "Oyler is not a suspect in the

'Esperanza Fire,' but is a person of interest," the statement said.

Similarly, two young men were picked up by sheriff's deputies for questioning on Monday and were then released. Authorities have said they would be questioning multiple people.

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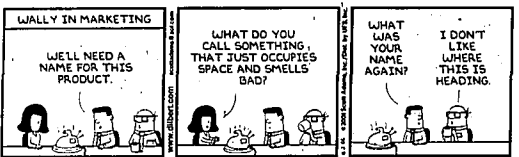
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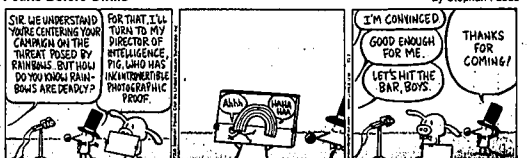
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Don't stuff your feelings Scorpio

IF NOV. 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have a strong sense that hard work will pay off in the coming year, and you are right. Overall, your confidence should remain solid, but if it falters once in a while, give yourself a pep talk and forge ahead. Like many of your fellow Scorpios, you will be at a peak of appeal in the year to come, which will come in hand in every part of your life. Your approach to dating, if single, may be in for a change.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Temporary blocks to love and romance won't hold back amour for long. In the meantime, cultivate patience. Attempts to force your agenda will only backfire, so wait until the stars support your ends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You are settling down now after several days of restlessness. You remain in the spotlight, though, for another day or two, and your ability to communicate effectively and charm others is strong.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Today and tomorrow you have charm aplenty and can soothe any feathery that may have been ruffled over the last few days. Unconventional amusements can be especially appre-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Stuffing your feelings can be destructive in the long term—and so is expressing them inappropriately. Find a way to get overwhelming emotions out of your system without doing damage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It's important that you don't allow yourself to be bamboozled or bulldozed into acting rashly. Take time to think out every decision. Excessive haste could make waste of things you value.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Both your temper and your responses are unusually sharp for the next week. Count to 10 before saying anything, and work hard to see the other side of any situation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your gift for gab is outstanding now, and you have the right word for every thought. You probably also have the right solution for any problem. If you need to sell yourself or pitch an idea, today is the day.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Keep a low profile and don't push any initiatives today—you could feel like you're swimming upstream.

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

caned now.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Spend time with people who are important to you and strengthen your bonds. It is also a good day for donating your energies toward a worthy cause. Choose your words carefully, as someone near could be easily offended.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The dark cloud that was hanging over in the last few days has lifted. You are inspired by the new and different again today, and that could include a new romance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Again today there may be a period where strong feelings take over. This could be love or joy, or something less appealing. In any case, the emotions will pass fairly rapidly, so don't be too reactive and do something you'll later regret.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Both your appeal and sense of humor gain attention. You feel less restless today and are more able to just do your tasks without chafing too much at the bit.

Non Sequitur

By Wiley



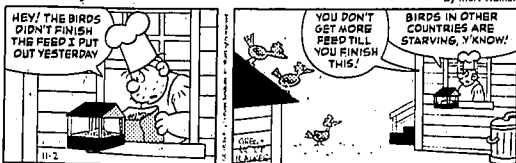
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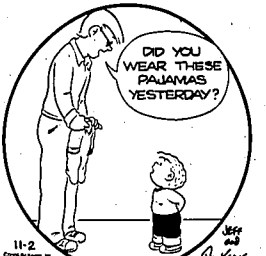
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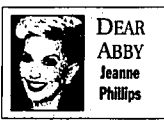
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Men urge strong-arm response to bear-hugging 'Uncle Harry'

DEAR READERS: On Tuesday, I shared the responses I received from women to a letter from a lady, "No Hugs Please," (9/13) in Alabama. She asked what could be done about "Uncle Harry," a man in his mid-70s who insists on bear-hugging almost all of the women he meets. The letter generated many responses from male readers. And I thought you might be interested to see how they felt he should be "handled." Read on:



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

In the unlikely event that he gets loud in an attempt to embarrass her, he's the one who will look like the fool. And anyone who observes the scene will look at her in admiration.

—AN OLD MAN WHO KNOWS WHAT WORKS

DEAR ABBY: Uncle Harry undoubtedly is a sexually abusive pervert. His wife may be "one of the finest Christians in the area," but you can depend on the fact that she already knows about and tolerates his behavior. The other "Christian women" who do not object when he gropes them simply accept his abuse and support his rationalization of "Christian fellowship."

Don't confuse spirituality with reality. What can be done about Uncle Harry? Go to court for a restraining order, or continue to be victims.

—SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR ABBY: My doctoral minor was in human sexual behavior, and Uncle Harry's groping is neither normal nor

acceptable. His family needs to see he receives adequate professional help, and soon, before he "graduates" to a more serious type of activity.

If this doesn't help, there are two sure-fire remedies: First, the offended ladies should complain to their local police about his unwanted sexual molestations (they're criminal acts). His family might be embarrassed by the press coverage, and a judge may demand professional treatment.

The other remedy is for each offended lady to give him a swift with-all-there-might knee to the crotch. His family may need to see that he gets medical treatment — and professional help — but it's better than what some irate husband may do to him.

—PH.D. IN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

DEAR ABBY: I know a lady who had the same problem, and after three warnings, she finally became fed up. She went to court for a restraining order. Needless to say, it worked like a charm. And after another woman did the same thing to the man, he started being an even better "Christian."

He may even try to stop to it, then the ladies have no choice and must act. This type of behavior does not stop on its own.

—ON THE LADIES' SIDE IN N.Y.

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This day in history: On Nov.2, 1889, North Dakota and South Dakota were admitted simultaneously to the Union, becoming the 39th and 40th states. President Benjamin Harrison shuffled the states' admission papers during the day's signing so that neither could claim to have been admitted first.

You want a fancy way to "die" to easily evening? Try "antipractical." It literally means "before dinner."

Rattlesnakes? No big deal. You want a REALLY poisonous snake, go with the inland taipan, a 9-footer from Australia. Not only is it big, but its venom is the deadliest in the world, 50 times more potent than the cobra's. Its victims collapse in seconds, and don't suffer very long at all.

Old Chinese coins had holes in the center for easy carrying. Like beads, they were easily strung together with a string. The idea is so good that the



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

U.S. mint once considered doing the same.

More men and women die from lung cancer than from any other form of cancer.

Mamba snakes have evolved into two very closely linked species. The green mamba lives in trees and the black mamba lives on the ground. Over time, green mamba venom has become more poisonous to birds than rats; the black mamba venom has become exactly the reverse.

About 12,000 years ago, people learned to make fire. Before that, many cultures had developed beliefs around a sacred flame that always had to be

kept burning. That tradition-of an "eternal flame" in sacred places continues even after the invention of the match and Zippo.

Before the invention of firestarters, getting fire usually involved hoping that lightning would strike nearby.

You say you're not influenced by all those misleading, inflammatory campaign ads? Well, somebody surely is: The Center for Responsive Politics looked at House races going back to 1972 and found that the candidate in each race who spent the most advertising dollars won 82 percent of the time, hitting 98 percent in recent years. In Senate races since 1996, the biggest spender won 89 percent of the time.

Biologists tell us that bats wings turn left when they exit a cave.

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Raid yields more than 1,000 golf gadgets

SAN CLEMENTE, Calif. — A raid on a warehouse yielded more than 1,000 high-tech counterfeit golfing items that were offered for sale over the Internet, a sheriff's official said.

The clubs, golf bags and other items are marked with such names as Titleist, Cleveland and Callaway golfing equipment, said Jim Amorrino, a spokesman for the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

About 20 investigators seized about \$500,000 worth of gear Tuesday after acting on a tip, Amorrino said. Thousands of items were believed to have already been sold online to a site called e-Hay, Amorrino said. No one has been arrested, but the investigation was continuing, he said.

Odds & ends

telephone conversations or text messages costing 99 cents to \$2.99 a minute.

The filer was designed by the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, City Manager Larry Stevens said.

Museum gets casket with skeleton still in it

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — The Museum of Funeral Customs is used to some spooky donations, but a rare casket recently arrived with an unusual addition: a human skeleton.

The bones were inside an 1870s-era glass-topped casket that director Jon Austin wanted for the Springfield museum's collection.

The casket had been found in a secret cupboard in a Litchfield building. The room was once used as a lodge for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, an international fraternal organization, Austin said.

The skeleton was missing a kneecap and several wrist bones and was wired together in a way that allowed the jaw to move. It was also wired to the casket.

The skeleton's identity is unknown. A doctor who examined the remains believes they were from a young adult male. Tags on the skeleton from the Montgomery County coroner estimated that "John Doe" was born in 1880.

The skeleton was supposed to go to a medical school, but

the donors recently asked if the museum could take the casket.

"Our thought was, if that's the means to get the casket, we would find a way of appropriately disposing of the skeleton in the future," Austin said.

Suit brought over how to spend hole-in-one money

SAN ANTONIO — A golfer who made a hole-in-one last month at a charity golf tournament and won \$50,000 is being sued by a teammate over how the money should be spent.

Brian Martin was recruited by Mike Neutze to play on a four-man team in a "Scratchers" tournament at Comanche Trace Golf Course. Neutze, who sponsored the team, picked Martin to try his swing at the hole-in-one competition.

Before the ball dropped in, the two hadn't discussed what would become of the prize.

Martin sank it and said he wants to use the money to jumpstart his dream of becoming a pro golfer.

Neutze said in court filings he wants the team to split the prize with the Kerrville Professional Firefighters Association, the event's organizer. He argued that he should decide who gets the money because he was a major sponsor of the 9-11 Golf Tournament and his position made Martin eligible to take the shot.

Martin hasn't yet received the check. A court hearing is set for Friday.

—The Associated Press

Anti-drinking fier had number for sex talk line

EDMOND, Okla. — The mayor personally distributed thousands of fliers discouraging underage drinking in an effort to find they mistakenly contained the phone number for a sex talk line.

Mayor Sandra Naifeh and more than five dozen volunteers went door-to-door Saturday to deliver 22,000 fliers. The city attorney notified Naifeh Saturday night after the police department learned of the mistake.

"Obviously, it made me feel sick," Naifeh said. "I have no idea how the error happened." Callers dialing the number were promised "exciting live talk" if they called the second number offering provocative

"I'll be glad when I learn to spell, so I'll know what my parents are talking about."

"No, yesternight."



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Bernanke urges caution on home financing options

By Jeanine Arraras
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — With the explosion of financial choices, consumers must continually sharpen their assessments of whether certain mortgages or other investment products make sense for them, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke recommended Wednesday.

"Some evidence, including recent Federal Reserve research on consumers holding adjustable-rate mortgages, suggests that awareness could be improved, particularly among borrowers with lower incomes and education levels," Bernanke said in prepared remarks to a conference here on community development.

As the credit market has grown and become more sophisticated, lenders have been able to extend credit to households and businesses that might previously have been considered uncreditworthy, he said.

In turn, the market for "subprime" borrowers — people with weaker credit records who are considered higher risks — has grown considerably over the years.

In 1994, fewer than 5 percent of mortgage originations were in the subprime market. But by 2005, about 20 percent of new mortgage loans were subprime, Bernanke said.

Bernanke also said that making sure that every American has a chance to improve his or her economic standing through hard work, saving, entrepreneurship and other activities, is essential to building an economically healthy community.

In his speech, Bernanke did not discuss the future course of interest rate policy in the United States.

With the economy slowing and energy prices retreating, the Federal Reserve last week held interest rates steady for the third meeting in a row. Fed since June 2004 held rates steady 17 times, its longest string of increases in Fed history.

BID says no to chamber proposal

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The board of Historic Downtown Twin Falls said no Wednesday to the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's proposal to provide administrative services to the business improvement district.

"Now we can move forward and take care of things in house," said Jill Towell, a BID board member and past president.

The decision came to a 4-4 tie as BID board members Jim Mason, Virginia Wilcox, Kevin Dane and Kurt Kruger voted in favor of the proposal, and board members Gordon Curtis, Rod Daig, Lisa Fairbanks and Towell voted against it. Ryan Horsley, president of the board, abstained from voting, saying it would be a conflict of interest as he also serves on the chamber board.

Informal discussions about having the chamber provide administrative services began last February following a particularly bad year for the business improvement district. Historic Downtown Twin Falls, which includes downtown and Old Town, had \$181,729 in total

income that year — more than half its revenue coming from assessments. It received \$15,000 from the city of Twin Falls and the rest of its revenue came from parking — a combination of meter income, leases and fines. But it ended the year more than \$27,000 in the red. Last year's Oktoberfest celebration left the BID \$10,000 in the hole alone due to bad weather and electrical problems.

In March, the chamber board "did not pursue a formal relationship with downtown," said chamber President and Chief Executive Officer Shawn Barigar. Then in late July or early August, former BID board members Jeff Heworth, Jeff Bulky, Mac Evans and Kevin Owings, and current BID board member Jim Mason approached the chamber about submitting a proposal. The chamber board authorized Barigar to draft the proposal.

In September, Heworth, who was still on the BID board, suggested the only logical way to cut costs was to cut payroll — which meant getting rid of the Historic Downtown Twin Falls three-person staff, which includes Executive Director Karla Williams, Administrative Assistant Kathy Gudgeal and

Historic Downtown Twin Falls Board

President Ryan Horsley, Rod's Trading Post
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Jim Mason, Kisho Power
Kevin Dane, Magic Valley Bank (New)
Kurt Kruger, Kruger's (New)
Rod Daig, Jansen's Ringmakers (New)

Parking Administrator Bridgette Baker. Heworth said it had nothing to do with Williams' job performance. It was simply a question of money.

Williams made about \$30,000 that year; Gudgeal a little over \$17,000, and Baker made \$14,000, and none of them receive benefits. The BID's total payroll for 2005-2006 was about \$91,658 which included wages for a number of outside contractors, including a full-time and part-time maintenance person for six months a year, as well as contractors hired to do electrical work and provide landscaping.

