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Otter wants all but 100 wolves in state killed

Hunter and
outfitter Barry
Patterson, left,
tries to use his
sign to block the
sign of wolf
supporter Rick
Hobson during a
rally Thursday in
Boise. Gov. C.L.
"Butch" Otter said
Thursday he will
support public
hunts to kill at
least 550 wolves.
AP WirephotoBy Jesse Harlan Alderman
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said Thursday he will support public hunts to kill all but 100 gray wolves in the state once the federal government removes the animal from Endangered Species Act protections, and that he hopes to shoot a wolf himself.

The Idaho Office of Species Conservation estimates the state's current wolf population at about 650, in roughly 60 packs. Otter told The Associated Press after a rally of hunters on the Capitol steps that he wants hunters to

"I'm prepared to bid for that first ticket to shoot a wolf myself."

— Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter

gradually kill about 550 of the animals, leaving about 100 wolves or 10 packs, the minimum the federal government would allow before wolves again would be considered endangered.

"That management includes you," Otter told the approximately 300 hunters, many wearing camouflage clothing and blaze-orange caps. "I'm prepared to bid for that

first ticket to shoot a wolf myself." Idaho Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife based in wolf opponents from around Idaho, including Twin Falls, for the rally with Otter and several state lawmakers. They urged the government to immediately remove wolves from endangered species protection.

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Sanding
the snowStorm didn't put
down enough to
warrant plowingBy Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — While the snow came and went, the snowplows stayed put.

Magic Valley, including Twin Falls, received on Wednesday night less than 1 inch of snow, according to the National Weather Service.

It was not enough snow — nor was it heavy enough — to warrant use of the city's two snowplows or two graders.

Instead, city crews opted for sanding the streets, said street Superintendent Bruce Stephens.

He said most of the snow melted by morning.

"A skiff of snow doesn't do anything," he said. "It's just a pain in the butt. You can't do anything with it but sand it."

Stephens said the city checked the usual suspects: Blue Lakes Boulevard North, Shoshone Street, Pole Line Road and downtown. Workers also threw sand on the one-mile arterials, including Filer Avenue and Falls Avenue.

"You got high spots and low spots," Stephens said. "Plowing" doesn't do anything.

City crews worked from 9 p.m. Wednesday until 2 a.m. Thursday and stopped because most snow had frozen, beginning at 5 a.m., workers spent Thursday depositing sand again.

"They had it pretty good last night and this morning," Stephens said. "We sand any stop sign in the residential neighbors when we get out time. And every intersection they give a shot of sand."

Reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at (208) 735-3204 or jhopkins@magicvalley.com.

Seven questions
with CSI's new athletic director

College of Southern Idaho Athletic Director Joel Bate is looking forward to combining his love for education and athletics in his new job.

Bate discusses program's challenges, future

By Eric Larum
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Joel Bate frequently speaks of evolution these days.

It's a fitting subject for the College of Southern Idaho's newly hired athletic director. The separate worlds of education and sports have run parallel with the course of Bate's life as the longtime educator repeatedly ran to his lifelong love of sports as a women's basketball coach at Boise's Bishop Kelly High School, CSI, and most recently, Filer High School.

Wednesday afternoon, those parallel

worlds of academics and athletics veered toward each other and collided when Bate accepted the position as the new leader of the college's athletic department. Two separate segments melded into one: evolution.

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See it online

Visit www.magicvalley.com for video of Thursday's interview with new College of Southern Idaho athletic director Joel Bate.CSI men and women host Salt Lake CC in key conference matchups.
Sports, B1AP poll:
Americans
solidly against
sending more
troops to IraqBy Nancy Benac
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Seventy percent of Americans oppose sending more troops to Iraq, according to a new poll that provides a devastatingly blunt response to President Bush's plan to bolster military forces there.

All sides in the Iraq debate are keenly aware of mounting public dissatisfaction with the situation: Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Thursday it's one thing on which all Americans

Gates proposes permanent expansion of military. — are united.

Yet the Associated Press-Ipsos poll found widespread disagreement with the Bush administration over its proposed solution, and growing skepticism that the United States made the right decision in going to war in the first place.

Just as 70 percent of Americans oppose sending

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AP/Ipsos poll

Troop hike opposed

Polling that concluded Wednesday shows the vast majority of people surveyed do not favor sending more troops to Iraq.

Would you favor or oppose sending more troops to Iraq?

Favor Oppose

Overall 70%

Democrats 71%

Republicans 69%

Men 71%

Women 69%

Ages 18-29 71%

30-49 70%

50-64 69%

65+ 68%

Do you think sending more troops will help stabilize the situation there?

Yes No

Overall 70%

Democrats 71%

Republicans 69%

Men 71%

Women 69%

Ages 18-29 71%

30-49 70%

50-64 69%

65+ 68%

How likely is it that a stable, democratic government will be established?

Likely Not likely

Overall 71%

Democrats 72%

Republicans 69%

Men 72%

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NOTE: Poll of 1,022 adults taken Jan. 8-10, 2007; margin of error is 3.1 percentage points. Poll fund was omitted.

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The procrastination nation:

Study shows many Americans say they put things off as often as they can

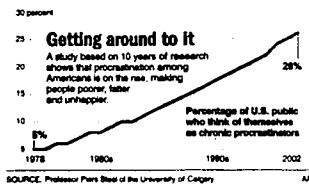
By Seth Bernstein
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Procrastination in society is getting worse and scientists are finally getting around to figuring out how and why. Too many tempting diversions are to blame, but more on that later.

After 10 years of research on a project that was only sup-

posed to take five years, a Canadian industrial psychologist found in a giant study that not only is procrastination on the rise, it makes people poorer, fatter and unhappier. Something has to be done about it, sooner rather than later. University of Calgary professor Piers Steel concludes.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today Tonight Saturday



Very cold with a blustery breeze

High 17



Partly cloudy and very cold

Low 6



Mostly sunny and very cold

16/5

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and very cold conditions. Highs teens, wind chills near zero.

Tonight: Very cold temperatures and a light breeze. Lows in the single digits, wind chills zero to 10 below.

Tomorrow: Continuing to be very cold but winds will be light. Highs teens, lows near zero.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BUSINESS

Ribbon cutting for Syringa Wireless, 11 a.m., 544 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, 736-7464.

CLUBS

RockCreek Brew Master's Club meeting, bring favorite samples and after-holiday snacks, 6 p.m., Werts Brew Haus, Kimberly, 423-6274.

EXHIBITS

"The Circle" by Amber Socon, former College of Southern Idaho art instructor, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, C.S.I., Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.

"Discontinuity," contemporary abstract paintings of local artist Ben Browne in the Galleria Pequena and new works by member-artists in the Full Moon Gallery, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. S., downtown Twin Falls, no cost, 734-ARTS.

FAMILY

"Youth Options," activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, 732-733-8720.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

HEALTH

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48 Chapter of Jerome, a weight loss support group, 4 p.m., the Jerome Public Library, 100 1st Ave. E., Jerome, 420-3823.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium, "Far Out Space Places," 7 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families (children under age 4 not admitted), 732-6655.

List your event

To list events in the daily calendar, submit the event's name, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Branner by email, sbranner@magvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days before the event.

COMING TOMORROW

INTERESTING TIMES



These are seasons of change for Episcopalians.

SATURDAY IN RELIGION

WEB READER REACTION

On plans for a livestock center in Jerome ...

DARRELL PLOWMAN: "Thank you, Gov. Butch," for thinking of the people of Magic Valley. Just what we need is another 1,500 cows in the area. 341,500 cows and 338 calves are not enough? I have a better idea. Mr. Gov, build your Idaho Center for Livestock and Environment Studies in downtown Boise, or in your back yard. These days have ruined the environment in the valley, with outrageous water usage, stench, fly infestation etc. Onward, I forgot the bottom line. It's all about money, and making land owners and dairy owners richer. I don't understand the people of Magic Valley. Where is the outrage?"

On the letter, 'Warning from long ago can help prolong lives'

JIM JONES: "This letter is really quite ridiculous. I certainly wouldn't put much stock in what some layman such as Joseph Smith had to say, although I will give the writer credit for at least providing some real statistics in his letter. Not everyone who smokes or drinks does so to excess, although I will also admit that smoking does not have to be excessive for it to impact one's health. However, medical science has proven that moderate alcohol consumption can be beneficial. If you don't want to smoke or drink, don't; however, please don't impose your religious beliefs on the rest of us, especially when drinking wine is often quoted in the Bible. Give me a break."

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Critters put out

'Do not disturb' sign

IEROME — SHH! They're sleeping. This time of year, thousands of Magic Valley critters are curled up in burrows and dens, fast asleep. Hibernation allows Idaho animals — bats, marmots, ground squirrels and bears — to rest during harsh winter conditions when food is sparse. Humans need not worry about disturbing most hibernators: Animals retreat to hard-to-find sleeping quarters where they're not likely to be bothered by people or other animals — in most cases.

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City says snow not deep enough for plowing

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CSI director merges academics, athletics

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Fair board asks for money from county

HLER — Services at the county's fairgrounds might be improved if a \$300,000 request is approved by county commissioners.

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Wendell wastewater rates to rise slightly

WENDELL — Over the next 18 months, Wendell residents will see an incremental increase in their base wastewater bill.

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Castelford approves Sunday liquor sales

CASTLEFORD — The city is one step closer to allowing local taverns to sell liquor by the drink on Sundays.

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City Hall to move one door down

CASTLEFORD — City Hall will move by mid-February to make way for a new water well.

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OBITUARIES

Marietta Loop, 88
Father: Simon (Wilbur Paul) Van de Voord, 73
Daughter: Wright Jensen, 53
Sharon Lea Falk Hadden, 71

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CORRECTION

Fundraiser for injured trooper is Feb. 24

In Thursday's article, "Fundraising for trooper tops \$65,000," the date for a fundraiser was incorrect. The Idaho State Police will host a fundraiser on Feb. 24 in Twin Falls.

The Times-News regrets the error.

IDAHO/WEST



Otter says 100 wolves are enough for Idaho

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State liquor stores seek a say in politics

BOISE — Since 1939, hard liquor and politics in Idaho haven't mixed — at least for employees of the state agency whose stores sell spirits. The head of the state Liquor Dispensary is now trying to get lawmakers to repeal the 67-year-old law prohibiting his staff from engaging in partisan politics, including joining a political party, making campaign contributions or even sticking candidate bumper stickers on their cars.

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UI worried about data after computer theft

MOSCOW — University of Idaho officials said Thursday that the theft of three desktop computers may have compromised the personal information of thousands of alumni, donors, employees and students.

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Yellowstone cutthroat at risk, study warns

BOISE — Two of the largest remaining populations of Yellowstone cutthroat trout in the West are at a high risk of decline due to contamination from selenium leaching out of waste rock from phosphate mines, two Idaho State University professors say. Rob Van Kirk, a professor who specializes in mathematical models of aquatic ecosystems, and Sheri Hill, a biology professor, on Thursday released a study that predicts a precipitous fall in some cutthroat populations and an overall decline in populations in southeast Idaho.

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Tribes sue federal government over funds

BOISE — Nearly a dozen American Indian tribes, including the Nez Perce of Idaho, have filed a class-action lawsuit against the federal government, asking it to account for billions of dollars held in tribal trust funds. The lawsuit is the latest legal challenge to the government's handling of American Indian funds, which tribal representatives contend has been shoddy and inadequate.

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NATION/WORLD



Bush's Iraq plan draws fire from both sides

WASHINGTON — President Bush's plan to send more troops to Iraq ran into a wall of criticism on Capitol Hill on Thursday as administration officials drew a confrontational, sometimes mocking challenges from both Democrats and Republicans. Defense Secretary Robert Gates said in response that the administration might abandon the increase if the Iraqi government doesn't do its part, but he provided no timetable.

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House votes to expand stem cell research

WASHINGTON — The Democratic-controlled House Thursday passed a bill bolstering embryonic stem cell research that advocates say shows promise for numerous medical cures. But the 253-174 vote fell short of the two-thirds margin required to overturn President Bush's promised veto, despite gains made by supporters in the November elections.

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Jury awards hurricane couple \$2.5 million

GULFPORT, Miss. — A jury on Thursday awarded \$2.5 million in punitive damages to a couple who sued State Farm Fire & Casualty Co. for denying their claim after Hurricane Katrina, a decision that could benefit hundreds of other homeowners challenging insurers for refusing to cover billions of dollars in storm damage.

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U.S.-led forces detain six Iranians in N. Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S.-led multinational forces detained six Iranians Thursday at an Iranian government office in the southern city of Irbil, Iraqi officials said, as President Bush accused Iran and Syria of aiding militants and promised to "interrupt" the flow of support as part of his new war strategy.

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Gene map unraveling tricks of common STD

WASHINGTON — The tiny parasite undulates under the microscope like some creature from a sci-fi movie, but this one is all too real, latching onto the sexually unwary with tentacle-like probes. Now scientists have mapped the genes of the nasty little bug that causes one of the world's most common, and arguably least recognized, sexually transmitted infections.

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SPORTS



'Gotta have two'

TWIN FALLS — Barrett Peery isn't minding his Twins. Not this week. Not with the rival Salt Lake Community College Bruins rolling into Twin Falls with a 12-2 record and a share of the scenic West Athletic Conference lead at 3-1.

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Rogers: CSI women need to sweep

TWIN FALLS — This will be nothing like last weekend. There will be no 53-point blowouts, maybe not even any garbage time for the No. 19 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team. This weekend is about facing the best the scenic West Athletic Conference has to offer as the Golden Eagles take on the No. 17 Salt Lake Community College Bruins, the conference leaders at 4-0.

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Bruins wrestling squad falls to Rams

TWIN FALLS — Part of the appeal of the Twin Falls Bruins wrestling squad lies in the fact that to them, losing a dual isn't the end of the world.

At Basin Gymnasium on Thursday, Gymnasium Four, the Bruins' rival Highland came to town and easily snatched a 44-18 team victory over the Bruins, but that's all.

Twin Falls head coach Said Dabestani said he knew going in his team would be challenged to win, but that it was okay.

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Boise State's Petersen wins Bryant Award

BOISE — Boise State's Chris Petersen won the Paul "Bear" Bryant Award on Thursday night as the national coach of the year.

Petersen led Boise State to a 13-0 record and the No. 5 spot in the final AP poll in his first season as the team's head coach. The Broncos finished the season with a 43-42 overtime victory over Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl.

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The public's concern over

teaching is not what it is about.

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"Academics have always been important, but sports have been important. ... This just brings everything together, full-circle. It allows me to explore and be a part of both areas that I love."

The head of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has said his agency would start removing



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NATION

House votes to expand stem cell research

By Nicole Gauseite
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The House plunged back into the emotional debate over embryonic stem cells Thursday, overwhelmingly passing a bill to expand federal funding for the controversial research.

The bill, part of Speaker Nancy Pelosi's 100-hour agenda, has broad support in both chambers, but is likely to face opposition from President Bush, who imposed strict limits

on federal funding for embryonic stem-cell research in 2001 and used his veto power for the only time in 2006 to reject an identical bill. "It is time for President Bush to allow this groundbreaking research to move forward," said Rep. Diana DeGette, D-Colo., the main author of the bill, which had 218 co-sponsors. "This is a victory for ethical science as well as true bipartisanship. The American people clearly support scientific funding and the use of embryonic

stem cells to address some of our most debilitating diseases."

The bill passed 253 to 174, with 37 Republicans joining most Democrats in favor, and 16 Democrats opposing it.

In three hours of often charged debate, lawmakers spoke of parents, children and friends who they said could be helped by embryonic stem cells, while others warned that the legislation would involve the government in the destruction of life in the form of human embryos.

Rep. Joe Sestak, D-Pa., rose to speak about his young daughter's malignant brain tumor and his hopes that the promising research would not be ignored. "Why would we preclude options for potential treatment?" he asked.

But Georgia Republican John Linder warned of a hidden agenda. "Are we seeking a way of getting the government's imprimatur on ending a life that is not useful?" he asked. Referring to Adolf Hitler, he told his colleagues, "The first in the gas chamber

were retarded children.... We are moving in that direction today."

Embryonic stem cells are valuable to researchers because they can be coaxed to grow into any kind of tissue. Scientists see in them an opportunity for medical advances on diseases like Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and diabetes, as well as spinal cord injuries, but the field is still in its infancy — the cells were discovered in 1998 — and researchers are years away from producing results.

Gene map unraveling tricks of common but neglected sexual infection

By Lauren Neepard
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The tiny parasite undulates under the microscope like some creature from a sci-fi movie, but this one is all too real, latching onto the sexually unwarmed with tentacle-like probes.

Now scientists have mapped the genes of the nasty little bug that causes one of the world's most common, and arguably least recognized, sexually transmitted infections, one with the tongue-twisting name of trichomoniasis.

