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Reader's Choice

REPARATIVE JUSTICE



Cara Gleason, the Community Justice Coordinator for Burlington, Vt., here at the Burlington Community Justice Center office on Monday, says the program does more than reduce recidivism.

Not your average crime and punishment

By Wilson King Associated Press writer

MONTPELIER, Vt. — A woman who stole from a patient in a nursing home where she works was ordered to make popouint-filled vases for a senior center. A man convicted of driving with a suspended license had to carve a cane for an elderly person.

An artist convicted of driving under the influence created a painting for an organization whose lawn she drove over.

Those are some of the examples of the unusual sentences crafted by Vermont's ground-breaking Reparative Probation system, under which criminals meet with community volunteers — and in some cases victims — to craft their sentences instead of taking them from a judge.

The system appears to work. A survey by three college professors that was paid for with a grant from the Justice

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About Reader's Choice

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'Berserk' house cat sends Hailey woman to hospital

The Associated Press

HAILEY — A house cat attacked its owner in this Blaine County town, sending her to the hospital by ambulance with more than 20 bite wounds.

The woman's cat went on the rampage Wednesday when a neighbor showed up at the door with a different cat, thinking it was hers.

"She went to the door, and her cat went berserk," Jeff Nevins, assistant fire chief for Wood River Fire and Rescue, told the *Idaho Mountain Express*.

The Hailey woman in her 60s was taken to St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center with what Nevins described as "pretty serious puncture wounds." Neither the hospital nor the fire department would provide any other details to the Associated Press on Saturday, or say whether she has been released.

The cat is described as a black and white domestic male. "I think the owner said she was going to take it to the shelter because that's not the first time she's been attacked," Nevins said.

The state's first geothermal energy plant is under construction at Raft River about 40 miles south of Burley. It's expected to begin supplying electricity to Idaho Power Co. this fall.

Piping hot energy



Todd Ehlers, a welder with Industrial Builders, works on pipelines Wednesday morning at the Raft River geothermal project.

The past, present and future of Idaho's geothermal power

By Matt Christensen Times-News writer

MALTA — In the past two years, you've probably heard a lot about Idaho's potential for wind power. Same with hydroelectricity, solar technologies and now ethanol.

But perhaps Idaho's most lucrative green energy source has been under our feet the whole time: geothermal power. It's relatively inexpensive, plentiful, environmentally friendly to the extreme, and it may just be the key to staving off a potential energy crisis.

Geothermal energy has been linked with the Gem state since Idaho joined the Union in 1890, and even before then when Indians bathed in geothermal waters. Early settlers used the boiling-hot water to scald hair off of farm animals.

By 1892, Boise was using geothermal heat to warm its buildings. Many homes and public buildings in the City of Trees are still heated by geothermal waters.

But while Idaho has long used the earth's warmth to heat structures, it's been slow to adopt the technology for energy production.

Not anymore. The state's — and the region's — first geothermal energy plant is under construction at Raft River about 40 miles south of Burley. It's expected to begin supplying electricity to Idaho Power Co. this fall.

The Raft River project was a U.S. Department of Energy test facility for about two years in the early 1980s, when the federal government became interested in alternative energy production on the heels of

the 1970s energy crisis.

The experiment was a success: The site was able to produce electricity from geothermal water using, by today's standards, archaic technology.

But the project was junked during the Reagan administration after big energy companies found it more lucrative to invest in traditional fossil fuel energy projects. There simply wasn't enough interest in geothermal power to keep the site running.

The land at Raft River exchanged hands several times before U.S. Geothermal Inc., a Boise-based alternative energy company, bought the land and its water rights in 2001.

The site still looks much like it did in the 1980s — 1880s for that matter. The project lies in a valley surrounded by mountains, and from a distance, buildings and water towers are barely visible.

The environmental footprint at Raft River, as well as geothermal sites across the nation, is relatively minor: a handful of pumps that suck hot water from the earth, a building to house turbines and a handful of injection wells to return cooled water to the earth. Above-ground pipes are painted green to match the landscape.

But though the site may be inconspicuous, its impact on Idaho's energy production won't be. The first phase of the project could produce about 10 megawatts of power — enough to light about 7,500 homes. U.S. Geothermal hopes to build at least two more phases, each able to produce about 13.5 megawatts of electricity.

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VIDEO: Tour the construction site



PHOTO GALLERY: Look over the Raft River geothermal project

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U.S., Iran still worlds apart at Summit

By Sudarsan Raghavan The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. and Iranian officials sat in the same room Saturday, in a rare meeting at a much anticipated regional conference on finding ways to end Iraq's sectarian violence and prevent a wider conflict.

At 1:19 p.m., two mortars landed with a sharp cracking sound near the Foreign Ministry building where the meeting was being held.

The blasts rattled windows and sent plumes of smoke into the air. No one was injured, but

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the attack served as a reminder of the country's tenuous security landscape. Inside the building, even on an problem they share a common need to solve, found plenty enough to disagree upon.

U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad said Iraq's neighbors favored holding a second regional meeting next month

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"Unfortunately, the Americans are suffering from intelligence failure."

— Abbas Araghchi, Iranian envoy



The chief Iranian envoy, Abbas Araghchi, addresses the Iraq conference Saturday in Baghdad.



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TODAY'S FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

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Complete weather report: See page C8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Quart Ross' musical 'Forever Plaid,' 7:30 p.m., Boiler Room, Sun Valley, \$12, 622-2135.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Rock and Gem Show, with dealers, mineral table, displays, silent auction, door prizes and more, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Boys & Girls Club of the Magic Valley, 999 Frontier Road, just east of College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, \$2 for adults, no cost for children under age 12 accompanied by an adult, 410-2842.

CLUBS

General Membership Meeting of the West Magic Lake Recreation Club, with Bingo to follow, noon, Magic Lake Resort, open to the public, 487-2734 or www.damfoots.com.

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

THIS WEEK AT CSI

Monday

CSI library is open 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday. CSI Adult Basic Education Center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (also Friday) and 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, second floor of Meyerhofer building.

Tuesday

'I'm Going to College' for sixth graders from Lincoln Elementary, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., all campus. Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. CSI Golden Eagle baseball vs. Treasure Valley, 1 p.m., Ontario, Ore. Far Out Space Places, 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Wednesday

Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (also Thursday). Sky chapter, Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113. CSI Theater Department presentation, Neil Simon's 'Lost in Yonkers,' 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater (through Saturday).

Thursday

'I'm Going to College' for sixth graders from Sawtooth Elementary, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., all campus. CSI Salt and Light Campus Ministry Bible study meeting, noon, Student Union 247. Magic Valley Dilettante presentation, 'The Wizard of Oz,' 7:30 p.m., through Saturday, and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Fine Arts Auditorium.

Friday

Magpie Bears chapter, Narcotic Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113. Far Out Space Places, 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Friday-Saturday

Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturday. CSI Golden Eagle baseball vs. College of Eastern Utah, 1 p.m. Friday and noon Saturday, Skip Walker Field. CSI Golden Eagle softball vs. Colorado Northwestern, 1 p.m.,

WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEB

Hear a report about a new geothermal plant near Malta. Watch the retirement announcement of CSI rodeo coach Shawn Davis. www.magicleague.com

OPINION MINI EDITORIAL

Community justice in action What kind of sentences should we hand out in a restorative justice program here? Dog owners who bring their pets to parks to poop: 30 days of cleaning cat boxes at the pound. Graffiti soundrels: Tattoos on their hands of Mel Torme.

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Legacy cowboy announces retirement

TWIN FALLS — Shawn Davis will retire in June from coaching CSI rodeo after 29 years. That was announced Saturday night at an Expo Center rodeo. But his knack for making rodeo thrive wherever he visits is nowhere near over.

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Former Green Hornet star battles road rage

KECHUM — Ketchum resident and actor Van Zandt J. Williams, best known as Van Williams, star of the 1966-67 TV series The Green Hornet, found himself on March 1 again pitted against forces of evil — or at least, road rage.

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Health crises bring community together

CAREY — It seems, sometimes it takes a tragedy to bring a community together, or at least that's what two families in Carey are hoping. Carey native Linda Adamson has recently been diagnosed with a brain tumor and is facing very expensive treatments. Terri Hennefer, also a Carey native, was in an automobile accident in 2001. The following weekend and remains paralyzed from the chest down. What do these two women have in common? The support and kindness of their community as well as their school.

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Magpie Valley families await St. Patrick's Day

TWIN FALLS — Pin on a shamrock, lift a pint of green beer, then order some corned beef and cabbage in your best Gaelic accent — because everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day.

Some have the green, white and orange built into their DNA, while others have to work a little harder to bring St. Paddy home. Twin Falls has some of each — such as the Macabees, Irish transplants, and the Jells, who simply love all things Celtic.

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Taking good care of your own.

IMAGE

TUESDAY



HORSE RESCUER

This woman's a friend to all things equine.

COUNTRY ROADS

WEDNESDAY



FLAVORFUL FOUR

Follow the next round of burger competition.

FOOD & HOME

THURSDAY



DANCING QUEEN

A Twin Falls girl finds success in the bigtime world of poplar dance.

TNT

FRIDAY



END OF FISHING

New laws put end of fishing in protected waters.

OUTDOORS

SATURDAY



FAITH OF THE IRISH

Spirituality is second nature to the Irish.

RELIGION

IDAHO/WEST

White-supremacists disrupt speech

COEUR D'ALENE — The FBI and local police in this northern Idaho city are monitoring a possibly renewed activity by a white-supremacist group, an FBI official said.

On Thursday, four men in their 20s started shouting Aryan Nations slogans during Tony Stewart's speech at the Human Rights Education Institute in Coeur d'Alene.

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Otter requests Cuba trip for trade mission

BOISE — State officials have filed applications with the U.S. State Department for Gov. Cl. 'Butch' Otter to travel to the communist island nation of Cuba on a trade mission to promote Idaho agricultural products.

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NATION/WORLD



More Americans medicate pets

Americans have begun to medicate their dogs, cats and sometimes other pets much as they medicate themselves.

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New climate report paints harsh picture

WASHINGTON — The harmful effects of global warming on daily life are already showing up, and within a couple of decades hundreds of millions of people won't have enough water, top scientists will say next month at a meeting in Beijing.

At the same time, tens of millions of others will be flooded out of their homes each year as the Earth recoils from rising temperatures and sea levels, according to portions of a draft of an scientific report.

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SPORTS

CSI sweeps two games from CNCC

RANGLLEY, COLORADO — The College of Southern Idaho swept its second doubleheader in two days against the Colorado Northwestern Community College. The sweeps lift the Eagles to a 13-8 record overall.

In the first game, CSI was down 3-0 after the first inning. Starting pitcher Josh Darnewood was ineffective, and found himself out of the game after the first inning. Fellow lefty Jason Ostman pitched the next 4 1-3 innings, and earned the win, moving his record to 3-1.

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Strong third quarter leads jazz to win

The Utah Jazz took the lead with a dominant third quarter and kept it by grabbing just about every rebound there was in the fourth.

The Jazz beat the New Orleans Hornets 98-86 Saturday night, extending their winning streak to six after overcoming a sluggish start.

'They kicked our heads pretty good in the first half,' Jazz coach Jerry Sloan acknowledged.

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Burley rallies to claim split with Bees

HURLEY — There is joy in Mudville. After suffering a 13-3 blowout in the first game of its doubleheader against the visiting Bonneville Bees Saturday, Burley put on an eight-run rally late in the second game that turned a bleak afternoon on its head with an 8-7 win.

Going into the bottom of the sixth inning in the second game, Bonneville had the Bobcats staring at a 7-0 hole and feeling like the Mudville nine in Ernest Thayer's legendary poem 'Casey at the Bat.'

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CSI softball struggles against North Idaho

COEUR D'ALENE — After taking two games from North Idaho College on Friday, the College of Southern Idaho softball team suffered to narrow losses on Saturday.

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CSI rodeo kicks off the action

TWIN FALLS — An announcement was made notifying spectators that they had 15 seconds to find their seats.

At precisely 8 p.m., the lights went out as is tradition, the lasers came on and it was time for the 31st Annual College of Southern Idaho Intercollegiate Rodeo to kick off the 2007 rodeo season in the Magic Valley.

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Bush OKs more troops for Iraq, Afghanistan

By Peter Baker
The Washington Post

ANCHORENA PARK, Uruguay — President Bush approved 6,200 more U.S. troops for Iraq and Afghanistan on top of reinforcements already ordered to those two countries, the White House said Saturday, a move that comes amid a fiery debate in Washington over the Iraq war.

The president agreed to send 4,700 troops to Iraq in addition to the 21,500 he

ordered to go in January, mainly to provide support for those combat forces and to handle more anticipated Iraqi prisoners. He also decided to send a 3,500-member brigade to Afghanistan to accelerate training of local forces, doubling his previous troop increase to fight a resurgent Taliban.

Although officials had foreshadowed the additional forces for Iraq in recent days, the latest troop increase in Afghanistan had not been known and will bring U.S.

forces there to an all-time high. The deployments underscore the challenges facing the United States in both countries and further stretch an already strained military. In Iraq particularly, the moves could fuel suspicions that a troop increase initially described as a temporary "surge" may grow larger and last longer than predicted.

Bush did not comment on his decision during the second day of a six-day Latin America tour. But aides released a letter he signed Friday night about

Air Force One as he flew to Uruguay from Brazil, asking House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., for \$3.2 billion in emergency funding to pay for the additional units. He proposed cuts in other spending to offset the cost.

"This revised request would better align resources based on the assessment of military commanders to achieve the goal of establishing Iraq and Afghanistan as democratic and secure nations that are free of terrorism," Bush said in the letter.

Iraq

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in Istanbul. Abbas Araghchi, the head of the Iranian head of delegation, said it should be held in Baghdad. The Iranians accused the Americans of "kidnapping" and "abducting" six Iranian diplomats in Iraq. Khalilzad replied that coalition forces were not holding any diplomats.

Khalilzad said he had spoken to the Iranians "directly and in the presence of others." But Araghchi said, "We didn't have any direct contact. If the Americans are interested, there is a proper channel for that."

Khalilzad described the talks as "friendly, business-like" and "problem-solving." But by the evening, the verbal talks had resumed.

"Unfortunately, the Americans are suffering from intelligence failure," Araghchi said. "They have made so many mistakes in Iraq... so many wrong policies because of false information and intelligence. We hope they don't repeat their previous mistakes." Then, Araghchi said that he had told the American delegation that Iran wanted a timetable for the withdrawal of all foreign forces in Iraq. "We think the presence of foreign soldiers cannot help the security of Iraq in the long term," he said.

Saturday's conference, which included countries neighboring Iraq, the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and three international groups, highlighted the immense challenges the coun-

THE WEEK IN IRAQ Appeal made to international group

Prime minister, Nouri al-Maliki, opened an international conference in Baghdad Saturday with an appeal for help to sever ties with suspected insurgents. He warned Iraq's sectarian bloodshed could spill across the Middle East.

Sun. — Hundreds of U.S. soldiers conducted of house-to-house searches in the Shiite stronghold of Sadr City in Baghdad.

Mon. — A suicide car bomber struck a book market targeting Shiite pilgrims. At least 38 people died.

Tue. — Two suicide bombers blew themselves up among a crowd of Shiite pilgrims heading toward the holy city of Karbala ahead of the weekend holiday. Ninety-three people died in the north of Baghdad.

Wed. — A suicide attacker killed 30 people in Baladruz.

Thu. — U.S. and Iraqi troops captured eight suspected insurgents in raids north of Baghdad.

Fri. — The leader of the al-Qaida-affiliated Islamic State of Iraq was captured in a raid in Abu Ghraib.

Sat. — A suicide car bomb ripped through an Iraqi army checkpoint, killing 20 people in Sadr City. Six Iraq soldiers were killed.



enter into Sadr City. At least six of the people killed were Iraqi police officers, the statement said.

An hour after the mortar attack, Iraq's Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki urged the country's neighbors in his opening remarks to stop financing attacks and funding weapons and fighters across their borders. Iraq "will not accept that its lands, cities and streets be an arena for inter-regional or regional-international disputes," Maliki said. "It does not accept by any means to be a theater for influ-

try faces ailing Iraq as it struggles to stabilize.

Even as its neighbors seek to help Iraq deep-rooted suspicions, diplomatic squabbling and geo-political are complicating Iraq's attempts to forge peace. An hour before the mortar attack, a car bomb killed at least 10 people and injured 52 on the outskirts of the Shiite militia stronghold of Sadr City, said Brig. Qasim Atta, an Iraqi military spokesman.

In a statement, U.S. military officials credited Iraqi soldiers for stopping the vehicle at a checkpoint before it could

meagawatts by 2025. Just 850 megawatts is enough to meet 30 percent of Idaho's energy needs.

Because of recent federal tax breaks for alternative energy producers — the same tax breaks responsible for a wind-farm boom in Magic Valley — energy companies are rushing to build geothermal plants across the West. According to an Associated Press report in November, 50 new geothermal projects are being considered in Western states.

U.S. Geothermal, the company that owns the Raft River site, is exploring another geothermal project in Oregon.

"It's just a really exciting time for us," said company President Dan Kuntz, "with a lot of potential. We're at the forefront of something big."

Power

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In terms of production, that's still a tiny number compared to the capabilities of Idaho's hydro plants. For example, Idaho Power Co's Milner Dam — just one of 17 hydro facilities run by the utility company — has a 58-megawatt capacity.

Site manager Chris Harriman said U.S. Geothermal's numbers are based on early test wells, and the project may someday be able to produce 100 megawatts of power.

But that's a long way down the road. Now the company and its contractors are drilling test wells, probing 4,000 feet into the earth in search of hot water. The warmer the water, the more productive the project.