In the proposal, the BID would have paid the chamber \$3,000 a month to cover staff time and expense, office supplies, postage, telephone service and financial management.

Barigar said avoiding duplication of services would result in a more efficient use of resources. And both entities would still maintain separate corporate identities and goals.

"It's important to point out that this proposal did not intend to do away with the identity of downtown," Barigar said. For instance, downtown activities would continue to be sponsored by the BID and run by its volunteer committees, Barigar said.

Barigar said whether or not the proposal comes back to the BID's table is up to the BID.

"That decision rests with Historic Downtown," Barigar said.

Tony Brand, president of the chamber board, agreed.

"The downtown area is a very vital part of our membership

and the Chamber of Commerce is anxious to do anything that will help out our members (businesses)," Brand said. "We made a proposal for what we had to offer. It was their decision as to whether it would fit their plan or not."

Towell said the whole chamber issue has eaten up a lot of the BID's time. Now that the chamber proposal is off the table, the board of Historic Downtown Twin Falls will have time to work on achieving its own goals. In fact, after turning down the proposal, the board voted to write up a contract and list of directives for Williams.

It hasn't been easy for Williams to work every day for the last eight months wondering if she would have a job. Now she's looking forward to a good year. It's already gotten off to a good start. This year's Oktoberfest celebration made \$650 for the BID.

"I'm just looking forward to moving on and accomplishing our goals and having a new board that will work with me," Williams said.

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Voting on pay raises



Ernestina Cervara carries a tray full of food out of the kitchen as Jura Martinez, right, prepares food at the Good Times fast food restaurant in Thornton, Colo., recently. When residents of Missouri, Colorado and four other states vote Tuesday on an increase in their minimum wage, they will essentially be deciding whether to raise their pay not once, but again and again and again. That's because the ballot measures include not only a one-time increase in the minimum wage, but also an automatic annual adjustment to keep up with inflation.

Minimum-wage proposals in 6 states seek to link increases to inflation; businesses are alarmed

By David A. Lab
Associated Press writer

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — When residents of Missouri and five other states vote Tuesday on an increase in their minimum wage, they will essentially be deciding whether to raise their pay not once, but again and again and again.

That's because the ballot measures include not only a one-time increase in the minimum wage, but also an automatic annual adjustment to keep up with inflation.

If all of the measures pass, the number of states with minimum wages tied to inflation will reach 10.

Supporters of an ever-adjusting minimum wage say it simply helps poor people afford the basic necessities.

The reality is if a gallon of milk 10 years from now is \$5 a gallon, then \$6.50 an hour is a pretty paltry wage," said Sara Howard, a spokeswoman for Give Missouri's a Raise.

The Missouri measure would raise the state minimum wage to \$6.50 an hour, up from the federal base of \$5.15.

Inflation over the past decade has averaged 2.6 percent a year; if that trend were to continue, Missouri's minimum wage could reach about \$8.40 in 10 years.

Inflation-adjusted minimum wage proposals are also on the ballot in Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Nevada and Ohio.

Unions are backing the idea, and Democrats are hoping the measures can draw poor people to the polls and help the party's candidates win.

In Missouri, with the closest Senate race among the six states, Democratic challenger Claire McCaskill is supporting the ballot measure, while Republican Sen. Jim Talent has refused to take a position.

Linking payments to consumer prices is already in vogue with Social Security checks.

Voters in Washington state were the first to attach an inflation

adjuster to their minimum wage, in 1998. Their minimum wage now is expected to rise to \$7.93 an hour on Jan. 1, the highest in the nation.

Oregon voters added an inflation adjuster in 2002, and Florida voters did in 2004. Vermont lawmakers voted last year to do the same.

Group ranks Micron patent portfolio the most valuable

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

BOISE — An international association of technology engineers says chip-maker Micron Technology Inc.'s patent portfolio is the most valuable in the world.

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., a New Jersey-based nonprofit organization with 365,000 members, ranked Micron ahead of traditional patent heavyweights such as IBM and Hewlett-Packard based on the Boise-based company's growth in patents, how potentially lucrative they are and the importance of the patents in the semiconductor industry.

The survey of 1,027 patent portfolios held by companies, universities and organizations was released Wednesday by the IEEE's membership magazine, Spectrum. The rankings did not attach a dollar figure to the portfolios and Micron officials could not immediately say how much the company earns in royalties annually from its more than 15,000 patented technologies.

Micron had 1,569 patents recorded in 2005 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The rankings also included 1,810 for HP, 1,790 for Intel, the New Jersey patent database firm hired by IEEE to rank patent portfolios, rated Micron's intellectual property most valuable because its patents often led to more patents and were cited 49 percent more frequently than the largest, Micron, which is the largest U.S. manufacturer of personal computer memory chips, employs three of the top 10 living U.S. patent holders based on 2005 filings compiled by patent-tracking firm IPQ of Chicago: Gurreri Sandhu (576), Warren Fairhurst (547) and Salman Akram (527).

Company officials say the internal push to seek patents on new materials, designs, processes and products stems from a survival instinct in the highly competitive semiconductor industry.

"We use patents very much as a defensive mechanism," said Dean Klein, Micron vice president of market development. "If you invent some manufacturing process and don't patent and get it documented, someone else can come up with it later, patent it, use it and even if we say we're doing it before, they'll say, 'Prove it.'"

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Day of Dead holds meaning for Latino families

By Karla Barnes
Times-News correspondent

For hundreds of years, the indigenous people of Mexico and other Mesoamerican regions have celebrated a ritual that honors and welcomes back the spirits of their deceased relatives.

This day is known as *Del Día de los Muertos*, or The Day of the Dead. This ancient tradition has been passed down to families through many generations. Celebrations often vary depending on country and location, but one thing remains true, the ritual refuses to die.

Traditionally, beginning at midnight on Nov. 1, family members come together at the gravesites of their loved ones. Children clean the grave and families gather together to decorate the resting place with brightly-colored flowers, candles and trinkets. Blankets are often laid out near the grave as a place where the family can relax and spend the day with their loved ones. Families and friends prepare special dishes and beverages that they think their deceased loved one would enjoy. Toys are often left at the graves of the *Los Angelitos* (Little Angels) and items like cigarettes and alcohol can be found near the resting places of adults. Offerings include oranges or "Calaveras," as they are known in Mexico, are also left at the graves. These skeletons



A woman visits the grave of relative with flowers and candles during Day of the Dead celebrations in Xoxocotlan, Oaxaca, Mexico, Tuesday, in Mexico the custom is to decorate the graves of relatives who have passed away, as well as make offerings with flowers. Tourists normally flock to the cemetery in Xoxocotlan and Atzompa during Mexico's annual Day of the Dead celebrations to see graves decorated with patterned tapestries of flower petals or brightly colored sand.

symbolize death and rebirth. Readable shrines are decorated with fresh flowers and mementos.

In Mexico, the holiday is the third most important behind Christmas and Easter. Cemeteries often overflow with crowds of people on this special day. Large cemeteries and local theaters are known to put on the play of "Don Juan Tenorio." This is a story of a man who finds redemption through his victim's ghost. Music and dancing can also become part of the celebration.

Though the practice is not as prevalent in Idaho, some families find it important to carry on their native practices. Many set up small altars in their homes and remember the deceased.

For years, Robert Barrera of Paul, has done so in remembrance of his brother who died.

"I like to set a small altar up in my home for John," Barrera said. "I put his picture up with a cross and some guardian angel candles, then on the Day of the Dead I light the candles and sing a couple of his favorite songs to him. I like to say a cou-

Day of the Dead remembrances are a reminder of family and customs. They also help those who have lost their loved ones to understand the natural life cycles of life and death.



Rosy and Yelery Solorio display a 'Bread of the Dead' made by their father, Hipolito Solorio. The bread is part of Day of the Dead practices.

ple of prayers like the 'Our Father' and the 23rd Psalm.

"Others in the area enjoy a special family meal together and share a traditional bread known as *Pan de Muerto*, 'The Bread of the Dead.' Families sometimes bake their

own bread or purchase it through a panaderia, 'Spanish bakery.'

The 'sweet bread' often resembles a body or skull and bones.

Some place a small trinket in the bread before baking it. When the bread is shared with

the meal, finding the trinket can mean a special blessing.

These Days of the Dead remembrances are a reminder of family and customs. They also help those who have lost their loved ones to understand the natural life cycles of life and death.

Oaxaca square reopens but skirmishes persist between police and protesters

By Sam Enriquez
Los Angeles Times

OAXACA, Mexico — Federal police reopened the city's central square Tuesday after painting over the anti-government graffiti that had covered nearly every building in the colonial plaza during a five-month occupation by leftists and striking teachers.

Small skirmishes continued to flare in other parts of the state capital between federal police and protesters seeking the ouster of Gov. Ulises Ruiz. But more shops and restaurants began opening their doors as residents bet that the worst of the violence was over, and sought a return to their workaday lives.

Riot police who had faced down thousands of angry protesters Sunday spent Tuesday mingling with passers-by and relaxing on park benches reading the newspaper. While some lined up for food from the mess tent, others finished sweeping up the last piles of trash.

Protesters elsewhere in the city built street barricades overnight, creating a labyrinth of detours. Burned-out hulks of buses, cars and trucks still littered many intersections, along with the

Demonstrations and the downtown encampments drove off tourists, police and most local government employees during the normally busy summer season.

occasional pile of burning tires and rubbish.

Protesters abandoned the central square Sunday evening after the weekend arrival of thousands of federal police ordered by President Vicente Fox to restore order in the popular tourist town. At least two deaths were reported.

An umbrella group of organizations known by its Spanish-language initials, APPO, grew from a statewide teachers strike this spring. Leaders are demanding Ruiz's resignation, as well as more government money for schools, health care and basic utilities.

Teachers, who won their raises, have voted to return to classes. Most are waiting for calm to be restored before going back to work; union leaders are asking federal officials to guarantee their safety.

Demonstrations and the downtown encampments drove off tourists, police and most local government employees during Oaxaca's normally busy summer

season. Leaders continued to promise Tuesday that they would go home quietly when Ruiz quits.

Despite a vote by Mexico's Congress on Monday asking him to step down — as well as dozens of death threats spray-painted on nearly every city block — Ruiz said Monday that he would serve the remaining four years of his term.

A scuffle broke out Tuesday between protesters and about 2,000 people marching in support of the beleaguered Ruiz.

As his political stock continues to fall, even those who are angry at protesters say the governor ought to just quit for everybody's sake.

Many of the protesters who had camped for months in the central square have retreated to the nearby Benito Juarez Autonomous University. A federal official in Mexico City said federal police would probably leave them alone there.

November Fettuccine Forum focuses on immigration in Idaho and the nation

BOISE — The November Fettuccine Forum takes a closer look at "Mexicans Among Us: Immigrants and Citizens" with a presentation by Boise State University history professor Errol Iones.

The free lecture series is today in the Rose Room in the historic Union Block, 718 W. Idaho St. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the presentation begins at 5:30 p.m. Free appetizers will be served and fettuccine will be available for \$5.

Jones will examine the current situation facing Idaho and the nation, drawing upon his and other's historical research to show that rather than being a new problem, this is one with a long and tumultuous history whose origins predate the birth of our nation.

Norma Plutar's dance group, the Traditional Mexican Dancers, will perform before and after the lecture.

In addition, information will be available from Si Se Puede, a nonprofit organization that runs education programs for preschool through adult learners. Including language classes for Spanish and non-Spanish speakers.

The forum is co-sponsored by Boise State University's Center for Idaho History and Politics and the Boise City Office of the Mayor. The Fettuccine Forum is an educational forum about the history and cultural life of Boise and the Treasure Valley.

Companion workshops are offered for graduate and undergraduate credit. Students can register for the workshops online through BroncoWeb.

Teachers are invited to earn one professional education credit by attending all of the spring 2007 forums and participating in follow-up discussions.

Registration for this option will be available at the February forum.

Organizations disappointed in Secure Fence Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The National Council of La Raza, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials, and the League of United Latin American Citizens expressed their disappointment that President Bush signed the Secure Fence Act into law.

Organization representatives contended that the construction of 700 miles of fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border would do little to fix what they called the broken immigration system or deal

with the 12 million undocumented immigrants who live and work in this country.

"This law doesn't solve the immigration issue. It makes it worse. By authorizing 700 miles of fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border without appropriating any funding, this law reflects everything that is wrong with the immigration debate. It is a symbol of Congress's and the Administration's failure to achieve meaningful immigration reform," Janer Margueta, National Council of La Raza president, said.

"The Secure Fence Act should be called the Secure Election Act. It is a travesty that Congress utterly failed in achieving comprehensive immigration reform and could only pass in its waning days a bill for a fence that will take years to complete and does nothing to address America's immigration or labor needs."

"The President's signing into law of this bill simply reiterates that failure," said John Trasvina, executive director of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

A small-town university fulfilling big-time dreams

The Seattle Times

BUENA, Wash. — It's just after 5 a.m. on the second day of classes and too early for university freshmen elsewhere in the country to consider eating breakfast.

Her dad is leaving the family cottage to pick apples and Ambry, 20, will soon follow to trim and train grapevines before her afternoon business class. Her hands are a size. She's worked in the fields since she was 13, soon after her family of seven moved from Mexico.

The best decision was for us to live where we live, otherwise Magali wouldn't have been able to study at college," whispers

mom Irma Arreola, with Ambry translating softly as her living-room brother sits on the hanger-couch. "The main reason we brought the children here was to move forward and get a better future."

That hope is what has drawn many Hispanic farm workers to the towns of the lower Yakima Valley, one of the poorest and least-educated parts of the state. And quietly helping deliver that future for the past 25 years is one of the more unusual small-town colleges in the country: Heritage University in Nappin, Wash.

It's barely known in Seattle. But speak to a teacher in

Yakima, a nurse in Sunnyside or a social worker in Grandview, and chances are they were educated at Heritage.

—Began in an abandoned elementary school, the private university has grown from a few dozen students to more than 1,500. It's reaching students in a region ignored by the public system, and is raising overall educational attainment there.