Researchers hope the work will bring new attention to a parasite estimated to infect 170 million people a year worldwide, including 11 million in North America — and one emerging as a player in the spread of the AIDS virus.

"There are a huge number of people infected out there, but they don't know it, so you don't know it," warned Dr. Jane Carlton, a parasite specialist who led the four-year effort by the Institute for Genomic Research to crack the bug's genome.

The work is published in

today's edition of the journal Science.

Most sexually transmitted infections are caused by viruses or bacteria. A microscopic, single-celled protozoan named *Trichomonas vaginalis* causes this one.

The good news: "Trich," as it's short-handed, is easily curable, with a drug called Flagyl. The bad news: Many people go undiagnosed and thus continue spreading trich, plus the parasite is starting to develop resistance to the drug.

Both men and women can be infected, although trich is most common in women. But men usually suffer no symptoms, while about half of women do, reporting such problems as vaginal itching and a fishy-smelling frothy discharge.

During pregnancy, trich can cause premature birth or low-weight babies. It's linked to pelvic inflammatory disease.

But trich's real threat is that it quietly increases women's vulnerability to HIV by altering the lining of the vagina so that it's easier for the AIDS virus to sneak in.

Jury rules State Farm owes punitive damages of \$2.5 million in Katrina case

By Garry Mitchell
Associated Press writer

GULFPORT, Miss. — A jury awarded \$2.5 million in punitive damages against State Farm Fire and Casualty Co. for a Mississippi couple for denying their Hurricane Katrina claim. The decision could be helped by embryonic stem cells, while others warned that the legislation would involve the government in the destruction of life in the form of human embryos.

State Farm said it will likely appeal.

Earlier Thursday, U.S. District Judge L.E. Senter II had taken part of the case out of jurors' hands before they awarded punitive damages to State Farm policyholders Norman and Genevieve Brownwald of Biloxi.

Senter ruled Thursday morning that State Farm is liable for \$223,292 in damage caused by Hurricane Katrina to the Browns' home. Senter left the punitive damages to the jury.

Senter's decision to make a directed verdict rather than let the jury decide the entire case appeared to surprise everyone in the courtroom. After he explained his ruling, Senter ordered a recess to give attorneys time "to get over the shock."

After the jury announced its award, the Brownwalds left the courthouse arm in arm.

"It's a great day for south Mississippi," Norman Brownwald said.

Some of Senter's earlier rulings in other Katrina cases have favored the insurance industry, but his decision Thursday calls into question the companies' refusal to cover billions of dollars in damage from Katrina's storm surge. The judge's decision and the jury's award also are likely to impact recent settlement talks between State Farm, Mississippi Attorney General Jim Hood and other plaintiffs' attorneys.

Earlier this week, people with direct knowledge of the settlement talks told The Associated Press that State Farm, Mississippi's largest home insurer, is considering paying hundreds of millions of dollars to settle more than 600 lawsuits and resolve thousands of other disputed claims.

The Brownwalds' case wasn't directly part of those negotiations, but Hood said Thursday the verdict only strengthened his position in the ongoing settlement talks.

"Hopefully they will come to their senses and realize that the American people are not

going to stand for robber baron companies, like the insurance companies, running over people," the attorney general said.

However, Hood conceded that a company as large as State Farm isn't likely to "blink very much" in the face of a single jury award.

"I'm sure they're in shock, but that can't hurt them," said Hood.

Conn. Democrat Dodd to vie for presidential nomination

By Mark Z. Barabak
Los Angeles Times

Sen. Christopher J. Dodd of Connecticut joined a growing field of Democratic presidential contenders Thursday, using a radio call-in show to tout the value of his Washington experience at a time of heightened anxieties at home and abroad. Normally, Dodd conceded, his 30-plus years in Congress might be seen as a liability among voters hungering for change. "But I think people this time around believe experience matters," Dodd said. "On every major foreign policy and domestic issue over the last quarter of a century, I've been deeply involved."

Despite his unconventional forum — an interview on "Imus in the Morning," a radio show with a large beltway following — Dodd's platform fit comfortably within the mainstream of the Democratic Party. Speaking in the broadest terms, he said his campaign would focus on education, energy independence and health care.

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Stargazers abuzz about new Comet McNaught, brightest seen in decades

By Mary Pemberton
Associated Press writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Nothing can keep dedicated stargazers from trying to get a glimpse of the brightest comet seen in decades — not even temperatures as low as 40 below zero.

There hadn't been a lot of buzz about Comet McNaught, discovered just last year, but as the comet got closer to the sun, it brightened and the word spread — the comet was special.

Martin Guttski drove to a look-out about five miles north of Fairbanks on Tuesday evening, when skies were especially cold and clear — good comet-viewing weather, even if it was frigid.

The amateur astronomer waited for sunset and watched as the sky turned salmon red and darkened. He turned his attention toward the spot on the horizon where the sun set.

"It is a very large spike, almost a vertical spike at sunset. ... I was more than impressed with it," he said.

Comet McNaught, discovered last year by Australian astronomer R.H. McNaught, is expected to remain visible throughout the Northern Hemisphere through Friday, when it will come to within 16 million miles of the sun and be obscured by the sun's glare. After that, it will eventually emerge for people in the Southern Hemisphere to enjoy.

Five hundred miles north of Fairbanks in Barrow, at the top of North America, Glenn Sheehan said he hadn't heard anything about a comet until a colleague spread the word that something was different over dark winter, something new in the sky is always welcome. Sheehan said, The sun set there on Nov. 18, not to rise again until Jan. 23.

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EDITORIAL

Ag research proposal is good fit for Magic Valley

The heart of the state's dairy industry has been in southern Idaho for years. It's only proper that the state's resources be located here as well.

That alignment between the dairies and the University of Idaho's agricultural programs may now be taking shape. Gov. Butch Otter's plans for a \$10.9 million combined dairy and animal research facility in the Magic Valley wouldn't just help solidify the role of dairies in the region. It could also improve dairy practices throughout the whole industry.

The dairy lab, now called the Idaho Center for Livestock and Environmental Studies, would be a collaborative project between the University of Idaho, the United Dairywomen of Idaho, the College of Southern Idaho, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The initial \$10.9 million investment would represent one-third of the \$25 million to \$35 million investment needed for the center. Other investments would come from UI, the dairy industry and federal agencies.

Plans for the project have been in the works for some time and some expect the facility to be located in Jerome County.

The center would serve a number of priorities for ag education and Idaho's dairy industry. UI students can take courses for animal science and biology directly applicable to dairy management, while also gaining the vocational skills necessary for ag trades. The facility will have dairy cows for milk production. Sales would go into more research and development, and profits would be managed by a non-profit organization.

Perhaps most important is that the programs would be able to study improvements in waste management, and environmental impacts on air, water and soil.

Some may question why this center is necessary, especially when another UI study shows the state's agricultural economy is too reliant on the dairies.

Garth Taylor, associate professor in agricultural economy and rural sociology, told lawmakers that Idaho's booming milk production makes the ag economy volatile when milk prices plummet.

"It is extremely alarming to me to say we have so much of our eggs in the basket of dairy," he said. "That is truly a cause for concern on my part."

Those hesitations are valid for any industry. Without diversification in ag, technology or energy, the state is always susceptible to economic turns.

But the new lab center can play a vital role in studying those factors. More efficiencies in production, trade practice, animal health and environmental controls, can make Idaho's dairy industry a model for other states. Other recognizes the economic strength that currently exists in dairy products. Those exports have doubled in value in three years.

An expanded center for dairy studies can help assure that it's not just a passing trend for the state economy.

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, Chris Steinbach, Steve Crump, Traci Bliss, Bill Blitzenburg and David Cooper.

Our view:
New plans for a dairy and animal science lab in the Magic Valley could lead to more efficiency in the dairy industry. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

TARIQ AL-HASHIMI

Many Americans unfortunately believe that Iraq can no longer be salvaged. Even some in the Bush administration see a civil war as inevitable.

First, both of our nations have invested too much to walk away now. If this battle is lost, the entire region could be destabilized.

Second, despite the chaos in my country, not all bridges of patriotism have been burned. Iraqis have ties to their beloved country, not only to their sects and ethnicities. Proof of this nationalism recently came from the most unlikely of venues.

During the Asian Games in Qatar last month, Iraq became quiet, if only for a few hours. Citizens united as brothers behind the national soccer team, which against all odds fought its way to the finals.

The team didn't battle for a militia or a sect but for an idea — the nation of Iraq. The players didn't win the medal but gained something far greater: They won us hope. From children on the streets to politicians in parades, we were all one, and we were all Iraqi. This tells me that all is not lost, that a deep-rooted sense of nationalism still lies within all Iraqis, and that it can and must be rekindled.

It is true that terrorism of an unparalleled nature rages in Iraq and that Iraqis are the ones killing each other on the basis of sectarian and ethnic identities. It is also true that

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LETTERS

Overdevelopment, icy roads diminish Twin Falls

Twin Falls is the place I grew up. However, when I come back (from Boise), I find it's not the place I grew up. The powers that be have destroyed the only redeemable quality left in this "magic" valley.

The canyon and the glorious view have been raped and ruined by big business. As you drive across the Perrine Bridge now, it looks like we've named the canyon "ShoPko" or "Johnny Carino's." Not to mention the traffic in that area. You might as well shut down any business that is not located on Blue Lakes Boulevard. Blue Lakes is a nightmare any time of the year. But this year was especially scary since the city of Twin Falls did squads about the snow and icy roads.

It snowed every year I was there. What about the tourists and guests to your town? Or did you just want everyone to have a really white Christmas?

Just wanted to write and express my "gratitude" for taking the magic out of Magic Valley. What Twin Falls has

done to the canyon and Blue Lakes is tragic. That's what it could be called: The Tragic Valley.

STEPHANIE DEA THOMAS
BELL
Boise

Today's U.S. Postal Service fails to deliver

Many years ago, first-class postage cost only 3 cents. The postal service earned a reputation that "neither rain nor snow ... The mail was always delivered. I have a letter from that era whose only address was the name of the person to receive the letter and Cherry County, Neb. Yes, the letter was delivered within seven days of posting. This speaks well for the dedicated people handling the mail. They felt it important to see that every effort was made to deliver the mail entrusted to them.

An example from today is quite different. I recently wrote a letter to Congressman Mike Simpson. His address was obtained from a current phone book dated for use through April 2007. I applied a 35-cent stamp and posted the letter.

The letter was returned to me with a sticker on it informing me the congressman's change of address had expired. Included on the sticker was his new address. Wait a minute! If the postal service had his new address, why didn't they deliver it? I live 10 miles from the post office. Mike Simpson's new office is across the street from the post office.

We now have our government hand at work with new technology and state-of-the-art facilities. Somewhere in the growth and modernization effort, service to the public has been replaced with procedures and regulations that cover every citizen. This has taken personal responsibility out of the formula. The "old time" objective of delivering the mail no matter what has died and been replaced with "How can I make my job easier?"

The public would be better served by letting private carriers such as UPS and FedEx carry all the mail and letting the postal department down in rules and regulations that interfere with public service. EDWIN HENSON
Twin Falls

Don't give up on Iraq yet

During my recent visit to Washington I found a nation fatigued by news of a faraway battle that seemed to creep closer with each fallen soldier. I found an administration weary by infighting among an Iraqi government that seems incapable of reaching simple agreements. The chaos and sectarian destruction plaguing my people are slowly becoming just statistics in passing headlines, as we become a nation whose people spend more time each day preparing for death than for life.



A precipitous withdrawal of forces would create a security vacuum in Iraq that our forces cannot yet handle — and would therefore be filled by extremists.

reconstruction and economic development have gone to a halt because of the violence. And Iraqis are divided on such fundamental issues as reconciliation and how to bring about security.

Despite all the hardships, however, we Iraqis were able to raise the rudimentary pillars of our nascent democracy by writing a constitution, electing a parliament based on that constitution and granting a vote of confidence to a government through that elected parliament. It is not fair to look at Iraq as a collection of failures without identifying its successes. The birth of a new nation is not easy. But just as your nation has become a beacon for democracy, we hope that Iraq will one day do the same.

All is not lost! Eliminating regional influence is the only way to bring Iraqis back to their senses. Americans understanding find it difficult to support any strategy that prolongs the presence of your troops in Iraq. We do not want to stand in the way of

your forces going home. But that decision should not be made under the pressure of car bombings and kidnappings. A precipitous withdrawal of forces would create a security vacuum in Iraq that our forces cannot yet handle — and would therefore be filled by extremists. This does not serve the interests of Iraq or the United States.

If those soccer players taught us anything, it is that a proper strategy for eliminating sectarianism and fostering nationalism is key. Reconstituting the Iraqi Armed Services and then reforming, retraining and properly arming them must be a central component of this strategy. Another should be revising Iraq's constitution to give our central government effective powers but prevent any sort of dictatorship by the prime minister. The powers that the prime minister holds now must be revised to guarantee that all stakeholders can share in governing. Adherence to the rule of law is also central.

True reconciliation in line with what happened in South Africa and Ireland is needed for resolution of the conflict in Iraq, but that reconciliation must be free from regional stipulations. Economics is also key, as gainful employment keeps Iraqi youths away from the insurgents. All of this must be preceded by a coordinated effort to secure Baghdad, which has become a haven for militia and terrorist activity.

We need a greater focus on the militias, which kill innocent civilians and defy the government with impunity. The Pentagon recently told Congress that the militias pose more of a danger to the security and stability of Iraq than do the terrorist groups operating there. Militias do not differ from other terrorist groups; therefore, the Iraqi government and the United States must classify militias as such and must train and fight them in the same manner as other terrorist organizations. A comprehensive plan is needed to save Iraq from disaster. I hope that the administration has considered these critical issues and that the new strategy effectively addresses them.

Tariq al-Hashimi is vice president of the Republic of Iraq.

Love among the ruins of Iraq

I isn't really a romance turned sour, because it was never sweet.

The American military's cocky heroes were supposed to sweep in and carry off a poor, grateful Iraq to security and bliss, like Richard Gere did Debra Winger in the finale of "An Officer and a Gentleman." The strategy was: Love lift us up where we belong/Where the eagles cry/On a mountain high.

Didn't happen. Yet the search goes on, in this country obsessed with hookups and breakups, for the right relationship metaphor to describe our deadly embrace of Iraq. My colleague Tom Friedman wrote last week: "Whenever I hear this surge idea, I think of a couple who recently got married but the marriage was never very solid. Then one day they say to each other, 'Hey, let's have a baby, that will bring us together.' It never works. If the underlying union is not there, adding a baby won't help." Juan Williams repeated Tom's metaphor on Fox News, agreeing that "a bad relationship" cannot afford the "pressure" of a newborn.

One reporter who writes about the war told me he thinks of the American entrenchment in Iraq more like a marriage that's run out of gas, but you decide to stay together because of the kids. Bill Maher used a bawlier metaphor of a man who promises his date a glorious romp, doesn't deliver, and then just refuses to admit it and get out.

Some women say that the Surge will not work because it's like starting over with an old boyfriend. You think you've learned the pitfalls and can resume with more success —



MAUREEN DOWD

you can set benchmarks! — but instead you're swiftly ensnared by the same old failures. And the most maddening romances, of course, are those in which you think you have the power, you should have the power, but somehow in the end, you don't have the power.

Many Bush officials and lawmakers now talk about the Iraqis with impatience, as though they are deadbeat relatives who have got to stop putting the punch on us for a billion a week and try harder, in the immortal words of Rumney, "to pull up their socks."

They may still speak diplomatically, but in body language, Condoleezza Rice and her chosen new deputy, John Negroponte, radiate irritation with the Iraqis, as though they are the most irksome of cousins or in-laws who have long overstayed their welcome, or children who not only don't thank you for presents but also leave the playground a mess.

The favorite analogy of Rumney and others who pushed the war was parental chiding. "If you never take the training wheels off a kid's bicycle," Paul Wolfowitz would say, "he'll never learn to ride without them."

But that is too Norman Rockwell for a scene straight out of Iliad or Odyssey. At times, the American-Iraqi relationship seems so cursed

that the most apt metaphor would be a fairy tale like "The Golden Goose" of the Brothers Grimm, in which a girl sees a bling bird that belongs to a despised boy and tries to pluck a feather for herself, but instead her hand gets stuck fast to the goose. Her sister comes along, thinking she can snatch a feather, but she gets stuck as soon as she touches the first girl. Then there's a Surge, when the third sister tries to help but ends up stuck in a daily chain of disaster.

With the Surge, as with the invasion of Iraq, W. is like the presumptuous date "who reserves a hotel room and then asks you to the prom." As my friend Dana Calvo put it: "Teddy Kennedy gave a speech at the National Press Club Tuesday about his new legislation that would require congressional approval before troop levels can be increased. Afterward, he was asked if he would try to block the escalation with an amendment to add Iraq spending request."