It works like this:

Underground water heated by magma is pumped from the ground through wells. It's transferred by pipe to a building where the water's heat (approaching 300 degrees at the Raft River site) warms a chemical called isopentane that causes gas at about 10 degrees that the gas powers turbines that make electricity. The

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Justice

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 Department found that in 9,076 cases handled between 1990 and 2005, offenders were 23 percent less likely to commit another crime while on probation than those sentenced to traditional probation.
 And they were 12 percent less likely to commit another crime after probation ended.
 "This is a bit of a vindication for Vermont's reparative boards," said Gale Burford, a professor of social work at the University of Vermont and one of the authors of the yet-to-be-published survey. He said that in some circles, Vermont was perceived as being soft on crime.
 "The people who go to these boards don't regard them as soft, because they are emotional and they are getting faced by people in their community," Burford said. "It is not a soft option."
 The people who work with the system every day say its successes go beyond just reducing recidivism.

On the Net:

Vermont Department of Corrections:
www.doc.state.vt.us/
Greater Barre Community Justice Center:
www.gbcjc.org/index.htm

"Those numbers are important, but I can tell you it works on so many other levels, in terms of the relationships built and the conversations that are had and the new perspectives that people have about their own lives and other people's lives," said Cara Gleason, the Community Justice Coordinator for the city of Burlington.
 The Corrections Department set up the pioneering program in 1995, when the state was looking for alternatives to traditional corrections.
 Reparative probation was part of a package of sentencing alternatives — such as requiring offenders to complete intensive substance abuse

programs or closely supervised furlough in the community — made available to Vermont judges.
 A number of communities across the country now use some form of reparative justice.
 What makes Vermont unusual is that the system was conceived by the Department of Corrections, said Kay Pranis, of St. Paul, Minn., who has worked with restorative justice programs across the country.
 "Out of a state agency came an effort that has become a community-based effort and really belongs to the community," said Pranis. "That is a huge accomplishment."
 In the reparative probation system, the offender meets with community members and they try to craft a sentence that builds on the interests of the offender and the needs of the victim and the community.
 In some cases the victims participate, in some cases they don't.
 "I think across the board,

almost everyone says that when it's most transformational is when the person who has been the most affected gets to meet with the person who caused them harm," said Rain Banbury, of the Greater Barre Community Justice Center.
 Now, there are 12 community justice centers across the state and many more volunteer boards that meet with the offenders. The volunteer boards are chosen from interested members of the community.
 By design, the hearings lack the structured formality of a court appearance.
 And that's how a single

mother working in a nursing home comes to see how stealing a ring from a patient affects the victim. So the board builds on the offender's interest in crafts and sentences her to make vases for the senior center.
 Or why the man convicted of driving with a suspended license could agree to use his passion for carving to create a carved cane for an elderly person. Or the artist convicted a second time for driving under the influence could create a painting for the town of, coincidentally, the substance abuse center she drove over, said Lori Baker, the executive director of

the Barre Justice Center.
 Without addressing the artist's case directly, Baker said, "In specific cases, it would be up to the judge and the prosecutor to decide" if an offender should be allowed to go before the board after two offenses.
 The solutions, by design, are as varied as the crimes.
 "It shows that we can involve community volunteers, lay people, in processing a large percentage of our low-level crimes rather than dealing with them more formally either in government supervised probation or the even more expensive option in court," said Burford.

Americans stuffing their pets with drugs

WAYNE COUNTY, N.C. (AP) — With aging, it's become a routine faithfully endured by the Guffords. Each day starts with a blood sugar check and a shot of insulin. Then a couple of pills, maybe mashed into a bowl of tuna and canned carrots. Mixed with dry chow.
 All for their 12-year-old dog, Brownie takes more drugs than his human companions put together. He has been medicated in recent months for diabetes, infections, high blood pressure, and his finicky gut that rebels at red meat. Since 2005, he has taken drugs for everything from anemia to a spider bite.
 "It's our baby, he's a family member, I would want somebody to do that for me," explains Ann Gufford.
 She estimates spending \$5,000 over the last two years on medicine for her baby, a mixed beagle-cocker spaniel.
 He has lost a couple of steps on the spruce outside their little home near Goldsboro. His hearing is failing. Still, without some of the drugs, he'd probably be gone.
 "You cannot put a price on that," says Mrs. Gufford.
 "And I don't want to," adds her husband, Ben.
 Americans have begun to medicate their dogs, cats and sometimes other pets much as they medicate themselves.
 They routinely treat their pets for arthritis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, allergies, dementia, and soon maybe even obesity. They pick from an expanding menu of mostly human pharmaceuticals like steroids for inflammation, antibiotics for infection, anti-clotting agents for heart ailments, Prozac or Valium for anxiety, even the impotence drug Viagra for a lung condition in dogs.

Sparing no expense for a family member

The Gufford family, of Wayne County, N.C., estimates they have spent about \$5,000 in medicine in the last two years for their aging beagle-cocker spaniel mix, Brownie. It reflects a growing trend in the U.S., where pet expenses have more than doubled since 1994.

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Brownie's prescription costs in December

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Heart \$23
 Enalapril: lowers blood pressure

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 Prednisone: fights inflammation

Stomach \$10
 Antacids: decreases stomach acid

Estimated pet expenses, in billions, 2006

Food	Veterinarian care	Supplies/over the counter medicine	Pet services (grooming/boarding)	Other
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SOURCE: American Pet Products Manufacturers Association

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Did \$5 billion for emergency preparedness do any good?

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than five years after the Sept. 11 attacks, the government cannot show how the \$5 billion given to public health departments has better prepared the country for a bioterrorism attack or flu pandemic.

Congress responded to the 2001 strikes and anthrax-tainted letters sent to lawmakers by putting much more money toward emergency preparedness. State health departments typically get tens of millions of dollars per year to prepare for bioterrorism; it was in the hundreds of thousands before Sept. 11.

The money came with a catch: Washington had to set criteria to evaluate how well the dollars were spent. That assignment fell to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which has struggled with the task.

"We're not able to demon-

strate accountability," said Craig Thomas, chief of the CDC office that evaluates and monitors public health departments. "It's not just accountability to the CDC. It's accountability to your community. It's accountability to your local stakeholders and the people who fund you as well."

Thomas was speaking to public health leaders at a recent conference in

Washington. His candid assessment does not mean local departments have squandered the money. Indeed, health officials say the departments are "much better able to respond to major threats than they were five years to 10 years ago."

It is, however, an acknowledgment the CDC relies on anecdotal evidence to demonstrate the improvement. Congress demanded hard, sta-

tistical evidence.

"The difficulty comes down to, how do you measure (improvement), how do you quantify that, so you have something you can track over time, something you can use to identify gaps that have to be filled," said the CDC's Dr. Richard Besser. He oversees the Office for Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response.

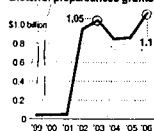
The government began awarding money for bioterrorism preparedness in 1999, sending \$40.7 million to the states. In 2002, the total jumped to \$950 million. That is

about one-quarter of what the U.S. spends each year on bioterrorism and emergency preparedness — not counting the money for preventing a pandemic.

Preparing for major health threats

The federal government went from giving tens of millions to hundreds of millions of dollars to prepare for bioterrorism after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Bioterror preparedness grants



NOTE: 2002 includes a \$100 million supplemental supplement. 2006 includes supplemental for pandemic A1 preparedness and Early Warning Infectious Disease Surveillance.

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention AP

Similar wrecks reported at site of bus crash

ATLANTA (AP) — Catherine Hartman is familiar with the concrete barrier where a bus carrying a baseball team from a small Ohio college crashed last week. Five years ago, she and her husband were in an accident at the same spot after she mistook the exit ramp for a commuter lane.

Today, with her left knee still not healed from the 2002 accident, she feels upset that more hasn't been done to prevent accidents there.

"I really bothered both of us," she said of the Bluffton University accident that killed seven. "In retrospect, we probably should have done more as far as insisting they do something to correct the situation."

Investigators said the driver of the Bluffton team bus also apparently mistook that same exit ramp for a highway lane on March 2 and overshot a stop sign at the top of the ramp. The bus slammed into the concrete barrier, flipped and fell 30 feet onto the pavement below. Six people were killed and 28 people were hospitalized. One of the injured died a week later.

On Friday, Atlanta police released to The Associated Press through the Georgia's Open Records Act three reports on accidents at the intersection of Interstate 75 and Northside Drive from 2002 to 2003, all involving drivers who didn't know they had left the I-75 high occupancy vehicle lane. In all three, including in Hartman's accident, the drivers said they were confused by the exit or did not realize they had left the highway.

Before the March 2 Bluffton University accident, the Georgia Department of Transportation said there had been two deaths from seven accidents involving that exit ramp in the last nine years.

"It's horrible to categorize fatalities but two fatality accidents all involving motorists who ran stop signs, is not an inordinate number over a 9-year-period," said spokesman David Spear. "I don't think I speak to the design of the ramp or signalization of the ramp."

As a result, the Georgia transportation department has no plans to close the ramp. But Spear said the agency is trying to "come up with potential additions" to alert drivers.

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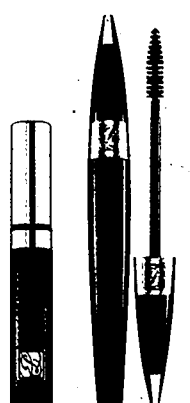


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Draft of new climate report warns of droughts, disease

By Seth Bernstein
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The harmful effects of global warming on drought are already showing up, and within a couple of decades hundreds of millions of people won't have enough water, top scientists will say next month at a meeting in Belgium.

At the same time, tens of millions of others will be flooded out of their homes each year as the Earth reels from rising temperatures and sea levels, according to portions of a draft of an international scientific report obtained by The Associated Press.

Tropical diseases like malaria will spread. By 2050, polar bears will mostly be found in zoos, their habitats gone. Pests like fire ants will thrive.

For a time, food will be plentiful because of the longer

Retirement money is a great boomer fantasy

The Baltimore Sun

Baby boomers like to imagine their glowing prospects: Revolutionary solutions to aging, second and third careers, cruises, limitless possibilities. This generation of 78 million contains an abundance of beautiful dreams — and wishful thinking.

Among the fantasies is the Great Boomer Inheritance. Almost as beloved as tales of boomers' disposable incomes are the theories about how they will spend the wealth they stand to inherit — \$41 trillion, by some media accounts — to leather their post-retirement years.

Tickets to Margaritaville anyone? Double lattes on the house?

This would be splendid, of course. If it were true. Especially for the 27 percent of the generation with household incomes of less than \$35,000 a year, those baby boomers more usually called the "working poor."

Many of the boomers' parents aren't exactly wealthy, either. According to a 2006 study by the AARP, most boomers won't receive any inheritance at all. If they do, it's unlikely to make a "significant contribution" to their retirement savings.

"Our concern is that the baby boomers are going to be increasingly at risk in retirement. Life gets a lot tougher and I think the notion that inheritance is going to bail them out is not correct," says economist Alicia Munnell, head of the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

"Wealth in the economy is extremely skewed: A fraction of the top 1 percent of the population has all the wealth. Bequests are even more skewed."

And if there is an inheritance, she says, it may be divided among many heirs; boomers are a generation of siblings.

"What people expect the typical boomer to inherit is \$20,000," she says.

"That's not a life-changing number. And because it's the middle number, half will inherit less than that. Most wealth is held by the very, very rich. Even if you have wealth at 65, you will probably use up a lot of it over the course of your retirement and your final estate will not be that big."

Boomers' parents will spend much of their savings paying for medical conditions and illnesses that accompany their longer lives.

"It's important to realize that inheritances can be negative," says Joe Grubbin, a professor at the Erickson School of Aging Studies.

"We're talking about the syndrome of children who end up supporting their parents. If the debts for nursing-home care and other things are significant, those debts can wipe out all their parents' savings, and then more."

growing season in northern regions. But by 2080, hundreds of millions of people could face starvation, according to the report, which is still being revised.

The draft document by the authoritative Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change focuses on global warming's effects and is the second in a series of four being issued this year. Written and

reviewed by more than 1,000 scientists from dozens of countries, it still must be edited by government officials.

But some scientists said the overall message is not likely to change when it's issued in early April in Brussels, the same city where European Union leaders agreed this past week to drastically cut greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. Their plan will be presented to

President Bush and other world leaders at a summit in June.

The report offers some hope if nations slow and then reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, but it notes that what's happening now isn't encouraging.

"Changes in climate are now affecting physical and biological systems on every continent," the report says. In

marked contrast to a 2001 report by the same international group that said the effects of global warming were coming. But that report only mentioned scattered regional effects.

"Things are happening and happening faster than we expected," said Patricia Romero Lankau of the National Center for Atmospheric Research in

Boulder, Colo., one of the many co-authors of the new report.

The draft document says scientists are highly confident that many current problems — change in species' habits and habitats, more acidified oceans, loss of wetlands, bleaching of coral reefs, and increases in allergy-inducing pollen — can be blamed on global warming.



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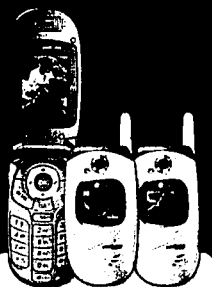


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Newborn kidnapped from hospital by woman posing as medical worker

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A woman posing as a medical worker kidnapped a 3-day-old girl from a hospital early Saturday, police said.

Mychel Darhard-Dawodu was last seen at 1:20 a.m. at Covenant Lakeside Hospital when a woman wearing blue and flower-print scrubs and a gray hooded jacket took her and drove off in a pickup truck, police said.

Hospital surveillance video showed the woman with the jacket hood pulled around her head and holding a purse as she walked out of the building through the lobby.

It wasn't immediately clear if the kidnaper was wearing a hospital name badge, Gwen Stafford, senior vice president of Covenant Health System, said at a news conference.

"I don't think that our staff had ever seen her," she said. The baby was jaundiced but he did not have any other information on her medical condition, Lt. Scott Hudgens said. Jaundice is a common complication in newborns in which a buildup of pigment in the blood causes yellowing of the skin.

The parents, Caisha



Owen Stafford, senior vice president of Covenant Health System, and Lt. Scott Hudgens, of the Lubbock Police Department, speak at a news conference, Saturday in Lubbock, Texas, about the abduction of a three-day old infant taken from Covenant Lakeside Hospital early Saturday.

Darhard and Michael A. Dawodu, and other family members declined to comment Saturday, a hospital spokeswoman said. "At this point we don't have any reason to believe that the family knew the suspect," Hudgens said.

The woman may have had a male accomplice, Hudgens said. The suspect had gone into the mother's room several times before the baby was taken, telling the mother the baby needed treatment, Stafford said.

7-year-old girl becomes 10th fatality in fire

NEW YORK (AP) — A devastating Bronx fire claimed its 10th victim when a 7-year-old girl died after a two-day battle for her life, a family spokesman said Saturday.

Asim Soumare became the fourth child in her family to die in the blaze that also killed her mother, said a family spokesman, Sheikh Moussa Drammeh. Mamadou Soumare, a taxi driver who received a frantic call from his doomed wife Fatoumata on the night of the fire, has now lost his spouse and all of their children.

Word of the Friday night fatality at Lincoln Hospital came just two days before Monday's funeral of the other nine victims of the blaze — three of Asim's siblings, her mother and five cousins. The other five children belonged to the Magassa family, who shared the three-story brick home with the Soumares.

The girl's death was attributed to complications due to smoke inhalation, said Ellen Bonkove, spokeswoman for the city medical examiner.

The blaze was New York City's deadliest since 1990's Happy Land fire, which killed 87 people in the Bronx.

One of Moussa Magassa's surviving children told the New York Post that he escaped the fire by jumping out a window, but he was unable to rescue the others trapped inside the home.

"I wanted to help them, but there was too much smoke. I didn't know if they were out or already," said Matlimkan, who suffered minor injuries.

James Brown's body placed in crypt at daughter's home

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — James Brown's body was placed in a crypt Saturday at the Beech Island home of one of the soul singer's daughters, a spokeswoman for the Rev. Al Sharpton said.

Sharpton presided over the private ceremony held for

family and a few friends at the home of Deanna Brown Thomas, Rachel Noerdlinger said.

Also at the service were Brown's partner, Tomi Rae Hynnie, and the couple's young son, said her spokesman, Michael

Nason said. The service took place more than two months after the singer died in an Atlanta hospital. Brown died Dec. 25 at age 73, and his body had been held at an undisclosed location since then.

Honesty, integrity trump policies for people when it comes to presidential candidates

WASHINGTON (AP) — For all the policy blueprints churned out by presidential campaigns, there is this indisputable fact: People care less about issues than they do about a candidate's character. A new Associated Press-Ipsos poll says 55 percent of those surveyed consider honesty, integrity and other values of character the most important qualities they look for in a presidential candidate.

Just one-third look first to candidates' stances on issues; even fewer focus foremost on leadership traits, experience or intelligence.

"Voters only look at policies as a lens into what type of person the candidate is," said Ken Mehlman, chairman of President Bush's 2004 re-election campaign. "That campaign based its voter targeting and messaging strategies on the character-first theory."

The AP-Ipsos poll of 1,001 adults, conducted Monday through Wednesday, found honesty was by far the most popular single trait — volunteered by 41 percent of voters in open-ended questioning.

The results might have been different had respondents been forced to choose between either issues or character. But

AP-Ipsos Poll

Qualities of a leader

Many Americans desire a presidential candidate who is honest and has integrity. What are the most important qualities or characteristics you look for in a candidate?



NOTE: This reflects top five qualities. Poll of 1,000 adults taken March 5-7, 2007. Margin of error ± 3 percentage points.

this survey allowed people to volunteer any "qualities or characteristics," and a minority selected on issues.

The findings are consistent with an AP-Ipsos poll from September 2004, when 38 percent of voters chose honesty as the most important quality when picking a president. That was more than any other factor.

At the time of that survey, a majority of voters found Bush to be honest.

His decline in the category of trust is widely attributed to the fallout from the Iraq war and

Hurricane Katrina in 2005. The drop is most prominent among people 30 to 39, suburban women, married women with children and people with household incomes in the \$50,000 to \$75,000 bracket.

Bush's collapse in the character test should serve as a warning to the 2008 presidential candidates. Character matters, voters say, and they already are sizing up the field.

Among Republican and GOP-leaning voters, former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani leads Arizona Sen. John McCain 35 percent to 22 percent. Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich had 14 percent, followed in the single digits by former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and Sen. Sam Brownback of Kansas.