Heritage has a higher proportion of minority and low-income undergraduates than any other university in the state: 53 percent are Hispanic and 11 percent American Indian. Nine out of every 10 undergrads qualify for federal financial aid.

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WORLD

Gaza raid by Israelis kills seven Palestinians

By Scott Wilson
The Washington Post

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli special forces backed by tanks and drone aircraft pushed into the northern Gaza Strip Wednesday, setting off hours of fighting that killed seven Palestinians, most of them gunmen, and one Israeli soldier. More than 40 other Palestinians were wounded by shrapnel and Israeli gunfire, some from rooftop snipers.

The raid was designed to root out stockpiles of crude Palestinian rockets, known generically as Qassams, and the men who fire them into southern Israel. By twilight at

least eight rockets had landed in and around the Israeli city of Sderot, damaging cars and slightly injuring two women in the largest one-day barrage in weeks.

In a street-corner news conference here, a few masked gunmen from the Izzadin al-Qassam Brigades, the military wing of the governing Hamas movement, called on Sderot residents to leave the city "if they care about their lives."

Capt. Noa Meir, an Israeli military spokeswoman, said the Palestinian guerrillas "are going to try to prove they still have the ability to do this. Bringing rocket fire down to zero may be impossible."

Gaza raid

THE RAID: Israeli troops seized a northern Gaza town Wednesday in one of the largest strikes against Palestinian rocket squads in months. Eight Palestinians and an Israeli soldier were killed.

THE BOMBING: The raid coincided with U.S. and Egyptian efforts to stanch the flow of weapons to Palestinian extremists across the Gaza-Egypt border.

WHAT'S NEXT: The takeover of Beit Hanoun was expected to last only a few days, as Israeli Cabinet ministers scrapped a plan to widen the conflict.

Israeli forces, which pulled out of Gaza last year, have been entering the strip regularly since the June 25 cross-border raid that captured Cpl. Gilad Shalit, a 20-year-old conscript now in the hands of Hamas's military wing.

Operations have rarely lasted longer than a few days and have focused on reducing rocket fire and destroying tunnels used by Palestinians to smuggle weapons across the border with Egypt.

In recent days, senior Israeli

military officers have argued for a broader assault on the strip. Frustrated that the rocket attacks, while declining in intensity, have continued, Israel's security cabinet rejected the military's request Wednesday but voted to continue what Israeli officials describe as "pinpoint" operations.

The push into Beit Hanoun brought Israeli troops as deep into Gaza as they have been in months, effectively sealing off the agricultural community of 28,000 people.

Palestinian health officials said Israeli forces prevented ambulances from entering or exiting the small hospital in

Beit Hanoun for hours. Israeli military officials said that the delay was the result of heavy shelling and that a humanitarian corridor into Beit Hanoun for Palestinian ambulances was opened after noon.

Prime Minister Israel Alon of Hamas called the operation a "massacre," adding that he hoped "the Israeli escalation in the Gaza Strip would not affect the ongoing negotiations" over Shalit's release. Israeli and Palestinian officials, working through Egyptian mediators, have been seeking a deal that would free roughly 1,000 Palestinian prisoners in exchange for Shalit.

Pakistan defends deadly attack on school

By Paul Garwood
Associated Press writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan's military defended its deadly missile strike on an Islamic school, saying Wednesday it was necessary to prevent terrorist attacks from escaping. Critics said the government used disproportionate force in the attack, which killed 80 people.

Tribal elders said Monday's raid in the Bajaur district near the Afghan border set back peace efforts in Pakistan's northwestern tribal region, and a prominent human rights group demanded an independent inquiry.

Abdul Aziz Khan, head of Bajaur's council of tribal chiefs, demanded a guarantee there would be no further attacks, saying "without it we will not really talk with the government." At stake is a deal to stamp out militancy like that reached in September with tribal chiefs in North Waziristan.

Protests erupted for a third day in Bajaur, with 10,000 tribesmen — including masked militants linked to al-Qaida — demanding the death of Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf and President Bush.

Musharraf's government has been roundly condemned in Pakistan for the attack on the school in the village of Chingai, two miles from the poorly demarcated border separating Pakistan from Afghanistan's Kunar province, where U.S. troops have recently battled al-Qaida militants.

Tribespeople and Islamic leaders denounced the raid as an illegitimate attack on innocent students and teachers and threatened retaliation.

Many people blamed the U.S. military for carrying out or providing intelligence for the attack.

Residents reported seeing unmanned drone surveillance aircraft flying over the town. Pakistani officials denied U.S. involvement and said they had aircraft — provided by the Americans — capable of carrying out surveillance.

Pakistan's chief army spokesman, Maj. Gen. Shaukat Sultan, said the military had no option but to use helicopter gunships against the school, which he said was a front for a militant training camp, because attempts to arrest suspected trainee terrorists could have led to their escape.



A U.S. military helicopter flies over the heavily fortified Green Zone that houses the U.S. Embassy and Iraqi government buildings at sunset Wednesday. A U.S. soldier was killed in fighting in Anbar province, a key insurgent stronghold, the U.S. military announced on Wednesday, meaning that 104 American service members were killed in combat in October, the fourth deadliest month since the Iraq war began in March 2003.

In Baghdad, the power shifts as violence surges

By Sally Bazore
Associated Press writer

News analysis

For months, the United States has urged Iraqi leaders to craft a deal to disarm militias, even as American troops face them down in the streets. The decision to push back from a confrontation with one of Iraq's militia — on the orders of Iraqi prime minister — shows the depth of the power shift in Baghdad.

The U.S. may have had little choice Tuesday but to follow Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's order to dismantle roadblocks around the Mahdi militia's Baghdad stronghold of Sadr City, a sprawling Shiite slum of 2.5 million. The Americans had few good options except trusting their Iraqis as the situation deteriorated.

The danger is clear, however: By allowing al-Maliki to appease Shiite members of his coalition who control dangerous militias, like the Mahdi Army leader Muqtada al-Sadr, the United States could watch the country veer toward even sharper sectarian conflict.

The fear is that the armed Shiite death squads in Sadr City — named after the anti-U.S. cleric's slain father, Grand Ayatollah Mohammed Sa'id al-Sadr — could increase their attacks against Sunnis across the capital. At a minimum, removing the checkpoints may have led Sunnis to conclude that their rivals in the Shiite militia can act with impunity and with political cover at the highest levels.

If so, that could severely undercut the U.S. goal of strengthening a national, unity government to stabilize Iraq.

It also could leave the American militia mission in Iraq's cities a dead end, unlikely to keep Americans troops aggressively patrolling Baghdad's streets against militia-run death squads, if their hands are so tied that soldiers

cannot act.

Top U.S. military officials deny that is happening, but many lower-level soldiers have complained of just such frustration in recent months.

The situation is complicated by next week's U.S. midterm elections, which have created uncertainty whether U.S. policy will change.

Neither side has shed much light on whether Tuesday's startling turn of events was a case of al-Maliki forcing U.S. officials' hand, or joint and orchestrated effort to boost his political stature with his Shiite partners, and thus help his efforts to curb militias.

U.S. officials said the prime minister's order was decided jointly at a meeting of al-Maliki, U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad and Gen. George Casey, the top U.S. commander in Iraq.

Al-Sadr also happened in a week of sharp pushbacks by al-Maliki, including an earlier call for U.S. troops to pull back to their bases and out of Iraqi cities as fast as possible.

Aides to the prime minister have said flatly that he hopes to expand his authority by playing on American voter discontent and White House reluctance to open a public fight just before the elections.

The U.S. — not al-Maliki — controls American troops in Iraq. But U.S. military and civilian officials say they are willing to compromise on military operations, sometimes follow the prime minister's wishes, to aid the larger goal of helping him win an anti-militia deal.

In essence, they have decided this success is vital to theirs. They are sometimes willing to compromise. U.S. officials also gingerly acknowledge just how far out on a limb of trust they are — and how much power has shifted to al-Maliki.

Gunmen abduct the coach of blind Iraqi athletes

By Ken Ellingwood
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Gunmen stormed a Baghdad sports club Wednesday and kidnapped a coach and a member of a national team for blind athletes, while authorities discovered more than 30 bodies in the capital amid persistent sectarian violence.

U.S. military officials announced the death in combat of a soldier a day earlier in the Al Anbar province of western Iraq, raising to at least 104 the number of American fatalities in October. A statement issued by the military said the soldier was assigned to the Regimental Combat Team 7.

Meanwhile, bombings and mortar attacks in different areas of Baghdad killed at least

11 people, and the toll from a bomb attack on a pre-wedding gathering a night earlier climbed to 23.

Violence by armed groups in the capital has continued despite a high-profile campaign by U.S. and Iraqi forces to establish order. Many of the killings and kidnappings are part of a wider sectarian conflict between Shiite and Sunni militias that has convulsed Iraq since the bombing of a Shiite mosque in Samarra in February.

In Wednesday's kidnapping, gunmen in pickup trucks seized the two men during broad daylight. One of the abductees, Khalid Najim Deen, coached the "bell ball" team for the blind and seeing-impaired.

The other victim was a 33-

year-old player, Esam Khalaf. In ball ball, players seek to roll a ball with a bell inside past defenders into a goal. The Iraqi team was training for a tournament for the blind in Malaysia.

Ghaleb Nuaemi, who heads Iraq's committee that sponsors Olympics for the disabled, said the incident underscored the brutality of the current violence. "Whether they were disabled or not, they are not safe from the hands of those who want to harm Iraq," he said.

Sports officials and coaches have fallen victim to a number of killings and kidnappings in recent months. Gunmen abducted an Olympic soccer player and the head of Iraq's Olympic committee and shot to death a former national volleyball player.

Imprisoned Chinese legal activist wins retrial

By Maureen Fan
The Washington Post

BEIJING — Rights activists and lawyers on Wednesday hailed an overturned verdict in the case of a blind legal activist as a victory over corrupt officials.

"This is a success of the central party committee practicing rule of law," said Li Jinsong, lawyer for Chen Guangcheng, self-taught legal activist blinded by a childhood illness. This is a success of the Chinese people fighting against corrupt officials and safeguarding the dignity of law."

Chen and his supporters have been beaten, jailed and placed under house arrest since embarrassing local officials by unveiling forced abortions and sterilizations in eastern Shandong province last year.

At his trial, conducted by Judge Wang Jun in Yinan County People's Court, Chen was deprived of his own legal counsel. He was sentenced in August to more than four years in prison for disrupting traffic and "damaging property." Supporters said the charges were trumped up and noted that Chen was under guard or house arrest at the time of the

incident in question.

Chen appealed his sentence to the Linyi City Intermediate Court, which decided Monday to overturn the verdict and send the case back to Yinan People's Court to be retried. That trial could come in about six weeks, lawyers said.

Chen's wife, Yuan Weijing, said this week's decision "shows that there are some serious problems with the first trial" and said she believed authorities had been under great pressure to make concessions. Chen's case has garnered international attention. Diplomats have said the trial made a

mockery of China's stated aim to improve rule of law.

While Yuan said she was overjoyed by the developments, she also expressed caution about expectations for a second trial.

"It's really hard for me to predict the result of the retrial, because I'm still under house arrest. If I don't have freedom, villagers will still be under great pressure with the first trial," witnesses will not talk frankly in the court. If I don't have freedom, the case will not be judged justly," Yuan said.

The lawyer, said he was optimistic.

In this undated file photo released by his supporters, blind activist Chen Guangcheng is seen in a village in China.



Botha

toward "the eventual peacefully negotiated settlement in our country," said Mandela, who spent 27 years in prison before South's successor, F.W. de Klerk, freed him in 1990.

President Thabo Mbeki said Botha had led the country "at a difficult time." "It stands to his credit that when he realized the futility of fighting against what was right and inevitable, he in his own way, realized that South Africans had no alternative but to reach out to one another," he said in a statement.

Mbeki ordered all flags to be flown at half-staff until the funeral, said the Rev. Frank Chikane, a top presidential aide. He said the government had been ready to accord Botha a full state funeral, but respected the wishes of the family.

Chikane rushed to Botha's house to pay the government's condolences. The gesture was especially poignant, since the former head of the South African Council of Churches narrowly escaped death in 1989 when his clothes were laced with pesticides by the apartheid regime.

Mandela says Botha's death evokes South Africa's 'divided past'

By Clara Halls
Associated Press writer

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Nelson Mandela said Wednesday the death of P.W. Botha, the apartheid-era leader who forced pressure to release him from prison, was a reminder of South Africa's "horribly divided past" but also of how its citizens came together to save the country from destruction.

Man known to many as the "Old Krowan" because of his feared temper and ruthlessness. Even those like former President Mandela who suffered under Botha's rule from 1978-89 were magnanimous toward his former oppressor. Botha, 90, died late Tuesday at his home on the southern Cape coast.

"While to many Botha will remain a symbol of apartheid, we also remember him for the steps he took to pave the way

reform, but he tenaciously defended the framework of apartheid, sharply restricting the activities of black political organizations and detaining more than 30,000 people.

Through a series of liberalizing moves, Botha sought support among the Asian and mixed-race communities by creating separate departments and chambers. During a series of gradual race reforms, he told white South Africans they must "adapt or die."

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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, at the office of the Deputy City Clerk until 2:00 o'clock P.M., prevailing local time, on November 16, 2006, at which time they will be opened publicly and read in the Conference Room of City Hall, 321 Second Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho.

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City of Twin Falls
321 Second Avenue East
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Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-1907

PUBLISH: November 2 and 9, 2006
OPEN: November 16, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV 06-032
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
OF
MICHAEL ANTHONY STUMPF,
A Minor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MICHAEL ANTHONY STUMPF, has on the 18th day of October, 2006, filed a Petition in the above-entitled Court praying that said Court enter its Order changing Petitioner's legal name from MICHAEL ANTHONY STUMPF TO MICHAEL ANTHONY ALLGOOD.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT any person having objection to the changing of Petitioner's name as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice, to-wit: the 30th day of November, 2006. DATED this 18th day of October, 2006.