"The horse will be out of the barn by the time we get there," Kennedy replied. "The president makes his speech now. We're going to get the appropriation request probably the end of January, early February. Now we'd like to take eight more weeks to be increased. act." By that time, the troops will already be there," he said. "And then we'll be asked, are we going to deny the body armor to the young men and women over there?"

In other words, the president will ask us to the prom once he reserves the hotel room.

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Senate looks for a designated driver

The three rooms on the third floor of the Capitol, steps away from the Senate floor, have a storied past. They are called the LBJ Suite, because they were the domain of Lyndon B. Johnson, who as majority leader, famously installed two wet bars and added a bathroom, from which he conducted meetings and issued directives while taking care of his personal business.

The new occupant is a man as anonymous as Johnson was flamboyant, Richard Durbin, the 62-year-old senior senator from downstate Illinois. In the next two years, however, a great deal of the Democrats' fate depends on Durbin. As assistant majority leader, or whip, it is up to him to figure out how to corral enough votes in the narrowly divided Senate to pass at least some of the flood of bills the energized House Democratic majority will send over for action.

Durbin recognizes the magnitude of the challenge. "I just spent two years as minority whip," he recalled in an interview the other day, "where I had 45 Democratic votes. And, as you well know, if you can find 41 votes to block cloture — the move to cut off debate — you can prevent the majority from bringing its bills to an up or down vote."



DAVID S. BRODER

"So my job, time and again, was to find 41 snailwarts out of 45. Now, I look at (Republican minority whip) Trent Lott, and he has the same job, but he has 49 Republican senators, so he has a larger pool from which to find his 41."

So as the role of the minority whip has become easier, the role of the majority whip has become harder. While Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada leads the policy debates and handles the public relations, the onus is on Durbin to produce the votes at critical moments.

Having served in both the House and Senate over 24 years, he understands the differences between them. "The Senate is designed to stop things," he said, and that poses a challenge to ambitious Democrats.

Ask Durbin what will happen when the flood of bills — raising the minimum wage and achieving other Democratic goals — coming out of the House during the

bullyhooped 100 hours reaches the Senate, he laughs and recalls the words of former House Speaker Tom Foley to his colleagues:

"Remember, the Republicans are the opposition. The enemy is the Senate."

No doubt, Durbin says, House members and perhaps some of the public will be frustrated because "it's going to take us longer and it will be done differently."

They will finish their 100 hours with great pride and then we will begin 100 days," he said.

As he has gotten to know his flock of senators, Durbin said he is struck by the diversity of the Democratic caucus. "John Tester and Bernie Sanders are two different souls," he said, referring to the freshman senators from Montana and Vermont, the first a non-ideological rancher, the second an avowed socialist.

"But there's a lot of commonality on the basics," he said, meaning the economic and education and health care concerns. "Where we're likely to break down is on the bumper sticker issues" — abortion, gay marriage, etc.

Durbin said he thinks the last election was a sobering experience for many Republicans, "and he is hopeful of finding support on the

other side on at least some issues."

That is particularly true of the Iraq War, which, Durbin said, "overshadows everything else in this session." In a floor speech last week, Durbin listed the domestic programs that could have been financed with what the Iraq War has cost — and it was a staggering array. He said at least 45 of the 51 Democrats are supportive of beginning a troop withdrawal.

The final complication for Durbin is the number of presidential candidates within his ranks — probably five or more. Durbin said he notices that "they watch each other a lot," but he hasn't encountered sabotage related to White House ambitions. As time goes on, and they start spending even more time on the campaign trail, "I worry about 'abstinence,'" he said.

But he credited Sen. Ron Wyden of Oregon with a creative solution to that problem. "Ron says we ought to form a designated driver caucus," Durbin said, "of people who are ready to drive the Senate agenda while their colleagues who are intoxicated with the idea of being president are sitting in the back seat."

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All environmentalists have their favorite "green" energy source that they think will break our addiction to oil and slow down climate change. I've come out to Montana to see mine. It's called coal.

Yes, yes, I know, you thought I was going to say corn ethanol or switch grass or soybean diesel. Well, one day they all might reach a scale that can get us off oil. But the cheap, available fuel that China, India and America all have in abundance today — and are all going to burn for the next decade — is coal. So unless we can burn coal in a cleaner way, you can kiss the climate goodbye — we'll all be wearing bikinis and shorts in Manhattan in January.

When it comes to what it will take to "green" coal, there's no more informed or intrepid tour guide than Montana's Democratic governor, Brian Schweitzer. The governor, a bulldozer of a man, met me in Billings in his little private plane, we flew into a winter gale that tossed us around like salad pieces, and then we set down on a makeshift runway in Colstrip, on the edge of a coal strip mine. On the way back, after flying through another howling storm that caused me to dig my nails so deeply into the armrests I left my fingerprints in the leather, I thanked the pilots profusely. The governor simply belowed, "I'm glad we had our best interests flying today."

When it comes to cleaning up coal, though, Schweitzer is dead serious.

"Here in Montana we make our living outside," said the governor, an agronomist who got his start building farms in Saudi Arabia, "and when you do that, you know the climate is changing. We don't get as much snow in the high coun-



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

try as we used to and the runoff starts sooner in the spring. The river I've been fishing over the last 50 years is now warmer in July by 5 degrees than 50 years ago, and it is hard on our trout population. So when Exxon Mobil hires someone who calls himself a 'scientist' to claim this is not true, you don't have to get The New York Times to know the guy is blowing smoke."

But here's what the governor also knows: Montana has one-third of all the coal deposits in America — 8 percent of all the coal in the world. Montana's coal is roughly equivalent to 240 billion barrels of oil. "That's enough to replace all our imported oil for 60 years," he noted.

That's the good news. The bad news is that because of global warming — fueled in part by carbon dioxide emis-

sions from coal-burning electricity plants — the only way we'll be able to use all those coal reserves is if we can burn coal without emitting the CO₂. Otherwise we're cooked, literally.

So Schweitzer's crusade is to get the coal-burning industries to take the lead on this, in partnership with government. The governor recalled a recent conference of coal-dependent industries, held in Phoenix, at which he held up a lump of coal and warned: "You are the people who represent the companies who will decide whether I'm holding up the future of energy or the past. Take a look at all the other people sitting at your table. You know who you see? You see the last remaining people on the planet who don't believe CO₂ is a problem. The only way you will make this the energy of the future is to recognize CO₂ as a problem and that you have to be part of the solution." And by the way, he added, "there is a lot of money in it for you guys. You can sell this technology all over the world."

Schweitzer has a plan for Washington: 1) Set a floor price for crude oil in the U.S.

at \$40 a barrel forever. That will tell Wall Street that if it invests in new, clean coal technologies — which can be run profitably at the equivalent of \$40 a barrel — OPEC will never undercut them. 2) Set up a European-style cap and trade system rewarding companies that buy clean coal technologies and punishing those that don't. 3) Have Washington co-invest in a dozen pilot gasification and liquefaction technologies — which already exist — for cleaning coal and sequestering the carbon dioxide. Then we'll identify the best technologies quicker and move down the innovation curve. 4) Write the regulations now for how we will manage carbon dioxide that is removed from coal and stored underground.



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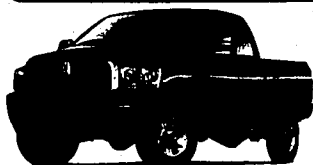
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Boys			Girls		
Team	Conf.	All	Team	Conf.	All
Class 5A					
Region Four-Five-Six			Region Four-Five-Six		
Madison	2-0	12-0	Twin Falls	6-0	13-2
Idaho Falls	1-1	4-7	Highland	3-2	9-5
Skyline	1-1	3-8	Skyline	3-3	8-6
Twin Falls	1-2	5-5	Idaho Falls	1-4	1-14
Highland	0-2	1-9	Madison	1-5	3-11

Class 4A			Class 4A		
Great Basin Conference			Great Basin Conference		
West Division			West Division		
Burley	4-0	13-2	Burley	3-0	13-2
Wood River	1-0	7-3	Jerome	2-1	12-3
Jerome	1-2	6-5	Minico	2-2	6-8
Minico	0-2	4-7	Wood River	0-2	5-8
East Division			East Division		
Century	1-0	8-1	Preston	2-1	8-7
Preston	0-0	8-4	Century	2-1	3-12
Pocatello	0-1	2-9	Pocatello	0-2	3-11

Class 3A			Class 3A		
Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference			Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference		
Gooding	2-0	7-3	Kimberly	6-0	15-0
Buhl	1-0	8-1	Filer	4-2	8-6
Filer	0-1	2-8	Declo	2-2	8-6
Kimberly	1-2	5-4	Gooding	1-4	3-11
Declo	1-2	3-7	Buhl	0-5	1-15

Class 2A			Class 2A		
Canyon Conference			Canyon Conference		
Hendrix	2-0	3-7	Valley	1-0	10-4
Glenns Ferry	0-0	3-3	Glenns Ferry	1-1	10-6
Valley	0-1	3-7	Wendell	0-1	5-9

Class 1A			Class 1A		
Magic Valley Northside Conference			Magic Valley Northside Conference		
Richfield	5-0	8-2	Richfield	7-0	15-0
Carey	5-1	11-2	Shoshone	6-1	11-5
Bliss	2-3	5-5	Dietrich	3-3	6-8
Shoshone	2-3	4-7	Carey	3-4	7-7
Community School	2-4	5-6	Community School	1-5	1-8
Dietrich	2-4	3-7	Camas County	0-8	1-12
Camas County	1-4	2-6			

Class 1A			Class 1A		
Magic Valley Southside Conference			Magic Valley Southside Conference		
Hagerman	7-0	11-0	Hagerman	8-0	12-3
Martaugh	4-3	6-4	Raft River	7-1	12-3
Castleford	4-2	7-3	Hansen	5-3	7-8
Hansen	3-2	6-3	Castleford	3-4	9-9
Raft River	2-3	3-7	Lighthouse Christian	2-6	5-8
Oakley	2-3	2-6	Oakley	2-7	2-12
Lighthouse Christian	2-4	5-6	Martaugh	0-9	1-14
Magic Valley Christian	0-6	1-9			

Independent			Independent		
Twin Falls Christian	3-8		Twin Falls Christian	5-7	

Standings reflect games called in to the Times-News. Coaches: To report game results, call 1-800-658-3383, Ext. 233 or 735-3239.

Jerome's Swensen back in fine form

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

JEROME — Fourteen individuals took home championships at last weekend's Buhl Invitational. But one of those titles meant a little more than the rest.

"When Jerome senior James Swensen left the mat after pinning Wells High School (Nev.) wrestler Marc Morrison for the 215-pound title, he felt an altogether different emotion than when he left the Buhl Invitational last January.

One year ago during a third-place bout in Buhl, Swensen tore his ACL, prematurely ending his junior season. Surgery followed in February and a long recovery process ensued. One week before football practice began, Swensen was cleared by his doctor. After playing on the offensive and defensive lines for the Tigers football team, Swensen returned to the sport he loves most.

And 12 months after a devastating knee injury, he walked off the mat as a champion. "It was really awesome," he said of his win at Buhl. "My mom was definitely a lot happier this year."



James Swensen

"That was vindication," Jerome head coach Des Case said.

The fourth member of his family to have knee surgery — "It runs in our genes," Swensen said — Swensen has experienced "small recurrences" of knee trouble since returning to athletics. But he is glad to be back in action — and back to winning.

"We're happy that he's back and doing well," said Case.

While Swensen enjoys football, he said wrestling is his sport of choice. "I like the individuality of it," he said. "If you don't get first, it's your fault."

Swensen qualified for state as a sophomore and is aiming to place there this season. His coach is confident that will happen as Swensen continues to work hard.

Magic Valley Prep Athlete of the Week

"The sky's the limit," said Case, who praised Swensen for his effect on the rest of the Tigers.

"He's a great example," Case said. "He leads by example. He's pretty quiet and reserved."

After high school, Swensen, who turned 18 earlier this month, plans to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Following that, he hopes to get a chance to wrestle collegiately.

But for now, he's simply treasuring the chance to grapple on the mats once again.

Idaho Media Boys Basketball Poll

Records as of Jan. 8

Class 5A	
1. Madison (9)	11-0 98
2. Mountain View (1)	9-1 80
3. Lewiston	7-2 40
4. Vallouise	8-2 36
5. Timbeline	8-2 26
Others receiving votes:	
Coeur d'Alene, Lake City, Twin Falls.	

Class 4A	
1. Burley (9)	11-1 98
2. Snyview (1)	7-3 64
3. Moscow	9-2 48
4. Century	8-3 40
5. Bishop Kelly	7-3 28
Others receiving votes:	
Ferry, Kellogg, Priest River, South Fremont.	

Class 3A	
1. Weiser (7)	11-0 82
2. McCall-Donnelly (2)	9-2 54
3. Buhl	8-1 50
4. Fruitland	10-2 38
5. Snake River (1)	7-2 38
Others receiving votes:	
Bonners Ferry, Kellogg, Priest River, South Fremont.	

Class 2A	
1. Aberdeen (10)	9-0 100
Others receiving votes:	
Hillcrest, Preston, Rigby, Sandpoint.	

Class 1A	
1. Glenns Ferry	8-4 66
2. Kamiah	10-1 46
4. Marsing	8-2 34
5. Challis	5-2 26
Others receiving votes:	
Firth, Malaga, New Plymouth.	

Class 1A	
1. Hagerman (8)	11-0 96
2. Notus (2)	11-1 74
3. Cascade	9-2 60
4. Carey	8-3 24
5. Richfield	8-2 24
Others receiving votes:	
Castleford, Genesee, Greenleaf, Fiend, Lapwai, Wallace.	

Class 1A	
1. Richfield (7)	15-0 88
2. Kimberly (4)	15-0 80
3. Sugar-Salem	12-2 50
4. Fruitland	7-2 26
5. Shelley	10-4 20
Others receiving votes:	
Bear Lake, Priest River, Teton.	

Class 2A	
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BURLEIGH/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and very cold conditions. Highs teens, wind chills near zero.
 Tonight: Very cold temperatures and a light breeze. Lows in the single digits, wind chills zero to 10 below.
 Tomorrow: Continuing to be very cold but winds will be light. Highs teens, lows near zero.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Small chance of a lingering snow shower today through Sunday, otherwise conditions will be dry but very cold. With breezy conditions at times wind chills will be well below zero.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Very cold with a blustery breeze	Partly cloudy and very cold	Mostly sunny and very cold	Slow to warm and partly cloudy	A few degrees warmer	Still cold but mostly sunny
High 17	Low 6	16/5	21/10	24/16	22/18

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's Low: 18 Record High: 52 in 1999	Month to Date: 6.20" Year to Date: 4.86"	Yesterday's Minimum: 52% Today's Minimum: 67%	Yesterday's: 29.50 in. Record: 29.50 in.	Sunrise: 8:06 AM Sunset: 5:27 PM
Temperature & Precipitation valid through 5 pm yesterday				

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
Boise	18/10	18/10	18/10
Idaho Falls	18/10	18/10	18/10
Mountain Home	18/10	18/10	18/10
Rupert	18/10	18/10	18/10
Shoshone	18/10	18/10	18/10
Timber Lake	18/10	18/10	18/10
Yellowstone	18/10	18/10	18/10

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
Albuquerque	52/44	55/44	55/44
Albany	42/36	42/36	42/36
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WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
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GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The price of other human beings is loving one's own self well."

Oklahoma's Peterson still undecided about future

OKLAHOMA CITY — Oklahoma running back Adrian Peterson was still undecided whether to return for his senior season or declare himself eligible for the NFL draft.

"I have spent the last few days considering my options... The facts are that I have not hired any representation and I have not declared for the draft," Peterson said in a statement released Thursday by Oklahoma.

The deadline for juniors to enter the draft is Monday. Peterson is considered a like-first-round draft pick.

"I'm very unsure," Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said Thursday in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "He's still trying to figure out what he wants for his life and what he feels is best for him."

Citing two anonymous sources, The Dallas Morning

News reported Wednesday night on its Web site that Peterson had decided to enter the draft and met with Stoops to inform him.

Peterson and Stoops both denied that report. "My meetings with coach Stoops and my parents have been to discuss all the scenarios," Peterson said. "I see a lot of options in both so I am still undecided on what I want to do. I wish people would give me the opportunity to decide. Once I do, I will make an announcement at the right time. Any reports that are different than that are false."

Peterson missed seven games this season with a broken collarbone, but still finished with 1,012 yards rushing and 12 touchdowns. He ran for 77 yards and two touchdowns, including a 25-yarder on the first play of overtime, in Oklahoma's 43-42 overtime loss

to Boise State in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 1.

Notre Dame's Walker declares for NFL

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Notre Dame tailback Darius Walker, on pace to become Notre Dame's career rushing leader, will enter the NFL draft and skip his senior season.

Walker said Thursday he was fulfilling a lifelong dream. "I just really feel like it's right for me," he said. "I wrote down the pros and cons and feel like it's the right thing for me to do at this time."