Giuliani leads the pack among voters who look first to a candidate's character, issues and leadership qualities. The only area when McCain pulls even to Giuliani is among voters who cite experience as the most important quality or characteristic in a president.


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Program helps Indian youth learn, appreciate tribal culture

By Don Cox
Reno Gazette-Journal

CARSON CITY, Nev. — The sun was setting, the temperature dropping and winter storm clouds were moving over the Sierra when Timmee Osario sprang to his feet, yelling with delight. "We've got a fire going!" said Timmee, smiling as he made the triumphant announcement. Finally warm, and another step forward for Timmee in

"Project Venture." Only moments before, Timmee, 11, and eight other young members of the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California, had occupied a very cold spot of bare ground at the south end of Carson City. Timmee's fire was the first. But soon after his shout, two other small piles of brush and twigs burst into flames as separate three-kid teams successfully completed their assignment in a vacant area near the

recreation center of the tribe's Stewart Community. The youngsters, ages 7 to 16, had learned to build campfires, one of the first in a series of projects that will culminate in June. That's when about 50 of the tribe's children and teenagers spend four days in the woods as their final exam in a program the Washoe tribe hopes will preserve old traditions and prevent modern trouble. "We can get them involved in outdoor cultural activities,"

said Ryan De Rose, a wilderness expert hired by the tribe to guide the youngsters through Project Venture. "Instead of being bored, which leads to gangs and drug use." Last month, there was fire making. Later will come rock climbing, outdoor survival and other lessons. "It allows them to see nature," said Waldo Walker, elected in October as chairman of the 1,800-member Washoe tribe when he defeated longtime leader Brian

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Searching uphill with no answers

Unsolved double murder still haunts Washington family

By Tomas Alex Tibon
Los Angeles Times



Mary Cooper, right, and her daughter, Susanna Stodden, in an untidied photo.

SEATTLE — His wife and daughter were murdered last summer on a remote hiking trail 70 miles from home. In the middle of the day, at the height of their lives, among mountains they had regarded as a sanctuary.

David Stodden doesn't know who did it or why. He doesn't know whether his wife and daughter were beaten, raped or mutilated; whether they fell quickly or fought to the end. He knows that each was shot in the head and left just off the trail where anybody could see them. He knows detectives have made no arrests, and hikers all over the region remain shaken. For many, the wilderness itself was desecrated. "I don't know where this is all going," Stodden says, referring to the mystery that has enveloped his life. "I'm feeling my way through it."

He is 58, with graying hair and mustache and a thin, angular face that is at once open and reserved. He smiles easily. When emotion rises, he pauses. In mid-sentence and clenches his jaw until the moment passes, then resumes in the easy cordial way that friends describe as "just David."

On this overcast day, nearly eight months after the killings, Stodden is about to trek into those same mountains. To get as close as possible to the spot on the Pinnacle Lake trail where the bodies were found. The purpose is practical: to check whether the reward posters he put up last fall are still in place. It's his hoping some of the snow has melted. It gives him something more to do. A contractor by trade, he has taken time off work to fix up the modest wood-frame house in North Seattle where he and his wife raised three daughters during 28 years of marriage.

Stodden, who says he spent the day working on a house on the west side of Green Lake, says he became a little concerned when he got home about 5:30 p.m. and Mary had not returned. Stodden went on a bicycle ride with a friend to Seward Park. During the ride, and just after, Stodden repeatedly called Mary and Susanna's cell phones — no answer. He told his cycling friend he was worried.

Shortly after he returned home at about 8:05 p.m., he began calling authorities. They told him nothing. At about 10 p.m., he was about to jump into his pickup when detectives pulled up.

They said Mary and Susanna were found dead on a trail leading to Pinnacle Lake, which was southeast of Pilchuck. All day, Stodden recalls, he thought they were hiking Pilchuck. Had he gone searching, he would have gone up the wrong trail. The detectives told him it might have been an animal attack — bear or cougar. The wounds were not immediately identifiable. Investigators soon after confirmed the women died of gunshots but would not say how many shots, what caliber

weapon, what part of the head and whether the shots were point-blank or long range. The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office, the agency in charge of the investigation, has refused to disclose, or even confirm, other details. In January, Stodden took a lie-detector test at the sheriff's request. The result came back inconclusive. The test, measuring physiological responses to pointed questions, can be thrown off by stress or illness, and Stodden says he was fighting a cold that day. He took a second test but has not been informed of the result. Stodden's surviving daughters — Joanna, 22, and Elisa, 24 — have declined interviews. He says they are frustrated by the lack of discernible progress in the investigation. Stodden, who at first met with detectives weekly now meets with them once or twice a month. He too has begun showing signs of impatience.

"I understand the frustration," sheriff's spokeswoman Rebecca Hoover said. "Because we don't have new information to release doesn't mean we're not working on it. We definitely are."

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The high cost of HEALTHY

Poverty could be just a health crisis away

Rising health care costs lead to bankruptcy, uninsured rolls

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Several years ago, Roxy Carr found herself stuck between a rock and a hard place.

She was making \$6.25 an hour working for an employer that didn't offer health insurance, and she certainly couldn't afford to purchase her own policy. After paying rent and utility bills and putting gas in the car and food on the table, there was nothing left to pay for the expensive medications she needed to manage her diabetes.

"I juggled bills to afford medications," Carr said. "I was robbing Peter to pay Paul."

Carr couldn't juggle forever. Complications from her diabetes eventually landed her in the hospital, adding yet another bill to the growing stack on her table waiting to be paid. One day, she woke up and discovered she was more than \$45,000 in debt. So she did the only thing she believed she could do: She filed medical bankruptcy.

Carr joined a growing number of Americans who file bankruptcy each year due to medical reasons. According to a recent Harvard University study, half of all bankruptcies filed in the U.S. stemmed from a medical crisis. And three-quarters of those bankrupted by illness were uninsured.



Bankruptcies in 2004

	Total bankruptcies	Medical bankruptcies
Idaho	9,283	4,674
U.S.	1,584,170	797,630

Source: "Illness and Injury as Contributors to Bankruptcy," Health Affairs

"I juggled bills to afford medications. I was robbing Peter to pay Paul."

— Twin Falls resident Roxy Carr

when they first got sick.

"It was very degrading," Carr said. "I couldn't help getting sick. It would have been different if I would have bought a house of new furniture or a new car."

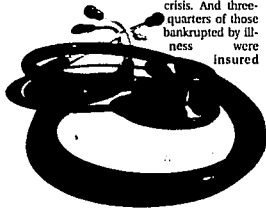
The bankruptcy wasn't the end of Carr's story. Still uninsured, she ended up in an emergency room one night when she fell ill. She was diagnosed with shingles — a skin rash caused by the same virus that causes chickenpox. An emergency room doctor examined her, ran some tests and gave her a shot for pain. She was there for three hours, and the bill came to \$3,700.

Carr could have received the same treatment in a doctor's office for less than \$200. Trouble is, for the uninsured, the emergency room is their primary provider. And those

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Roxy Carr of Twin Falls woke up one day to find herself \$45,000 in debt due to medical costs from complications of diabetes. She had no choice but to file bankruptcy. According to a recent Harvard University study, half of all bankruptcies filed in the U.S. stemmed from a medical crisis.



WANT TO AVOID GOING INTO HEALTH CARE DEBT? TAKE NOTICE

Health insurance coverage

How to make it affordable for individuals and businesses

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Brenda Traveller, a local insurance broker, said the days of the \$5 co-pay are gone.

"People still want that, but companies can't afford it," Traveller said. "Even big companies are having to be creative."

Swensens Markets is a local family owned business with four stores in the Magic Valley and between 50 and 60 employees. Like other businesses, it has watched its health insurance costs take more and more of a bite out of its bottom line.

"Our costs have gone up over the past five years significantly," said Swensens' co-owner Ben Swensen.

Swensen said five years ago, there was a 12 percent increase one year in health insurance costs, but that it's leveled out a little in the last couple years.

One thing Swensens has always continued to pay 100 percent of employees' health insurance premiums and 50 percent to 70 percent of the premiums for employees' dependents.

"We've always wanted to be an employer who provides those benefits to its employees," Swensen said.

One thing Swensens does is shop around for the best deal on insurance.

"We've been willing to go through the headaches of negotiating with different companies," Swensen said.

According to the 2005 Idaho Fringe Benefits Survey from Idaho Commerce and Labor, there wasn't much difference between the percentages of medium and large businesses when it came to providing health plans to their full-time employees. More than

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According to the 2005 Idaho Fringe Benefits Survey from Idaho Commerce and Labor, there wasn't much difference between the percentages of medium and large businesses in providing health insurance. Significantly fewer small employees, those with fewer than 25 employees, offered health insurance.

Percentage of employees	Full-Time	Part-Time
55.6	62.2	47.7
83.2	18.9	22.7
93.5	37.8	51.4
94.9	95.9	
96.6	96.6	

Idaho Commerce and Labor

Time for a change?

Health care system due for an overhaul, many say

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Some would say the United States has the best health care system in the world.

"But the numbers speak otherwise."

There are more than 46 million uninsured people in the United States and 218,000 of them live in Idaho. Millions more are underinsured. And despite the fact that the U.S. spends twice as much on health care than other industrialized nations — \$7,129 per capita, according to the World Health Organization — it doesn't seem to be getting much bang for its buck. Among other things, the U.S. is 27th on the list for life expectancy and a depressing 75th on the list for the number of children under age 2 immunized against measles.

People are calling out for change, and many of them are saying it's time for a single-payer — or universal — health care system. And the voices being heard aren't the voices of radical socialists, but the voices of mainstream, often conservative doctors, hospital administrators and other health care officials.

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working within the system itself. Business owners are speaking out, too, by shifting more of the costs to employees and in some cases, dropping their employer-sponsored insurance policies altogether. Workers — the patients — are also saying enough is enough.

"When you can't even afford your medical bills, something needs to be done," said Roxy Carr of Twin Falls, who filed medical bankruptcy a few years ago when she found herself \$45,000 in debt due to complications from diabetes.

The business of health care Dr. Rod Kack, a local ear, nose and throat doctor, says the problems all started about three decades ago when medicine ceased being an art and became a business. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid and other insurance companies replaced doctors as the decision makers.

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Consumer responsibility

Insured might not see real costs

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — You could call it a lesson, albeit a painful one, in consumer responsibility.

It was 1999, and John Kee, now chief executive officer at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, was self-employed and had his own individual health insurance policy, one of the more inexpensive ones with a \$4,500 deductible. He was halfway through Boise and Twin Falls when agonizing pain hit his lower back.

When he reached Twin Falls, he paid a visit to a doctor he knew well. The doctor told Kee he was 95 percent sure it was just a kidney stone. However, there was still that 5 percent chance that something more serious could be wrong. The doctor told him,

Perhaps he'd like to have a CT scan just to make sure. Kee weighed the options, and the price tag. The CT scan would have cost between \$600 and \$700 out of his own pocket. Knowing the doctor well, and

knowing that kidney stones ran in Kee's family, Kee decided to pass on the scan — and later passed the kidney stone. He signed a paper taking responsibility for his decision.

"The doctors want to do right by you, but it's also a very litigious society," Kee said. "The next call could have been to a lawyer."

Kee said the price had a lot to do with his decision. Had his deductible been lower and had his insurance covered most of the CT scan costs, he might have decided differently. And that's why, although Kee advocates a single-payer system, he said the consumer should be a participant through affordable co-pays. That helps prevent overuse of the system.

"If you don't participate, you make different decisions," Kee said.

Brenda Traveller, a local insurance broker, agrees.

"The consumer takes no responsibility for health care costs," she said. "I think the only way health care costs are going to come down is if it's driven by the consumer."

Dr. Marilyn Righetti, a local ear, nose and throat specialist, said Medicaid's Healthy Connections program, which has patients see a primary care physician before being referred to a specialist, is a good example of a way to cut costs.

"It's a gatekeeper system, and that's got in some respects such as Medicaid where people don't see the real costs in health care," Righetti said.



MONEY



David and Nancy Lancaster had hoped to spend their golden years exploring the country in their motor home. But now that they're spending \$6,000 to \$7,000 a year on health care and medications, there isn't much left for gas.

Crisis

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higher costs transfer into higher insurance premiums for those who are insured.

The 'jaws effect'

When it comes to health care, you have two camps of consumers. In one camp, you have the uninsured and those covered by government programs like Medicare and Medicaid. In the other camp, you have those with employer-sponsored insurance and those who can afford to purchase their own policies. In some premium risks, more workers are falling into the other camp.

At the same time, reimbursements from government-sponsored Medicare and Medicaid are shrinking, and insurance companies, which follow Medicare's lead, are lowering their reimbursements, too. The insured end up making up those costs through higher premiums.



John Kee

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93 percent of businesses with 50 to 99 employees offered health insurance benefits, or their full-time employees in 2005; more than 95 percent of businesses with 100 to 249 employees offered health insurance; and more than 96

Change

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"The third-party payers became the drivers in medicine," Kack said. "It has to do with motivations has little to do with improving health care."

"Health insurance doesn't have anything to do with health," Kack said. "It has to do with business."

Retired surgeon Dr. Harry Brumbach remembers back when doctors made the decisions. He remembers how back in the 1960s, two of his patients — a husband and wife died of cancer, leaving behind a teenage daughter. One day, the daughter's high school principal called Brumbach and said if the girl had to pay off her parents' medical debts, she would be able to afford to go to college. Brumbach forgave the debt right then and there.

"I was in the golden era when we could make our own decisions — when we could treat people and forgive a bill without penalty. Now, you're punished by the feds."

Kack said there's a "health care pie" and everyone is competing for a piece of that pie.

"We have competition for resources," Kack said. "There's competition for dollars available. Thirty years ago, the bulk of the charges were for the doctor and what he did. Now,

Health insurance coverage in 2004-05

Percentage of total population with these types of coverage:	
Coverage	
Employer	54%
Individual	8%
Medicaid	12%
Medicare	10%
Other public	1%
Uninsured	15%
	U.S.
	53%
	5%
	13%
	1%
	16%

Sources: Urban Institute, Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and U.S. Census Bureau surveys

chief executive officer at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, has a name for the vicious circle. He calls it "the jaws effect."

"Every time the government cuts gets shifted," Kee said. "It doesn't go away."

Kee deals with the headaches of rising health costs every day running a hospital whose patients come from both consumer camps. He said when it comes to Medicare and Medicaid patients, the hospital gets about 50 cents on every billed dollar. When it comes to insurance, the hospital gets 85 to 90 cents on every billed dollar.

In 2004-05, 15 percent of Idahoans were uninsured, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. And as insurance premiums continue to rise, Kee predicts the hospital will see even more uninsured people coming through its doors. He estimates the hospital spends 2 percent to 3 percent of its revenue on charity care each year, and

that doesn't include what it spends covering unpaid bills.

Changing retirement

Meanwhile, the first wave of the 76 million baby boomers will join the Medicare rolls in just five years. And seniors are living longer. Will the system be able to hold up under the strain? Not if it's operating the same way it is now, Kee said.

"There's no way we're going to be able to accommodate them in the system," he said.

Rising health care costs have changed many seniors' plans for retirement. When 75-year-old David Lancaster retired eight years ago from Boeing, he and his wife, Nancy, planned to spend their golden years traveling around the country in a motor home. But now that they're spending \$6,000 to \$7,000 a year on health care and medications, there isn't much left for gas. "It doesn't leave us anything to play with," Lancaster said. "We bought a motor home a couple years ago, and the wheel covers are still on it."

percent of businesses with 250 or more employees offered health insurance benefits.

But significantly fewer small employers, those with fewer than 10 employees, offered health insurance. Less than 56 percent of small employers in Idaho offered health insurance benefits to their full-time employees in 2005, according to the survey.

Tom Ashenbrenner, owner of Rudy's A Cook's Paradise in downtown Twin Falls, considers himself lucky that his four employees are covered by their spouses' insurance plans.

"We wouldn't be able to offer full health benefits to all our employees," Ashenbrenner said. "We don't have the facility to do that. That's fairly

its direct hospital services."

Another problem, Kack said, is the use of medical technology. Although he agrees state-of-the-art technology has its place, and can do some wonderful things, he believes it's utilized too often. Money has been diverted into technology, Kack said. "Medicine has changed from a profession that used to be hands-on. Now, it's hands-off and single-payer driven."

A single-payer system

Kack believes there needs to be a big change in health care, but he stops short of advocating a single-payer national health insurance system in which a single public or quasi-public agency organizes health financing, while delivery of care remains largely private.

"A single-payer system would be a nightmare because of the expectation of services," Kack said. "They're going to expect more than they get." But many others think the single-payer system is just the fix for America's broken health care system. At the very least, a universal care system would provide basic health care to all. And that, said one hospital official, is not only the financially-responsible thing to do, but the moral thing to do. "I think the basic health

care system should be available to everyone," said John Kee, chief executive officer at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. "What we are doing now isn't right."

Keep agrees that universal health care systems, such as the one in Canada, aren't perfect. "If you talked to Canadians, they'd say they have a great basic health care system, but you have to wait."

Physicians jump on board

"Five years ago, if you mentioned national health care to a roomful of doctors, they would have booed," said Bobbie Dennett, a disability hearing officer for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and the co-chair of the Outreach Committee of Idaho Health Care For All. "They're not booing so much anymore. In fact, a number of physicians across the U.S. have banded together and formed Physicians for a National Health Program. According to the organization's Web site, the reason the U.S. spends more and gets less on health care than other industrialized nations is because the U.S. has a "patchwork system of for-



An overview of the Big Sky Resort recently in Big Sky, Mont. The destination ski resort that put Big Sky on the map is marketed as "a place all year own," complete with a big landscape north of Yellowstone National Park. But for many inhabitants of the Whitewater Inn just off the highway, a place of one's own is an elusive dream.

Montana resort's employee housing under dispute

By Susan Gallagher Associated Press writer

BIG SKY, Mont. — The lavish ski resort that put Big Sky on the map features mansions for the rich and famous — but little room for the workers who run the chairlifts and clean the bathrooms.