ROY NELSON, BARINI-GARCIA & PLATTS
By Lisa Barini-Garcia
Attorneys for Petitioner

PUBLISH: October 26, November 2, 9 and 16, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-06-417
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of
**GLADYS G. GRIFFIN, aka
GLADYS EDNA GRIFFIN,**
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of all persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the firm of Coleman, Richie & Robertson, 153 1/2 Avenue West, P.O. Box 525, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0525, and filed with the Court. DATED the day of October, 2006.

/s/ Gaylelyn Callan
Personal Representative

PUBLISH: October 26, November 2 and 9, 2006

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
OFF No. 1863870146
Title No. 182438

On Tuesday, February 9, 2007 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M. of said day, in the office of First American Title Company located at 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83303, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, has been informed that the STREET TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 227 Quincy Street, Twin Falls, ID 83301, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder from the previous sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-5024, et. Sec.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in the deed of trust executed by Linda McKnight, a married woman, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Chase Home Finance LLC, as Successor Beneficiary, recorded April 2, 2002 as Instrument No. 2002-006185. Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1501(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to Make principal and interest payments on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$37,500.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 7.375% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated March 28, 2005. Payments are in default for the months of June through and including September of 2006 in the amount of \$335.69 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of cure or reinstatement. The principal balance as of September 18, 2006 is \$35,873.73 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 7.375% per annum. The per dem is \$7.25. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure. The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$35,873.73, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: October 19, 2006
Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.
By Bobbi Odfield, Trust Officer
Phone (877) 947-1553

PUBLISH: October 26, November 2, 9 and 16, 2006

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On February 7, 2007, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock P.M. of said day, at First American Title, 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for the lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows to-wit: **Lot 22 Block 2 East Addition Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, filed in Book 6 of Plats, Page 22.**

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 1007 Sunrise Blvd., Twin Falls, ID is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy stay, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of Trust executed by Matthew B. Meade, a Married Man, as Grantor) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded November 22, 2000, as Instrument No. 2000018394, in the records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., recorded September 28, 2006, as Instrument No. 2005-024585. In the records of said County.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1501(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to pay the amount due under the Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$607.27 for the months of June 2006 through and including the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$33,031.08 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 8.375% from May 2006, together with delinquent payments and penalties and interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated this 4th day of October, 2006.

/s/ Paula Peterson
Trust Officer for
Just Law, Inc.

For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at www.justlawidaho.com or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106. Thank you.

PUBLISH: October 19, 26, November 2 and 9, 2006

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: October 10, 2006 File No.: 728 2375 Loan No.: 3313152 Sale date and time (local time): February 28, 2007 at 10:00 AM Sale location: in the office of First American Title Company, 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301 Property address: 1147 C East 4400 North, Buhl, ID 83316

Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation 505 N. Tustin Ave., Suite 243 Santa Ana, CA 92705

Original Grantor: Stephen B. Bell and Lisa M. Bell, Husband and Wife. Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. Original mortgage: Chase Mortgage aka Crossland Mortgage Corp. Recording date: July 8, 1998 Recorder's instrument number: 1998012410 County: Twin Falls Sum owing on the obligation: as of October 10, 2006: \$54,694.58 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above.

Basics of default: Failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Re-recorded on 12/28/2006 Parcel No. 1998020325 PARCEL NO. 1 Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Section 29, Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho SECTION 21: A portion of the NE1/4 NW1/4 described as follows: BEGINNING at the East corner of Section 00 degrees 23'47" West 98.920 feet from the North quarter corner of said Section 21; THENCE continuing South 27 degrees 32' West 333.078 feet to the Southeast corner of the said NE1/4 NW1/4; THENCE North 89 degrees 01'34" East along the South line of the NE1/4 NW1/4 a distance of 653.96 feet; THENCE North 00 degrees 23'47" East 336.25 feet to the East corner of said Section 21; THENCE continuing East along the East line of the said 654.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. PARCEL NO. 2 A 25 foot wide roadway easement parallel to and adjoining the North boundary and including the currently constructed roadway along the North boundary allowing the roadway and utility easement. PARCEL NO. 3 A 50 foot wide roadway easement parallel and abating to the East and South boundaries, and a 25 foot wide utility irrigation and road easement parallel the West boundary. PARCEL NO. 4 Roadway Easement as reflected on the map of survey of NELSON VALLEY ESTATES NO. 2, recorded May 25, 1978, as Instrument No. 737783, in Book 28 of Miscellaneous, page 2034, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be viewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made with kind, warranty, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TSA 7281,23279) 1002.65501-1F)

PUBLISH: October 19, 26, November 2 and 9, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2006-3512
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of:
IRIS M. BALL,
Deceased.

I have been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Beneficiary at the office of Paul, Benay, P.L.L.C., P.O. Box 508, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0508, and must be filed with the Court. DATED October 5, 2006.

/s/Jan Boulterakis
Personal Representative

PUBLISH: October 19, 26 and November 2, 2006

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: October 26, 2006 File No.: 714 2512 Today's date: 1094003 Sale date and time (local time): February 27, 2007 at 10:00 AM Sale location: in the office of First American Title Company, 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301 Property address: 507 Madison Street, Twin Falls, ID 83301

Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation 505 N. Tustin Ave., Suite 243 Santa Ana, CA 92705

Original Grantor: Carlee Daniela, also known as Carlee Lutz and Carlee Lutz, wife and husband Original trustee: First American Title Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as beneficiary for itself. The promissory note description is: The East one-half of Lot 5 in Block 1 of Sweet's Addition, Twin Falls County, Twin Falls County, Idaho. Official Records of Idaho in the Official Plat Book 21, filed February 24, 2005 Recorder's instrument number: 2005-030957 County-Twin Falls-Sum owing on the obligation as of September 18, 2006: \$112,861.08 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above.

Basics of default: Failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: The East one-half of Lot 5 in Block 1 of Sweet's Addition, Twin Falls County, Twin Falls County, Idaho. Official Records of Idaho in the Official Plat Book 21, filed February 24, 2005 Recorder's instrument number: 2005-030957 County-Twin Falls-Sum owing on the obligation as of September 18, 2006: \$112,861.08 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV 06-4365
SUMMONS
LEASECOMM CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. JOHN WOODRUFF dba WOODRUFF PAVING, Defendant.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: JOHN WOODRUFF dba WOODRUFF PAVING

You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.

TO determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

DATED this 18th day of September, 2006. CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT. By: Deputy

PUBLISH: October 26, November 2, 9 and 16, 2006

ORDINANCE NO.2879
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, REGARDING REAL PROPERTY BELOW DESCRIBED; PROVIDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION THEREOF; AND PROVIDING THE NECESSARY AREA OF IMPACT AND ZONING DISTRICTS MAP AMENDMENT.

WHEREAS, Falls Investment Partnership, c/o Rick Carr had made application for a rezoning property located at 884 Eastland Drive North; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, held a Public Hearing as required by law on the 12th day of September, 2006 to consider the Zoning Designation and necessary Area of Impact and Zoning Districts Map amendment upon a REZONE of the real property below described; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning and Zoning Commission has made recommendations to the City Council for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, held a Public Hearing to consider the same matter on the 23rd day of October, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO:

SECTION 1. That the following described real property located at 884 Eastland Drive North is the subject of a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R-2 to R-2-PD.

ATTACHMENT "A"
A parcel of land located in the NW 1/4, NE 1/4, Section 10 Township 17 North, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows:

Containing that the Northwest corner of Section 11;

THENCE South 88°41' East 156.88 feet along the North line of said Section 11;

THENCE South 02°09' East 582.39 feet; THENCE North 88°41' West 171 feet to the West line of said Section 11;

THENCE North 02°11' West 382.39 feet along the West line of said Section 11, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Containing 1.45 acres.
SECTION 2. That the Area of Impact and Zoning Districts Map for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, and the same is hereby amended to reflect the rezoning of the real property above described.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, October 23, 2006
By Mayor Lanas W. Clow, October 24, 2006
By Deputy City Clerk Leila Sanchez.

PUBLISH: Thursday, November 2, 2006

CITY OF TWIN FALLS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2006, 8:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
305 THIRD AVENUE EAST, TWIN FALLS, IDAHO.

For the Purpose of Hearing Public Comments Regarding the Increase in GREEN FEES
Beyond the Limits Prescribed by Idaho Code Section 63-1311A
The Proposed Fees Exceed 105% of the Fees Last Collected

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, will hold a public hearing for consideration of a proposed fee increase, said hearing to be held at City Council Chambers, Twin Falls, Idaho at 8:00 p.m., on November 13, 2006.

The City of Twin Falls has proposed to increase the green fees by an amount that exceeds one hundred five percent of the current fee. The proposed increases would have the following impact on current fees.

Table with 4 columns: FEE, CURRENT RATE, PROPOSED RATE, % INCREASE. Rows include Greens Fees, Juniors, Senior/Weekday, Adult/Weekday, Adult-9 Holes, Adult-Weekend/Holiday, Adult Specials, Weekly Twilight, Rainy Day/Windy Day, Winter Rate.

The increased revenue is necessary to cover capital improvement projects at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.
At said hearing all interested persons may appear and show cause, if any they have, why said proposed increases should not be adopted.

Dated this 30th day of October, 2006.
PUBLISH: November 2nd & November 9th, 2006.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-06-4748
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN W. RUTTT, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has appointed personal representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims should be presented to Virginia McNeill, personal representative of the estate of John W. Ruttt, deceased, at 513 B St., Rock Springs, WY 82901 and filed with the Court.

DATE this 13th day of October, 2006
Virginia McNeill
Personal Representative
513 B Street
Rock Springs, WY 82901

PUBLISH: October 19, 26 and November 2, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE

On October 19, 2006, an application was tendered for filing with the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. for consent to the assignment of the construction permits of Standard Broadcast Stations KTFD (FM), 94.3 MHz, Hazelton, Idaho, and KISV (FM), 102.1 MHz, Twin Falls, Idaho, from FM Idaho Co., LLC to Locally Owned Radio, LLC. Wendell M. Starke is the sole manager of FM Idaho Co., LLC and exercises 100% voting control over the company. Porter Hogan Charitable Trust #1, Jennifer Meeks, Trust #1, Jennifer Meeks, Trustee, holds 98.8% of the equity of FM Idaho Co., LLC. The Porter Hogan Charitable Trust #1, Jennifer Meeks, holds 90% of the equity of the Locally Owned Radio, LLC. Jennifer Meeks is president and a member of the Board of Managers of a company, Wendell M. Starke is a member of the Board of Managers and controls 100% of the vote of the company. Elliott K. Klein, a 10% equity member of the company, is also Vice President and a member of the Board of Managers.

A copy of the application is contained in the station's public inspection files which are available for public inspection during normal business hours at 21361 Highway 30, Twin Falls, ID 83401.

PUBLISH: October 31, November 2, 7 and 9, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-06-26
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF IDAHO, Plaintiff, vs. ALBERTO CARRILLO and TERESA SILVA, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: Alberto Carrillo
I, the undersigned, do hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.

TO determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

DATED this 27th day of October, 2006. CLERK OF THE MAGISTRATE COURT By: Kary Wageman, Deputy

PUBLISH: October 12, 19, 26 and November 2, 2006

SAMPLE BALLOT
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
TO VOTE, complete the arrow pointing to the candidate whose name is on the ballot. To vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot, write the name of the person for whom you wish to vote in the appropriate space for that office. Write your name and address on the back of the ballot. Your ballot may contain more than one page. Please be sure to mark both sides of the ballot.

SAMPLE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT
TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO NOVEMBER 7, 2006
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SECOND DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)
FOR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 22 FOR STATE SENATOR (Vote for ONE)
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER FIRST DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER THIRD DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER FIFTH DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)
FOR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT (Vote for ONE)
FOR COUNTY TREASURER (Vote for ONE)
FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)
FOR CITY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)
NON-PARTISAN JUDICIAL BALLOT
MAGISTRATE HOWARD J. SANDERSON OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS RETIRED IN CIRCUIT

SAMPLE BALLOT
HJR 2
SJR 107 (cont.)
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF REASONS AND PURPOSE
HJR 2
SJR 107 (cont.)
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF REASONS AND PURPOSE
The purpose of the proposed amendment is to create a permanent endowment fund into which 50 percent of the money received annually as a result of the settlement between the State of Idaho and tobacco product manufacturers will be deposited. The remaining 50 percent of the annual settlement will be deposited into the existing Idaho Millennium Fund. No portion of the annual settlement, including interest, will be transferred, used, or expended, with the exception that each year 5 percent of the endowment fund average monthly fair market value will be distributed to an income fund that will be subject to appropriation. In addition, each year any amount in the Idaho Millennium Fund in excess of a maximum amount, as provided by law, will be transferred annually to the permanent endowment fund.

Legal Notice of Application L-47-5-30

Pursuant to Section 58-104 (g) and 58-1301, of our Idaho Code (The Land Protection Act) and rules of the State Board of Land Commissioners...

PUBLISH: November 2 and 9, 2006

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Idaho Code 45-1506 Through date: October 10, 2006. Case No.: 7023.12238. Loan No.: 0000000070. Sale date: February 08, 2007 at 10:00 AM. Sale location: in the office of First American Title Company...

PUBLISH: October 19, 26, November 2 and 9, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-2006-683 ANOTHER SUMMONS STATEWIDE COLLECTIONS, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. JONATHAN SHANE CASEY, Defendant.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: JONATHAN SHANE CASEY

You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of Summons on you. If you fail to respond to the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff in the Complaint.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. ID-58-00534 Notice is hereby given that, Fidelity National Title Company, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on February 16, 2007, at the hour of 10:00 AM, at said day, at the Main Entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow, 1411 Falls Avenue East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all property, both real and personal, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "property") situated in the County of Twin Falls, Idaho...

PUBLISH: October 19, 26, November 2 and 9, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-06-418 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LAURA E. GIER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Co-Administrators of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the power of said estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice...

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200 Employment CLERICAL: Opening at busy family medical practice. Primary Position: Receptionist. Duties include but not limited to answering multiple phone lines, filing & scanning, etc.