Walker, who has run for 3,249 yards in three seasons, was on pace to break the school record of 4,318 career rushing yards set by Aubrey Peterson from 1995-99. He also had 816 receiving yards, and a school record 109 career catches by a back.

Walker had until Monday to declare for the NFL draft and his decision surprised many.

Coach Charlie Weis said he was informed of Walker's decision on Tuesday.

"The guaranteed me that he would graduate from Notre Dame in the near future," he said in a written statement. "Although disappointed, we wish him nothing but the best."

Walker set the freshman rushing record with 786 yards in 2004. He rushed for 1,196 yards as a sophomore and 1,267 yards this past season.

Gonzalez to enter draft

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Speedy wide receiver Anthony Gonzalez, a deep threat and the second-leading receiver for Ohio State, will skip his senior season and enter the NFL draft.

"Obviously, it's the toughest thing I've ever had to do in my

life," Gonzalez said at a news conference Thursday in the Woody Hayes Athletic Center.

Two other Buckeyes are contemplating an early move to the NFL. Tailback Antonio Pittman will announce his decision on

Monday at his Akron high school. Wide receiver Ted Ginn Jr., who sprained his left foot in the BCN national championship game, has not made up his mind, his father said Thursday.

— The Associated Press



Luke Donald, of England, waves after making birdie on the sixth green at Walsley Country Club during the first round of the Sony Open PGA Tour golf event in Honolulu, Thursday.

Donald cards 63 to lead Sony Open

HONOLULU (AP) — Luke Donald didn't have much of a following Thursday, so he barely heard any applause even as he made birdies on half his holes for a 7-under 63 and the early lead at the Sony Open.

The crowds were with Michelle Wie. And there wasn't much cheering there, either.

"I heard no noise, really," Donald said. "I got one score update — I wasn't sure if it was true — 8 over after eight."

No, that wasn't true. She was 8 over after nine holes.

Playing the Sony Open for the fourth straight year, Wie hit into the water twice, clipped two palm trees and didn't hit a fairway until the 15th hole. Headed for her worst score

ever, the 17-year-old kept battling and played the back nine in even par for a 78.

That's one stroke better than her opening round a year ago at Waialae.

But it still leaves her chances of making the cut about the same as the second round being postponed by snow.

"Even though I was playing bad, I knew I could always come back if I got the ball in the fairway," said Wie, who managed that just one time on a breezy day along the shores of Oahu. "At the end, I actually felt like I was playing good."

Donald played superb and drove the ball well at the end of the round, setting up a wedge to 15 feet for birdie on No. 8 and a 2-iron into 25 feet for a

two-putt birdie on the ninth.

He tied for seventh last week at wind-blown Kapalua, and found Thursday to be a breeze in more ways than one.

"I was playing reasonably solidly last week, and it was nice to come here and not get pounded by the wind quite as much," he said.

Irfi Skuman, who won the Sony Open in 1999, was among a half-dozen players at 66, while U.S. Open champion Geoff Ogilvy was among those at 67.

Donald is at No. 10 in the world ranking, and his game has looked as though he belongs there. He only has two PGA Tour victories, including the Honda Classic last year, but his confidence is building.

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CASTLEFORD CITY COUNCIL Sunday liquor sales approved

City Council
unanimously
votes in favor of
new ordinance

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — The city is one step closer to allowing local taverns to sell liquor by the drink on Sundays.

A.J. and Lori Gray, owner of the bar On the Rocks, asked the council on Wednesday to follow suit with Twin Falls and Hollister in allowing Sunday liquor sales.

"I think that it is an old law that eventually everyone will do away with," said Lori Gray.

Before the council voted on the ordinance, the Grays said that 90 percent of all tax collected on liquor sales within city limits goes into

Castleford coffers. The city averages about \$38,000 in liquor sales a year, said A.J. Gray. The additional day for liquor sales, he said, could add up both for the city and the bar.

"You would get \$4,272 back from those sales," he said.

"Surrounding towns, such as Hagerman, Twin Falls and Jerome already allow the sale, and we are missing out on that," said Lori Gray.

While the council unanimously approved the ordinance, it will take a while for it to go into effect.

"We have to read and post the ordinance before it goes into effect to allow the citizens to voice any opinion they might have," said Mayor Rita Huffing.

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City Hall moving to make way for new water well

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — City Hall will move by mid-February to make way for a new water well.

The City Council decided on Wednesday to move city offices from 342 Main St. to the building next-door, now used to house the fire trucks of the Castleford Fire Department.

"If we had somewhere to go it wouldn't be a big deal," said fire Chief Brigg Vulgamore. "But we don't have anywhere to go."

City Hall is too close to the proposed new well, according to federal restrictions that dictate a 50-foot radius around new wells that is clear of any structures or debris.

The city had an option, though: either move the rest-room at its current facility so it is more than 50 feet from the new well and use the Fire Department's building as the water system's treatment facility, or use the current City Hall for the treatment facility and use the Fire Department's garage for city offices.

Either way, the fire trucks will be out in the cold, which could mean the department is less ready when fire strikes. Worse, subfreezing temperatures could ruin the emergency response vehicles.

"We can drain the trucks before parking them, but

then we aren't ready for a fire," Vulgamore said. "I guess we don't really have a choice."

Council members didn't like the idea of kicking the Fire Department out in the cold. Councilwoman Hanes Pettit suggested that the council do more research on the issue.

"Can't we talk to (city engineer) Don Acheson about this?" she said.

But Mayor Rita Huffing said Castleford is out of options.

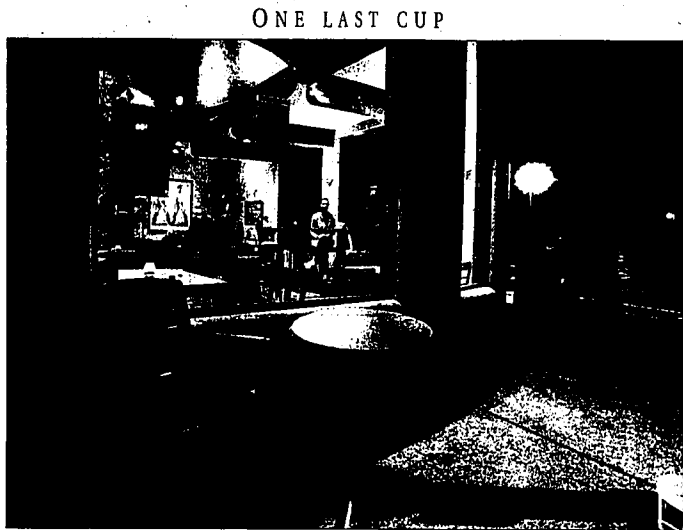
To meet Environmental Protection Agency guidelines that say drinking water must have 10 parts per billion of arsenic or less, the city must soon start building the treatment facility. The city's arsenic level has been recorded at 22 ppb.

Recently, the city passed a bond issue to pay for the \$1.6 million project. The first visible work to be done on the project will be the drilling of the new well.

"We knew this was coming when we decided that we would have to move because of the well," Huffing said. "At this point, nothing more can be done."

In the meantime, city officials will see if anyone has a large enough garage to store the fire trucks as a favor to the city.

"Tell the firemen that they are all valued," Pettit said. "We are sorry to have to boot you out of the building."



Light spills out of Java on Blue Lakes Boulevard North as remaining customers linger at a table Wednesday night in Twin Falls.

Wendell wastewater fees to rise

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — Over the next 18 months, Wendell residents will see an incremental increase to their base wastewater bill. The city now charges a \$20 base rate for sewer services and during Tuesday's special meeting the council approved a plan to increase that base to \$50 over the next year and a half.

The increase will pay for the new wastewater treatment facility now in the pre-design stage.

"A lot of people expected it to go up an additional \$50, so the increase wasn't that bad," said City Clerk Carol Boudreau.

The first \$10 increase will be

Rate-increase hearing

The Wendell City Council will hold a public hearing about the wastewater rate increase at 6 p.m. Feb. 1 at City Hall, 375 First Ave. E.

For more information, call 536-5161.

In March, said Councilman Don Bunn, with the next installation due in September and the final \$10 increase expected in March 2008.

"This may get tweaked some. We are hoping for help in paying back the \$12.5 million bond through grants," Bunn said. "The more we get in

grants the less we have to pay back to the bond, which means lower rates."

The rate increase was passed now as a sign to grant administrators that the city is taking steps to pay for the system itself.

"The grant people really help cities the most that help themselves the most," Bunn said. "The more we do to show that we are taking steps to show that we can pay the bond ourselves, the more it helps our chances of getting some relief."

Wendell Public Works Director Pat Munyon called the rate increase a step in the right direction.

"The recommended rate increase came directly from our wastewater study,"

Munyon said. "Part of the money will go into a reserve fund that will be used to repay the bond and some of the money raised will be used to pay for upcoming costs with the construction of the new treatment facility."

He explained that the city will have to pay for pre-construction costs like engineers' fees and for the system's design.

"People don't see a lot being done right now but there is a lot of preliminary work to do before the system gets built," Munyon said.

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Fair improvements hinge on board's OK

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Services at the county's fairgrounds might be improved if a \$300,000 request is approved by county commissioners.

The Twin Falls County Fair Board on Monday said it was preparing to ask commissioners to approve the money, which among other things would pay for repairs to the irrigation system and upgrades to the beef barn electrical system.

A formal request will not be made until after budget time in May.

"I'm not sure exactly what the reasoning was, but the board hasn't asked the county for any money in 10 years and

we've fallen behind," said Fair Manager John Fitz.

The board asked to be removed from the county tax levy rolls in 1996.

Board member Jim Barker said the county could "levy up to \$1 million for operations and \$2 million maximum for facilities."

If approved, a public hearing on the matter will not be held until September.

Until then, the Fair Board also is seeking an easement representative to fill the vacancy left by departing member Tim Zeban, who retired in December.

Board members can serve for a maximum of two four-year terms, Fitz said.

"We're looking for someone interested in being involved

with every aspect of the fair," he said.

Candidates must be residents of Twin Falls County with a Kimberly, Hansen or Murtagh address.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest by Jan. 25 to the Twin Falls County Commission, P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

The fair board selected "Redeucec Twin Falls County 100 Years" as the theme for this year's fair.

Board member Ralph Denon said members wanted to reflect the county's centennial.

John E. Swayze lives in Filer. He can be reached by e-mail at swayze@aol.com or 326-7212.

Snowpack Levels

Location	Jan. 12	Jan. 11
Salmon	98%	45%
Big Wood	92%	44%
Little Wood	84%	39%
Big Lost	80%	37%
Little Lost	85%	40%
Henry's Fork/Teton	88%	42%
Upper Snake Basin	87%	42%
Oakley	110%	51%
Salmon Falls	130%	43%

As of Jan. 11

* Accumulation of snow on the ground is a critical factor in determining the amount of water available for the spring snowmelt.

HONDA SKI TOUR WEEKEND EVENTS

Waitin' good time

What: The Waiters will perform on the same bill as DJ Logic in Ketchum, part of the Honda Ski Tour weekend.

Where: The early concert will be held at BaseCamp Music Pavilion, which is located on East Avenue between Fourth Avenue and Sun Valley Road. DJ Logic's midnight concert will be Whiskey Jacques, 251 N. Main St.

When: Today, The early concert begins at 6 p.m.

How much: Tickets to the early concert, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Ketchum and Halley.

Tickets to the midnight concert are \$10, and are available from the same sources or at the door.

Blues in the night

What: Blues artist Daniela Cotton will sing in Ketchum, part of the Honda Ski Tour weekend.

Where: Rosapoint Tavern, 280 N. Main St.

When: Today, 9 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Halley and Ketchum.

Sweet-voiced reggae

What: Don Carlos will perform in Ketchum, part of the Honda Ski Tour weekend.

Where: Whiskey Jacques, 251 N. Main St.

When: Saturday, 11 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Ketchum and Halley.

Extreme behavior

What: Hinder will play Ketchum, part of the Honda Ski Tour weekend.

Where: BaseCamp Music Pavilion, which is located on East Avenue between Fourth Avenue and Sun Valley Road.

When: Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Ketchum and Halley.

OBITUARIES

Deanna Wright Jensen

RENO, Nev. — Deanna Wright Jensen, devoted wife, loving mother and daughter, caring family member and amazing friend, left us Sunday morning, Jan. 7, 2007, after a long fight against breast cancer. Deanna's husband, Don, and family were by her side.



Deanna was born Oct. 21, 1953, in Elko, Nev., to Bob and Betty Wright. Her childhood years were spent on the family cattle ranch in Clover Valley, Nev. Deanna graduated from Wells High School in 1971. She earned a bachelor's degree in science in 1987 with high distinction. She went on to complete a master's degree in 1989 in speech pathology-audiology at the University of Nevada-Reno. She had a rewarding career as a speech pathologist as well as working by her husband's side at Jensen Press.

Deanna is survived by her parents, Bob and Betty Wright; husband, Don Jensen; sons and daughter-in-law, Jonathan Hansen and Layne and Stephanie Hansen; grandfathers, Eddie Murphy; brother, Bob and Diana Wright; nephews, Shawn and Brian McBurns; nieces, Christy Jensen, Donna Jensen, Eric Kurt, Ian and Megan; and grandchildren, Noah, Taylor, Brooke and Gabriella. Deanna was preceded in death by her sister, Donna Wright.

Sharon Lea Falk Hedden

SARATOGA, Calif. — Our beloved mother, Sharon Lea Falk Hedden, passed away peacefully on Dec. 27, 2006, after a brief illness.



But brave battle with cancer, her children and a dear friend by her side. She has been loved by all. Robert Wesley 24 d e n.

years, working in both the oncology and cardiovascular intensive care units. Her intelligence, compassion, strength and love were acknowledged and appreciated by all who knew her and were demonstrated by her devotion to the service of helping others, both professionally and personally. Sharon loved family time, music and travel and found time for all these joys throughout her busy life.

Sharon leaves behind her devoted children, Sherry Hadden, Sherry, Sandy Hedden (Bruce) Norris, Betty Marie Hedden and Bob Randolph Hedden; her six cherished grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She also is survived by her mother, Florence Hedden, her father, Ed and sister, Jo Falk (Boh) Ryan. Preceding her in death were her father, E.S. Falk; and husband, Robert Hedden.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Rev. Simeon Van de Voord OSB

JEROME — Father Simeon (Wilbur Paul) Van de Voord OSB, of the Monastery of the Ascension in Jerome, Idaho, died in the Lord on Monday, Jan. 8, 2007, in Boise, Idaho, after a lengthy illness.



Wilbur Paul was born July 27, 1927, in Atkinson, Ill. He attended local schools and was in the U.S. Army from 1945-1947. He graduated from De Paul University in Chicago, where he majored in business; he took one year of pre-law.

Wilbur Paul came to Mount Angel Seminary at St. Benedict, Ore., in 1953 from Los Angeles where he had worked after finishing college. He received his B.A. in philosophy in May 1956 from Mount Angel Seminary.

Wilbur Paul joined the monastic community of Mount Angel Abbey in Oregon in August 1956, professed his religious vows as a Benedictine monk with the name of Simeon on Sept. 8, 1957, and was ordained a priest May 11, 1961.

Father Simeon did his graduate studies in theology at Mount Angel Seminary from 1957-61. He received his M.A. from the University of Washington in 1966 in public address and speech communication.

His pastoral assignments include: John E. Kennedy High School, teacher, Mount Angel, Ore., 1961-1964.

Mount Angel Seminary, teacher, 1962-1967, 1972-1980.

Mount Angel Seminary.

Marietta Loop

MERIDIAN — Marietta Loop, 88, of Meridian, Idaho, died of natural causes Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007.

She was born July 10, 1918, in St. Louis, Mo., the middle child of Edna Jackson and Earl C. Winder. She married William A. Loop on Sept. 5, 1936.

"Bill" Loop on Sept. 5, 1936. They moved to Idaho Falls in 1963 and then to Twin Falls in 1971. Bill passed away in June 1989. Marietta moved to the Boise area in 1996 to be close to her youngest daughter and her two grandsons, Kristopher and Nicholas. Marietta was loved by many and freely shared her talents with the people she cared about. She crocheted, loved making and



dean of undergraduate men, 1972-1973.

Mount Angel Seminary, dean of graduate men, 1973-1978.

Director of Summer School of Theology, 1975-1979.

Ascension Priory, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1967-1972.

Chaplain at Student Center, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1969-1972.

Director of Recruitment, Mount Angel Seminary, 1978-1980.

Kitchen Master, Mount Angel Abbey, 1978-1980.

Prior, Ascension Priory, Twin Falls-Jerome, Idaho, 1980-1987.

Administrator, Our Lady of the Lake, McCall, Idaho, 1987-1992.

Administrator, St. Anthony's, Greencreek, Idaho, 1992-1993.