Billboards along the highway that passes the vast landscape north of Yellowstone National Park invite people to "own your dream." Dreaming really big? Check out the 10-bedroom, \$155 million house that developer Tim Blisseth wants to build at his ultra-exclusive Yellowstone Club.

But for resort worker Rachael Fye, the dream is cold clam chowder straight from the can, and a small room in the 21-year-old shares with a South African co-worker.

Fye lives at the Whitewater Inn just off the highway. It's a former hotel purchased by Big Sky Resort in December. Workers live at least two to a room. Resort figures indicate that on an average night, 80 percent of the 62 rooms are occupied by employees lacking affordable alternatives in this swanky community. Some of the locals are not pleased with the arrangements.

Sale of the Whitewater Inn barely was complete this winter when the Gallatin County Planning Department began getting complaints that putting resort workers in the rooms violated zoning regulations and set a perilous precedent.

"We could end up with a situation where dormitories, barracks, subsidized housing, private corporate offices and helipads are popping up throughout Big Sky and Gallatin Canyon," wrote homeowner Mark Fisher. Property values at a doctor's ecosystem would be at risk, Fisher said.

Blisseth is in a spot similar to the ski resort's. He has bought a motel about a quarter mile from the Whitewater Inn and expects some of the rooms to house people working at the Yellowstone Club. Critics have not formally challenged the plan, but say it illustrates their concern that employer-sponsored housing will spread. "Working-class people make up the fiber of America," responded Blisseth, who grew

up poor in Oregon and made a fortune in lumber and real estate. He finds critics more concerned about the niceties of zoning than about working people.

Finding places to put resort workers is not an issue limited to Montana. In Colorado, Copper Mountain Resort bought a former Club Med to house workers of winter employees. Seasonal workers at the state's Telluride ski resort often live in rent-controlled apartments, some owned by the towns of Telluride and Mountain Village.

Officials for Montana's Gallatin County have twice found Whitewater Inn compatible with zoning regulations.

The boxy hotel opened in 1998 and became budget lodging in Big Sky, where accommodations easily can cost several hundred dollars a night. The resort has a recent trip included workers from Morocco, Jamaica and Latin America. A free shuttle bus stops at Whitewater Inn and takes Big Sky Resort employees to their jobs nine miles up Lone Mountain Trail, named for the 11,166-foot peak that opened for skiing nearly 35 years ago. Passengers on a recent trip included workers from Morocco, Jamaica and Latin America.

Pat and Carol Collins, residents of the Big Sky area, say housing employees at the hotel means it may be a boarding house or dormitory, using zoning regulations prohibit. Big Sky Resort says Whitewater remains a public place. Tourists still can get rooms, the pool is available for school swim lessons and the Rotary Club still is offered meeting space, the resort told the Planning Department.

Pat Collins finds it disturbing that Big Sky Resort wants Whitewater Inn for housing yet removed dormitories on resort property within the past few years to make way for condominiums. Schieffer said the resort also bought the 80-bed Golden Eagle Lodge, which accommodates about as many employees as those dorms housed.

Collins declined to discuss possible housing solutions but said the resort has "lots of land up there. They could give me a call and I could give them some suggestions." Schieffer said the "business climate" is among reasons the resort is not building dormitories.

consistent with small retail." Ashenbrenner said it's not the size of a business, but its income that determines whether or not it's able to offer medical benefits. Rapidly rising insurance premiums are causing even large employers to shift more of the costs to their workers. And some employers are just dropping insurance benefits

together, which adds even more people to the ranks of the uninsured and to the Medicaid rolls. Meanwhile, the insured end up paying the costs of the uninsured through even higher premiums, until they can no longer afford to and also end up in the ranks of the uninsured or on Medicaid.

John Kee, chief executive officer at St. Luke's Magic

Why does health care cost so much?

- **People in health care cited a number of reasons, including:**
- **Growing Number of Uninsured:** For the working person who doesn't have insurance and doesn't qualify for Medicaid, the emergency room is his primary care provider. Treatment in an emergency room is much more expensive than treatment at a doctor's office. And the uninsured often put off seeing a doctor until their health problems are more serious and therefore more expensive to treat.
- **Larger Life Expectancies:** People are living longer and they need more health care in the last years of life.
- **Improved Technology:** Medical technology has never been better, or more expensive. A traditional X-ray machine costs \$175,000, while the latest state-of-the-art CT imaging technology costs \$2.3 million. And constant medical advances make equipment obsolete after a couple
- **years.**
- **Increasing Government Regulations and Untended Mandates:** Health care providers have to meet a constantly growing number of regulations and unfunded mandates, both from regulatory agencies and government. The costs of implementing those regulations and mandates come out of the providers' pockets, and ultimately trickle down to patient fees. The paperwork alone puts a strain on the health care workforce. For instance, each hour of patient care in an emergency room translates into an hour of paperwork. Each hour of skilled nursing care translates into one-half hour of paperwork.
- **Health Care Workforce Shortages:** With growing shortages of nurses and medical technicians, hospitals and other health care providers must compete for workers from an ever-shrinking pool.

- **That drives up salaries.**
- **Litigation:** Medical malpractice insurance costs are rising because of the increasing number of jury awards. Those rising costs are then passed on to consumers. Many states, including Idaho, have put caps on malpractice awards to help curb costs. Also including costs are the practice of defensive medicine, whereby physicians order unnecessary tests in order to defend themselves against a future lawsuit. Tests are expensive. An MRI costs an average of \$2,000.
- **Consumers Don't See the Real Costs:** The consumer with insurance or on Medicare or Medicaid does not see the total costs of health care. Few people realize the drug they just paid the \$30 co-payment for actually cost \$150 or more. Or that a trip to the doctor for a common cold actually ended up costing \$200 or more in doctor's fees, laboratory tests and pharmaceutical costs.

profit payers. Private insurers necessarily waste health dollars on things that have nothing to do with care: overhead, underwriting, billing, sales and marketing departments as well as huge profits and exorbitant executive pay." In turn, doctors

and hospitals must maintain costly administrative staffs to deal with the bureaucracy. PNHF estimates that all this administration consumes a third of Americans' health dollars. PNHF believes single-payer financing is a way to recapture the wasted money. The potential savings on paperwork — more than \$350 billion per year — alone is enough to provide comprehensive coverage to everyone without paying any more than we already do.

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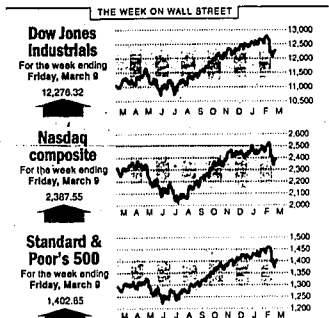


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CAREER MOVES

Steve Woodworth

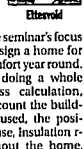
BOISE — Steve Woodworth has been named as the new president and chief executive officer of Idaho Youth Ranch.



Woodworth

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Etsevol of Brize Heating, Air Conditioning and Fireplaces has completed a two-day seminar in Right Suite residential design.



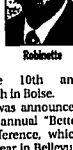
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Banner Bank employees

TWIN FALLS — Banner Bank has announced that Shane Jenkins and Robinette won the 2006 Banner's Best Award.



Jenkins



Robinette

David Wilcox

TWIN FALLS — David Wilcox of Magway Valley Insurance has been named to receive the National Association of Health Underwriters President's Award.



Wilcox

Roger L. Ursenbach

TWIN FALLS — Roger L. Ursenbach Sr. of Russmussen Real Estate Company has successfully completed the REALTOR e-Pro course.



Ursenbach

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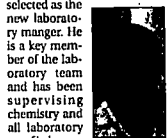
Medical center employees

BURLEY — Cassia Regional Medical Center announced the addition of three new employees.



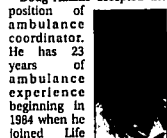
Wright

Jay Wright has accepted the management position of Respiratory Therapy, Sleep Lab and EEG.



Clayton

Charles Clayton has been selected as the new laboratory manager.



Adams

Doug Adams accepted the position of ambulance coordinator.

Realtors

TWIN FALLS — Red Door Realty Realtors Jason McCurdy, Judy McCurdy, Devry Nield, Sharon Te and Bill Workman, were recently named to the "Million Dollar Club."

Deputy Nield and Sharon Te

Deputy Nield and Sharon Te are members of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors and active in the community.

Jeff Duggan, Jason Reeves and Jennifer McCombs

Jeff Duggan, Jason Reeves and Jennifer McCombs were given awards for outstanding achievement at the recognition program held in February.

Richard Brumley

RUPERT — Project Mutual Telephone announces the addition of Richard Brumley to the accounting staff.



Brumley

Nancy Goldberg

GOODING — Gooding Title and Escrow Company announced Nancy Goldberg as a member of their escrow staff.



Goldberg

Snow biz companies melt after warm winter

The stock is down nearly 26 percent this year. If investors were inked, Duke Edukas, co-owner of Surfside Sports in Costa Mesa, Calif., was sympathetic.

Quiksilver Company

Quiksilver Company said that it had seen heavy mark-downs, poor re-orders and a significant reduction in orders for the season.

Eric Hattisvold

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MONEY

Local news: Big profits in little newspapers

By Frank Ahrens
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — If there's any good news about the business of newspapering these days, it can be found at the industry's flimsiest papers, which are doing well even as their bigger brothers founder.

The average daily circulation of all U.S. newspapers has declined since 1987. The smallest papers, however — community weeklies and dailies with circulation of less than 50,000 — have been a bright spot in a darkened industry. As the Internet dramatically transforms the biggest papers in the business — siphoning classified advertising and commoditizing national news — many small papers are weathering the decline with relative ease, and some are even prospering.

Paper Chase

How U.S. newspapers fared by circulation size for the six months ending Sept. 30, 2006, compared to the same period in 2005:

Circulation size	Number of papers	Papers with circulation gains	As a percentage of papers in category
500,000 and up	9	2*	22.2%
250,000-499,999	21	2	9.5
100,000-249,999	60	10	16.7
50,000-99,999	95	14	14.7
25,000-49,999	172	38	22.1
Under 25,000	413	105	25.4

SOURCE: Newspaper Association of America

*New York Post, New York Daily News

Why? Small papers face less competition from other media outlets, are insulated from ad slumps that have hammered big papers, employ smaller staffs of lower-salaried jour-

nalists and have a zealous devotion to local news, both in print and online, industry experts agree. Also, there is less competition on the Web for local news.

"There is no question that newspapers under 50,000 have performed much better than large newspapers," said William Dean Singleton, chief executive of MediaNews Group, which owns about 100 papers, large and small.

The combined circulation of all U.S. newspapers in the six months ended Sept. 30 was down 2.8 percent from the comparable period in 2005, according to the Newspaper Association of America. By comparison, the combined circulation in the small-newspaper group was down 2.1 percent.

If that seems like cold comfort at best, consider this: Of the 413 papers in the small-newspaper group, 105 of them — 25 percent — gained circulation over the year, faring better than any other circulation group.

Lee Enterprises, based in Des Moines, Iowa, for example, owns 56 daily papers, including the *Times-News*, and more than 300 small weeklies and other publications. Three of its papers have a circulation of more than 100,000 — including the St. Louis Post-Dispatch — but the rest of its dailies are much smaller, averaging about 26,000 each.

Over the past five years, the circulation gains at Lee papers have outpaced the industry average; some of the gains came from acquisitions, but much came from the growth of the group's existing papers. Over the past two decades, the company's stock price has likewise gone in the opposite direction of large-newspaper stock, climbing steadily from less than \$10 a share in 1988 to more than \$30 a share today. "We're largely in markets ...

that have pretty good local economies, a strong sense of place and strong newspaper readership," said Mary Junck, Lee's chairman and chief executive. Another advantage: "Many of our markets are pretty homogeneous and tight-knit," she said, making it easier to pin down and target readership.

The small-newspaper division of Irvine, Calif.-based Freedom Communications generated a 30 percent profit in 2006, up 5 percent from 2005.

By comparison, a very successful large newspaper typically returns about 20 percent annually. "In many of our smaller communities, we are the only game in town if you want to reach targeted households," said Freedom chief executive Scott Flinders.

MILESTONES

TRIBUNE CUTTING HELD



Photo by Susan Taylor/Smith Idaho Press

Complete Chiropractic, located at 1635 Overland Ave. in Burley, held a ribbon cutting and open house commemorating its grand opening. The business is owned and operated by Dr. Ron Christensen, office manager is Melanie Christensen and secretary is Aita Patterson. The business offers complete chiropractic care, treatment for chronic headaches, sinus pressure, neck, shoulder and mid- and lower-back pain. They do school, sports and commercial driver's license physicals and workman's compensation and auto cases are welcome. They bill all insurance companies and will soon be able to accept Medicaid. Appointments can be made by calling 678-2629.

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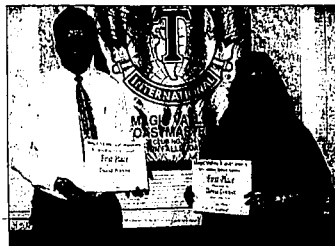


The College of Southern Idaho Radiologic Technology students along with alumni students recently hosted the Fifth Annual CSI Rad Tech Club Approved Continuing Education Seminar. The seminar attracted 30 registered technologists who earned six continuing education credits. Pictured from left are program director, Rad Tech Club advisor, and registered technologist Gary Lauer; Sandy Keelch; Taryn Haag registered technologist, Aspen Box; April Wiggins, registered technologist; Crystal Staley, registered technologist; April Davis, registered technologist; Greg Jones, registered technologist; Andrea Cooley; Sidney Miller, registered technologist; Molly Jones; Michael Howell; Rochelle Schroeder; Chas Allen; Joe Allen; Michelle Chandler, registered technologist; Emily Ogden; Alex Dodge; Megan Martindale; Alison Hanner; Kelsey Mantoni; Gayla Staker; Maribeth Brice; Dianne Stull; Lindy Mutall; Jen Brown; Annie Blass; and Nick Ralger.

Jerome BBQ sauce company honored

Results of the 2007 Scoville Awards, which recognizes top fiery foods products from around the globe, named Habby Too LLC of Jerome as a winner in one of the world's most competitive gourmet food competitions. Habby Too LLC, which manufactures Habby Too Original BBQ Sauce and Habby Bleu BBQ Sauce, has received a 2007 Scoville Award. In the industry's most rigorous blind tastings, a panel of the country's top culinary experts sampled hundreds of the world's most lauded gourmet foods, and the top scoring products each won a coveted Scoville banner. Habby Too Original won first place in the American Style BBQ Sauce - Hot Category. Over 700 products from around the world competed for top honors.

TOASTMASTERS HOLDS CONTESTS



Magie Valley Toastmasters held their International Speech and Evaluation Contests recently. David Hanna, left, won the speech evaluation contest and club president Theresa Dimmitt, right, won the inspirational speech contest. Both will go on to compete in the district level contest. Toastmasters International is an educational organization devoted to helping people develop their leadership and communication skills in a fun and stimulating setting. For more information, call Donna at 736-1025 or go to www.toastmasters.org.

DR. KUIKEN HONORED



Dr. Todd Kuiken, a 1978 Twin Falls High School graduate and son of Edna Kuiken Frank of Twin Falls and the late Bill Kuiken, was recently named one of nine "Chicagoans of the Year" for his groundbreaking work in bionic technologies to improve the function of artificial limbs. Kuiken, the director of the Neural Engineering Center for Artificial Limbs and the director of Amputee Services at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, was honored at a luncheon at the Four Seasons in Chicago and featured in the January issue of *Chicago* magazine. Pictured standing, from left, are Katie Lawrence, public relations director for the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago; Edna Kuiken Frank; Dr. Kuiken's wife, Lisa; and Dr. Kuiken; sitting, from left, are Lisa Kuiken's parents Lee and Mary Bierman; and Caroline and Jesse Sullivan. Jesse Sullivan, who lost both his arms in an accident, was the first of Kuiken's patients to receive the benefits of the new technology that allows him to use the sensory muscles in his chest to send nerve signals to his prosthetic arms.

REAL ESTATE AGENTS HONORED

Canyonside Realty recognized all of their agents for the year 2006. At a recent award ceremony, a large number of agents were recognized for their outstanding production. According to the Intermountain Multiple Listing Service, Bonny Foss, brokered property transactions totaling over \$9 million. In addition, two Realtors were over \$8 million in production; five Realtors

were over \$5 million in production; eight Realtors were over \$3 million in production; nine Realtors were over \$2 million in production and 20 Realtors were over \$1 million in production.

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Quake aid doesn't reach right people

PADANG, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesian officials acknowledged Saturday that relief aid meant for those left homeless by a deadly earthquake was mistakenly distributed to people who did not need it.

Officials said many people collected aid at relief centers in cities after the quake, even though their homes were not destroyed. As a consequence, others in more remote areas

who lost their homes were not able to get sufficient aid.

Many villagers have complained of dwindling food rations following Tuesday's 6.3 magnitude temblor that killed more than 70 on western Sumatra Island.

"We need potatoes, vegetables and eggs or fish, not only rice, especially for our children," said Asmaniar, a 47-year-old elementary school teacher,

forced to sleep in a rice field with 39 relatives after their homes were destroyed. "They are hungry and crying, some of them are suffering diarrhea due to a lack of clean water to cook instant noodles."

She said the group has received only one delivery of rice, and they have little food left.

Solo District Chief Gusmai Efendi called the mix-up a "technical prob-

lem," and promised aid would soon reach everyone displaced by the disaster.

Early surveys found up to 15,000 houses were badly damaged or destroyed by the 6.3 magnitude temblor and a strong aftershock, said Jules Kerston, West Sumatra emergency coordinator for the U.N. International Organization for Migration.

GOT GREEN?

St. Patrick's Day is one of those holidays that sort of sneaks up on you. You wake up one morning, get ready for your day, and suddenly find yourself getting pinched and poked by every human being you come in contact with because you forgot to wear green. To help you avoid this horrible fate, Swensen's is attempting to raise public

awareness for St. Patrick's Day by offering great prices on all kinds of Irish(ish) food—from green cabbage to beef brisket. So stop by this week, stock up on everything Irish, and don't forget to pull your special St. Patrick's Day green socks out of the drawer before the big day on March 17th.