200 Employment CLERICAL: Part-time Office Help. Answering phones, data entry & basic computer knowledge. Send resumes to: C/O Times News, Twin Falls, ID 83303

200 Employment CONSTRUCTION: Roofers, Framers, Concrete Foundation and Form Setters with 3 years experience preferred. Please contact Debra in Elko Nevada at Canyon Management 776-777-6307

200 Employment CONSTRUCTION: Equipment Operators, Concrete Form Setter, Mechanical Pliers, Mechanical D.O.E. Fax resumes to 801-583-3373 For info call 801-706-4045

200 Employment CONSTRUCTION: Experienced Dump Truck Drivers. CDL with good driving record. Also need Equipment Operators. Benefits. Drug Free Workplace. Call 834-4180

200 Employment CONSTRUCTION: Framers Wanted. Full time with benefits after 30 days. Some experience necessary. Willingness to learn and work hard. Paid Interview. Call Jerry for details 208-421-0253

GENERAL: The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for an INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT SPECIALIST. Bachelor's Degree, 2001. Responsible for a variety of secretarial and related administrative support, tracking incoming requests for assistance, assigning tasks to staff members, manages their appointments and follows up to insure that deadlines are met.

200 Employment MAINTENANCE: The Elko County Sheriff's office is seeking qualified applicants for Building Maintenance Worker. Must pass a non-felon background check and possess a valid Nevada drivers license. Excellent benefits. \$15.88-\$16.85 DOE. Building and Grounds Maintenance Workers. Excellent benefits. \$15.89 - \$16.85 DOE.

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DAIRY Call Ranch Manager needed. 6000 cow dairy Performance incentives, work with excellent veterinarian. Fax resume to 208-678-4925

DENTAL Hygienist needed two days a week. Nice office, competitive salary. Call 208-536-5441

DENTAL Office Manager Experience preferred. Send resume to 1411 N. Fillmore Street 602 Twin Falls, Idaho, 83301

DRIVER Wanted to drive cattle truck, to make cattle, mostly out of state. Salary \$35,000-\$40,000/year DOE. 733-9987 or 320-1008

DRIVER Gilmer Truck Transportation is looking for OTR Drivers for fur vans and reefers. Starting pay is \$52 a mile with full benefits and 401k after 90 days. Please call 877-234-3515 between 8am-3pm ask for Tim or Dave

DRIVER Seeking Delivery Driver/Varehouse person. Great career opportunity with benefits. Must have valid drivers license and pass UVA test. Must have computer skills and be detail oriented. M-F 8-5, P.T. 59.5-10hr/DOE. 208-734-6652 for more info.

DRIVER SunBridges Healthcare Transportation Director. Must have current CDL license. Contact Bill Miller 734-8845 or pick up applications at 640 Filer Ave. W. Twin Falls, Idaho.

DRIVER Wanted Long Haul Driver for Idaho to California, out 3 days. Freight will be frozen foods and fresh produce. Pay rate 32 per mile. Call Wayne or Scott 208-734-0578

DRIVERS NOW HIRING! Earn up to \$2600 a month! 21 years old minimum. PT & FT, home every night. Jobs available in Twin Falls, & Paul, Idaho. 208-732-5476 or 1-866-253-5480 www.ionyston.com

DRIVERS Burley, Paul and Twin Falls Class A CDL DRIVERS needed. Part or Full-time and local hauling. Home every night. Benefits include medical, 401k vacation. An Express 208-678-4625, 208-438-8888 or 208-735-8857

DRIVERS CDL Drivers NEEDED for local hauls! 208-733-7300 for more info.

DRIVERS TOP GUN Truck Driving Academy CDL Instruction 735-6656

DRIVERS Drivers, Flatbed, Northwest. Receive company paid 401k holiday, vacation pay and be home weekly. Medical benefits. 800-835-5233

DRIVERS Looking for Dependable Drivers \$30,000-\$50,000 a year. Travel in Idaho, Montana, CDL Class A & 1 year farm exp req. 208-731-0463

DRIVERS Now Hiring Class A & B CDL Drivers. 208-886-7162.

200 Employment

DAIRY Milkler for local Dairy. Call 208-543-2158

DRIVERS CO's & Cattle Truck Drivers. CDL Req. New equipment. Call 208-688-8533

EDUCATION Filer School District announces an opening at Filer High School for a part-time, 3 hrs/ day, 12:30-3:30pm Para-professional. The required method of applying is a formal application submitted to the School District Office, resume, and three letters of recommendation. This position will be open until filled. To contact Sandra Roberts Filer School District 208-536-5981

EDUCATION Spanish Tutor needed to teach conversation at Spanish to English speaking class. Fluent in both English and Spanish. 1 year of teaching or training adult learning experience. Flexible schedule 15-20 hours per week. Email resume to: jobopenings@whitewave.com

ELECTRICIAN Electricians wanted. Journey level. Commercial. Call 208-536-2428

FEEDLOT Feedlot NW of Paul has an opening for full-time Feedlot Helper. Duties include help with feeding, cleaning of pen, repair fences, and general mechanical work. Call for appointment. 208-481-6371.

GENERAL COMMUNICATOR Jerome Now accepting applications for job in group homes. Starting \$8hr. benefits after probation. Call 208-324-9272 or stop at location at 1118 N. Lincoln, Jerome, 9am-5pm

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LEGAL Assistant with exp. for busy firm. Salary commensurate with exp., benefits. Respond to Box 8913, 401 Dewey Ave., PO Box 648, Twin Falls, ID 83303

LEGAL Legal Secretary Computer/Word Perfect Salary DOE. Send resume to PO Box 525 Twin Falls, ID 83305-0525

MANAGER Maverick Finance a national finance corporation. Due to rapid expansion is seeking an Assistant Manager. Job: To rapid expansion. We offer paid vacation, holidays, sick leave, health & life insurance, dental benefits, profit sharing 401k plan. Apply in person at 1055 Blue Lakes Twin Falls, 732-0157

MANUFACTURING Speers Mfg Co., is accepting applications for the following FT positions: *Packaging *Production *Material Handler *Warehousing *Production Mechanist \$9-\$12/hour (dependent on education) Company benefits, vacation, health, dental, life insurance, paid holidays, 401k plan. Applications available for resume at Plant Security Office 218 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho 83301. Speers is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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Thursday, Nov. 2, 2006

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"Lawsuit: a machine which you go into as a pig and come out as a sausage."
— Ambrose Bierce

NORTH	1-2 A
♥ A 8 7	
♦ Q 9 5 4 3	
♣ 9 3	
♠ Q 3	

WEST		EAST
♥ J 10 9 2		♣ K 6 5 4
♦ J 10 7 4		♥ K J 2
♠ A 10 9 5 2		♦ 2
		♠ K J 8 6 4

SOUTH	
♥ Q 3	
♦ A 10 8 7 6	
♣ K 8 6 5	
♠ 7	

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: East

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Spade jack

BID WITH THE ACES

South	West	North	East
♥ K 6 5 4		♣ K J 2	
♦ 2		♠ K 8 6 4	

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All pass		

Dbl. Pass 1♠ 2♦

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— yes, Nova Scotia —
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TOP 5

The week's most popular media, compiled by The Associated Press

TELEVISION

1. "Grey's Anatomy," ABC.
2. "Dancing with the Stars," ABC.
3. "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS.
4. "Desperate Housewives," ABC.
5. "Dancing with the Stars Results," ABC.

—From Nielsen Media Research

FILM

1. "The Prestige," Disney.
2. "The Departed," Warner Bros.
3. "Flags of Our Fathers," Paramount.
4. "Open Season," Sony.
5. "Flicka," Fox.

—From Exhibitor Relations Co.

HOT FIVE

1. "Money Maker," Ludacris (feat. Pharrell), DTP.
2. "Smack That," Akon (feat. Eminem), SRC.
3. "Lips of an Angel," Hinder, Universal Republic.
4. "SexyBack," Justin Timberlake, Jive.
5. "My Love," Justin Timberlake, Jive.

—From Billboard magazine

ALBUMS

1. "Press Play," Diddy, Bad Boy.
2. "The Open Door," Evanescence, Wind-up.
3. "The High Road," JoJo, Da Family.
4. "FutureSex/LoveSounds," Justin Timberlake, Jive.
5. "Long Trip Alone," Dierks Bentley, Capitol Nashville.

—From Billboard magazine

CONCERT TOURS

1. Tim McGraw / Faith Hill.
2. Kenny Chesney.
3. Dave Matthews Band.
4. Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young.
5. Shakira.

—From Pollstar

VHS/DVD RENTALS

1. "Click," Sony Pictures Home Entertainment.
2. "X-Men: The Last Stand," 20th Century Fox.
3. "The Lake House," Warner Home Video.
4. "Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties,"

20th Century Fox.

5. "Walt Deep," Universal Studios Home Video.

—From Billboard magazine

VHS SALES

1. "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea (Special Edition)," Walt Disney Home Video.
2. "Dora the Explorer: World Adventure," Nick Jr.
3. "Requiem for a Dream," Lions Gate Home Entertainment.
4. "The Scorpion King," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "28 Days Later," Paramount Home Entertainment.

—From Billboard magazine

DVD SALES

1. "Click," Sony Pictures Home Entertainment.
2. "The Little Mermaid," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
3. "X-Men: The Last Stand," 20th Century Fox.
4. "Walt Deep," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties," 20th Century Fox.

—From Billboard magazine

TOP ITUNES DOWNLOADS

1. "Smack That," Akon
2. "Too Little, Too Late," JoJo
3. "Lips of an Angel," Hinder
4. "White & Nerdy," "Weird Al" Yankovic
5. "Chasing Cars," Snow Patrol

—From Apple Computers Inc.

BEST-SELLING BOOKS

1. "A Series of Unfortunate Events: The End" by Lemony Snicket, et al. by Brett Helquist (Harper-Collins) (fiction/hardcover)
2. "The Innocent Man: Murder and Injustice in a Small Town" by John Grisham (Doubleday) (non-fiction/hardcover)
3. "The Audacity of Hope" by Barack Obama (Crown) (non-fiction/hardcover)
4. "For One More Day" by Mitch Albom (Hyperion) (fiction/hardcover)
5. "The Memory Keeper's Daughter" by Kim Edwards (Penguin) (fiction/paperback)

—From USA Today

VIDEO GAME REVIEW



In the PlayStation 2 video game "God Hand," a drifter named Goro takes on a demon.

Video games still stir up controversy

BY LOU KESTER
 The Associated Press

In the original "Mortal Kombat," published way back in 1992, there was a fighter called Sub-Zero who had an inelegant yet effective signature move: At the climax of a battle, he would rip out his opponent's head and spine.

That got the attention of Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., who led Senate hearings into video games and their pernicious effect on America's youth. The hearings led eventually to the establishment of the Entertainment Software Ratings Board, an industry panel that evaluates the levels of violence, sex and profanity in games and advises parents on which games are appropriate for which age groups.

Lieberman remains one of the video-game industry's most persistent critics, but "Mortal Kombat" is no longer the flashpoint of the game violence debate. Its brand of mano-a-mano brawling is seen as kind of old-fashioned today, now that the likes of "Grand Theft Auto" are serving up the indiscriminate slaughter of innocent civilians.

"Bully" (Rockstar for the PlayStation 2, \$39.99): The latest production from "GTA" publisher Rockstar Games drew immediate criticism (and publicity) because of its name: "Bully," a clearly inflammatory title in this sensitive post-Columbine era. Thankfully, Rockstar resisted the impulse to re-create a high school bloodbath; there isn't a gun or knife to be found in "Bully," although you can kneecap your foes with a baseball bat. You play Jimmy Hopkins, a 15-year-old skinhead who's dumped off at Bullworth Academy, America's worst boarding school. Your goal is to survive the gauntlet of tuggish jocks, greasers, preps and other high-school clichés who are out to make your life miserable. There's a ton of things to do, from random acts of vandalism to full-scale brawls with various cliques, but none of the missions are particularly clever or challenging. And Jimmy himself is such a thoroughly unappealing antihero that it's almost more fun to let him get his tail kicked by the football team. At

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Canadian lightning

Drum! brings the music of Nova Scotia — yes, Nova Scotia — to CSI

Times News

TWIN FALLS — Nova Scotia sounds about as hip as Nebraska.

Yet you might be surprised. Canada's smallest province, after all, is the motherland of Cajun, the school of music and cuisine that arose in Louisiana when it became the new home of 12,000 French Acadians after they were expelled by the British in 1765.

Nova Scotia always had a vibrant Native American population and was smack in the middle of the wave of migration from Ireland to North America in the last half of the 19th century.

Drum!, a traveling revue of Nova Scotia's music and dance, aims to echo all of those traditions.

The production will visit the College of Southern Idaho Fine

If you go ...

- **What:** Magic Valley Arts on Tour will present "Drum!", its second show of the season.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$25 for adults and \$18 for students/children, are available at Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Magic Valley Arts Council, Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, the CSI Fine Arts box office, and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley and Gooding. For information or for tickets, call 732-6288.

Ars Center auditorium Thursday night, the second Magic Valley Please see DRUM, Page 16



Nova Scotia folk dance has strong Celtic roots.

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'CATCH A FIRE'

The harder they come, the harder they fall

BY DESSON THOMSON

The Washington Post

What's most riveting about "Catch a Fire" is the truth from which it springs.

The movie recounts the true story of a South African factory worker whose political consciousness was forged in the fire of apartheid, and it's written by a woman whose parents were directly involved in the struggle.

Shawn Slovo, the daughter of white Jewish activists Joe Slovo and Ruth First, based her script on the recollections of Patrick Chamusca, a black foreman who was arrested, interrogated and tortured in 1980 for an act of terrorism he didn't commit. Politically radicalized by the experience, Chamusca escaped to Mozambique and joined the military wing of the African National Congress, where he served under Slovo's father — by then the ANC's military massmind and leader of the South African Communist Party.