Parochial Vicar, St. John Cathedral, Boise, Idaho, 1995-1999.

Chaplain, St. Paul's Student Center, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at St. John's Cathedral in Boise, Idaho. There will be a vigil service at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome, Idaho. The funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 15, also at St. Jerome's. Interment will follow at the Monastery of the Ascension Cemetery in Jerome.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Monastery of the Ascension, 541 E. 100 S., Jerome, ID 83338, or to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83336.

Bradford Washburn, explorer, dies at 96

By Rodrigue Ngwi
Associated Press writer



BOSTON — Bradford Washburn, who founded the Boston Museum of Science and directed a 1939 effort that revised the official elevation of Mount Everest, has died. He was 96.

The renowned mountain photographer, explorer and cartographer died Wednesday with his family at his bedside, his wife, Barbara Washburn, said Thursday.

Washburn climbed some of the world's most challenging mountains and is particularly known for his photography of Alaska's Mount McKinley and his exploration of the mountain with his wife.

The effort to remeasure Mount Everest, the world's tallest peak, found its altitude was 29,035 feet, 7 feet higher than previously recorded.

"It was exciting," Washburn said in an AP interview in 2000, "but nothing as exciting as when Ed Hillary got to the top."

Washburn and his wife also produced in 1988 the first highly detailed, comprehensive relief map of Everest and its surroundings.

Bradford Washburn, points at a photo of Mt. Kennedy in the Western Yukon area, seen in this March 19, 1965, file photo, in Boston. Washburn, the Boston Museum of Science's founding director who directed a 1939 effort that revised the official elevation of Mount Everest, has died. He was 96.

"He certainly did have a desire for discovery and he loved to share his knowledge and interpret it so that other people too could share it," she said. "And that's what his photography was all about, and what his making maps was all about."

Golf champion, journalism pioneer Orcutt, 99, dies

By Patricia Sullivan
The Washington Post

Maureen Orcutt, one of the world's best amateur golfers in the 1920s and '30s who became one of the first female sportswriters for a major newspaper, died Jan. 9 at Carolina House, an assisted living center in Durham, N.C., where she lived. She was 99.

Twice a U.S. Golf Association champion, she won the Eastern Women's Amateur in 1925 and the Senior Women's Amateur in 1966. Orcutt, who won more than 65 major championships in her lifetime, was the runner-up for the U.S. amateur title in 1927 and 1936.

She played on four Curtis Cup teams — amateurs from the United States played against British amateurs — and her team won each time.

Orcutt was also a pioneering journalist, joining the *New York Times* in 1937 as the second female sportswriter in the his-

tory of that paper. She wrote a column called "Women in Sports."

She was already an established athlete when she joined the newspaper, and she wrestled a concession from sports editor Jay Kelly that allowed her to play some matches while employed by the paper, according to an internal *Times* newsletter from 2002.

Time magazine in 1930 described her as "broad-shouldered, tall-jawed," and *The Washington Post* in 1927 said she was "tall, blonde, determined — the sort of woman the Vikings would have admired." She was widely respected as an athlete, with headline writers asserting that she was "almost as good as the men."

Rhonda Glenn, a writer for the USGA's Web site, described her as one of the world's premier amateurs in the 1920s and '30s, noting that she was a medalist in the British Ladies Open Amateur.

DEATH NOTICES

John McClure

TWIN FALLS — John McClure, 80, of Twin Falls and formerly of Rupert, died Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007, at Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Pedro Gabriel

GOODING — Pedro Gabriel, 54, of Gooding, died Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Robin G. Batz

SHOSHONE — Robin George Batz, 57, of Shoshone, died Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2007, at

his residence. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Chapel.

Ashlyn R. Lynn

TWIN FALLS — Ashlyn Lynn, 22, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2007, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Daniel S. Hughes

RUPERT — Daniel Scott Hughes, 37, of Ypsilanti, Mich., and formerly of Kimama and Rupert, died Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2007, near Guadalupe, Mexico, from injuries received in an airline accident.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

SERVICES

Zaelynn Jewell Pruett of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Jerome U.S. 76 Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S. visitation one hour before the funeral at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Cleota Fickel of Fairfield, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Ruby Jane Austin of Jerome, celebration of life from 3 to 7 p.m. today at 101 N. Alder in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

John Patrick J.P. Hamilton Sr. of Buhi, memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Twin Falls; burial at West End Cemetery in Buhi, followed by reception at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhi. Friends and family

may call from 1 to 8 p.m. today at Farnham Funeral Chapel in Buhi.

Lucy Pauline "Polly" Eastman of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; friends and family may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Dorothy "Kathleen" Allred Sugg of Boise and formerly of Glenns Ferry, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Glenns Ferry United Methodist Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Summers Funeral Home, 5514 Chapel in Meridian.

Gregg R. Stowe of Jerome, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

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First black female judge Jane Bolin dies at 98

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jane Bolin, the nation's first black female judge and the first black woman to graduate from Yale Law School, has died. She was 98.

Bolin's family contacted the New York City Bar Association on Thursday for help arranging a memorial, spokesman Matthew Kovary said.

Bolin was sworn in by Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia in 1939, according to the city's law

department. She was assigned to the Domestic Relations Court, later named Family Court, and fought racial discrimination from the bench.

She worked to end segregation in child placement facilities and the assignment of probation officers based on race. She also helped create a racial-ethnic integrated treatment center for delinquent boys.

The city's mayors renewed her appointment three times, until the law required her to retire at age 70.

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Judge: Avista dam to blame for Lake Coeur d'Alene woes

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Post Falls hydroelectric dam is partially to blame for wetland degradation and the unearthing of tribal artifacts in Lake Coeur d'Alene, a federal administrative law judge in Salt Lake City has ruled.

However, the judge also ruled that the dam has not been a significant factor in the lake's declining native fish populations or the release of toxic heavy metals from sediments at the lake bottom.

The ruling marks the latest development in a long-running dispute between the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and Avista Utilities, which is seeking to renew its license with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to operate the dam.

An attorney for the tribe expressed disappointment with the ruling. Avista spokesman Hugh Imhof called the ruling a "positive step" that is expected to significantly reduce the utility's burden to fix the lake's problems.

According to the 112-page ruling by U.S. Administrative Judge Andrew Pearlstein late last week, the dam has caused wetlands to wash away, boosted the growth of exotic weeds and unearthed historic tribal artifacts.

But the dam has had "only minor impacts on the decline of native salmonid fish in the lake," Pearlstein said. Bigger problems for the fish have come from the introduction of nonnative species and the loss of spawning habitat.

Pearlstein ruled that Avista is responsible for 50 percent of the erosion on the lower lake's tributaries and 30 percent of the erosion to the lake itself. The decision does not specify how Avista will be expected to fix these problems. The utility is also responsible for helping to protect cultural artifacts and curb weeds in the lake.

The century-old dam, which controls the height of Lake Coeur d'Alene in the Idaho Panhandle, can generate about 14 megawatts of electricity and impounds water in the spring for release later in the summer to keep turbines spinning at bigger hydroelectric dams downriver in Washington state.

Last year, the Department of Interior — on behalf of the

tribe — included a list of conditions to the proposed federal license. They included a request that Avista hire police to stop looting of tribal artifacts, repair wetlands damaged by unnaturally high lake levels, fund fish and water quality studies and repair shoreline damaged by boat wakes.

The utility challenged the tribe's demands, saying they could cost between \$400 million and \$500 million over the next 50 years. The utility also claimed that it was being blamed for too many of the lake's ailments.

The ruling is expected to guide the Interior Department as it revises the conditions it places on the utility's hydropower license.

Democrats to hold 2008 convention in Rockies

By Nicholas Ricciardi
Los Angeles Times

DENVER — The Democratic National Committee on Thursday announced it will hold its 2008 convention in Denver to showcase the party's expansion into the once-reliably Republican terrain of the Rocky Mountain West.

DNC Chairman Howard Dean said that symbolism is what pushed Denver's bid ahead of its competition, perennial convention candidate New York.

"It's fitting that the party's yet another sign of the party's investment in the West. Democrats won Colorado's governorship in November and, for the first time in four decades, control all branches of state government. Democrats also picked up a Senate seat in Montana this election cycle. The governors

of all but one of Colorado's neighboring states — Utah — are Democrats.

"You have the combination of Republicans with a socially conservative face in the last decade — alienating some Republican voters in a libertarian region, plus the demographics of voters moving into the region who are not necessarily conservative Republicans," said political demographer Rhodes Cook.

Denver initially bid for the 2000 convention, which went to Los Angeles. Last year it tried again, explicitly arguing that political shifts in the West merited a convention in the Rockies.

It found a receptive audience in Dean, a former Vermont governor and 2004 presidential candidate who took over the national party vowing to expand the Democrats' base from the Northeast and Pacific Coast. During his conference call Thursday, Dean noted that every Democratic convention since 1988 had been in a coastal city.

Trial set for Utah parents who kidnapped daughter to prevent marriage; plea talks likely

By Debbie Hummel
Associated Press writer

PROVO, Utah — A judge set a summer trial date Thursday for a couple accused of kidnapping their daughter to prevent her from getting married, although their attorney suggested a plea agreement still was possible.

"They want to do everything they can to keep the family

together or restore it," Rhorne Zabriskie said.

Lemuel Redd, 60, and Julia Redd, 57, of Monticello are charged with second-degree kidnapping, which carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison.

Julianne Redd Myers last month tearfully testified that her parents drove her more than 200 miles to Colorado on the eve of the wedding instead

of taking a quick trip to purchase religious undergarments.

At a gas station, Myers said her parents forcibly grabbed her, claiming she was breaking the Old Testament's Fourth Commandment, which says to honor parents. She said they described her fiancée as "evil and wicked."

The trio spent a night in a hotel in Grand Junction, Colo., and returned to Utah the next day.

Myers, 21, married Perry Myers on Aug. 8 at the

Mormon temple in Salt Lake City, three days later than planned.

A new prosecutor, Curtis Larsen, has been assigned to the case since a judge found probable cause to put the Redds on trial.

"I expect that he and I will be talking real soon," Zabriskie said, referring to a possible plea agreement.

Asked outside court if she wanted to go to trial or make a deal, Julia Redd referred to the lawyers: "It's all in their hands."



Lemuel and Julia Redd stand with their attorney, Rhorne Zabriskie, right, during a scheduling hearing Thursday, in Provo, Utah. A summer trial date was set Thursday for the couple accused of kidnapping their daughter, Julianne, to prevent her from getting married, although their attorney suggested a plea agreement still was possible.

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Report: Yellowstone cutthroat trout declining in southeast Idaho

By Keith Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Two of the West's largest remaining populations of Yellowstone cutthroat trout face sharp declines due to contamination from phosphate mines in southeast Idaho, Idaho State University professors say.

Rob Van Kirk, a professor who specializes in mathematical models of aquatic ecosystems, and Sheryl Hill, a biology professor, on Thursday released a study that predicts a precipitous fall of the prized game fish in some streams and an overall decline in populations in the region.

They said contamination comes from selenium leaching out of waste rock from the mines.

Selenium is a naturally occurring mineral that is healthy in small quantities but

can build up to toxic levels. At phosphate mines, it leaches out of waste rock and accumulates in stream sediments, where it goes through the food chain from plants to insects to fish.

The bottom line is there are selenium-contaminated fish that are high — high by any standards, not just cherry-picked standards — and that indicate a high risk of population declines, Van Kirk said.

The Bozeman, Mont.-based Greater Yellowstone Association — whose stated mission is to protect the lands, waters, and wildlife of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem — paid the university about \$8,600 to produce the report.

The organization is trying to collect expert data on how phosphate mines are affecting fish and wildlife, spokesman Marv Hoyt said.

The Blackfoot and Salt River drainages in southeast Idaho contain two of the six largest remaining populations of Yellowstone cutthroat, Van Kirk said.

The population has already suffered major setbacks in what was its main habitat, Yellowstone National Park, following illegal introduction of lake trout to Yellowstone Lake.

In February, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service declined to list the species, though the

selenium threat was considered.

There were some concerns that were identified," said Wade Freudenberg, native fish coordinator with the wildlife service.

"I don't want to trivialize it, because in these drainages it might be serious, but the point is we're not going to cease phosphate mining in every drainage that contains Yellowstone cutthroat trout."

Tribes sue government for poor trust fund management

By Alicia P.Q. Wittmeyer
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Nearly a dozen Indian tribes, including the Nez Perce of Idaho, have filed a class-action lawsuit against the federal government asking it to account for billions of dollars held in tribal trusts.

The lawsuit is the latest legal challenge to the government's handling of American Indian trust money, which tribal representatives contend has been shoddy and inadequate.

The Native American Rights Fund, a Boulder, Colo.-based nonprofit law firm, is seeking to represent about 240 tribal governments that have trust accounts with the United States. The firm says the U.S. Department of the Interior, which manages the accounts, has failed to provide a complete accounting despite several congressional orders.

The government holds about 1,600 trust fund accounts for more than 300 tribes. Their total worth is estimated at about \$3 billion.

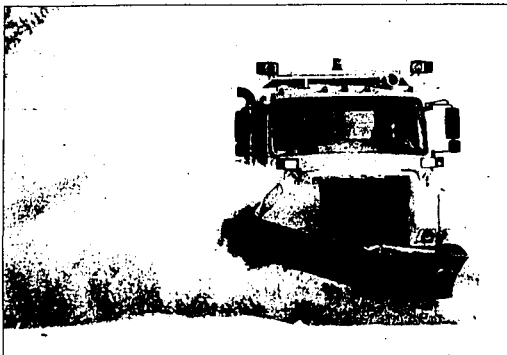
Tribes have been worried about the state of their trust funds since the early 1980s, when several government agencies issued reports "showing the accounts were in disarray," said John Echols, executive director of the Native American Rights Fund.

"The reports detailed records lost or never kept, systems that didn't work or weren't coordinated, and policies that were deficient or never even existed," Echols said.

The funds — some of which date back to the 1800s — contain money awarded to tribes from judgments against the United States for unlawful appropriation of American Indian lands. They also hold revenue from oil, gas, timber and other natural resources on tribal lands that have been tapped by the U.S. government.

The lawsuit was filed in U.S. District Court in Washington D.C. Dec. 28 — days before a Dec. 31, Congress-imposed deadline would have closed the statute of limitations on lawsuits challenging the government's trust fund accounting.

WINTER WEATHER WORK



An city plow moves the snow off a road Thursday morning in Idaho Falls.

1939 Idaho law banning booze, politics goes down harsh for dispensary employees

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Since 1939, hard liquor and politics in Idaho haven't mixed — at least for employees of the state agency whose stores sell spirits.

The head of the state liquor dispensary now is trying to get lawmakers to repeal the 67-year-old law forbidding his staff from engaging in partisan politics, including joining a political party, making campaign contributions or even sticking campaign bumper stickers on their cars.

James "Duke" Nally, dispensary superintendent, says other state agencies aren't governed by similar restrictions, so the law should be changed to make things uniform for all of Idaho's 19,000 state workers.

The statute is another reminder of conservative Idaho's uneasy relationship with alcohol, a throwback to an era when lawmakers feared blending — booting — and schmoozing in the liquor dispensary could produce a cocktail too volatile to allow.

Nally says the law likely harkens back to those post-Prohibition days when polling places were still located in taverns and voting for candidates, no matter how distasteful, might be washed down with a double on the rocks.

"I think it came from the old days ... when people would pile everybody into the back of the truck and head down to the saloon to vote," Nally told The Associated Press.

His agency includes 170 full-time employees who oversee some 160 stores across the state.

According to 1939 code, "No officer or employee of the dis-

pensary shall, while holding such office or position, serve on or be a member of any committee of any political party, nor shall he, directly or indirectly, use his influence to induce any other officer or employee to adopt his partisan political views, nor shall he actively engage in or contribute to partisan primary or election campaigns."

This isn't the only teetotaling-related quirk still on Idaho's books.

In Hebung, a bastion of the alcohol-eschewing Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints deep in the state's east, cocktail sales have been forbidden since 1947. There isn't a bar for miles, and some national chains, including Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, have dropped plans for expansion there because of the booze ban.

Others such as Boise, the state's most populous, have belied up to the bar and repealed such prohibitions.

If Nally persuades lawmakers to dump the law affecting dispensary employees, they'd fall under the state personnel act. It forbids them from holding office, using their positions to influence elections or coercing other state employees to contribute to campaigns or participate in politics — but permits just about everything else.

That includes joining political parties, displaying bumper stickers, political campaign contributions and working on campaigns.

House lawmakers on the State Affairs Committee said if the law is to be repealed for dispensary employees, a review of other agencies should be conducted to make sure there aren't other instances of similar

restrictions. For instance, employees of the state Department of Insurance are forbidden to "serve on or under any political committee or take an active part in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate or party," according to Idaho code.