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EDITORIAL

House works a fair deal on personal property tax

State lawmakers are taking aim at one of Idaho's most arcane and problematic forms of public taxation — the personal property tax on business. It doesn't come a day too soon for the cause of fair taxation.

House members laid the groundwork for immediate personal property tax relief, albeit on a limited and cautious scale. The House voted 40-27 on Friday, to give relief to businesses on the first \$50,000 they are assessed in personal property tax. If passed by the Senate and the governor, it would go into effect retroactively for 2007, while forming a plan for future property tax relief in future years.

Why is the personal property tax a millstone around a merchant's neck? For one thing, it's a repetitive form of tax. When a business owner buys a tractor, a desk or a stapler, he or she usually pays sales tax on the item. But under tax laws, business owners keep paying tax on them at an assessed rate over a number of years. That item depreciates in value, but the taxing district's depreciation rate can still remain high. As one local auto shop mechanic explained it, "Over time I could pay twice the cost what something's worth."

At one time, Idaho property owners even paid personal property tax on cooking utensils, furniture, and other items in homes. That tax was taken off in the '60s. Then six years ago, the Legislature provided additional personal property tax relief for farmers on their agricultural equipment.

In order to satisfy concerned opponents, House leaders altered the original bill initially introduced by the Idaho Association for Commerce and Industry. That legislation pushed for \$100 million of personal property tax relief to be phased in over eight years. But it required heavy state spending commitments over a decade, in order to compensate counties for the property tax shift.

Rather than go that route, House leaders made the bill simpler.

Immediate relief — All Idaho businesses will be exempt from paying the tax on their initial \$50,000 of assessed valued property. That measure would relieve 81 percent of Idaho's businesses from paying the tax.

Limited tax shifts — That \$50,000 exemption will require \$9.4 million in a property tax shift to be absorbed by other property taxpayers. But that amount is less than 1 percent of an increase on the overall property tax currently paid. It also keeps counties whole from losses on their tax rolls.

While the shift does lead to some small property tax increases, last year's increases in the homeowner's exemption will give residential taxpayers more relief in the final tally.

Short-term commitments — The bill allows legislators to reassess annually how much to spend on additional property tax relief. That pay-go style of tax cuts is more fiscally responsible to surpluses, deficits or downturns in the state economy.

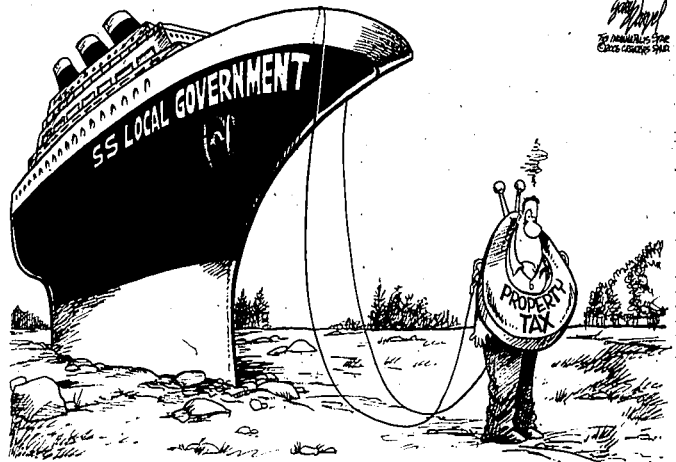
A long-term cap — Legislators included a \$92.8 million cap for the long-term that will help larger employers and enhance Idaho's ability to recruit industry. Future relief, however, would be paid for by the state.

"Folks are really reluctant to commit to a schedule," said Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Okley, assistant majority leader in the House. "This sets up a framework we can follow in the future. If you have the revenue to appropriate toward this end in the future, and the House and Senate choose to do so, then we do it."

Legislators wisely revised the bill to give heavy relief to small business owners who need it most. It also opens a door for additional relief in future years, and in accordance with the state's ability to afford it. Idaho senators should likewise give it solid approval.

Our view: A revised bill on personal property tax relief helps business and keeps government whole.

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



Caste out at Walter Reed Army Medical Center

I'd guess that most veterans were as angry as I was on learning that combat-maimed soldiers have been warehoused and forgotten among roaches, rodents and mold at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

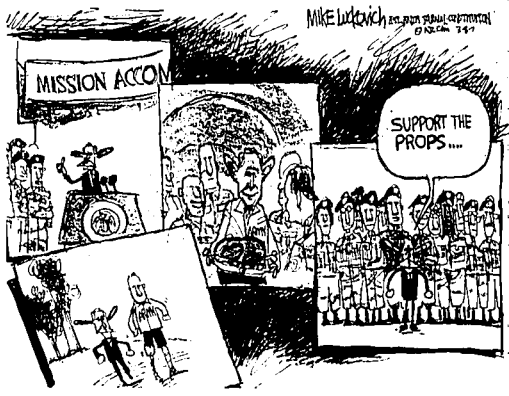
HENRY ALLEN

I'd also guess they weren't entirely surprised. That because most veterans are enlisted. So was every one of the maltreated Building 18 soldiers and Marines quoted in *The Post's* revelations of the Walter Reed mess. When you're enlisted you get used to being treated certain ways by certain officers. Every outfit has them.

A little more than 80 percent of the military are enlisted. The enlisted are the privates, corporals, specialists, airmen, seamen and sergeants who have to salute and say "sir" to an elite called officers: lieutenants, commanders, lieutenants, majors, colonels, generals and admirals. The officers wear the white collars, the enlisted wear blue. The two classes live on different sides of the tracks.

So a lot of veterans may well have accepted the neglect of their fellow enlisted at Walter Reed. They may even have shrugged off newspaper one patient had to show a Purple Heart to prove that he had served in Iraq when he asked for a uniform to replace the one he left behind on a bloody stretcher. They might not be surprised to learn of superiors chewing out Purple Heart recipients for showing up at their medical presentations in gym clothes after the military failed to provide them with uniforms. As veterans know, officers and even some senior enlisted will yell at you for things like that.

The government is investigating. It investigated the systematic atrocities at Abu Ghraib, too, and the only soldiers prosecuted were enlisted. Early on in the Walter



Reed scandal, Army Secretary Francis Harvey blamed negligence on the enlisted, saying: "We had some NCOs who weren't doing their job. period." So it's hard for a lot of veterans to expect that an investigation will ask about the possibility that a simple truth came into play: Officers running the hospital may have ignored the squalor their troops were living in because they believed from long experience that they could.

It turns out that this is one of the rare times they couldn't. They've stirred up outrage so huge that Harvey and the commanding general of Walter Reed have been fired. Not prosecuted, but fired.

I've always justified the privileges given to officers on the grounds of their greater education, leadership responsibility, management skills and executive potential. I also know the dangers of fraternization — it's hard for officers to be taken seriously if they drink, play cards and shower with people who must instantly obey their orders whether they like them or not.

Hence the careful separation

of various levels of rank, both enlisted and officer. This calibrated meeting out of privilege also serves to remind all ranks of their status in the military hierarchy. It keeps you in your place. Segregation is everywhere: bathrooms, dining rooms, social clubs, sleeping quarters.

When you're enlisted, you accept these inequities. They make sense. You also have no choice. But you can't ignore the ugly, feudal arrogance that they foster. Power does tend to corrupt.

It's like what Sheriff Bat Masterson is quoted as saying about the rich and the poor: Everybody gets the same amount of ice — the rich get theirs in the summer and the poor get theirs in the winter. As an enlisted Marine in the Vietnam era, I heard a second lieutenant in his early 20s bark "C'mere, boy" at a sergeant major in his 40s, a man who had served in two wars. I saw an officer solve a shipboard plumbing problem by ordering enlisted men to pick up feces with their bare hands.

What the command structure at Walter Reed may have forgotten is that an enlisted

soldier with his legs blown off is no less or more privileged than any other human being with his legs blown off. Isn't this obvious? The enlisted warriors feel no less pain and despair than the officers. They deserve no less in the way of clean quarters, opportunities for recuperation and prompt processing of their orders.

Is it possible that officers, too, were living with roaches and mold somewhere else at Walter Reed before newspaper stories prompted a sudden splashing of fresh paint on the enlisted's Building 18? That they, too, were stuck in endless bureaucratic limbo? More than a week after the story broke, I have seen three officer victims mentioned from around the country. I suspect there are more.

I'm sorry. Why would this former enlisted man wish such suffering on anyone, even an officer? But why would any officer permit such suffering to happen to anyone, even an enlisted man?

Henry Allen is a writer and editor for The Washington Post's Style section.

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Elk numbers show they're also endangered

"Northern Idaho aerial survey finds elk population problems. . . . In Unit 17 (the Selway) there were 10 calves per 100 cows, down from 13 calves per 100 cows last year." (*Times-News*, March 3).

With this percentage drop in elk calves, coupled with the big percentage of wolf increase, will we be out of calves in three more years? This unit is the prime area where hundreds of Mini-Cassia sportsmen have set up nice, base camps at the Paradise Guard Station,

enjoyed the many friendships and hunted the many miles of trails built by the CCC boys to the fire lookouts.

I along with my sons and grandsons have enjoyed these hunts for more than 30 years. I have emerged from my spike tent near Bad Luck Lookout and observed for hours more than a hundred head of elk basking in the early morning sunlight. The herd always seemed to have as many spring calves, spike bulls, etc., as there were cows. Most hunters limited their kill to a bull, and for the past several years, the hunt has been limited to "bulls only." During my earlier years, I

liked to don tennis shoes and walk the large logs and down-fall, minus my rifle, on the north slope of Mount George in Unit 17, I often observed elk cows with their young calves in the small meadows, enjoying the security of the down-fall. Since wolves were introduced to the area, I have to conclude that these predators alone are able to travel freely, above, below and around this down-fall.

This begs the question as to how far away can a wolf smell the scent of a calving cow elk? Wouldn't the wolf prefer a tender young calf as opposed to chasing a cow or winding up on the "dog lines" of a bull elk?

If you buy a limited wolf tag, will they stand still for you to kill them or will they smell you and see you, and run hard and dodge a lot?

Finally, when will our majestic elk be an endangered species?

LOVELL TURNER
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Tighter day care rules don't equal communism

Day care regulation has become more confusing than the Anna Nicole mess.

Because parents work and young children need to be with another adult during that work time does not mean

that our society has turned toward communism!

Heps. Lenore Barrett, R-Challis, and Jim Marriott, R-Blackfoot, fear that because parents work and others are helping to raise their children that the road we are headed down is similar to communist Russia. Parents work to provide the best they can for their families. I provide child care because I love children. Single parents are not the only parents who need child care. Anyone. It almost takes two incomes to survive.

In my opinion, every adult who provides child care for more than two children who are not related to them and

who accept payment on a regular basis for this service should be state licensed. How else do we know that safety is a priority and that the children are well cared for?

I have provided state-licensed child care and have taught preschool for 28 years. I want to be sure the changes made for our future leaders will help to assure their safety and will improve daycare and preschool quality. Let's vote for persons who care about children — not for those who believe that scarecrows really do talk and that horses can change colors. This isn't Oz.
CHRISTENE SCHMIDT
Twin Falls

LETTERS

Primary key to real representative government

If you like me, the idea of closing primary elections to some citizens but not others just sounds wrong. Candidates for elective office, after all, are seeking to represent all of us, not just members of their own party. What could be more fundamental in a system of government by and for the people?

But a bill currently before the Legislature would do just that. We currently have an "open" primary — a system in which we do not register as members of political parties and in which any voter can vote in any party's primary. The proposed change would require voters to declare themselves as members of a political party or as independents and then to vote only in their chosen party's primary. Each party would have discretion over



READER COMMENT
Keith Alfred

whether or not to let independents vote in its primary.

Given my gut reaction to the bill, I was surprised to find compelling evidence that, with a simple but important amendment to the proposed change, our primary system could produce elected officials who are more representative of all Idahoans.

If party discretion were eliminated and independents could vote in the primary of their choice, it would give Idaho what is called a "modi-

fied electoral" primary. Empirical research on a decade of congressional races across the nation shows conclusively that closed primaries are worst, open primaries are better, and modified closed primaries are best in their ability to produce winners who are ideologically representative of their districts.

Here's why. Voter turnout is shamefully low in primary elections and getting lower. In a closed primary with low voter turnout, passionate partisan voters with strong ideological views often dominate.

Open primaries tend to produce more representative nominees because voters who are not members of the primary's party moderate this partisan effect. However, open primaries also allow for

"strategic" cross-over voting in which rival partisans vote for an extreme candidate they hope they can defeat in the general election.

Modified closed primaries produce the most representative nominees because they reduce the "strategic" cross-over voting of rival partisans while still allowing the moderating effect of independent voters.

As a Twin Falls native, I recognize that the Magic Valley has tended to avoid this problem of elected officials who are more extreme than the citizens they represent. It's been my privilege to work with former state Sen. Laird Nah, R-Kimberly, in founding The Common Interest, an organization of now over 1,000 citizens from across the political spectrum and from

every corner of Idaho that works to put practical solutions ahead of partisan and special interest politics. In that work, I've observed first hand how often Magic Valley legislators exert leadership that goes beyond party and special interest.

But practical politicians who rise above party are increasingly rare. Recognizing the fundamental importance of having elected officials who are truly representative of their constituents, The Common Interest supports a modified closed primary. Over 140 of our members spent an hour reviewing our brief on this and other election reforms, and then shared their views. Guaranteeing that independents have their choice of primaries is pivotal. Without it, 91 percent of

these 143 members oppose and 9 percent support the bill. With it, 78 percent support and 22 percent oppose the bill.

This is a change that would give us more representative elected officials. That's something we should all support, whether we're Republicans, Democrats, or independents. We invite all Idahoans to review our election reform brief at www.TheCommonInterest.org. We also encourage you to contact your legislators to urge their support of a modified closed primary.

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America? And where is our "One nation under God"?

JOANIE CALHOUN Hagerman

Congress thinks it rules the daylight

Our government, "of the people, by the people and for the people," seems to have disappeared. Our Congress has, over the years, set itself up to be omnipotent, answerable only to itself. Congress sets its own salaries, not the people. Congress has established its own retirement plan, for which they contribute nothing, as well as a medical

benefits program that is better than any citizen can afford, unless they happen to be a millionaire, and again they contribute nothing.

Now Congress is attempting to set itself up as God by telling us poor, ignorant people when daylight hours will be. They are trying to tell us that by getting up in the morning while it is still dark and turning the lights on, it saves more energy than turning our lights on at night when it is dark. The rationale escapes me. About the only thing that really happens is

that it makes it a heck of a lot harder to get the kids in bed at a reasonable hour in the summer.

As far as industry is concerned, machines are going to run the same number of hours, cows will still be milked on the same schedule, and farmers will still be working from sun to can't see, daylight-saving time or not.

I would like to inform these elected figures they cannot change the number of day-

light hours there are in a day at any given time of the year, no matter how hard it tries, and I don't give a hoot how all-powerful they think they are. All they are succeeding in doing is aggravating the jobbers out of the population and creating problems for us all.

I might add that I have been rolling out of bed before daylight, and I always have.

WILLIAM STRANGE Jerome

County takes an unfair turn on CAFO permit

Is the absence of God in an individual's life that creates hate? What makes people with no business sense or agricultural background buy into an agricultural area and proceed to dictate how business should be done, contradicting the experts that have done the research?

There is a hate epidemic in Gooding County dividing neighbors and tainting the judgment of county commissioners.

I was raised in America, believing in God and hard work as two big elements in making our dreams come true. I also learned to be a team player and to wish my neighbor well.

We are neighbors to Harry and Lori DeWolfe. I cannot believe what Gooding County has put them through. At one point, the board approved their 500-head confined animal feeding operation appli-

cation, which was the right thing to do, legally and morally. Then, after some hateful people opposed the decision based on lies of flies and odors which do not exist, the county overturned its approval. I question the legality of the overturn. I thought to request an appeal you had to have new evidence.

The DeWolfe's are a small family operation. Harry's education is in agriculture and animal husbandry and he is a good operator. His dream has been to have a place he could raise dairy heifers. So he purchased the ground and is well within the county's current CAFO requirements.

Is this not America where a man can fulfill his dream on his own property? Without God in our lives, does hate and jealousy become a way of life in a materialistic world? What does this teach our children? If one is hateful enough, he wins? Where does this put our belief in God, hard work and fair play? Where is our

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WORLD

Bush claims progress on trade, signals disdain for Chavez

— MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP) — President Bush claimed progress on trade with Uruguay's president on Saturday, courting another leftist leader on his Latin American tour. "We care about the human condition," Bush said, trying to co-opt the populism of one influential leftist rival he won't meet: Venezuela's firebrand, Hugo Chavez.

In a part of the world where the U.S. invasion of Iraq is particularly unpopular, Bush is not talking much about the global war on terror. And while he won't mention Chavez by name, his soft-sell pitch clearly is intended to counter the Venezuelan leader's rising stature and rants that blame Latin America's poverty on U.S.-style capitalism.

— It would call our diplomacy quiet and effective diplomacy

— diplomacy all aimed at helping people, aimed at elevating the human condition, aimed at expressing the great compassion of the American people," Bush said at a joint news conference with Uruguayan President Tabare Vazquez. As he has on other stops, he mentions increases in U.S. aid programs during his presidency.

The two met at the Uruguayan presidential retreat in Anchorena Park, a riverside ranch and national park about 120 miles west of here. Bush traveled by helicopter.

The Bush administration is trying to strike a free-trade



Bush

deal with Uruguay. But the efforts are complicated by the country's membership in a rival South American trading bloc.

Uruguay, a tiny coastal nation overshadowed by neighboring Brazil and Argentina, wants to sell more beef and textiles to the United States, its biggest trading partner.

The two discussed U.S. restrictions on Uruguayan imports. Vazquez also said he wanted to expand scientific, technical and cultural exchanges — all to establish "a better standard of living for our people."