Years later, at her father's urging, Slovo recorded Chamusca's story on tape and started writing. The result is a movie that's often guilty of Hollywood-style pandering, but also a compelling chronicle of one man's transformation from political citizen to ANC foot soldier. And it's a film that successfully evokes the atmosphere of the time — the torture, the government's exhaustive surveillance of black citizens, and the palpable sense of oppression as a million whites enjoyed the fruits of a beautiful country while 25 million blacks toiled for their pleasure.

Patrick (Derek Luke/"Antwone Fisher"), resigned to a system that provides a relatively comfortable life for his family, avoids political trouble until it finds him: He's blamed for a terrorist explosion at the oil refinery where he works. To reveal his alibi would expose a secret about his personal life, so he appears guilty, is brutally tortured and the course of his destiny set.



In apartheid-era South Africa, two men (Derek Luke and Tim Robbins) find themselves on opposite sides in "Catch a Fire."

"These torture scenes — though depicted with relative subtlety — have an inevitable timeliness. Is there a moral difference between Special Branch Col. Nic Vos (Tim Robbins) and the torturers at Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo? There is also the topical irony of an innocent man abused in prison who turns to radicalism. But as these issues pass — almost inevitably — through the minds of the audience, the filmmakers choose not to make a post-Sept. 11 political statement, keeping the film bound to Patrick's world, where the heroes and villains are as easy to identify as gunslingers in a John Wayne western.

Slovo, who also wrote the 1988

film "A World Apart," a moving account of her family's hardships in the face of government harassment, shows her deft hand again — but only in places. The Vos household, with detailed scenes of the colonel's good-natured interaction with his family, seems inspired from firsthand experiences growing up in South Africa. And the hidden world of the freedom fighters in Mozambique, where soldiers make a pact to die for their beliefs, has a startling, original quality we don't remember seeing before in films about South Africa. Still, for most of the film, hers is a straightforward recitation of Patrick's story.

As Patrick, Luke feels remark-

'Catch a Fire'

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ably authentic, disappearing into the role with his South African accent, haunted skittishness and tense movements. His turn reminds us how all too often, we're led by a white hand into the darkest continent — most notably in 1987's "Cry Freedom," in which Kevin Kline (as white journalist Donald Woods) acts as a tour guide to the far more significant life of black activist Steve Biko, played with great authority by Denzel Washington. So it's rewarding in "Catch a Fire" not only to see a black character dominate the story, but — in screen time that otherwise would have gone to white outsiders — observe his immediate social circle in greater detail. Meanwhile, Robbins makes quite the meal of playing Nic. One moment he's interrogating Patrick in a dingy cell; the next, he's bringing him to Sunday dinner with his family — even regaling him with folk songs on his guitar. In contrast to Luke's performance, we're all too aware of Robbins as actor. He's intentionally cast against type (the outspoken liberal as an Africanizer ideologue), and his evil twinkle smacks of his satiric turn as the right-wing folksinger in 1992's "Bob Roberts."

Director Phillip Noyce built a reputation in the 1990s with such action-driven films as "Dead Calm" and "Patriot Games." But he evolved to more politically conscious works with 2002's "Rabbit-Proof Fence," about the institutional racism against Aborigines in his native Australia, and "The Quiet American," a tacit condemnation of American meddling in the Far East.

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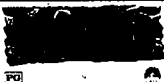
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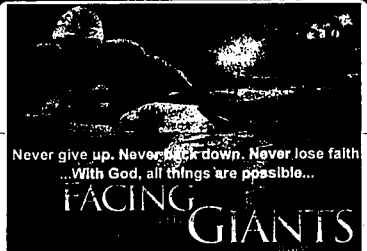
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• **"Catch a Fire" / C** Never really catches fire. Phillip Noyce, who made the stellar "Rabbit-Proof Fence," fumbles this potentially powerful based-on-a-true-story film set in South Africa under apartheid. Derek Luke stars as an apolitical family man with a good job who joins the militants after being jailed and tortured on suspicion of being a terrorist. Tim Robbins is the Boer official who becomes Luke's nemesis. The picture is poorly made, and this material has been handled far better by so many other movies. Rated PG-13 (thematic material involving torture and abuse, violence and brief language). 1 hour, 42 minutes.

• **"The Departed" / B** Martin Scorsese's crackling good adaptation of a Hong Kong thriller. This Boston-set tale of two moles stars Matt Damon as a gangster embedded with the police and Leonardo DiCaprio as a good cop who infiltrates an Irish gang led by a savagely exuberant Jack Nicholson. True, the plot never ripens into anything deeper than guns, guts and corpses, but it's a terrific picture on its own terms — a gangster Grand Guignol in the historic manner of Cagney's classic "White Heat."

• **"Employee of the Month" / C+** A smirky, anti-establishment comedy in the vein of,

but certainly less than, "Office Space" set in a Super Club warehouse, a place where customers can purchase massive tubes of hair gel or a rifle in a box. The film's most promising assets are stand-up comic Dane Cook as Zack, the warehouse's smoky, 30-something box boy, and "Punk'd" graduate Dex Shepard as go-get-'em cashier Vince. They spend the entire film vying for the amorous attentions of the store's newest employee, Amy (Jessica Simpson, whose sole reason to be in this movie, it seems, is to thrust out her chest. Rated PG-13 (crude and sexual humor and profanity). 1 hour, 43 minutes.

• **"Flags of Our Fathers" / B** War is hell. And in Clint Eastwood's bruising, mostly soggy two Jima World War II story, it's extremely complicated, often ripping into the psychological fabric of America, questioning who we are and the means to our ends. The film not only covers the bloody, horrific battle against dug-in Japanese on the small island, but explores the questionable and potentially morally bankrupt public relations after, much of the photographing of a flag raising that became an iconic patriotic image. Several of the performances seem to get well-lowered whole by Eastwood's massive undertaking. This movie might not work as well as "Million Dollar Baby" or "Mystic River," but its importance is undeniable.

• **"Flicka" / C-** Just say neigh.

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• **"Flushed Away" / No rating** A well-to-do rat must change his lifestyle after he's flushed from his fancy apartment in this animated tale. PG

• **"The Guardian" / D** Super-serious stuff, all about life-or-death training. The Coast Guard military studs, raging sea storms and trumped-up dramatic situations. Kevin Costner is Coast Guard veteran and macho man Ben Randall, who gets sent to train hot-dog Ashton Kutcher and other unsuspecting newbies as rescue swimmers. A silly movie made of taped-together Hollywood hokum. Rated PG-13 (brief sequences of action/peril, intense strong language and some sensuality). 2 hours, 16 minutes.

• **"The Grudge 2" / No rating** Little sis Amber Thrunby appears determined to ignore big sis Sarah Michelle Gellar's warnings about not going into that house haunted by a woman with lots of hair and the mooving little boy. Consumer warning: Not pre-screened for critics. Rated PG-13 (mature thematic material, disturbing images of terror, violence and some sensuality). 1

hour, 42 minutes.

• **"Jackass: number two" / B** The Three Stooges have nothing over the intoxicating physical idyll heaped upon moviegoers in the latest edition of the totally bad-boy "Jackass." It's more of the same physical buffoonery — outrageous stunts and gags with branding irons, bees, a game of "medicine ball dodge ball in the dark" and — such — only often more gross. The film is often drop-jaw funny. But be forewarned, when you're not laughing out loud, you could well be trying hard not to lose your lunch. Rated R (extremely crude and dangerous stunts throughout, sexual content, nudity and profanity). 1 hour, 35 minutes.

• **"Man of the Year" / C** Wearing its Capra-esque heart on its sleeve, the movie stars Robin Williams as a late-night talk show host (think Jon Stewart) who runs for president. Laura Linney is a computer woman who discovers a flaw in the voting machines. Nice enough, but coming from Barry Levinson, who made the ferocious "Wag the Dog," it's surprisingly toothless. Rated PG-13 (for language including some crude sexual references, drug-related material and brief violence). 1 hour, 55 minutes.

• **"One Night with the King" / No rating** The movie was adapted from the Tommy Tenney-Mark Andrew Olsen novel based on the Bible's Book of Esther. It's a Jews-in-exile tale of a girl, Hadassah (Tiffany Dupont), who hides her Hebrew identity when she is taken into the harem of the Persian king, Xerxes (Luke Goss). Once there, she enchants him with stories of her race and falls for him. And then duty calls. Hadassah is the apple of her Uncle Mordecai's (John Rhys-Davies) eye, and adored by her cousin Jesse (Jonah Lotan). That's before the emperor dumps his queen and decrees that all the fetching ladies in the land must audition for it, or warn her to leave or to save himself on those troublesome

Greeks. There's a backstory to all this — an ancient blood feud between the Jews and the Agagites, whom the Jews almost wiped out. Peter O'Toole is the prophet Samuel, who orders that genocide in an opening flashback. A descendant of the "child-sacrificing" Agagites, Haman (James Callis) is captain of the palace guards, and bent on avenging his people on the Jews. He's scheming with a malevolent prince (John Noble of "Lord of the Rings") against a peace-preaching prince (Omar Sharif). Long Bible story short, Xerxes wants revenge on the Greeks, and Haman figures the Jews could do him that war if they are wiped out.

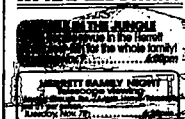
• **"The Prestige" / B** Christian Bale and Hugh Jackman play rival magicians in turn-of-the-20th-century London in this puzzle-box of a movie from "Memento" director Christopher Nolan. The narrative shifts back and forth in time as we see the men grow from friends to bitter enemies whose stage careers become almost secondary in importance to sublimating each other. The movie is a mind-tickler, the screenwriting form of the illusionist's art of misdirection. It's the kind of intellectual, challenging film that's increasingly rare from a studio mind-set that favors shallow flicks and gross-out comedies. Rated PG-13 (violence and disturbing images). 2 hours, 20 minutes.

• **"The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" / No rating** Tim Allen fights off Jack Frost's takeover attempt. G.

• **"Saw III" / No rating** Saw-heads will be pleased by this superior sequel, which continues the exploits of the cancer-riddled, soft-spoken jigaw Killer (Tobin Bell), who catches specially chosen people in elaborate, booby-trapped rat mazes that force them to kill and maim each other — or themselves. R.

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"Mission: Impossible III"

PG-13

One-hour TV has been good to writer-director J.J. Abrams, good enough to get him the job of sustaining "Mission: Impossible," an action movie franchise that also began as one-hour TV. Is it any wonder that the Tom Cruise-starring "Mission: Impossible III" plays like two consecutive one-hour TV shows, one sort of standard, the other stocked with excitement?

Fortunately for the film, and for us, the second hour is the best one, as "M:III," as it's known in studio shorthand, mumps up the pace and our level of involvement. Abrams, best known as the co-creator of "Alias" and "Lost," has come up with a solidly crafted entertainment, a diversion that really diverts once it gets down to business.

What they've done is opened "M:III" with a flash-forward to the film's best, most nail-biting scene, a pivotal turning point in the action that certainly grabs our attention.

The risk of starting with your best scene, of course, is that it makes a lot of what comes after seem weak by comparison. But the upside bet, that the sequence's intensity will keep audiences more or less patiently hooked through a big, long stretch of exposition, is what Abrams and company need to happen and what pretty much takes place.

What makes the scene in question so effective is the picture-making performance by Philip Seymour Hoffman in the bad-guy role.

Good-versus-evil films often rise or fall on the strength of the evidence. In the Oscar-winning Hoffman, "M:III" is a spectacular actor who delivers deadpan some of the most unnerving speeches in villainy's history. Hoffman is so proficient in this role that he just about overmatches Cruise and makes the wait until he speaks again in the second half of the film hard to endure with any patience.

Most of the first hour, however, is concerned with establishing Cruise's Hunt as a master of the secret agent's dark arts as well as



Wasabeke family man Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) makes a point in "Mission: Impossible III."

someone who thinks he can both save the world and have a normal romantic life with a partner (ingrid) who tells him that he really does. Not quite.

In fact, agent Hunt, who everyone thinks studies traffic patterns, for the Department of Transportation, can't even get through his engagement party to the party julla ("Kiss Kiss Bang Bang" Michelle Monaghan) without getting that familiar call about a mission he's just might choose to accept. Hunt, it turns out, has been out of the hunt for a while, training new agents. His fetching star pupil, Lindsay, (Keri Russell) has fallen into the thuggh hands of a group of Berlin bad boys. Hunt's handler Mawraa (Filly Crudup) and big boss John Brinssel (Laurence Fishburne) think he's the guy to lead the rescue.

Asking his fiancée to trust him, Hunt gathers his team of operatives (Ving Rhames, Jonathan Rhys Meyers and Maggie Q). He also learns about the mysterious and extremely unpleasant "rabbl's ion," an end-of-the-world-type mission sometimes called "the anti-god." Not the kind of thing you'd want to fall into the wrong hands.

In Berlin and during follow-up action in Vatican City, Hunt and his cohorts do all kinds of running and jumping but very little standing still. Encrypted microdots and explosive charges heedlessly implanted in people's heads do their worst, and more people jump through glass windows than you can imagine.

It's not until the second hour, however, when the action moves



Small-town cops Greg Kinnear and Nathan Fillion have their hands full in "Slither."



Garry Marshall and Doris Roberts have big bar mitzrah party plans in "Keeping Us with the Stoies."

to Shanghai, the deeply evil Owen Davian does something wretched and Hunt has 48 hours to accede to his demands, that we really begin to get involved in the story. Because Hoffman is so good at impersonating a but believable character, the film's tension goes up a critical notch when he is on the scene.

—Los Angeles Times

"Slither"

R

"Slither" is your basic gross-out monster comedy movie—with a difference. It could be a cult flick, except that it wants to be one. Cult classics can't be manufactured; they just are, and an amount of sardonic indie posturing is going to turn a low-budget wannabe deconstructed with splashy 3D effects

into the next "Rocky Horror Picture Show" or "Dawn of the Dead."