UI reports possible data loss from computer theft

By Shannon Dinary
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The University of Idaho is notifying 331,800 employees, students, alumni and donors Thursday that their personal information may have been compromised after three desktop computers were stolen from the Moscow school.

The computers were stolen from the university's Advancement Services office during the Thanksgiving holiday, but authorities asked university officials to delay notifying the public to preserve the integrity of the criminal investigation.

An office employee discovered the theft and reported it to Moscow police. The case was later transferred to the Latah County sheriff's office, where it remains under investigation.

"We deeply regret this incident and the worry and inconvenience it may cause, but we want to assure donors, alumni, students and employees that the University of Idaho is strengthening its processes for securing and storing sensitive data," university President Timothy E. White said in a statement.

The hard drives did not contain credit card or other

personal account information, and there was no evidence that anyone's identity had been stolen, said Christopher D. Murray, vice president for university advancement.

"Our immediate concern is to alert those whose information may have been compromised," Murray said. An internal investigation by the university revealed that, six months before the theft, the computers' hard drives contained names, addresses and Social Security numbers for about 70,000 people.

However, that office accesses information from the university's larger data system. As a precaution, the university elected to notify 331,800 individuals whose information may have been accessed by the Advancement Services office as part of its work at the university.

The office manages data for the Advancement Division, which handles the university's fundraising and development, alumni relations and communications and marketing.

"We've taken the largest universe possible because we're being very cautious, and that's the 331,800 number," Murray said.

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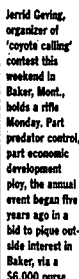
Boise Mayor Dave Bleter praised the investigation. He said it will make sure "that adult businesses not provide fertile ground for criminal behavior."

"The well-intentioned desire to help the poor apparently will not be restrained by the rules and principles of the free market that otherwise do restrain American businesses and workers," Salt told the

Randy Tunby, a sheep rancher in nearby Plevna, Mont., has turned down requests from contest participants to hunt on his land. The results of such hunts, he said, are spotty at best.

"It's just to give people a perceived pay raise," he said.

Contest hunts might miss the worst offenders, he said.



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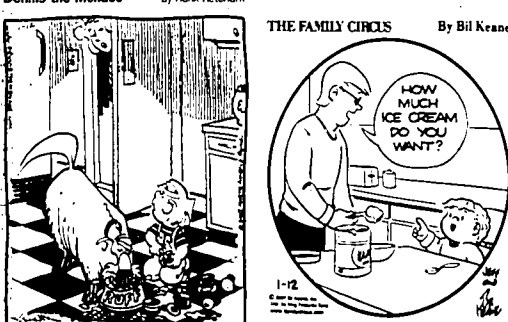
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Divorcing dad's new girlfriend is front and center too soon

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Noah," and I are getting divorced. He moved out nine months ago. We have a 7-year-old son and a 3-year-old daughter.

Last month, Noah revealed that he has had a girlfriend, "Dana," since last June, and they're moving into an apartment together this week. He said the children won't have to meet Dana until I'm comfortable with it. Noah also promised it would be "under."

I took the kids to see his apartment a couple of days later. The next day he called me and announced he was taking them to a birthday party for one of Dana's relatives. He also said some co-workers would be there. (He and Dana work for the same company.)

We're not even divorced yet! I don't want to teach my kids that people live together before marriage. By moving in with Dana, Noah has created a secret I can't tell my kids.

Abby, I had to meet many of my father's girlfriends. They all fell by the wayside, each time creating more loss in my life. I don't want that to happen to my children. I'm thinking of making a rule: One year of committed relationship before either Noah or I introduce them to a potential partner. Personally, I'm waiting until after the divorce is final before I start to date. Am I right?

—PROTECTIVE MOM IN MISSOURI

DEAR PROTECTIVE MOM: Create all the rules you wish, but that doesn't mean Noah



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

will abide by them. If he took the children to a birthday party for a relative of Dana's, it's logical to assume that they have already met her.

While you might like your children to keep their innocence, it may be impossible under the circumstances. (If the children visit at Daddy's, is he supposed to throw a blanket over his roommate?)

Honesty is the best policy—in measured doses. Realistically, he should tell the children that Dana is his new friend, and if things develop from there, so be it. How you conduct your own life is your business, and I admire your character and maturity in waiting to begin dating until after the divorce is final.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 33-year-old single mother with three children ages 11, 13 and 1. After escaping an unhealthy three-year relationship, I moved back in with my parents. I soon found a good job, and I have been paying my parents a substantial amount of rent every month.

My problem is, after 11 months of living with my parents, I feel it's time for me and my children to get a place of our own. Mother keeps trying

to talk me out of moving because she's so money-dependent on the money she receives from me every month. I don't want to leave her in a bind, but I need my own space. How can I resolve this without hurting our relationship?

CLUELESS IN ILLINOIS
DEAR CLUELESS: Set a realistic date to be out of your parents' house, and let them know in advance what it will be. That way, your mother may be able to wean herself from her dependency on your rent money, and you won't simply be cutting her off.

If your parents cannot cut back on what they're living on before they moved in, then face the fact that they are the ones with the "problem"—not you—and they may need financial counseling.

DEAR ABBY: My life is a wreck. I have two kids, and I'm only 20. We live with our friends because my fiancé's father kicked us out for telling him to get a job and help pay the bills.

There are 11 people living in this three-bedroom trailer. God bless them for taking us in. My fiancé lost his job the same week I am so depressed, all I do is cry. I don't know what to do with myself. I need help. Do I have any advice?

—DISTRAUGHT IN OHIO
DEAR DISTRAUGHT: Only this. Dry your tears and start looking for a job. I don't need a whole lot to do with myself. I need the current circumstances, you are going to need time.

Better scrub those hands for 20 seconds

Experts say you should scrub for at least 20 seconds with soap and water if you want your hands to be considered sanitary.

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In 1990, pollsters asked preschoolers who should be president. They overwhelmingly chose Mr. Rogers.

Marijuana mixed with a strong wine—that was the first anesthetic of record, used by Chinese physician Hua T'a while operating in the second century.

How did weirdly sensitive Howard Hughes amass his fortune? He was born rich, thanks to his father who invented a drill bit used by oil explorers.

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Louis Armstrong and Walt Disney have in common? They were all members of Masonic lodges.

The average Colorado coffee grower gets only about 68 cents for a pound of coffee. That cup of latte you buy for four bucks? Only about a penny goes back to the farmer who grew the beans.

We call them upsidownoids, but it's probably not the real name. In fact, we suspect they're so rare that they don't have a name! We're talking about words or phrases that read the same upside down as right-side up. For example: "WOW MOM" or "Ibpd" or "suns." Know any others?

In a sticky Silly Putty jam? According to our sources, isopropyl alcohol will remove the

messy goo from most fabrics and carpets.

There are about 15,000 Americans currently in comas.

A mile was once 5,000 feet. The English in 1575 when Queen Elizabeth I decreed that a mile should be eight furlongs (5,280 feet).

Ernie Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at factness@gro-mingo-barrett.com

Shots ring out after squabble over James Brown's height

ATMORE, Ala. — A man shot a friend when the two got into an argument over James Brown's height, police said.

Dan Gullett Jr. was charged with assault in the shooting of David James Brooks Jr., police said.

Officers said the men were at a friend's home on Monday when, according to witnesses, the argument over the height of "The Godfather of Soul" escalated, with Gullett shooting Brooks twice in the abdomen. Brooks went to his car, got a gun and shot at Gullett but missed, then went to the police station, officers said.

Gullett, 70, also went to the station and told police he had shot Brooks. He remained in the Escambia County Jail on Wednesday.

Police said Brooks, 62, was taken to a hospital. Information on his condition was not available.

Brown, who was known to wear lifts, died of heart failure Dec. 25 at age 73. Accounts of his height vary.

Live and Steven Greene made a simple plea to the burglar who broke into their house: Keep the valuables. Return the cremated remains of their 4-year-old son.

"Just drop it off somewhere with a note on it," Steven Greene said. "And that's that."

It worked. Someone left the urn containing the ashes of 4-year-old Zachary Greene at the end of the "Greens" driveway Wednesday morning, two days after it was taken in a burglary.

—The Associated Press



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Signs of conflict over Iraq plan, predictions of disaster if it fails

By Steven R. Hurt
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Even the most enthusiastic supporters of President Bush's new plan to pacify Baghdad were using phrases such as "If it succeeds" and "If the Iraqi government lives up to promises."

Analysts were predicting extreme bloodshed and a catastrophe if the strategy fails. There were signs of conflict over the new approach almost immediately as the Iraqi government spokesman promptly asserted Baghdad's right to demand changes in the plan laid out by the American leader.

In contrast to hedged assessments Thursday by Bush administration officials, earlier American threats to cleanse the capital of Sunni insurgents and Shiite militiamen were launched with ambitious predictions of success. All failed to bring about lasting change.

The progress will be steady toward a goal that has clearly been defined, Bush predicted in June a day before the announcement of Operation Together Forward, the highly touted crackdown that was to have included tens of thousands of Iraqi and American forces.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, then one month in office, declared his forces would show "no mercy" to terrorists.

"The terrorists cannot face such power," Iraqi army Brig. Hadi Khalid said at the time.

Four months later, Maj. Gen. William B. Caldwell, the main U.S. military spokesman in Iraq, said the drive against sectarian violence had not delivered the desired results.

"Operation Together Forward has made a difference in the focus areas, but has not met our overall expectations in sustaining a reduction in the level of violence," Caldwell said, declaring that "the violence is indeed disheartening."

With that difficult admission of failure fresh in mind, administration officials did not even give a name to the new U.S.-Iraqi bid to scour Baghdad neighborhoods clean of Sunni insurgents and Shiite militiamen.

And they spoke with extreme caution of a plan that will see an additional 21,500 American troops sent to Iraq.

"If this strategy is successful, over time we will see lessening of violence in Baghdad," Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said, standing at the side of Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in Washington.

"It's going to take a little time, and we will probably have a better view a couple of months from now in terms of whether we are making headway in terms of getting better control of Baghdad," Gates said.

Rice, alluding to al-Maliki's record of broken promises, was equally cautious.

"They haven't performed in the past. And so the president (Bush) is absolutely right. And we have all been saying to them, 'You have to perform.'"

Rice said, revealing that her coming trip to the Mideast did not include a Baghdad stop.

"I thought it was important to have the Maliki government have a little time now to make its plan work," she said.

Their caution was well-founded. Within hours the al-Maliki government already was sounding less solidly in the Bush camp.

"The Iraqi point of view was taken concerning this plan, and that is good and positive thing. We believe that the Bush program has good positive points, and we will tell the American administration to amend any point that we feel is not suitable," government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said.

Then there was Iran, the Shiite theocracy with which Iraq's Shiite-dominated government has increasing links to the chagrin of the Bush administration. In his speech, Bush said, "We will disrupt the attacks on our forces. We will interrupt the flow of support from Iran and Syria."

In the dark hours as the president spoke, U.S. troops raided an Iranian government building in the northern Iraqi city of Irbil, detained six Iranians and took away computers and documents.

But al-Dabbagh, the Iraqi government spokesman,

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voiced Iraqi displeasure with the operation against the Iranians, and suggested diplomacy to ease U.S.-Iranian tensions would be helpful — an option rejected by Bush.

"Sometimes we pay the price for the tension in relations between Iran and the United States and Syria, therefore it is in our interest ... that these relations improve," he said.

Thus the first day of the new plan for reversing fortunes in Iraq, nearly four years into the war, stripped the bandages off the open sores in the Baghdad-Washington relationship and cast a shadow over the likelihood of success in the new joint venture to curb the sectarian war.

"It's going to take a little time, and we will probably have a better view a couple of months from now in terms of whether we are making headway in terms of getting better control of Baghdad."

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Florida fiction for James

James, my literary critic, works in an office and when he works, he profits. Education, at times, arrives disguised as criticism; however, insinuations that my columns make it to print without a grain of truth within, exceeds critique, James. Folks, to illustrate that fiction, like my factual subjects, is just as believable, I have



ROWDY'S RENDEZVOUS
Ron Yates

written the following but, please, don't believe a word you read.

Let's see now. Writing 101: an unusual location and time frame. (Florida, 1985); a gallant, brave character (me); subject, (traveling by bicycle); and why (to visit Great Aunt in St. Pete).

Ron, the adventurer, was wont to choose seldom traveled paths. Since leaving Live Oak this morning, now 68 miles distant, he had crossed the Suwannee River once, near Nayo and again at Old Town. Ron was now pedaling south on Highway 98, a once busy tourist route and the predecessor to I-75. Decrepit billboards, now barely readable, lined the roadside.

• Furell's Fruit, "Florida's Freshest"

• Caesar Romero's Cut Rate Cigarettes, "Why pay Northern prices?"

• Fields Gas for a Happy-Walter, a small attached sign touted "Cleanest restrooms known"

• Rest Haven Modern Motel, a penguin perched upon its ice covered A/C logo.

It was a quiet ride. Traffic was sparse and mostly of the automotive kind. Earlier that day, on a different highway, the pine forest shrouded 349. Traffic consisted of turtles, snakes, one gator, and turkey vultures feeding upon hapless creatures who had failed to cross the road completely.

While preparing to camp on the basketball court of a country church, Ron gave thanks for water, churches, and concrete.

Water because it quenched his burning thirst. Florida is humid, hot and at times, miserable; they can have their white-sand beaches.

Churches because everyone in northern Florida who disagreed with scripture as presented, somewhere, had built their own church, thereby making them numerous. And churches, save for bingo nights and Sundays, made great fire (Ron had \$118.54 to his name) camping spots. Concrete, because it is the only known thing that fire ants do not feed on or attack hence a safe spot to spend tonight or was it?

Moments later band members of this church began to arrive for practice, complete with guitars, trumpets, tambourines, ukulele, oboe and a sousaphone. All was well until the Christians spotted Ron; and then cast him out. In short order Ron was back on his bicycle pedaling south.

Some 3.2 miles later, some where between Janning Spring and Chiefland, Ron decided to camp on the flat tar roof of a crumbling motel built of mottled-pinkish-white brick — far above any Fire — ants. Ron cautiously pushed his bicycle behind the motel and leaned it against the building.

Grabbing the now-defunct electric service mast, he swung himself up and placed one precariously stretched foot on a windowsill and the other on the meter box. The roof was just above now. Ron reached up, gripped the rise

Desert delights



The Anza-Borrego Desert State Park has 600 miles of dirt roads to explore and plenty of short hikes through rugged canyons.

California's Anza-Borrego Desert State Park has a plethora of attractions for the eco-tourist

By Tom Uhlenbrock
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

BORRERO SPRINGS, Calif. — Paul Johnson spotted the unusual S-shaped trail of a sidewinder in the dust and stopped the SUV on the empty road to have a look. No snake in sight, but there was another desert dweller crossing the ruts up ahead.

Johnson knelt and gently scooped the tarantula into his cupped hands, and we watched, wide-eyed, as the dark hairy spider ambled up his arm.

"That would be a male," he told his audience of four. "In October, the males crawl out of their holes and look for females, which are sedentary. They die in six months, whether they find a female or not."

Tarantulas are venomous, he said, but their toxin is weak, lethal only to the insects they eat. To a human, he said, the bite is a mild sting that may last 20 or so minutes.

"They'll rear up and show their fangs, but they're not aggressive," he said. "It's hard to get them to bite. You really have to agitate them."

Picking one up while it's out looking for love would count as agitation in my book, but this tarantula seemed amiable, although it bolted when Johnson returned it to the dust and sent it on its way.

We were in a hurry, too, to beat the fading light to Font's Point and watch the sun set over Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. With five minutes to spare, we walked out onto the edge of a cliff that overlooked the park's badlands, and the last slanting rays of the sun turned the tortured landscape lavender, then pink, then crimson.

The desert is a wondrous place,



Naturalist Paul Johnson admires the twists and turns of one of the slot canyons found in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the largest state park in California.

especially early and late in the day, when the creatures come out and the wildflowers, cacti and grasses bask in the golden light of dawn and dusk. At night, minimal interference from artificial light makes

for optimal stargazing. Johnson is a former naturalist at the state park, which has 640,000 acres and is 60 miles long and 30 miles wide. The tract of what is known as the Colorado Desert is the

largest contiguous single-land mass state park in the United States, the country's largest desert park and nearly half of all of California's state park land. Two-thirds of the park is in two wilderness areas.

With some 600 miles of dirt roads, the park is best explored in a vehicle with high clearance, maybe four-wheel-drive, although it's not unusual to spot a sedan heading out on the back roads. Desert solitude is around every turn. So may be a ranger to warn you to stick to the roads; cutting across the fragile desert is illegal.

Located a two-hour drive north-east from San Diego, the parklands include mountain peaks of more than 6,000 feet, down to the desert floor near sea level. There are jagged slot canyons carved by floodwaters, and vast expanses of desert decorated with the graceful ocotillo, a deciduous shrub that has scarlet flowers at the end of each spindly branch when blooming.