Both agreed to talk more. Said Vazquez, "We have created a plan starting with this meeting" in which trade and agriculture experts from both countries will meet to iron out differences.

Mexican president urges U.S. to do more on drugs

— MEXICO CITY — Mexican President Felipe Calderon said Saturday that drug traffickers' threats against his government would not stop a military crackdown against them, and he demanded that the United States do more to fight the sale and consumption of drugs domestically.

In an exclusive interview with The Associated Press about his presidential plans, Calderon said he would push President Bush to respect migrant rights and do more against drugs in the U.S. during the two meet on Tuesday in the coastal city of Merida, Mexico.

"We are, at the end of the day, putting our lives on the line in this battle, and the United States has to come up with something that is more than symbolic gestures, much more," Calderon said. "Mexico can't diminish the availability of drugs while the U.S. hasn't reduced its demand. It's an elemental equation."

Calderon said members of the federal government have received threats from drug traffickers.

"There have been a lot of threats — whether they have been false or real — but they won't stop us from taking action," he said during his return from a visit to southern Chiapas state, where he marked his first 100 days in office.

EGYPT

Bin Laden's followers mark his 50th birthday

— CAIRO, Egypt — Followers of Osama bin Laden flooded Islamic Web sites with pledges of allegiance, videos and pictures Saturday to mark the al-Qaida leader's 50th birthday, reflecting his importance as a militant symbol even though he has not shown his face for years.

One user, going by the name Abu Yacoub, posted an old picture of bin Laden wearing a helmet and khaki military uniform while carrying a two-way radio in a deserted area, possibly from his fight in Afghanistan against the Soviet Union two decades ago.

"Osama bin Laden turns 50. God protect our leader, our Sheikh Osama bin Laden. God reward him for his words and

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actions," Abu Yacoub wrote on a Web site commonly used by insurgents.

A spokesman for U.S. troops in Afghanistan expressed disgust over the celebrations.

"Instead of focusing on the anniversary of his birth, people around the world — and particularly the people here in Afghanistan — should take a moment to remember the innocent people who have been killed or injured by terrorist extremists like Osama

bin Laden," said Maj. William Mitchell.

AUSTRIA Year of Kosovo talks ends in bitter deadlock

— VIENNA, Austria — A year of contentious talks on the future status of Kosovo ended Saturday in a bitter deadlock over a U.N. plan that would set the disputed Serbian province on the road to independence.

Serbia's nationalist prime minister, Vojislav Kostunica, warned of "the most dangerous precedent in the history of the U.N.," if the Security Council — which will have the final say — approves the plan.

— The Associated Press

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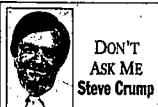
Put my iced coffee in the microwave

Time was, the ultimate indignity was to be compelled to drink cold coffee.

Now Starbucks gets \$2.45 for 20 ounces of the stuff.

It's called "iced" coffee, of course, and it's become a trend.

On March 2, McDonald's began selling iced coffee at its 595 restaurants in the Pacific Northwest, including Idaho. And Tully's — a Seattle-based competitor of Starbucks — has staked its very business on cold coffee.



Coffee's cold war

- Starbucks**
- 12 ounces: \$1.80
 - 16 ounces: \$2.10
 - 20 ounces: \$2.45
- McDonald's**
- 24 ounces: \$1.79
 - 32 ounces: \$2.19
- Sources: Starbucks, McDonald's, Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Tully's calls it "Bellacino," a line of beverages that includes Espresso Bellacino, Mocha Bellacino and Carmel Bellacino — all made "from freshly pulled espresso, whipped cream, ice and 'Creamy Bellacino Mix.'"

"Espresso Bellacino is a warm-weather delight," according to Tully's Web site, "slightly creamy, flawlessly blended, with just the right amount of ice."

Astonishingly, Tully's also sells Spiced Canal Bellacino. That's cold tea reassembling as cold coffee.

So here's what's become of us: Eight million Americans a week drink iced coffee, according to the National Coffee Association, a trade group. Two million drink it every day.

Cast your mind back a generation, if you're able, and recall the coffee vending machine. It was an oversized contraption that, for 50 cents, dropped a paper cup onto a metal grid, with any liquid at all, poured coffee into it. (The cup frequently failed to fall as designed, spilling the coffee all over your shoes).

Java came out of the machine at about the same temperature as your morning shower after the kids have used up the hot water. Sludge — and there was plenty of it — quickly settled to the bottom of the cup, leaving an oily, translucent film floating on top.

Why would anybody drink such a thing?

Look, there are 24 million Americans on the night shift. According to Circadian Technologies Inc., a Massachusetts consulting firm, workers at night imbibe, on average, more than three

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Snowpack Levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**
Salmon	80%	65%
Big Wood	73%	63%
Little Wood	65%	57%
Big Lost	67%	50%
Little Lost	76%	61%
Henry Fork/Teton	80%	69%
Upper Snake Basin	75%	64%
Owyhee	88%	70%
Salmon Falls	80%	71%

As of March 10

* A comparison of basin snowpack, on the "20-year average."

** An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.

Saying goodbye

CSI's rodeo coach announces retirement; Davis used ingenuity to make sport thrive at campus

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho, when it hired Shawn Davis to coach its first rodeo team in 1977, should have clarified that there was not then a budget for a rodeo.

With no funding, Davis — a dyed-in-the-wool rodeo cowboy — went on to set a legacy.

Don Jesser, CSI rodeo announcer, said Saturday night at an Expo Center rodeo that Davis will retire in June from coaching at the campus after 29 years. But Davis' knack for making rodeo thrive wherever he visits is nowhere near over.

How he made CSI rodeo thrive was through simple ingenuity.

Davis jury-rigged the college's open-air arena with his own cattle panels. When a brawl erupted between some of his cowboys playing touch football, Davis triggered testosterone into triumph with the annual CSI Boxing Smoker.

"I know how to put on a fight," Davis said.

The Smoker's first year earned a few thousand dollars. Today it rakes in nearly \$40,000.

"You couldn't find a better college and better people. It's just been a great opportuni-

More on the Net:

Watch Davis' retirement announced Saturday night at an Expo Center rodeo, with comments from CSI president Jerry Beck, at: www.magicvalley.com

ty," Davis said. "If it was the only thing I had going I would be here until I couldn't do it anymore."

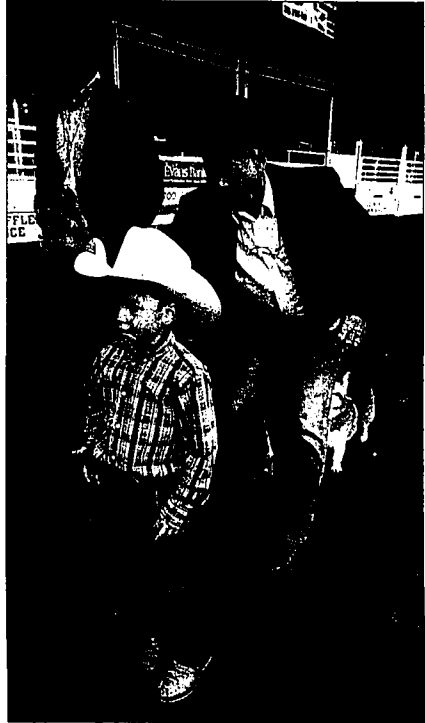
But 66-year-old Davis, who has always kept many Irons in the fire — he manages the international World Cup Horse Shoe, the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas and a rodeo in Idaho Falls — wants to devote more time to being a grandfather and to galloping on his ranch.

Davis' magic in managing rodeo is legendary, as is his stardom as a career cowboy.

CSI's pioneering project since the 1970s has flourished into the dazzling Expo Center show that today blows away its competition in the regional rodeo circuit.

"Everything is timed right down to the second," said Steve Birnie, assistant coach who will fill in temporarily as head coach until a successor is chosen.

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CSI rodeo coach Shawn Davis gives grandson Dawson Davis, 4, a pat on the back after he won the toy bull riding event Saturday night before the start of the 31st annual CSI Intercollegiate Rodeo at the Eldon Erans Expo Center in Twin Falls. Shawn Davis will retire at the end of this rodeo season.

MICHAEL THOMPSON
Times-News

Still fighting crime

Green Hornet actor doesn't need 'Black Beauty' to nab angry driver

By Kelly Jackson
For the Times-News

KETCHUM — Even at 73, the Green Hornet is still battling crime.

Ketchum resident and actor Van Zandt J. Williams, best known as Van Williams, star of the 1966-67 TV series The Green Hornet, found himself on March 1, again pitted against forces of evil — or at least, road rage.

Williams, driving a green Ford pickup, was driving on Highway 75 when he was side-swiped by a green Chevrolet pickup driven by Howard J.



Lape, 49, according to the Blaine County Sheriff's Office. Lape did not stop, and Williams began flashing his lights and signaling for him to stop. Blaine County Administrative Sgt. Jay Davis said.

Lape pulled into a residential driveway. Williams pulled in behind him. Lape stepped out of his vehicle and threw approximately \$250 in Williams' direction and told him not to call the police, according to Davis. Williams told Lape that he had already called the police and that they were on their way.

Davis said at that point, Lape tried to leave but got stuck in the driveway. Then Lape stepped out of his vehicle and approached Williams, threatening to kill him. Davis said Lape pulled a fire extinguisher from his truck and threw it at Williams, but missed.

Lape has been charged with aggravated assault and was freed Monday on a \$10,000 bond.

Williams' vehicle sustained approximately \$400 in damage.

The Green Hornet, a newspaper publisher by day and crimefighter by night, had a long history on radio and in comic books, but lasted only one season on television. Martial artist Bruce Lee heard the Green Hornet's sidekick in that series before becoming famous in his own right.

Carey bands together to help two women needing medical treatments

By Jamey Colter
For the Times-News

You can help

For more information about how to help, call the Carey School at 823-4391 or 578-5040, Lynda Pynch at 823-4590 or 481-2947, or Lorna Hamell at 788-5824.

CAREY — It seems, sometimes it takes a tragedy to bring a community together, or at least that's what two families in Carey are hoping.

Carey native Linda Adamson has recently been diagnosed with a brain tumor and is facing very expensive treatments. Linda and her husband, Brent, have five children in Carey School.

Terri Hennefer, also a Carey native, was in an automobile accident on Thanksgiving weekend and remains paralyzed from the chest down. Terri has three children in Carey school.

What do these two women have in common? The support and kindness of their community as well as their school.

Lynda Pynch and Lorna Hamell organized a benefit on Saturday for Terri and Linda at the Carey School Multipurpose Room.

In addition to a pancake

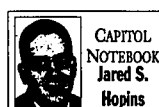
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Legislature speeding up lawmaking process to finish early

BOISE — Plans to vacate the Capitol by March 23 — construction begins April 1 — have been on lawmakers' minds since January. That feeling only grew stronger last week as floor sessions were often held twice a day and sometimes ran for more than two hours. Additionally, little new legislation is being introduced; on Friday just about a half-dozen committees met between the two chambers.

Among highlights, previews and everything in between:

- The state Supreme Court on Monday overturned an earlier decision that found the Idaho Department of Water Resources system of conjunctive management — administering water between junior and senior users — is arbitrary and unconstitutional.
- Later in the week, Joint



CAPITOL NOTEBOOK
Jared S. Hopkins

Finance-Appropriations Committee approved money to continue a study on the system.

A House committee this week is expected to assign an interim committee to study aquifers statewide this summer.

• The state House voted 47-20 on Friday to pass the personal property exemption for businesses in Idaho. The bill, sponsored by the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, would cut \$100 million in property taxes over eight years. Democrats criticized

it for shifting nearly \$10 million in taxes to others for the first year.

• The state Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee is expected to hear a House bill on scaled test results. The Idaho State Department of Agriculture, citing producers going outside Idaho and leaving its own labs unused, wants to keep non-health-threatening animal health test results private.

• Perhaps the biggest Magic Valley issue to be affected by the impending deadline is Senate Bill 1056, which would allow people living beyond one-mile of proposed confined-feeding animal operations to testify at public hearings.

The bill, passed 30-4 last month by the Senate, has yet to receive a hearing in the House Local Government Committee.

"I am not ruling anything out at this point, but I am not promising anything either," Committee Chairman Lenore Barrett, R-Challis, said Friday.

Barrett, a longtime legislator and staunch proponent of property rights and limitation government, wondered whether the Legislature should interfere with local control.

"It's my private property versus your private property," she said. "Let the public apply the pressure to the county government and not let the state interfere."

She met with House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, about making all parties involved comfortable, which means the bill possibly could be amended.

The Senate could revisit the grocery-tax credit debate this week. Last week, four

Senate amendments to the House proposal — which would increase the current \$20 credit to \$50 and double the \$35 for seniors — failed.

• Castleford native Lt. Gen. Bruce A. Wright, who heads U.S. military forces in Japan, will give a presentation Monday to legislators regarding the Pacific Rim, including Idaho exports to it.

• The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee is expected to set the funding for GARVEE, the state's transportation project, this week. In the Magic Valley money is needed — and not guaranteed — for the second phase of the Pole Line Road construction, which would extend it farther west.

Statehouse reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at 343-0901 or jhopkins@magicvalley.com

OBITUARIES

Donrel Craig Bell

BURLEY — Donrel Craig Bell, a 47-year-old resident of Burley, passed away from his mortal disease peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, March 8, 2007.

He was born Sept. 26, 1959, in Burley, Idaho, the son of Hyrum and Virginia Jeffery Bell.



He attended Bell grade school in Paul, and completed his education at Minico High in Bonanza, Idaho. He married Virginia Mae Graf on July 21, 1993, taking her two children, Clettie and Cody, as part of his family as father and provider.

Donrel was plagued with back problems from early childhood that made steady employment extremely difficult, even with medication. He underwent several operations to correct the problem to little or no avail. He struggled along as best that he could to the end.

Donrel was a very caring and loving son, husband and father. He also had a great love for his many puppies who loved him back, who he said

loved him unconditionally. He is survived by his wife, Ginny Mae Bell of Burley; two children, Clettie Mae Laws of Burley and Cody J. Laws of Boise; his parents, Hyrum and Verma Bell of Burley; his siblings, Jeffery K. (Susan) Bell of Strasburg, Ohio, Douglas M. (Winifred) Bell of Fountain Valley, Calif., Derrick W. (Biggett) Bell of Meridian, Forrest G. (Lisa) Bell of Burley, Bradley C. (Janet) Bell of Logan, Utah, Lorene (Brent) Mavegh of Rupert, Kathleen (Steve) Clark of Moreno Valley, Calif., Laurelle Bell and Barton T. Bell, both of Harrisville, Utah, Terry L. Bell of Burley, Val-Gene K. Bell of Oshello, Wash., and Melanie (Rick) Granillo of Burley; and two grandchildren, Ter Montana Caldwell and Jackson Laws. He was preceded in death by his brother, Gregory L. Bell.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; and from 10 until 10:40 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

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Bertha Mae McCall

BURLEY — Our beloved Wife, Mother and Grandmother, Bertha Mae McCall, born May 12, 1927, in Oklahoma, was blessed to be taken into the loving arms of Christ on Thursday, March 8, 2007, after many years of a heavenly fathering illness.

Waiting on the Lord, to join her, is her dedicated, forever loving husband of 63 years, Pastor Riley O. McCall. She is also survived by five daughters, Connie (Ed) Sulbert of Pocatello, Idaho, Sandy (Roger) Maxwell of Twin Falls, Idaho, Karen (Bill) Gray of Salmon, Idaho, Stephanie (Donny) Hively of Ocala, Fla., Susan (Mack) Joyce-Hughes, Jr. of Salmon, Idaho, and from all parts of the United States from Washington to Florida; 21 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and two great-great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Steven Riley Maxwell of Gooding, Idaho;

one great-grandson, Gabriel Brent Maxwell of Pennsylvania, Pa.; her mother and father; two aunts, one from Oklahoma and one from California; three brothers; and one sister.

Her body will be laid to rest, Monday, March 12, in Pocatello. A service will be in her honor at 11 a.m. Monday at Downward Funeral Home, 241 N. Garfield Ave. in Pocatello. Procession to the Restlawn Cemetery will follow the service. A pot-luck celebration for friends and family will be at the Southern Baptist Church in Blackfoot, Idaho, after the interment, approximately 1 p.m.

Our dear Wife, Mother, Grandmother, only you knew exactly what would make our day. Thank you for knowing us better than ourselves. We will miss you in Heaven. The Lord's promise for being a Proverbs 31 woman. "She is worth far more than rubies, her children arise and call her blessed."

Clara Belle Ott

OAKLEY — Clara Belle Ott passed away Thursday, March 8, 2007, in Oakley, Idaho, at the age of 92 years and 8 months ("and some beautiful counts when you get to be my age").

She was born July 9, 1914, at her Grandmother Leffler's home in Lago, Idaho, the daughter of Annie Maria Leffler and Hyrum Christensen. She spent her childhood in a teacher, Idaho, and in a general store in Burley, Idaho.



She was married to one son, Burke Ott of Salt Lake City, Utah, and a daughter was born to them. They were later divorced. In April 13, 1943, she married Veryl Norrington Ott in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. They had several years, where a daughter was born to them. In 1947, they moved with the children and her parents to New Plymouth, Idaho, which was her home for 40 years.

In 1964, she got her High School Equivalency then took college courses in library science at the Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore. After completion of these courses, she was given a library position at that college, which pleased her because that allowed her the money to support her daughter who was serving an LDS mission at that time. She was then became the New Plymouth city librarian, where she served for several years until her retirement.

She was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-day Saints and served in several positions including the New Plymouth Ward Relief Society president, Primary teacher, ward librarian, a member of the ward choir and many others. She loved music and played the violin and the Hawaiian guitar. She also served as Cub Scout leader for several years, and it was a source of enjoyment for her to spend time with those boys.

Veryl passed away in 1997 and she later sold her home and moved to a retirement center in Boise to be near her son and other family members. In July of 2003, she moved to Rockhewn Retirement Center in Oakley, Idaho, and then for the past 15 months her residence was her granddaughter and family of Oakley.