Written and directed by first timer James Gunn, "Slither" purports to be a "horror comedy" but flat, never committing full-out to mining for giggles or gasps. It starts out well enough: A weird meteor-like ball falls to earth in the forest of a hick town peopled with quirky goofballs straight out of "Twin Peaks." The ball pops open, and an Alien-like critter inserts itself into the personage of Grant Grant (Michael Rooker), the local town millionaire.

Soon, Grant starts mutating into an, um, thing, much to the consternation of his wife, who'd rather not kiss him with all that gunk oozing out of his mouth. (Yeah, we know.) Chaos ensues when worrywhats gestating inside Grant

and one of his victims burst out and start slithering down the street, snacking on household pets and farm animals and turning town folk into blooded zombies.

"Slither" isn't scary. It's just what one character says when she spots the slugs from outer space. "Grooooooon." And we don't mean that in a good way.

—Washington Post

"Keeping Us with the Stoies"

PG-13

"Keeping Us with the Stoies" chronicles a manhood crisis in the life of Hollywood agent Adam Fiedler (Jeremy Piven), who decides that his son, Ben (Daryl Sabara), must have a bigger bar mitzrah party than the son of a workaholic competitor, Arnie Stein (Larry Miller). This won't be easy, since Stein held his son's festivities on an ocean liner. In his state of competitive madness, it doesn't matter to the otherwise affable Adam what Ben wants; his son's party is all about him. Then Adam's long-lost dad, Irwin (Garry Marshall), arrives, a man whose grating presence ignites all of Adam's long-repressed hostilities.

If Phillip Roth were writing, he might have brought out the comic foibles, the tragic defusions, the libidinal twists among the three generations of Fiedler men, struggling with cross-generational love and responsibility on the anvil of a bar mitzrah party from hell. Television guy Mark Zakarin is no Roth; he keeps things clearly flat and primary, and the characters never become more than stereotype.

Young Daryl Sabara as the 12-year-old in the middle of this, he's adorable, baffled, good-hearted, but it's not what would be called a great performance. The biggest disappointment in the film, however, is Piven's Adam. This film idealizes his character too much and thereby jettisons any case for serious respect: He's a great father, he's a great husband, he's a great agent. He has no weaknesses. He coaches his son in tennis! Phillip Roth would go:

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South-central Idaho dining guide

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• **Chili's**, 1880 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Baby back ribs, Sizzling fajitas, rib-eye steak, \$7.95-\$14.95. Full bar. Hours: Sundays through Thursdays, 11 a.m.-10:30 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-11:30 p.m. *Christie Gerard, manager, 734-1167.*

• **Depot Grill**, 545 Shoshone St. S. — Country sausage, burgers, hot open-faced roast beef/roast sandwiches, seafood, steak, \$4-\$14. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 7a hours; Sundays 9 a.m.-9 p.m. *Steve and Teri Soren, owners, 735-0710.*

• **Bertie's Brick Oven Cookery**, 607 2nd and Ave. S. — All-you-can-eat pizza, salad bar and select sandwiches, \$3.25-\$5.25. Wine, beer. Hours: Sundays through Thursdays, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-11 p.m. *Kevin Oswego, owner, 735-9110.*

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• **Sidewinders Bar & Grill**, 109 W. Avenue. — Seven-piece adult steak specials, spicy bacon hamburgers, pizza, taco, \$4.75-\$8.50. Full bar. Hours: Mon-

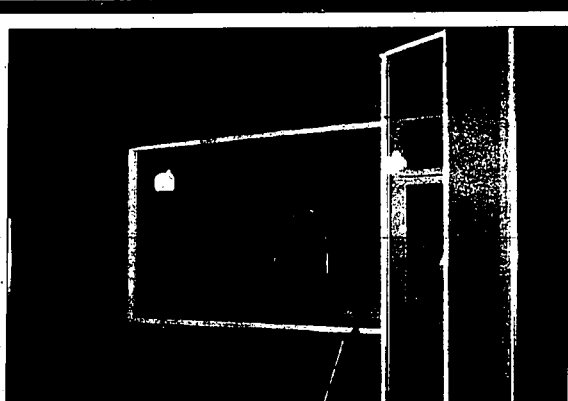
About the dining guide

Every week, TNT publishes a rotating list of restaurants in south-central Idaho, along with their hours, food specialties and price ranges. For reasons of space, not every restaurant will be listed every week; but they will be listed on a regular basis.

If your restaurant is not listed and you would like to have it in the weekly dining guide, call Steve Crump at 735-3223 or e-mail him at scrump@magjournal.com. It's a

• **Harri's Cafe**, 835 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. — All day breakfasts, burgers, steaks and shakes, \$5.99-\$12.99. Hours: Sundays through Thursdays, 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 6 a.m.-11 p.m. 733-7007.

days through Thursdays, 11 a.m.-midnight; Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; closed Sundays. *Shelia Huzar, owner, 432-5657.*



Three-month-old Vinifera Wines on Main Avenue in Twin Falls is part of a boom in wine bars.

Vinifera offers the right lunch with the right wine

BY STEVE CRUMP
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — I cheerfully admit that Vinifera Wines is my kind of place. It's a little bit fuzzy on the sound system, dark-maroon-and-forest-green walls, brightly colored prints, dark-wood bar. And, of course, wine on the menu.

In addition to more than 100 bottled wines from around the world, the 3-month-old downtown wine bar sells 30 varietals by the glass and a few micro-brew beer selections, along with an assortment of cheeses, fresh breads, fruit spreads, chocolates and cold cuts d'ouevres.

Now Vinifera has added a lunch menu, a five-days-a-week offering of handcrafted soups and salads. On a recent visit I tried the baby-shrimp-and-capers salad, with fresh greens, asiago cheese and a truly magnificent mango vinaigrette

dressing (\$8.50).

I'm one of those folks who lives in the Frost Belt and pines for anything made of mangoes. Mango juice makes just about any food better, but it shines when mixed with something acidic. In India, where mangoes are at the center of cuisine, they're often mixed with limes and chilis — to spectacular effect.

To complement my salad at Vinifera, I ordered a \$9 glass of 2-year-old cabernet sauvignon from Penley Estate, a medium-sized vineyard in the Coonawarra winemaking district in south-eastern Australia.

I'm strictly an amateur when it comes to wine, but I always think Australian wines are a different creature than vintages made in the Northern Hemisphere. Maybe it's because Australian wine grapes are harvested in May after a long adolescence, but the taste of the ele-

Vinifera Wines

138 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls — Lunch specials include a variety of salads and homemade soups, \$4-\$8.50; there's also a range of appetizers, including cheese dishes, salmon and bruschetta, served in the afternoons and evenings, \$8-\$12, and a wide variety of wines sold by the glass, \$4-\$12. Hours: Mondays through Fridays, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; closed Sundays. Lunch served weekdays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. *Jon Meier, owner, 735-5047.*

ments within the wine seems more distinct.

In any case, the Penley cab, with its undercurrent of blackberries, was the perfect companion for a seafood salad.

I'm anxious to go back to Vinifera and sample other combinations. In a restaurant market suffused with the franchised and the commonplace, this wine bar is like a taste of spring.

Mac Davis plays Jackpot this weekend

Times-News

JACKPOT! New — Pop/country star Mac Davis will do two shows a night Friday and two shows Saturday at Cactus Petes Resort Casino.

Davis was an executive with Liberty Records when he began writing songs in the mid-1960s. In 1968, Elvis Presley recorded Davis' "A Little Less Conversation." After notching a Top 40 hit with Davis' "Memories," Presley reached the Top Five in 1969 with the songwriter's "In the Ghetto," a single from the "From Elvis in Memphis" LP. Davis signed his own recording contract in 1970, releasing his first chart single, "Whoever Finds This, I Love You," which scored a debut album, "Song Painter."

In 1972, Davis scored a No. 1 pop hit with "Baby, Don't Get Hooked on Me," which also reached the country Top 20. His

crossover success continued, with singles like 1974's "Stop and Smell the Roses," 1975' "Burnin' Thing," and the following year's "Forever Lovers." From 1974-76, Davis hosted a musical variety show on NBC, followed by a string of specials. In 1979, he also starred in the film "North Dallas Forty," with Nick Nolte.

"It's Hard to Be Humble," the title track of his 1980 album, was the first of four consecutive Top Ten country hits that culminated with his biggest country single, "Hooked on Music," the next year. In 1990, Davis made a comeback as a songwriter, co-authoring "Dolly," Patron's hit "White Lightning"; that same year, he also took over the title role in the Broadway hit "The Will Rogers Follies."

Show times are 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Sound bites: RECENT CD RELEASES

Vince Gill "These Days" (MCA Nashville)

Vince Gill's four-album set of 43 — yes, 43! — new songs either represents the last mighty gasp of the CD era or points toward a future when an artist's output isn't limited by how much music can fit on one or two discs.

Whatever it means, the veteran country star's massive undertaking is unprecedented — so much so that some will mistake the collection, "These Days," for a career compilation. It's not.

"These Days" encompasses four CDs of original, previously unreleased music, all of it written or co-written by Gill, and all of it recently recorded. Guests include Cheryl Crow, Bonnie Raitt, Miami McDonald, Gretchen Wilson and his wife Amy Grant, among others. But the spotlight clearly belongs to Gill.

The Oklahoma native breaks down the CDs into musical themes that generously sample his favored musical style: There's a disk of roots-rocking guitar workouts, one of traditional honky-tonk tunes, one of contemporary ballads and spirituals, and one of acoustic songs, many of them drawing on his



Courtesy of MCA Nashville

early days as a bluegrass musician. The songs are consistently strong, with several highlights ("Almost Home," "The Reason Why") and only a couple of noticeable weak spots, such as "Faint of Heart," a jazz duet with pianist Diana Krall that's more Perry Como than Tony Bennett.

Some critics may suggest the collection offered me made for a potent one- or two-CD set. But that's missing the point. Gill hit upon a particularly fruitful creative period, and he's sharing the results. Popular music, currently bogged down in a period ruled by marketing and packaging, would benefit from more of this kind of out-of-the-box thinking.

—*Associated Press*

Diddy "Press Play" (Bad Boy Records)

The best advice that can be offered to potential consumers of Sean "Diddy" Combs's new album, "Press Play" is to obey the titular command and then immediately press fast forward.

The hubris-heaving rapper-producer-actor-fashion-mogul doesn't get to the good stuff until about six songs into this protracted 19-track, 80-minute album.

But once Diddy dispenses with the obligatory bragadocio, this pseudo concept album about falling in, out, and back in love with his baby mama, Kim Porter, is admirably banging. (Porter and Diddy have one son and are expecting twin girls.) That Diddy weds his surprisingly sensitive tale to some of the most irresistible grooves he's ever been party to speaks volumes not only about the value in taking "a breather" but asking your fire—"A... for help.

Because of Diddy's kids, his friends have names like Timbaland, Mary J. Blige, Christina Aguilera, Kanye West, Nas, Ciara, and Big Boi. And if that list, plus a dozen other names,



Courtesy of Bad Boy Records

makes it sound like the Bad Boy is a guest on his own album, then you get the idea, and it's actually a good one.

On the first few tracks, Diddy works alone to negligible success. The songs seem like meager attempts to either repeat the flashy orchestral sounds of his past — rearguarded in the thumpy "We Got Make It" — or be "edgy" a la the dark, clunky, RnB-y "The Future." In which he implores listeners to "imagine this Diddy heroin." Don't do it. It's a bad buzz.

—*Boston Globe*

Art shows coming to Eighth Street Center during November

Times-News

BUHL — The Buhl Arts Council announced several activities for the month of November.

An opening reception for the Missoula Art Museum's traveling exhibit, "Native Perspectives on the Trail — A Contemporary American Indian Art Portfolio," will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Eighth Street Center.

Admission is free and refreshments will be served. The exhibit will feature 15 prints by some of the top Native American artists of

our time and their interpretations of the effects of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

The exhibit runs through Dec. 19 and was made possible with support from the Missoula, Mont., Art Museum and the U.S. Forest Service.

"LivingVoices — NativeVisions" will be shown at 7 p.m. Friday at Eighth Street Center. The show features the experience of Native Americans in the 1930s and 1940s. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students.

The show was made possible

through funding from the Idaho Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

An art-and-collectable sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at Eighth Street Center. There will be great bargains on art and collectibles, and other fun treats. Cost is \$2 per person or \$5 per family. Entry for door prizes is included in the cost of admission.

The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St. For information, call 543-2888.

Loranger Quartet plays First Friday at Rudy's in Twin Falls

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Gene Loranger Quartet, featuring Jeff Lew on bass, Tony Bowler on drums, San Diego Conga player Russ Caldwell and Gene Loranger on archtop guitar, will perform at First Friday at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise.

The music will play from 6-9 p.m. "First Fridays" are a monthly event, featuring live music with local artists, food, wine and beer by the glass.

Rudy's is located at 147 Main Ave. W.

Music/Local KARAOKE CORNER

DAILY

Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. Klover Klub is at 402 Main N.

THURSDAY, NOV. 2

Twin Falls

Karaoke contest semi-finals will be featured at 9:30 p.m. at Kruger's Night Life. Doors open at 7 p.m. Cash and prizes awarded. Kruger's is at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is at 1825 Canyon Creek Drive.

Karaoke with Lone Wolf Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. Pioneer Club is at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Burley

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. Riverside is at 197 W. Highway 30.

Declo

Karaoke by Lou Brown will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is at 826 Highway 81.

FRIDAY, NOV. 3

Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is at 1825 Canyon Creek Drive.

Lone Wolf Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. Pioneer Club is at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Burley

Miller Time Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers. No cover charge. Cheers is at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is at 1054 Overland Ave.

Rupert

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody Bar, 502 Sixth St.

SATURDAY, NOV. 4

Twin Falls

Karaoke with Lone Wolf Entertainment. Please see more on page 14

Music

KARAOKE CORNER

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ment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. Pioneer Club is at 1519 Kimberly Road.

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 3:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is at 1820 Canyon Crest Drive.

Burley

Karaoke will be featured at 9 p.m. at The Steakhouse and Convention Center. No cover charge. The Steakhouse is at 1340 Oakley Ave.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is at 1054 Overland Ave.