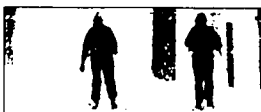
Hollywood has taken advantage of the stunning landscape. "The Young Lions," starring Marlon Brando and Dean Martin, was filmed there, so was "Huggy" with Warren Beatty and two segments of TV's "X-Files." A short time after we departed, Sean Penn and company showed up to begin filming Jon Krakauer's book, "Into the Wild."

December and January are the rainy months, leading to the peak visitation period of March, when water and temperatures in the 90s cause the desert to bloom. Daily temperatures can exceed the century mark in the summer months, when visitation is lowest.

While a naturalist like Johnson sees beauty in sidewinders and tarantulas and all the desert's plants

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OUTDOORS

2006 was
a good
season

Question: "It seems to me the 2006 hunting season has been pretty successful. Were there more fish and wildlife violations than last year?"

Answer: I also believe 2006 was a successful hunting year. I appreciate your concern about fish and wildlife violations and will share some of our results from 2006 but I caution anyone looking at violation numbers about what the numbers really mean.



ASK THE
OFFICER
Gary
Hompland

The number of citations and warnings that Magic Valley conservation officers issue each year varies dramatically. Yes, it can be generally said, "If you have good game numbers, you have high violations." However, the number of citations and warnings only reflects the number of violations we detected. We have no way of estimating the number of undetected violations.

Economics also play a role. During a downturn in the economy, disposable income drops, and some turn to poaching. Violations related to fraudulent resident license buys appear to be more common among affluent hunters. Additionally, citation numbers can reflect fluctuations in Department budgets and manpower. When conservation officer positions are vacant for extended periods of time or equipment failures and budgets prevent officers from working a specific sport situation, sportsmen contacts drop off and violations during that activity go undetected.

The number of sportsmen contacts by conservation officers in the Magic Valley rose significantly from 6,500 in '05 to 9,500 in '06. In 2005, Magic Valley conservation officers issued 202 citations and 290 written warnings. In 2006, officers issued 365 citations and 406 written warnings.

In 2006, Magic Valley conservation officers worked slightly more than 50 percent of their time in enforcement. This is down slightly from 2005. About 15 percent of their time is spent training officers or themselves, and about 10 percent of their time is spent on game management activities and administration respectively. Conservation officers are stretched pretty thin all across Idaho, especially during the hunting seasons, but overall they did well enforcing Idaho's fish and wildlife laws in 2006.

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Yates

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of the architectural facade and began to pull himself up and over, beyond which lay the flat roof, and peaceful sleeping accommodations. That's when he saw the snake, its head slowly rising to meet the intruder at eye level and about a foot away. Ron Yates, who was in the room, viewed of the snake from this angle allowed only the snakes head and neck to be seen. Its color was remarkably similar to the brick of the motel. The size of the snakes head and neck was large enough that further investigation, even for the most curious, was immediately deemed unnecessary. I hope you get the idea. Yates, with its limits, but, fear of fire-ants does not.

Ron Yates is an outdoors columnist and correspondent from Twin Falls.

Stay away from slumbering critters

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

JEROME — Shhh! They're sleeping.

This time of year, thousands of Magic Valley critters are curled up in burrows and dens, fast asleep. Hibernation allows Idaho animals — bats, marmots, ground squirrels and bears — to rest during harsh winter conditions when food is sparse.

Humans need not worry about disturbing most hibernators: Animals retreat to hard-to-find sleeping quarters where they're not likely to be bothered by people or other animals — in most cases.

"The odds of stumbling on hibernating animals aren't high," said Chuck Harris, head of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's non-game wildlife department. "About the only person who disturbs a

hibernating bear is a wildlife biologist who knows where it's at."

There is, however, one exception for the general public: bats.

Only two of the state's 14 bat species migrate south during cold weather. The rest stay right here in Idaho, hoping to sleep unbothered until the first insect hatch.

That doesn't always happen. Harris said Magic Valley is a bat haven, particularly the lava rock fields north of Jerome and Twin Falls. It's here, he said, that bats congregate for a long winter's nap — and also where cold-weather hikers are apt to arouse the slumbering winged creatures.

Waking a hibernating animal can be dangerous, mostly for the critter, Harris said. Most hibernating animals store up fat to live off during the hibernation period. The fat sustains



A bat lurks in a far corner of an Idaho cave.

them while their heart rates drop dramatically, yet their metabolisms slow and they scarcely breathe.

When an animal awakens too early, it must live off the fat

reserves that probably won't last while the creature is awake.

That's why Fish and Game puts gates around some Magic Valley bat caves during the

winter. Such precautions aren't needed for Idaho's other hibernators. Marmots and ground squirrels burrow deep below the snow. Reticent bears also escape to underground dens.

The instinctual desire to nap is different in each species. Hibernation begins early for animals such as the ground squirrel, sometimes as early as July. Bats and bears might not go to sleep until November, Harris said. It depends on weather, food availability — even day length.

The important thing to remember is to tread lightly. You never know what might be napping underneath — or overhead.

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Explore Castle
Rocks State Park's
in snowshoe event

ALMO — Get away for a weekend of fun to scenic Castle Rocks State Park during the 2007 Snowshoe extravaganza, today and Saturday.

The park is offering a recreational package which includes ranger-guided snowshoeing (equipment required), one night stay in an Almo Creek Outpost Cabin, steak dinner for two, late night dip at Duffer Natural Hot Springs and a continental breakfast the following morning. Adventure and romance offered for just \$100 per couple (\$50 per person double occupancy required). Space is limited and early reservations are encouraged. For inquiries or to register please contact Janita Jones at 208-824-5519 ext. 106.

Castle Rocks State Park is located 50 miles south of Butley in Cassia County. The 1,240-acre park exhibits dramatic granite spires, mountain scenery, Almo Creek, and historic ranch. This event is sponsored by the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation.

For additional information on Idaho State Parks and Recreation Programs, visit www.parksandrec.idaho.gov

Ski free Saturday
at Magic Mountain

HANSEN — Idaho State Parks, the U.S. Forest Service, Magic Mountain Ski Resort and High Desert Nordic Association will host free skiing day this Saturday at Magic Mountain, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event offers newcomers to cross-country skiing a chance to learn Nordic skills free of cost. The HDNA provides equipment and basic cross-country instruction for those who attend.

A teaching area will be prepared in the vicinity of the Magic Mountain lodge, with a nearby track prepared to allow participants to practice techniques in which they have received instruction.

Members of the HDNA will assist in fitting participants with boots, skis and poles, as well as serving as instructors. Saturday's event is one of a series of free ski days conducted by the state parks across Idaho.

HDNA president Don Cross said those planning to participate should dress appropriately for expected cold temperatures. Participants should also drive with proper caution if icy or snowy conditions exist on Elk Creek Road.

Ski free at
Quigley Nordic

HAILEY — The Blaine County Recreation District will offer free skiing all day Saturday at Quigley Nordic in Hailey, a free skate ski clinic, and free skate ski demos from Sturtevant's in Hailey.

Blaine County Recreation District Nordic Ski School staff will offer free introduction to cross-country skiing clinics at Quigley Nordic in Hailey from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Skiers can also sample Galena Blend coffee, Nature Valley granola bars, and Earnest Hemingway bottled water.

Sturtevant's in Hailey is offering free skate ski demos for the day. Skiers must pre-register for demos by calling Sturtevant's at 788-7847.

Cross-country skiing is one of the best aerobic activities. An "average" weight adult can burn up to 500 calories per hour cross-country skiing depending on the pace of the workout. For more information call 788-2117.

Desert

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and animals, he concedes that most visitors come for the wildflowers.

"Sometimes we'll get a thousand acres of solid flowers," he said. "You'll have the yellow of knee-high sunflowers, the shocking pink of sand verbena, and the white of dune evening primrose."

Bighorn sheep
and bombing runs

The park's name comes from Spanish explorer Juan Bautista de Anza and the word "barrage," which is the Spanish name for the federally endangered Peninsular bighorn sheep found here. There are thought to be 100 or so sheep along with golden eagles, mule deer, roadrunners and four species of rattlesnake.

In 1975, Bautista de Anza crossed what became the Borrego Valley while searching for a land route from Mexico to the coast of California. He came back the next year, leading 240 soldiers and colonists, and about 1,000 head of live-stock. His men, 1,600 miles march ended on the upper coast of California, where he founded a little pueblo that became San Francisco.

Font's Point, the high spot where we enjoyed our first sunset, was named for 1st Lt. Pedro Font, chaplain and recorder for the expedition. One thing the good padre recorded was the amazing diversity of fossils on the land, which includes everything from microscopic pollen and water fleas to walrus bones and mammoth skeletons. The fossils are preserved in sediment layers more than two miles thick, representing a time sequence of some 7 million years.

Kit Carson and his men passed through in 1846, and thousands of others followed two years later when gold was discovered in California. They never found any valuable minerals here," said Johnson, the naturalist. "That's one of the reasons the park's still here."



Tarantulas are among the creatures that emerge at dusk at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

The state park was established in the 1930s, and the valley bustled with activity during World War II. Gen. George Patton's tanks raced across its deserts and Navy planes practiced their dive-bombing runs. The first paved roads and electrical lines arrived with the military. After the war, developers subdivided the valley in hopes of developing a resort community.

Today, the permanent population of Borrego Springs is about 3,000, and there are several resorts, including the upscale La Casa del Zorro Desert Resort.

"Most of our visitors are families, and come for the desert experience," Johnson said. "We get a lot from San Diego and Los Angeles, but people come from all over the country, especially in the springtime."

Luxury eco-tourism

Like a Spanish hacienda with palms shading the 42 manicured acres, La Casa del Zorro is a true oasis in this desert landscape. Pools are around every corner and gardeners carefully rake the flower beds each morning,

leaving perfectly etched marks.

When opened in 1937 as The Desert Lodge, the resort was a simple adobe house. Four other adobe units had been added by 1962, when the late James Copley of the Copley publishing empire purchased the lodge and changed its name to La Casa del Zorro, or "house of the fox." The family owns Copley Press Inc., which is based in La Jolla, Calif., and publishes 10 daily newspapers, including the San Diego Union-Tribune, and also owns Copley News Service, a news syndicate.

At one time, it was thought Borrego Springs might go the way of Palm Springs, becoming a vacation playground for the rich and famous. But its isolation in San Diego's East County and the difficult access by car killed that dream.

Today, the town of Borrego Springs, which sits surrounded by parklands, seems stuck in the 1950s, with no chain supermarkets, fast-food restaurants or gasoline stations. La Casa del Zorro, however, still receives the Copley family's tender loving care and

financial support and is a Four-Diamond resort with 63 amenity-filled rooms and an excellent restaurant with an award-winning wine list.

The resort emphasizes what can only be called "luxury eco-tourism," and has hired Johnson, the naturalist, to show small tour groups the beauty of the desert. It offers seven different tours: a half-day eco-tour in a Ford Excursion is \$75, full day with lunch is \$150. You can visit mountains or desert, stopping to inspect the vistas and canyons. "Usually, people don't want to just ride around," he said. "Most of the time, they want to get out and look."

One tour heads to the Salton Sea, which is California's largest lake at 40 miles long. The sea was created in 1905 when floodwaters from the Colorado River broke through an irrigation canal and flooded the Imperial Valley. The sea has a bum rap, according to Johnson, as being polluted by agricultural runoff.

"It's an unfortunate thing, because the sea is a great natural resource," he said. "It has outstanding birding, special-

ly in wintertime. We'll see snow geese and Ross' geese from the Arctic Circle, as many as 40,000 of them. There are osprey, peregrine falcons, sandhill cranes I've heard reports of up to 100 cranes."

A widow's web

Hiking with a naturalist is the best way to see all things great and small.

"This is a classic slot canyon," Johnson said as we headed up Palm Wash toward a shadow sliced in the mountain. "Probably an earthquake cracked the earth sometime ago, and water washed the slot out."

The walls of the canyon were sedimentary and displayed pebbles and other debris deposited once again. "From where we were at Font's Point last night, they have found mastodon tusks and mastodon skulls," Johnson said. "It's a very rich site."

On the sand below one crevice, he bent to inspect a pile of insect bodies. "Stinkbugs," he said. "Must be a black widow web around here. These have been sucked dry." From his backpack, Johnson pulled out what became my favorite new toy, a "discovery scope." The black gizmo had a magnifying glass on one side, and what looked like a small pin on the other. Johnson placed a tiny bloom and pinched it in the pin. Looking through the glass, the magnified bloom had curling purple stamens with tiny drops of nectar clinging to them. Insects viewed through the magnifier look like sci-fi monsters.

"There's a whole hidden world out there," Johnson said.

Heading back to La Casa del Zorro in time for a twilight dinner on the patio by the splashing fountain, Johnson said there are two kinds of guests at the resort. "There's the group that sits around the pool in their pajamas, and those who want to see the desert," he said.

With luxury eco-tourism, you can do both.

OUTDOORS

An earlier era of skiing

Maine's rich skiing heritage preserved in new museum

By Glenn Adams
Associated Press writer

FARMINGTON, Maine — The popularity of skiing snowballed in America in the 1920s and '30s, creating a new industry for a number of companies that cropped up over seclusion-happy Maine. Then came World War II.

"Please have patience," Maine's Bass Boots advertised to anxious ski-boot customers after it turned its attention to making cold-weather boots for troops. After the war ended, a new Bass ad in 1946 proclaimed the good news, "You can buy Bass boots again."

That's just one snippet of history on view at the new Ski Museum of Maine, which opened Dec. 1 in this college town in the heart of Maine ski country.

The history of skiing goes back thousands of years to northern Europe and Asia. Pieces of skis dating back 5,000 years have been found in peat bogs, and cave drawings just as old suggest early use of a form of skis, said Glenn Parkinson, author of "First Tracks: Stories from Maine's Skiing Heritage" and ski museum board member.

The new museum helps to secure Maine's place in the sport through its collection of wooden and newer skis and equipment, and displays reflecting earlier eras of skiing, and a growing archive of records, documents and memorabilia.

But it's more than just a collection of artifacts, Parkinson said.

It's also a place where Maine's skiing heritage is preserved, where visitors can relate what they see to their own feelings and memories.

"Heritage is the feel of the wet wood and the taste of the hot chocolate from the years gone by," Parkinson said. "It touches on the soul of the sport."

The museum is housed in the same building where the Sugarloaf USA

logo, a blue and white triangle that's well-recognized in Maine and beyond, was first designed, according to the museum's consulting curator Megan Roberts, a lifelong skier who is pictured in a couple of the photos on display.

Sugarloaf Mountain, in Carrabassett Valley, and the Sunday River resort, in Newry, are sponsoring the museum's opening exhibit, which runs through March.

Maine follows other states, notably Colorado, and neighboring New Hampshire and Vermont, in establishing a ski museum. The New England Ski Museum, of which Parkinson is president, is located at Franconia, N.H. Vermont's ski museum is at Stowe.

Sugarloaf played an indirect role in the creation of Maine's museum about a dozen years ago.

The Sugarloaf Ski Club was looking for a place to preserve old documents, banners and other items in its possession. It also wanted a place where similar items from across the state could be kept, Parkinson said.

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On the day the museum opened, many of the 200 people who stopped by offered old skis, poles and boots. When it was clear their donations would be accepted, some returned with armfuls of additional gear, Roberts said.

The museum now has ample display space in an archive and storage area upstairs, but it hasn't yet reached the point of turning things away, she said.

The oldest piece on display is a ski resembling a weather-worn barn-board with a slightly bowed tip believed to date from the 1890s, a decade or so after the sport first caught on in Maine. Roberts said it was probably handmade and used by a farmer to get around in Maine's deep snow.

A pair of 8-foot wooden jumping skis as well as numerous sets of long, wooden skis, are also in the collection. The bindings — ranging from primitive leather toe-loops, to bear traps and more modern variations as the sport grew in popularity — reveal the ages of the skis.

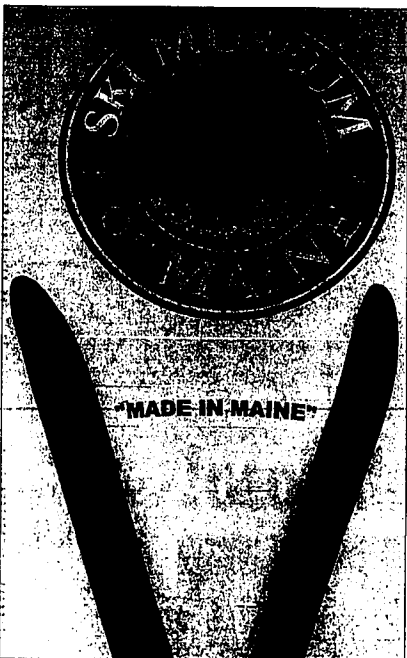
Some are accompanied by bamboo poles with worn paint and baskets fashioned from leather and metal or wood.