Family members who preceded her in death include her parents, her two sisters and one brother, her husband and one granddaughter. Those left to remember her with love and appreciation are her son, Wayne A. (Darline) Burke of Boise, Idaho; her daughter, Winona Ott (Raymond) Solomon of Mesa, Ariz.; her grandchildren, Gayla (Herb) Wilson, Cheralyn (Chris) Auld and Kevin (Dit) Burke, all of Boise, Idaho; (Steve) Raber of Mountain Home, her grandson (Alan) Hale of Oakley, Heidi (Blaine) Hanks of Bartlesville, Okla., and DaNea Beebe of Idaho Falls. She also has 33 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, at the Oakley 2nd Ward at 301 N. Center Ave. in Oakley. Visitation with the family will be at noon before the service. Cremation service and a burial will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, at the Parkview Cemetery in New Plymouth, Idaho. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Betty Ann Johnson

HAGERMAN — Betty Ann Johnson, 79, of Hagerman, Idaho, passed away peacefully on March 5, 2007, in a care facility in Twin Falls, Idaho, after struggling with long-term complications due to a stroke she suffered in April of 2004.

She was born in Boulder, Colo., on Dec. 3, 1927, to Maye H. and Vernon E. Carlson, Sr. As the middle child of three, she grew up loving opera and horses. She graduated from Boulder High School in 1945, after which she took a position as a school secretary for several years. On Feb. 26, 1949, she married Nathan E. Johnson, a native of Perryton, Texas. The couple met and became acquainted at the wedding of Marion's sister, Faye Johnson, to Betty's older brother, Vernon, in Akron, Ohio, in 1939. They celebrated their Golden Anniversary. At the time of her death, the couple had been married 58 years.



In the early years of their marriage, the couple lived at Calhan, Colo., and later moved to Akron, Colo., where they raised cattle and horses on the Rock Springs Ranch. While in Idaho, Betty was an active member of the Akron Methodist Church and a member of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority. She was a devoted mother to her three children and a wonderful housekeeper. She enjoyed sewing and cooking and was famous for her homemade Swedish rye bread and cinnamon rolls, which she often shared with neighbors or brought to church bazaars. She always made sure Christmas was a festive affair for her family. Anyone coming to Betty's home could count on good food and generous hospitality.

During her rough years in the cattle business, in 1965 the couple moved to Burns, Ore., where Betty worked as a secretary at the local credit union. It wasn't long before the family moved to Hagerman, Idaho, where Betty purchased a ranch north of Ely, Nev., where they lived and raised cattle until they retired in 1993.

While living in Ely, she enjoyed membership in the Nevada Cow Belts Association, after leaving Nevada for the next several years. Betty and Marion enjoyed traveling throughout the western states before buying their retirement home in the Hagerman valley. Betty loved spending time with her six grandchildren and took great pride in their accomplishments as they grew up. If there was a rodeo, a county fair, a graduation or a concert they were in, she generally managed a way to be present. One of her greatest joys was to see her children and her grandchildren succeed. Whether it was time or money, she never failed to help as much as she could. She will always be remembered by her family and friends as kind and generous.

For a number of years before her death, Betty struggled with several difficult physical challenges which she met with courage and determination. Even after her stroke, she never faltered in her will to live and her desire to someday get better.

Betty was preceded in death by her son, Kim Johnson, who was killed in a car crash at an early age; by her older brother, Vernon E. Carlson, Jr.; and her parents, Maye H. and Vernon E. Carlson, Sr., all of Boulder, Colo.

She is survived by her younger sister, Roberta M. Smith of Boulder, Colo.; her husband, Marion E. Johnson of Hagerman, Idaho; her eldest daughter, Banda George of Emmet, Idaho, and her three children, Tara, Molly and Anna George; and her youngest daughter, Robin Boies (Steve) of Wells, Nev., and their children, Teena, Nathan and Samuel. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and their families.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at White Mountain Chapel in the Park, 136 Fourth Ave. in Twin Falls, Idaho.

For those wishing to contribute, the family suggests memorials be made in her name to the Idaho Youth Ranch, the Heifer International Project, or a charity of choice.

Shirley D. Osterhout

DECLU — Shirley Dolores Hall Osterhout, 58-year-old Declo resident, passed away Thursday, March 8, 2007, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert, after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born Dec. 17, 1948, in Billb County, Macon, Ga., the daughter of Robert Osterhout and his wife, Marie Emma Walker Hall. She spent her early years in Georgia, S.D., and Minnesota, before settling in Idaho.



She married Stan Olson in Sioux Falls, S.D., and they were later divorced. Shirley married Mike Osterhout on Nov. 30, 1974, in Declo. Shirley had worked at the J.R. Simplot Co. and then as a bus driver for the Declo schools, which she loved.

Shirley loved spending, quilting, road trips, camping, fishing, friends and family.

Survivors include her husband, Mike of Declo; two daughters, Sarah (Alan) Goeckner and Melissa Osterhout and her fiancé, Robert Thomas, all of Twin Falls; three grandchildren, Kevin, Kyle and Klara; a brother, John (Esther) Coble of Stoughton, Texas; five sisters, Bobbie (Steve) Cox Walton of Fairfield, Beck (Keith) Osterhout of Declo, Patty (Joe) Ferrell of Rupert, Sharon (Tom) Spann of Lewiston, Idaho; and the late of Humble, Texas; a brother-in-law, Dan Miller of Rupert; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. She was preceded in death by her parents; her maternal grandparents, and her father, Walker; her paternal grandparents, Henry and Reba Hall; a sister, Barbara Miller; and several aunts and uncles.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 12, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Declo Stake Center, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Tim Darrington officiating. Burial will be in the Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Monday at the church.

SERVICES

Charlotte L. Evenson of Filoer, celebration of life in noon on Monday, March 12, at the Heritage Pentecostal Church, 500 Fifth St. in Filer (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Grace B. Lehrsch Carles of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 10 a.m. Monday, March 12, at Heritage Alliance Church, 401 Sixth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Vernon "Butch" Bradshaw of Milner, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at White Saturday, Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicalvalley.com.

Brian Lloyd

TWIN FALLS — Brian Lloyd, 42, of Twin Falls, died Friday, March 9, 2007, at the home of his son, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Jan. 24, 1965, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Clyde and Mary Lloyd. He was raised in St. Anthony and attended schools there. He was in Job Corps, where he learned the welding trade. In 1995, he married Rhonda Palmer in Rexburg and they lived in the St. Anthony area until moving to Twin Falls in 2002. Brian was an accomplished welder, worked in heating and plumbing, and also worked at Barton's Club Jr. in Jackpot. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and spending time in Jackpot with his wife.



He is survived by his wife, Rhonda Lloyd of Twin Falls; two children, Scott Palmer of Twin Falls and Alicia Palmer of San Diego, Calif.; one grandson, Quinton Ray Palmer; his father, Clyde Lloyd of St. Anthony; his mother, Mary Fuller of St. Anthony; three brothers, Eddie, Randy and Vernon; and six sisters, Cassandra, Danielle, Stephanie, Brenda, Betty Jean and Judy Lynn, as well as by numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his beloved stepfather, Stan Fuller; nephew, Johnny Badachi; Aunt Jeannie; and by his grandparents.

Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." Services for Brian will be in Twin Falls at a later time.

The family would like to express their deep appreciation to Dr. Seth Wheeler and his nurse Susie and as well as to Gall from Idaho Home Health and Hospice for the loving care given to Brian.

DEATH NOTICE

Richard C. Winther

TWIN FALLS — Richard Carl Winther, 51, of Twin Falls, died at his home. A memorial service is pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Richard Trent Van Leuven

PLAIN CITY, Utah — Richard Trent Van Leuven, 40, passed away Wednesday, March 7, 2007, due to injuries sustained in a car accident.

Rick was born May 14, 1966, in Burley, Idaho, to Trent and Sharon Van Leuven. He graduated from Declo High School in 1984. He played basketball and football in high school. On June 20, 1986, he married his high school sweetheart, Debbie Bywater, and they have been together for over 20 years. They had two precious children, Nathan and Tana.



He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many callings. His first love was spending time with his family and friends. He also enjoyed golfing, boating, coaching and playing softball. He enjoyed traveling with family and friends. Rick had a love for life and always had a joke to make someone smile. He was a loving father and a true friend.

Rick was previously

employed at the IRS, and at the time of his death was employed at the Clearfield Post Office as a mail carrier, where he cherished the friendships of many.

He is survived by his wife, Debbie, and his children, Nathan and Tana, all of Twin Falls, Idaho; his mother, Sharon (Dixie) Jensen of Heyburn, Idaho; his father, Trent (Rachel) Van Leuven of Ogden, Utah; sisters, Kim (Jeff) War of Murtaugh, Idaho, and Dena (Josh) Allen of Twin Falls, Idaho; brother, Trent Van Leuven Jr. of Ogden; and in-laws, Gary and Marilyn Bywater, Jan Bywater, and Dan Bywater.

Rick was preceded in death by his grandfather, A. G. Gules, and grandmother, Bertha Van Leuven Christensen.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 12, at the Plain City 5th Ward Chapel, 4630 W. 2150 N. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Lindquist's Ogden Mortuary, 3408 Washington Blvd., and one hour prior to the service Monday at the ward chapel. Interment will be in West Valley Cemetery. Email condolences to the family at lom@lindquist-mortuary.com.

White-supremacist group disrupts N. Idaho human rights speech

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The FBI and local police in this northern Idaho city are monitoring possible renewed activity by a white-supremacist group, an FBI official said.

"We're very concerned about the presence of these groups in the area and it's a priority," said Dan Robinson, supervisory agent for the FBI's Coeur d'Alene office. "These remaining factions are trying to establish relevance."

On Thursday, four men in their 20s started shouting Aryan Nations slogans during Tony Stewart's speech at the Human Rights Education Institute in Coeur d'Alene. His speech was about the Nazi movement in northern Idaho and how it was defeated.

"I didn't actually hear what they were saying," Stewart, a North Idaho College instructor and local civil rights leader, told the Coeur d'Alene Press. "It's not proper for anyone to interrupt like that. We have to have civility and we've always had a period for questions and answers."

Northern Idaho has a history of hate groups. Beginning

in 1981, many from throughout the United States and Canada gathered every July at the Aryan Nations compound near Hayden Lake for the three-day Aryan World Congress.

The group's leader, Richard Butler, lost the compound after he was hit with a \$6.3 million civil judgment in 2000. Two members of a family who had been attacked by Aryan Nations members in 1998 won the judgment in a lawsuit, and Butler was forced to sell the property following bankruptcy.

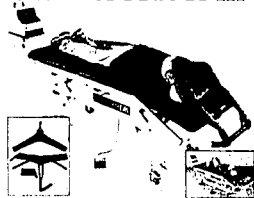
Despite Butler's 2004 death, there have been other incidents, including a cross burning in Spirit Lake last summer.

Robinson said remnants of the Aryan Nations remain in northern Idaho, though it is now based in Lexington, S.C. The group's motto is "Violence solves everything," and it now operates as a decentralized, leaderless entity with "autonomous cells."

"These cells," according to the group, are waiting for a signal to begin a war to create

a white homeland. But Robinson doubted the group had the ability to carry out such a plan with sleeper cells. "Typically, sleeper cells don't go on a Web site and out such a plan with advertise," Robinson said.

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"We rehearse over and over and over until we get it right. It's like some of the best people he can find. You get light shows, music, entertainment — it's not like most rodeos you go to."

When CSI hired Davis in 1977, he ranked third at the National Finals. "I was pretty lucky," he said, and only when continuously asked did he admit, "I did have experience and some ability."

Thirty years after Davis won the national championship in college, he coached his son, Zane, into winning the championship.

"There is a very small margin between being a winner and just average," he said.

Coaching rodeo, like managing its events, requires the highest level of orchestration, Davis said. When it all comes together, Davis gets a rush of adrenaline. He's been getting that rush since age 6, when he

entered rodeo against his parents' wishes.

"His world of experience is insurmountable," said Jesser. "From the days of junior rodeos to college championships, he went on to win three world titles riding bucking horses."

Davis, a former president of the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association, reaped three World Champion Saddle Bronc titles, 12 National Finals Rodeo appearances and two

Man of the Year honors.

Davis' accomplishments earned him induction into the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Hall of Fame.

"He is the best in the business," Jesser said. "He has an uncanny ability to envision things happening and to put that vision to work."

"The community is going to thoroughly miss him. On behalf of the community, we don't bid him goodbye. We bid him good luck."

Crump

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cups of coffee daily, and 34 percent of them consume four or more cups.

Bottom line: When your eyelids are snapping shut like Venetian blinds, you're not fuzzy.

When I was in college, I was a Navy ROTC student, which involved going on a cruise aboard a ship every summer. Midshipmen — lower in the Navy hierarchy than wharf rats — were often assigned to the Mid Watch (midnight to 4 a.m.) or the Morning Watch (4

to 8 a.m.)

A ship at sea at night is full of white noise — engines whirring, waves breaking across the bow, machinery humming. If the ocean is relatively calm, the vessel rocks up and down in a predictable rhythm. It's impossible for the unaccustomed to stay awake.

Up on the bridge, the captain gets all the hot Joe he wants, but the big insulated vats of coffee that keep lesser personnel conscious are replenished less frequently.

Besides, night sea breezes

turn a cup of coffee stone cold in minutes.

But it will keep you awake, one way or another. The non-commissioned officers who were our supervisors warned us that nodding off on duty was a capital offense.

They weren't kidding: If you fell asleep, they'd dump whatever was left in the coffee pot over your head.

I never had a colder shower.

Times-News columnist Steve Crump can be reached at 733-3227 or scrump@magicvalley.com.

Carey

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least, organizers held a silent auction, a live auction, many raffles, as well as a talent show, special musical numbers and a small carnival for kids.

All proceeds were divided between the two families. "We have eight kids that belong to these women in our school we have to do something to help them," Pyrah said.

For more information about how to help these families, call the Carey School at (208) 823-4391 or (208) 578-

5040, Lynda Pyrah at (208) 823-4590 or (208) 481-2947, or Lorna Hamell at (208) 789-5824.

"We hope we will be able to donate enough to these families to help them with their burden," Pyrah said.

The family of **Brian Schmidt** would like to express our gratitude to everyone for their kindness and sympathy in our time of sorrow with thoughts, prayers, cards, telephone calls, food, flowers and donations. A very special thank-you to Kevin Rosenau and his staff at White Mortuary for the help they provided.

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Keeping the public's business public

Idaho open-records group enlists Shakespearean actors

By John Miller, Associated Press writer

BOISE — To open or not to open government, that is the question Shakespearean actors may soon help answer. Millions for Openness in Government last month won a \$30,000 national grant to enlist the Idaho Shakespeare Festival troupe in a new video on state laws meant to keep the public's business public.

The group includes journalists, law professors and state officials and was formed in 2004 to educate the media and public officials about Idaho's open meeting and records laws. The grant came in time for Sunshine Week, a nationwide effort to draw attention to the public's right to know.

"People who work in government have a lot of questions about open government, open records and the media," said Betsy Russell, IDOG president and a reporter at the Spokesman-Review newspaper. "That's what we need: Everyone to know what the laws are, and to know how to comply with them."

The open meeting law was enacted in 1974 and lawmakers passed an open records law in 1990.

And in three years, IDOG and Attorney General Lawrence Wasden have partnered on a dozen seminars around the state on open government issues, helping reduce confusion.

Still, questions regularly arise about how the laws should be applied, Russell said, and the new DVD will allow the group's message to reach more people.

The money for the production comes from the National Freedom of Information Coalition, through the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Idaho Public Television will help produce the videos, to highlight issues now bedeviling local elected officials, the courts and the state legislature.

For instance, there's an ongoing Supreme Court battle over an illegal private meeting by the Ada County Commission in 2005. This lent momentum to a proposed law change in the 2007 legislature.

Meanwhile, in Boise County, in the mountains north of Boise, foes of a large

subdivision plan sued the county commission last year, alleging it illegally barred them from a July meeting where the development was approved.

And in September, members of the Teton County Commission in eastern Idaho agreed to fines of \$75 — half the maximum penalty — after meeting secretly in May.

Though that case was resolved, concerns over openness and local government ethics affected the outcome of the 2006 election, said new Commissioner Larry Young, who ousted one of the incumbents.

"The one violation was maybe just the last straw," Young told The Associated Press. "An amalgamation of things can poison the public perception. We're not talking about national security. This is county government, which should be the people's business."

Idaho's open meetings law obligates Wasden as the attorney general to enforce it for state government. Also, he's often called in to prosecute cases such as the one in Ada County that so far has cost taxpayers more than \$30,000 in legal fees. Commissioners there are fighting paying fines of as much as \$150.

But it isn't just local government that sometimes struggles with the law's nuances, said Wasden.

He also fields queries from reporters, he said. A lot of media folks are coming in from other states, and while they may be familiar with the federal Freedom of Information Act and open records provisions of other states, they don't know Idaho's, Wasden said.

Aides in Wasden's office say


they had received two to three inquiries per week about possible open-meetings or open-records violations before the IDOG seminars began three years ago. Now, it's down to about one per month, said AG spokesman Bob Cooper.

Wasden will be featured along with the Shakespearean actors in the upcoming DVD. The open-records group's leaders say the production will include examples of what

the state's laws permit and forbid, storytelling, commentary — and where the public can turn for resources should they feel they've been wronged by a violation.

"It's a combination of vigilance and education," said Elinor Chelvey, a board member from the League of Women Voters in Boise. "People are interested in seeing things happen out in the open."

Dr. Craig Holman

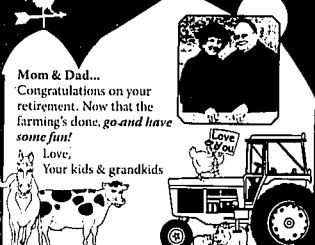


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Undeterred by trials

Burley's Wardle persevered in the face of adversity

By Trena Tegza
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Janice Wardle endured more than her share of hardships in her life, but never let it harden her heart.

She died Jan. 28 at the age of 72.