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is at 197 W. Highway 30.

Rupert

High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge. The Blue Room is at 613 Fremont Ave.

Declo

Miller Time Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna. No cover charge. Big Kahuna is at 9 E. Main.

MONDAY, NOV. 6

Burley

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Ranzeros Lounge. No cover charge. Ranzeros Lounge is at 109 E. Main St.

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

Paul

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Stampede Bar and Grill. No cover charge. Stampede Bar and Grill is at 118 E. Idaho St.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Paul

Krookers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Red's Bar on Sixth E. Idaho St.

Los Angeles Times

The Decemberists: Pop's antique dealers

LOS ANGELES — Colin Meloy has probably never plucked a lute, but the gesture would be appropriate. As leader of the Decemberists, master purveyors of eccentric pop, Meloy pens lyrics that can seem as ancient as Homer: tales of seafarers and soldiers that songs have transported for thousands of years.

"The Crane Wife," the Portland, Ore., band's new album, and his first on Capitol Records after several successful indie releases, continues his story collecting. In the title track, a three-part epic based on a Japanese folk tale, a bird transforms into a bride, only to flee when her husband discovers that she still has her feathers. "Yankee Bayonet," a lovely duet with fellow Northwesterner Laura Veirs, is a Civil War ghost story. "O Valencia!" recalls "Romance and Juliet" in Spain. And there's a rambling, 11-minute suite of watery horror stories, climaxing with the chilling pronunciation, "Go to sleep... you'll not feel the drowning."

"I got that from 'In Patagonia' by Bruce Chatwin," Meloy said over tea and toast at the Grafon hotel last week. "There's a great section about a 19th-century sailor who had journaled all this stuff when he was a kid. At one point his boat is stuck in a squall and it looks like it's going to capsize, and he's down in his bunk with some of the older boys, and one says that to him. And it really struck me — wow, so harrowing."

One expects to hear lyrics taken from such sources to be accompanied by a lone dulcimer, not the sprightly post-new wave jangle that made the Decemberists' three albums on the independent label Kill Rock Stars college-rock hits. The group does include an accordionist — Jenny Conlee — and dabbles in glockenspiels and trumpets. But its sound is pop, as is Meloy's attitude.

"I think it's in my bone structure, the idea of creating pop songs," said Meloy, who grew up in Helena, Mont., reading the Romantic poets and idolizing Morrissey. "It's like writing poetry. There is a structure. That quality played into my love of bands like XTC and Robyn Hitchcock ~~and~~ Squeeze. I really appreciate the craft. And there's a self-reflective quality to pop — it's always meta, always consuming itself."

Colin Meloy, leader of the Decemberists, explains why he searches literature and history — far outside his own experience — for stories: "Tragedy is just more interesting than people inconsequentially enjoying themselves."



Los Angeles Times

make the Decemberists' take on this notoriously hippie-ish era unusually accessible.

"With that clarity comes a risk. I feel like I'm constantly almost falling into the sea of novelty, and I don't know what tether, if any, is keeping me out of it," Meloy said with a laugh.

Two things save the Decemberists from being a joke band — Meloy's highly singable melodies, fleshed out by bandmates whose skills run from bluegrass to chamber music, and his whimsical take on material he digs up from outside sources or his own head. The 32-year-old learned song craft

from listening to the artists he loved in high school. And the playful tone of his lyrics is right in sync with his peers.

In recent years, an array of artists who, like Meloy, engage with the past in a new way has emerged. This group can't be called a movement, although its members are mostly in their 30s or 40s and have fairly recently earned fame.

What they share is a fascination with words beyond the reach of contemporary life and a desire to discover how those words might connect to the rush of the contemporary

Mixed media

The 'Faculty Show' at CSI is an illustration of a category turned into paradox

BY WILLIAM STUDEBAKER
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Categories are for inventory, put to best use in economy. But artists are inclined to describe their work as a part of a family of materials (media): oil paint, acrylic, watercolor, or mixed media. It's a cliché among artists to say that one must choose his or her medium and find its limits.

The "Faculty Show" now on exhibit at the Jean B. King Gallery at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science ("Faculty" is a reference to the College of Southern Idaho's art faculty) is an illustration of a category turned into paradox.

A paradox occurs when two dissimilar notions (concepts) are held simultaneously in mind and the apparent contradiction is negated by an obvious truth.

On the surface the "Faculty Show" is eclectic, as it should be. It represents nearly a dozen separate artists. But beneath the veneer is an architectonic reference to art as mixed media.

Mixed media is referred to the materials — paper, wire, wood, paint, photograph — used for artistic expression, rather than form-painting, sculpture, sketch.

Any work of art could be called mixed, for example a portrait (painting) is on something — board, canvas, linen or black felt. But typically if the supporting surface is singular, it's assumed. When the surface changes substantially or the applications to it are of differing elements, the term mixed media comes into play.

The concept and execution of mixed media pieces aren't new; painting on pottery, putting feathers on figures, and gilding statues with gold are ancient forms of mixing. What is unique about the current flare of mixed



Photo by WILLIAM STUDEBAKER/Times-News

The brightest piece in the College of Southern Idaho Faculty Show are the abstract paintings by Mike Green. In fact his vibrant colors are singular in a show that is otherwise soft pinks, browns and faded blacks. The entry Green's large abstract mixed media work, serves as the frontpiece for the show.



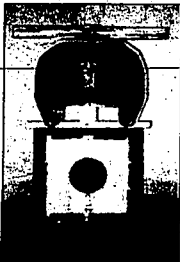
Sheryl West's exhibited work is mixed (raku, stoneware and terra cotta), but within the realm of such, she relates the purity of the medium.

media is the ordinary, even junk that is used — spoons, bed springs, scraps of tin, shreds of cloth and paper.

In the show there's an excellent sculpture, "They Were So Close," by Russell Hepworth, which he refers to as a mixed media piece. The attention drawn to the categorization of this piece by materials belies the

substantiveness of the form and the allusions that form can solicit.

Three quarters of the artists in the show categorize their work as mixed media. As such they are tagging their work by components rather than by a harmonious sense of the whole (which seems to discount the audience's preference).



"They Were So Close," by Russell Hepworth. The abstract forms in the categorization of this piece by materials belies the substantiveness of the form and the allusions that form can solicit.

If you go ...

The College of Southern Idaho Faculty Art Show will be on display through Nov. 25 at the Jean B. King Gallery in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Admission is free. Herrett Center hours are Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 9 p.m.

As well as Hepworth, La Var Steel, Mike Youngman, Millicia Popovic, Jill Crozier, Bruce Kremer and Mike Green tour their work as mixed media.

For those who frequent art galleries, the sight of a collage of spoons, screws, photographs, wood or torn paper and paint isn't abnormal, funny or strange. Art is viewed for wholeness not parts.

And here is the paradox: such work is currently perceived narrowly rather than symbolically. "What does it mean?" has replaced, "What is it?" To turn a

phrase, many folks no longer see the trees for the forest.

The "Faculty Show" is an excellent exhibit of mixed media, worthy of time and multi-personal viewing. The power of mixed media lies in the details.

If art can be other than mixed media, there are three artists working in unmixed media.

Sheryl West is a ceramist. Her exhibited work is mixed (raku, stoneware and terra cotta), but within the realm of each, she retains the purity of the medium. Sheryl's work is classic but with the sleight of hand tricks only she can pull off the wheel and out of the kiln.

Brad Nebecker's pots are pure and clean, no straw or strings or beads. Mud and glaze. Good things.

Nancy Camp's watercolor illustrations are the result of precise strokes and an attentive eye. Her work is certainly a splash of color in a show that is somewhat dim.

The brightest pieces are the abstract paintings by Mike Green. In fact his vibrant colors are singular in a show that is otherwise soft yellows, browns and faded blacks. "Re-entry," Green's large abstract mixed media work, serves as the frontpiece for the show.

Green's work is well known for its commanding use of color, shape, paper shanks and symbolic references.

"For a long time," Mike Green said, "I painted and folded paper, shaped painted canvas. I guess my current work shows the influence of mixed media."

If evidence is indicative, the evidence at the "Faculty Show" says that mixed media is the medium of the current faculty at the College of Southern Idaho.

Times-News correspondent William Studemaker can be reached at 733-8584.

Local Drum

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Arts on Tour concert of the season. Opening to the solitary beat of an aboriginal drum in the darkened theater, and joined by an explosion of drummers, musicians and dancers for a stirring overture, Drum! fuses all of Nova Scotia's traditions — everything from the bongo and djembe to spoons and accordions, washboards and bagpipes. Hip-hop meets highland dancing, and flying fluorescent drumsticks are tempered by the sonorous native drum.

Originally conceived as a 45-minute tourism piece in 1999, Drum! became an hour-long television special on CBC, the Canadian national broadcasting service, and eventually a full-fledged touring stage production in its own specially designed theater in the Nova Scotia capital of Halifax. It toured the U.S. for the first time last year. Created and conceived by Brooks Diamond, the production has 13 cast members plus the MacQuarrie Dancers.

Games

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least now we know where the miscreants who populate "GTA" came from.

• **"Mortal Kombat: Armageddon"** (Midway, for the PlayStation 2, Xbox, \$39.99): "Mortal Kombat" has survived its initial notoriety to become one of the most prolific franchises in the fighting genre. "Armageddon" is the culmination of the series, bringing back dozens of the most popular brawlers in its 15-year run. The essence remains the same: Two fighters enter, one fighter leaves,

usually after executing a baroque finishing move (or "Fatality") that leaves his disemboweled opponent writhing on the floor. Besides the 62 classic characters, you can also create your own fighters with their own Fatalities. "Armageddon" includes a new "Konquest" mode, a desultory effort to provide some sort of story line for all the mayhem, as well as a ridiculous kart-racing game. True fans will ignore those distractions and get right to the beatdowns. While "MK" is showing its age, it's still a lot of fun to

get together with your loved ones and pound each other senseless.

• **"God Hand" (Capcom, for the PlayStation 2, \$29.99)**: There has to be an intriguing story behind the production of "God Hand," a willfully perverse brawler that doesn't realize the potential of some clever ideas. Developer Clover Studios (who also created the exquisite "Okami") was disbanded shortly before its publication, and "God Hand" looks like unfinished business. As a drier named Gene fights his way across the Wild West, he develops

an arsenal of exotic techniques that can destroy opponents with one blow. If he unleashes the God Hand, all heck breaks loose. Gene has a score to settle with a group of demons who want the power of the God Hand, but to get to them he has to fight hundreds of desperados. Those fights become tedious after a while, and it's not worth plowing through them to progress through the bizarre story. Add boring level designs and irritating graphical glitches and you have a big disappointment.

From Acadian to Cajun

The Cajuns are an ethnic group consisting of the descendants of Acadian exiles and other peoples with whom the Acadians eventually intermarried in the Americas. South, including Louisianians of Spanish, German and French Creole heritage. Today, the Cajuns make up a significant portion of south Louisiana's population and have exerted an enormous impact on the state's culture.

The Cajuns retain a unique dialect of the French language and numerous other cultural traits that distinguish them as an ethnically group.

The Acadians were evicted from Nova Scotia in 1755; this has become known as the Great Upheaval or *Le Grand Dérangement*. At the time there was a war going on in what is now Canada between France and Great Britain over the colony of New France. This war is known in the U.S. as the French and Indian War, though it is generally considered only one theater of the Seven Years' War.

The Acadians were scattered throughout the Eastern Seaboard (where some became slaves in British colonies), the Caribbean and Europe. Families were split and put on different ships with different destinations. Many ended up in French-colonized Louisiana.

The Cajuns who settled in southern Louisiana originally did so in the area just west of what is now New Orleans, mainly along the Mississippi River. Later, they were moved by the Spanish colonial government to areas west and southwest of New Orleans, in a region later named Acadiana, where they shared the swamps and prairies with the Atlatipa and Chitimacha Native American tribes.

Mostly secluded until the early 1900s, Cajuns today are assimilated into mainstream society and culture.

Geography had a strong correlation to Cajun lifestyles. Cajuns who settled along bayous and wetlands of the Atchafalaya Basin adapted a water-based lifestyle that

included fishing, hunting and trapping. Cajuns who settled in the prairies of south-west Louisiana found the land more suited to raising cattle, farming rice and sugar cane, and other agriculture.

Cajun music is rooted in the music of the French-speaking Catholics of Canada and transformed to a unique sound of the Cajun culture. In earlier years the fiddle was the predominant instrument, but gradually the accordion has come to share the limelight.

According to an expression of the region, Cajuns live to eat. Outside Louisiana the distinctions between Cajun and Louisiana Creole cuisine have been blurred. However, Creole dishes tend to be more continental, although using local produce. Cajun food is more seasoned, sometimes spicy, and tends to be more hearty. Many well-known Cajun dishes were originally centered on wild game, rice and other local ingredients.

Sources: *Encyclopedia Britannica*, *Wikipedia*

Salmon children's author to sign books

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Salmon children's author Diane W. Keaster will visit Sawtooth Elementary School on Thursday.

She's the author of the ZC Horses Series of books about a girl growing up on a ranch in Montana and riding horses in Idaho.

She'll also sign copies of her latest book at Everybody's Business from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday.

Keaster will also be on hand at the CSI Harvest Festival this weekend in the Eldon Evans Expo Center on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

MV Youth Orchestra plays fall concert Saturday

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Youth Orchestra will present its fall concert on Saturday at 3 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

Under the direction of Diane

Davis, the orchestra will perform the Concerto in G-Major for Piano and Orchestra, by Haydn with soloist Victoria Woodbridge. They will also be playing other selections.

"This concert will be the first performance of the Chamber

Ensemble, a select group of string players directed by Carlson Wong.

The Chamber Ensemble will perform music of Handel, Vivaldi and Warlock with violin soloists Lisa Harris and Amy Higley.

Magic Valley Youth Orchestra is composed of young musicians from throughout the Magic Valley.

The public is invited, and admission is a suggested donation of \$2 to the Magic Valley Youth Orchestra.