A set of white skis and accompanying gaiters (a protective shell worn from knee to ankle to keep snow out) pay tribute to Mainers who were part of the famed 10th Mountain Division, an Army unit that trained in Colorado for winter and mountain warfare.

The 2006-07 exhibit focuses on Maine businesses that blossomed around the sport, such as Wilton's Bass Shoe, Norway's WE Tulls Co. and Bangor's S.L. Crosby. At Paris Manufacturing Co., a ski maker, Finnish-American craftsmen skied to and from work, Roberts said.

An early catalog of Theo. A. Johnson Co. of Portland, whose boat-building venture turned to ski, a little more than a century ago, trumpeted "The Winter Sport of Skiing."

The museum's present site may or may not be the permanent one, said Greg Sweetser of the Ski Maine Association and Maine Ski Museum board member. But Farmington "is a great first home base," he said.



A new logo is set above a pair of old skis dating back to the 1930s, at the new Ski Museum of Maine in Farmington, Maine. The popularity of skiing began to snowball in America in the 1920s and 1930s.

If you go ...

SKI MUSEUM OF MAINE: 109 Church Street St., Church Street Commons, Farmington, Maine; <http://www.skimuseummaine.org> or 207-491-5481. Wednesday-Saturday, 1 p.m.-4 p.m.; open year-round. Free admission.
VERMONT SKI MUSEUM: 1 S. Main St., Stowe, Vt.; <http://vermontskimuseum.org> or 802-253-9911. Open noon-5 p.m. daily except Tuesdays. Closed mid-April to Memorial Day and Halloween to Thanksgiving. Admission, \$3; families, \$5.
NEW ENGLAND SKI MUSEUM: Exit

348, 193, Franconia Notch Parkway, Franconia, N.H.; <http://www.skimuseum.org/> or 603-823-1777. Open daily, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed April-May. Free admission.

COLORADO SKI MUSEUM, COLORADO SKI AND SNOWBOARD HALL OF FAME: Located at the top of the Vail Transportation Center, Vail, Colo.; <http://www.skimuseum.net/> or 970-476-1876. Open Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Free admission.
SKI MAINE: <http://www.skimaine.com> (information on ski resorts in Maine).

Twin Falls Parks and Rec offers pair of classes

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is offering two classes that start soon.

A one-day workshop in scuba diving will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Jan. 27 at the Twin Falls City Pool. Participants must be at least 8 years old. Cost is \$20.

A special rate is available for skiing at Magic Mountain Ski Resort on four Saturdays this winter. The rate includes a one-hour ski clinic and a lift ticket for all four Saturdays. The course is designed for beginners or those who want to strengthen their skiing abilities. Ski sessions are set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 20, Feb. 3 and 17, and March 3. Ages 7 to 11 must be accompanied by a parent, ages 12 and above may travel alone. The fee is \$65 per person for all four sessions. Registration deadline is Jan. 16.

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WORLD

U.S.-led forces detain six Iranians in northern Iraq

By Kim Gansel

Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S.-led forces detained six Iranians Thursday at a government office flying an Iranian flag, Iraqi officials and witnesses said, as President Bush vowed to isolate Iran and Syria as part of a new strategy to quell violence in Iraq.

The arrests in the northern city of Irbil — the second targeting of Iranians in less than a month — drew condemnation

from the regional Kurdish government and concern from Iraqi officials in Baghdad, who are trying to maintain close ties with both Iran and the U.S. despite the hostility between the two.

U.S. officials repeated long-standing accusations that Iran is encouraging the violence in Iraq by supplying money and weapons.

"I think it's instructive that in the last couple of weeks two of those raids that we conducted to go after these folks that are

providing these kinds of weapons — two of those raids had pulled up Iranians," Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said in Washington. "So it is clear that the Iranians are complicit in providing weapons."

In Tehran, Iran's Foreign Ministry said it summoned the Iraqi and Swiss ambassadors and "demanded an explanation" about the incident. Switzerland represents American interests in Iran.

The multinational forces

entered the building in Irbil overnight, detained the Iranians and confiscated computers and documents, two senior local Kurdish officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the information. Irbil is in the Kurdish-controlled north, 220 miles from Baghdad.

A resident near the Iranian office said foreign forces used percussion grenades and brought down an Iranian flag from the roof of the yellow, two-story building. As the operation went on, two helicopters flew overhead, the resident said, speaking on condition that his name not be used because he feared retribution.

In the afternoon, several Kurdish "militiamen" could be seen around the building preventing people from approaching. They did not allow cameramen and photographers to take pictures. U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad said the detained Iranians were being questioned.

NATO, Pakistani army battle militants at border; scores reported killed

By Jason Staziou

Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — NATO said Thursday its forces killed scores of insurgents who had crossed from Pakistan in the biggest battle of the Afghan winter, while Pakistan's army fired artillery at trucks supplying militants on the other side of the border.

NATO tracked the suspected Taliban militants through air surveillance while the fighters were still in Pakistan. Once they crossed the frontier, NATO and Afghan soldiers attacked the two separate groups with ground fire and airstrikes during a nine-hour battle that began Wednesday evening.

Gen. Murad Ali, the Afghan army regional deputy corps commander, said the insurgents traveled into Afghanistan's southern Pakhtia province with several trucks of ammunition. Lt. Col. Paul Fitzpatrick, a U.S. military spokesman, said it was likely they were going to carry out an immediate attack, given the size of the groups.

Taliban militants last year launched a record number of attacks in Afghanistan, and an estimated 4,000 people died in insurgency-related violence, the bloodiest year since the U.S.-led coalition ousted the Taliban regime in 2001. Afghan and Western officials say the militants operate from sanctuaries in Pakistan, but Islamabad insists it does all it can to stop them.

The overnight offensive in Pakhtia province was the first major engagement of 2007 and appeared to be the largest bat-

tle since a multi-day operation killed more than 500 Taliban fighters in southern Kandahar province in September.

Fitzpatrick said 130 fighters were killed or wounded in the attack, down from NATO's initial estimate of as many as 150 dead. The Afghan Defense Ministry put the death toll at 80.

It was not clear why there was such a disparity in the estimates. As is common in Afghanistan, independent confirmation of the death toll at the remote battle site was not immediately possible.

Fitzpatrick said commando forces lowered the estimate after further evaluating reports from observers dead at night in difficult conditions. In early December, NATO said it had killed 70-80 fighters in Helmand province, but days later said only seven or eight had died.

Dr. Muhammad Hanif, who claims to speak for the Taliban, said in a text message to an Associated Press reporter in Pakistan that the initial NATO figure was "a complete lie."

"The Americans want to boost morale of their troops while making such claims," the message read.

The Pakistani military has several checkpoints in the area where the insurgents crossed the border with Afghanistan.

Pakistani army spokesman Maj. Gen. Shaikat Sultan said the army attack on the militants' trucks Wednesday night shows the army can act swiftly and effectively if it is given "real-time" intelligence.

"We don't deny that some people are coming from this side. That's why we seek intelli-

gence in real time. We are keen to stop it," he said.

It was the Pakistani army's first reported offensive in the North Waziristan tribal region since a September peace deal between the government and pro-Taliban militants that critics say has provided a sanctuary for insurgents.

The peace deal in North Waziristan, which lies opposite Afghanistan's Pakhtia province, ended fighting between militants and the army. But U.S. and NATO military officials have voiced concern that cross-border attacks into Afghanistan have escalated since the truce, and pro-Taliban elements have gained more power.

On Thursday, a top U.S. diplomat nonetheless praised Pakistan's commitment to fighting terrorism and said the country remains an important U.S. ally.

Guantanamo peace activists demand U.S. close prison for terror suspects

By Anita Snow

Associated Press writer

GUANTANAMO, Cuba — Cindy Sheehan marched with the mothers of a Guantanamo prisoner, a New York firefighter killed 9/11 and other peace activists Thursday to demand the U.S. detention camp at Guantanamo Bay be closed five years after the first terror suspects arrived.

The protest in Cuba came as demonstrators in Washington and London, as well as U.S. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, called for the prison's closure.

"What I've read happens in this prison makes me sick to my stomach," the 49-year-old Sheehan said outside the post where Cuban officials stopped the dozen protesters from entering the Cuban military territory to reach the U.S. base's main gate.

"I'm calling for the cycle of violence to stop now, to close this prison," she said, wearing a peace sign medallion around her neck.

Sheehan, who became a war protest poster after her 24-year-old son Casey died in Iraq in April 2004, joined the other women in fastening bouquets of yellow and pink wildflowers to the barbed-wire fence, as well as a bright pink cloth reading "Women say NO to torture."

They were prohibited from the zone.

Zohra Zesawi, the mother of British detainee Omar Deghayes, traveled from the United Arab Emirates with another son, father Deghayes, to join the protest.

She said her son had been tortured and blinded in one eye after he was imprisoned in September 2002 and still has not been charged.

Alec Welfy, whose firefighter son Timothy was killed in the Sept. 11 World Trade Center attack, called on Congress to demand the closure of the prison and for trials for the detainees.

The protesters also included And Iqbal, a British Muslim who spent 2½ years at the prison. He expressed support for those still inside.

"Every day, every minute, they are in our thoughts," the 25-year-old said.

Buck Mines, a 61-year-old agriculture economist from Red Bluff, Calif., made his own dramatic statement, appearing in an orange jumpsuit, black hood, goggles and headphones similar to what the terror suspects wear when they first arrived five years ago.

The U.S. military is holding about 395 men on suspicion of links to al-Qaida or the Taliban. Including about 85 who have been cleared to be released or transferred to other countries. The military says it wants to charge 60 to 80 detainees and bring them to trial.

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2007 TOYOTA FJ CRUISER SUV

Art, technology & heritage

RoadWorthy!
By Ken Claster, Jr.
Motor News Media Corporation

To see what the future is going to look like, take a look at the past. Toyota advances both the art and science of the off-road vehicle while recalling its own off-road heritage with the introduction of the 2007 FJ Cruiser, a go anywhere, meet life head-on, fully-capable sport utility vehicle.

Equipped with the latest technology the automotive industry has to offer, the concept is all Toyota heritage. The new SUV offers a youthful, contemporary spirit and employs the same state-of-the-art comfort, power, economy safety emissions and convenience technology available in other Toyota vehicles. In addition, the FJ Cruiser provides optimized off-road capabilities, value and styling cues reminiscent of the automaker's famed 1940 4x4 utility vehicle, sold in the United States from 1960 to 1983.

Available in two- or four-wheel drive configurations, the FJ Cruiser is powered by a 4.0L V6 engine with motion communicated to the ground through a five-speed automatic transmission or six-speed manual gearbox. The automatic transmission features Artificial Intelligence (AI) Shift Control, a system that automatically varies the transmission's shifting pattern based on road conditions and the driver's intent to provide optimal up- and down-shifting. It also employs Toyota's Flex Lock-Up Control, which is added to the basic locking torque converter.

Delivering true off-road ruggedness, the FJ Cruiser has a maximum climb angle of 30 degrees, maximum side slope angle of 41 degrees, maximum water fording depth of 27.4 inches, approach angle of 34 degrees and departure angle of 30 degrees (32 degree approach and 29 degree departure for 4x2); and 9.6 inches of ground clearance. It also has rear-hinged access doors that open nearly 90 degrees for easy entry and exit for rear seat passengers.

On the road, the FJ Cruiser is manageable, malleable and responsive at speed. The optional lift kit and 20-inch wheels give the SUV a firmer ride, but impressively enough, it is not punishing or clumsy.

The new Toyota SUV's tough, wide stance is based around a frame and front-and-rear suspension systems adapted from those found on



The 2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser - a go anywhere sport utility vehicle

2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser by the Numbers

WHEELBASE:
105.9; overall length: 183.9;
width: 74.6; height: 71.3 (2WD),
72.0 (4WD) - measurements are
in inches.
ENGINE:
4.0L V6 - 239 hp at 5,200 rpm
and 278 lb-ft of torque at 3,700
rpm.
TRANSMISSION:
six-speed manual or five-speed au-
tomatic.
EPA FUEL ECONOMY:
2WD - 18 city/22 hwy;
4WD/manual - 18 city/19 hwy;
4WD/automatic - 17 city/21
hwy.

Price The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser starts from \$21,910 for the 2WD, \$23,090 for the 4WD/manual and \$23,500 for the 4WD/automatic. Destination charges add \$645.

CARGO CAPACITY:
66.8 cu. ft.
TOWING CAPACITY:
5,000 lbs.
SAFETY FEATURES:
Dual front airbags, side-impact door beams, vehicle stability control, rear-wheel traction control, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock, electronic brake force distribution, brake assist, limited slip differential, skid plates and a full size spare tire.

the 120-Series Prado (Land Cruiser Prado) in some markets. The frame is a boxed steel ladder-framed unit to which is mounted the FJ Cruiser's welded steel body.

The independent front suspension offering 7.87 inches of wheel travel, consists of a double wishbone setup with adapted geometry for superior road feel and ride comfort. Tubular shock absorbers and an anti-sway bar are also employed. A solid rear axle using a four-link coil-spring suspension system with a lateral rod,

tubular shock absorbers and an anti-sway bar is employed. This system provides 9.1 inches of wheel travel.

Two-wheel drive FJ Cruiser models come standard with a virtual automatic limited-slip differential, provided and operated by an advanced traction-control system.

Inside the surprisingly airy cabin, the FJ Cruiser features a dashboard that is bordered by upper and lower tubular forms, which frame rectangular-shaped, flat panels. Control knobs are large enough to pro-

vide easy grip, even while wearing gloves, and switches for critical functions, including climate control, audio controls and the optional rear locking rear differential, are mounted in the center dash panel with easy reach of the driver. The standard full gauge package, including speedometer, tachometer, amp meter, coolant temperature gauge and fuel gauge, uses round, black-on-white dials and gauges for enhanced visibility.

Access in and out of the Toyota SUV is facilitated by hand grips in the A-pillar and the use of dual mini side access doors. The design of the doors increases the loading and unloading of the FJ Cruiser, as well as gives it additional functionality for the motorist with an "active" lifestyle.

Seating is especially adaptable. The driver's seat is adjustable in eight ways; the front passenger seat is adjustable in four ways. The rear seat is a 60/40 split configuration, with folding (removable) bottom and back cushions that convert to a nearly flat cargo floor. Easy cleaning and maintenance of the interior is facilitated by breathable, water repellent seating materials.

Also as an aid to easy cleaning, the FJ Cruiser's floor surfaces are covered with an attractive gray rubber-like material. The standard six-speaker audio system includes two "tactile" speakers in the ceiling designed to create a "sound shower." There is also an optional Flammé audio system that adds two speakers in the rear pillars and a 7.9-inch subwoofer powered by its own dedicated amplifier in the rear cargo area.

When renewing an expired fuse, it's important to find the root cause and never install a fuse with a higher rating. Your horn fault appears to be caused by an open circuit. Next time the symptom appears, try the following: checking for a difference in operation before advancing to the next step: jiggle/operate the steering wheel pad (horn button) repeatedly, rotate the steering wheel back and forth, tilt the steering column up and down, tap on the horn relay (found on the convenience center, above the accelerator pedal), wiggle C-100 (the large electrical connector passing through the driver's side of the engine compartment/cab bulkhead), wiggle the green wire attached to the horn(s), and tap on the horn(s). If the horn springs back to life, the fault is associated with the item you tickled.

Randomly working horn?

Q. I need your help with an ongoing problem with the horn in my '92 Chevy pickup. Sometimes it works perfectly and other times it doesn't even make a peep. I haven't taken it to a shop since it only acts up at times. Any ideas on what I might check?

-Terry Rhodes
Elyria, Ohio



UNDER THE HOOD
Brad Bergholdt

A. Your troublesome horn provides the chance to share some basic electrical information. Let's look at the three major electrical faults one might run into, in order of likelihood, then we'll tackle your horn.

High resistance in a switch, connector, or circuit component is the most common electrical fault. This can occur because of poor fitting or corroded connector terminals, pitted/faulted switch contacts, or similar faults within other circuit components.

Next is an open circuit. This can be the result of a loose connector, burned-out light bulbs, broken wire or faulty component. In such a case the circuit load (lamp, horn, other) doesn't work at all.

A short circuit, contrary to common belief, is the least common fault. This is often caused by a chafed or burned wire.

Circuit current dramatically rises as the electrons "short-cut" the load's necessary resistance. Stuck or faulty loads also can increase current to the point of blowing a fuse. When renewing an expired fuse, it's important to find the root cause and never install a fuse with a higher rating.

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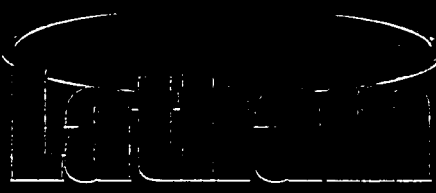


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