Janice Fay Fortier was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on July 13, 1934, during the Depression. When she was 13 years old her sister Joan died of polio. Just a year later, her father Walter Niron Fortier died of cancer and her mother Phoebe Madeline Henderson Fortier went to work at a hotel, which sometimes kept her away for days at a time. Money was scarce and often dinner would consist of a few crackers with mustard. Since material things were few, her family's favorite pastime was spending time together. Though she didn't have much, she was thankful for her life and the things she did have.

She graduated from East High School in Salt Lake City, Utah. She worked hard to earn her nursing degree from Ricks College in Rexburg, and shortly after she met Dean Williams. The two were married in 1955. Their first home was a railroad box car they hauled onto the land he was farming.

Through hard work and dedication, they began to prosper. The couple had seven children by 1976 and their oldest son, Steven, was serving a church mission. In June, however, their 16-year-old son David was killed in a motorcycle accident. Two months later, Dean was killed in a plane crash, followed by his mother's death another two months later of cancer. Although she recalled those times with a tear in her eye as the most difficult of her life, she never spoke a word of anger about the events of the past. She always expressed a grateful heart for the present and the blessings she did have.

"She magically turned negatives into positives without fanfare," her daughter Laura Jones said. "She didn't draw attention to herself, but took joy in lifting and building others."

In 1978 she married Clyde Wardle, bringing together a blend of 12 children. The couple served two missions for their church, one to Brigham Young University Hawaii and one to Nauvoo, Ill.

Her most cherished times were still those spent with family, whether it was baking homemade bread, helping her children make a blueberry tart or reading to her children for hours at a time.

She taught her children the value of learning and the value of sharing. Her daughter Leanna Parks remembers her mother helping them make gift boxes for needy families.

"Mom always taught us the power of giving rather than receiving, and how much we really did have," Leanna said. "She was always a selfless woman."

On more than one occasion she gave food and money to the homeless or needy she saw on the street. There was no wanting with Janice. If she saw someone in need she immediately set out to provide for them whatever necessity they might be lacking. Material things were not important to her. She was known to say, "I'd rather live in a tent than fight over material things."

Although gentle, she stood her ground on issues of ethics and morals and wasn't afraid to call foul an action or behavior of someone, without belittling them. She could be firm yet always with love.

Her son, Brian Parks, said, "You always knew where you stood with Mom. There was no guessing game, because she thoroughly enjoyed anyone's company she was in. She made whomever she was with feel that they were the most important person at the time."

Janice always had a special place in her heart for children



More than anything, Janice Wardle loved spending time with family. Children held a special place in her heart. Here she spends time with three of her grandchildren.



Clyde and Janice Wardle dress the part of early Americans while serving an LDS mission to Nauvoo, Ill.

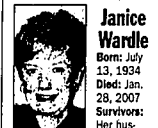
and not just her own. Children seemed to gravitate to her everywhere she went. On numerous occasions she would invite in the neighborhood children and give them a treat.

In spite of the many trials she endured throughout her life, Janice remained positive and looked for the good in everyone and everything.

According to her daughters Nancy Cox and Susan Robbins the impressions she made were many and cannot be counted, but will live on in the lives of all she met.

Janice always had a special place in her heart for children

a Life remembered



Janice Wardle
Born: July 13, 1934
Died: Jan. 28, 2007
Survivors: Her husband, Clyde C. Wardle of Burley; her children, Steven (Annette Searle) Parks, Leanna Parks, Susan (Greg) Robbins, Nancy (DeJoy) Cox, Laura (Rod) Jones, Brian (Cindi Schofield) Parks, Larry (Sandra Manning) Wardle, Russell (Carolyn Thompson) Wardle, Jay (Millie Black) Wardle, Diane (Toby Harding, Daria) (Alan) Nielson and Paula Wardle Miller, 54 grandchildren and 38 great-grandchildren.

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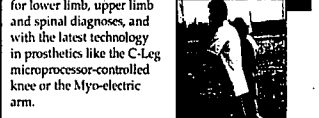
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Otter seeks OK for Cuba trade mission

BOISE (AP) — State officials have filed applications with the U.S. State Department for Gen. C.L. "Otter" Otter to travel to the communist island nation of Cuba on a trade mission to promote Idaho agricultural products.

Cuba has been under a trade and travel embargo since 1962, which Otter would like to see lifted.

"While in Congress, he made it clear that the embargo on Cuba was a failure," Mark Wadish, Otter's communications director, told the *Idaho Statesman*. "It's not the government, but the people it's punishing."

Otter would be part of a trade mission that would include other state officials as well as business leaders. State officials hope to receive approval by the end of the month, and travel to Cuba next month.

The U.S. began allowing the sale of food and medicine to Cuba in 2000.

As a U.S. congressman representing Idaho, Otter traveled to Cuba three times in 2003 and 2004. A February 2004 visit



Otter

included Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, and the two met with Cuban President Fidel Castro and negotiated a \$10 million trade agreement.

But little trade resulted because Cuba didn't want to pay prices Idaho companies required, said Sid Smith, Craig's spokesman.

The Idaho Commerce and Labor Department reported that Idaho exported \$22.613 worth of frozen vegetables to Cuba in 2004.

Developing trade relations would be a "fantastic idea," said Robin Lorenzen, a professor of sociology at Albertson College in Caldwell.

"It would be very beneficial to Idaho farmers and the Cubans as well," she said.

Nina Ray, a professor of marketing at Boise State University, said the visit is a smart idea considering Castro's falling health and the possibility of improved relations between the two nations were Castro to die.

She said that might lead to markets for high-tech products from Idaho.

"Cubans aren't ignorant about high tech," Ray said. "Although they can't afford high tech, they are very educated, and if trade does open up more it would open up for our high-tech products."

Judge cites misconduct by N. Idaho prosecutor's office

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A judge on the Idaho Court of Appeals who took part in overturning an aggravated assault conviction called the case "yet another in a long line or pattern of repetitious misconduct" by the Kootenai County prosecutor's office.

In the decision Friday, Judge Pro Tom Alan Schwartzman cited seven other cases as examples of alleged misconduct in the courtroom and said the prosecutor's office had a "less than enviable track record."

Kootenai County Prosecutor Bill Douglas told *The Spokesman-Review* that he "respectfully disagreed."

Rick Baughman, who resigned last month as chief deputy prosecutor amid sexual harassment allegations, handled most of the cases cited. The chief deputy prosecutor before him, Lansing Haynes, who is now a district judge, was the attorney in one case, and Deputy Prosecutor Art Verharen prosecuted two, including the aggravated

assault case that the appeals court overturned Friday.

Douglas said his office prosecuted 1,200 felony cases in 2005 and had a 90 percent conviction rate, and that it was unfair to look at the eight cases out of context.

"We have a long track record of convictions in tough cases, that we achieve through ethical, vigorous prosecution," Douglas said.

"We have a long record of success."

Friday's ruling overturned the 2003 conviction of Derek E. Phillips for allegedly threatening a woman with a pickup. During closing arguments, Verharen characterized the testimony of two of the state's own witnesses in the case as "implausible, ridiculous and lies," Judge Karen Lansing wrote.

The other seven cases were upheld on appeal, but in some of those opinions, prosecutors were criticized for prejudicial or improper statements made during closing arguments.

Tribe threatens ag products tax if Idaho collects gasoline tax

BOISE (AP) — The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes have passed a resolution to begin taxing agricultural products raised by non-Indian farmers on their reservation, if Idaho taxes tribal fuel sales without first negotiating an agreement with the tribes.

The resolution marks the latest move in an ongoing dispute between the two sides over how to divide \$3.5 million in annual revenue from gas sold on reservations.

Idaho wants it to pay for roadwork on highways used by cars and trucks that fill up at reservation stations, then drive outside reservation boundaries. The tribes say they need the taxes like any other government, to pay for roads and schools.

The House voted 49-18 Thursday for a bill to begin taxing gas sold on reservations, unless the tribes reach an agreement with the state by Dec. 1 on how to divvy up the money.

In anticipation of that vote, the tribes approved their own resolution last week to tax agricultural products raised by non-Indian farmers on the Fort Hall reservation.



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REGION 18 TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS

CSI men claim tourney title

Golden Eagles edge Salt Lake in victory

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — The smiles said it all. Saturday night, it was about more than an 85-77 win over the rival Salt Lake Community College Bruins. It was about more than cutting down the nets at the Snow College Activity Center in Ephraim, Utah — the site where the College of Southern Idaho lost the outright regular-season Scenic West Athletic Conference title with a pair of losses to the Badgers. Saturday night, it was all about winning and the chance to win again. For a CSI program rich in tradition, it's the winning that never gets old.

"Never." CSI head coach Barret Peery said. "You just get more greedy because you don't ever want the streak to stop."

That streak is one of four consecutive Region 18 Tournament championships for one of the top programs in NCAA Division I basketball. Now, the Golden Eagles have the opportunity to play their way into the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., with a win Tuesday over Arizona Western College in Salt Lake City.

"It feels good, but we've just got to win five more games," CSI sophomore Kelvin Davis said. "We've got to take care of business."

The win was especially sweet for CSI's starting point guard, Paul Wayne, who transferred from SLCC over the summer. Wayne had to sit out the first 10 games of the season after Bruin officials declined to sign his release from the college. Saturday night, despite chants of "Traitor" shouted in his direction from the SLCC fans, Wayne helped CSI to the win with five points, eight assists and four rebounds.

"The 10 games was worth it," Wayne said with a huge smile. "The 10 games was worth it."

The No. 9 Golden Eagles were led by tournament MVP Brad Garrett, who scored a team-high 19 points in the win. Sophomore Kelvin Davis added 16, while freshman post Art Parakhouski gave CSI a big boost off the bench with a 12-point, 10-rebound double-double.

"While the Golden Eagles took some time to celebrate the win, they all know the celebration will be short with another battle for their playoff lives looming."

"We've got another game on Tuesday and we have to get ready for that," Garrett said. "We can't celebrate for long. Every game gets bigger."

The Bruins played their usual smart game behind Gary Wilkinson's 21-point, 11-rebound double-double, as SLCC shot 46

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College of Southern Idaho sophomores Paul Wayne and Kelvin Ford celebrate with the Region 18 Tournament championship trophy after defeating the Salt Lake Community College Bruins 85-77 Saturday night in Ephraim, Utah.

Region 18 Tournament Team

MVP: Brad Garrett, CSI

First team: Brian Green, Salt Lake CC; Brandon Stones, CSI; Jake Peterson, Snow College; Gary Wilkinson, Salt Lake CC; Nick Livi, North Idaho College.

All-Region 18 Team

Co-coaches of the Year: Tyler Kepkay, Eastern Utah
Rogier Reid, Snow College
First team: Brad Garrett, CSI; Nick Livi, North Idaho; Kelvin

Davis, CSI; Gary Wilkinson, Salt Lake CC; Geoff Payne, Snow College.

Second team: Anthony Oliver, Eastern Utah; Jeremy Labban, Eastern Utah; Danton Lyles, Salt Lake CC; Shawn Henderson, North Idaho; Juan Patisilo, CSI; Brian Green, Salt Lake CC; Chris Hoopes, Snow College; Brandon Stones, CSI.
Honorable mention: Houston Power, Colorado NW; Scott Stockwell, North Idaho; Jake Peterson, Snow College.



CSI head coach Barret Peery celebrates after cutting down the nets after Saturday's championship game.

Art makes most of dozen minutes

By Bradley Gaire
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — College of Southern Idaho center Art Parakhouski didn't get to put a lot of minutes into the Golden Eagles' Region 18 championship win over Salt Lake Community College. But the minutes he played, he made sure counted.

The 6-foot-11 freshman faced off with an equally imposing Gary Wilkinson and did himself proud. In his 12 minutes of play, Parakhouski put up a 12-point, 10-rebound double-double and blocked two shots.

"I was not worried about Wilkinson," he said. "I know how he plays... but, the results are good." Had it not been for his contribution, the Golden Eagles might be saying "maybe next year." But they're not.

"He played tremendous," head coach Barret Peery said. "We rely on our whole team, and he stepped up." Brandon Stones had some trouble against the Bruins and knew that another solution must present itself. It came in the form of Parakhouski.

"They obviously had a good game plan to slow Brandon down, but he stepped aside, and Art gave us some good minutes," Peery added.

It's the kind of contribution the Golden Eagles are looking for right now.

The play-in game against Arizona Western College looms on Tuesday in Salt Lake City with a spot in the NCAA Tournament on the line. Parakhouski knows what they need.

"We need to be together and stay as a family," he said. If CSI can do just that, consider Kansas the perfect destination for a road trip for the whole CSI family.

CSI women come up a few bounces short in Region 18 finale

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — It just didn't happen.

The No. 24 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team had the rally going, had the chances, but wound up with everything but the win. The Salt Lake Community College Bruins ended CSI's season Saturday night in the Region 18 Tournament championship game, winning 74-69 at Snow College.

"I knew we were going to win, even when there was 45 seconds left," CSI sophomore Ashley Thompson said. "It didn't happen. I was sick."

Needing a key stop with 35.4 seconds left, the Golden Eagles lost track of SLCC's McKenzie Jessop, who scored a backdoor layup to tie the game and the Bruins' second consecutive trip to the NJCAA National Tournament. The Golden Eagles were left with what might have been. What might have been if one of the three shots that rimmed out for Maria Moore on one late possession would have fallen. What might have been if more than 27.6 percent of CSI's shots



CSI players Alexia Tucker (center), Anita Burdick (left) and Eva Ivanova (right) walk with head coach Randy Rogers to receive their second-place trophy after losing the Region 18 Tournament championship game 74-69 to Salt Lake Community College Saturday night in Ephraim.

in a hard-fought game would have found their marks.

"Those last shots really kind of summed up the game," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said. "Those are those little runners, shots that Maria makes, but we

couldn't even get those little babies to go."

The Bruins had no such problems getting shots to fall in their inside-out scheme, connecting on over half of their 50 shot attempts.

Tournament MVP Katie King led the way with 20 points and 12 rebounds, while Danielle McDonald added 19. The Golden Eagles were led by

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Bratvold bids goodbye

By Bradley Gaire
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — View Amy Bratvold's career as a basketball player as a metaphor for a locomotive, and consider the Region 18 championship the last of her stops in the Magic Valley.

The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team lost 74-69 to Salt Lake Community College, and she was on the 2006-07 team that took the Class SA state consolation trophy and a leader of her senior-heavy squad in 2004-05.

That year, Bratvold and fellow Bruins' Hannah Heldenreich and Jamie Edwards along with many other seniors went back to state for the third-place trophy.

It remains the highest finish for a Bruin Falls girls basketball team. "I have so many good

Bratvold leaves behind a legacy of the local girl who could play ball with a perennial NJCAA powerhouse.

"(Bratvold) shows that local kids can play." CSI women's head coach Randy Rogers said. "Her legacy is that it can happen."

She made it happen for herself with her standout performances as a Bruin under the direction of head coach Joe D. Shepard. She was on the 2003-04 team that took the Class SA state consolation trophy and a leader of her senior-heavy squad in 2004-05.

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SPORTS

Competitive first night at CSI Intercollegiate Rodeo

By Diane Phillips Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — An announcement was made notifying spectators that they had 15 seconds to find their seats. At precisely 8 p.m., the lights went out as tradition, the lasers came on and it was time for the 31st Annual College of Southern Idaho Intercollegiate Rodeo to kick off the 2007 rodeo season in the Magic Valley.

Utah Valley State College team, won with a 65-point ride, followed by Denik Page from Utah State with a 62 and Morgan Wilde of Idaho State a point behind with 61.

"The scholarship is based on rodeo ability, academics and the contributions to the success of the rodeo program," said CSI head coach Shawn Davis.

With a 66-point ride followed by Taylor White with 65 and Nick Rydback received a 61. Buck DeMers from CSI was fourth with a 54.

After winning the saddle horn riding earlier, Taylor White from UVSC wasn't as lucky in the bull riding. Taylor had faced Desert Angel Leather two previous times with the same results.

Jerome pitching dominates in wins

Times-News

JEROME — The Jerome baseball team picked up two wins Saturday, defeating Middleton 2-0, and routing Bigby 9-2.

allowing two runs. Coach Bobrowski said it "was unfortunate we gave up those two runs, since we committed the three errors. We should have backed up better."

ended the game in a devastating fashion for the Broncos. Wood River tallied five runs on six hits, and had two errors. Mountain Home had seven runs off 12 hits, and committed three errors. No further information was available.

Wood River will travel to Jerome on Wednesday.

CSI baseball earns two more wins over CNCC

Times-News

RANGLEY, COLORADO — The College of Southern Idaho swept its second doubleheader in two days against Colorado Northwestern Community College. The sweeps lift the Eagles to a 13-8 record overall.

Table with 2 columns: Game 1, Game 2. Rows include scores and player statistics for various teams.

Wendell blasts Minico JV

RUPERT — The Minico Spartans kept the Minico JV in convincing fashion, winning Game 1 21-0, and Game 2 14-3.

Wendell pitcher Ian Guthrie pitched well enough, and in position for a victory, before the wheels fell off. Gove wound up pitching 6 1/3 innings and had two strikeouts, but allowed 12 hits, including the home run that

Elliot pitched the first game, throwing nine shutout innings, but got only two pitches outside the strike zone in those three innings, but had no strikeouts. Minico put the ball into play, but was ineffective at finding any holes in the Trojan defense. The Spartans could manage only four hits.

Wendell (2-0) will next host Declo in a Thursday doubleheader.

CSI softball drops pair

Times-News

COUER D'ALENE — After taking two games from North Idaho College on Friday, the College of Southern Idaho softball team suffered to narrow losses on Saturday.

Table with 2 columns: Game 1, Game 2. Rows include scores and player statistics for various teams.

Boise State women win WAC tourney title

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Boise State headed to the WAC tournament for the first time in 13 years thanks to Tasha Harris.

She attacked down the left side. The bottom (Aggie) wing would go out to take a shooter and that left a gap open. She did a nice job and got aggressive. We had been very, very passive against that thing until she started attacking.

Boise State's only points over the final 4 minutes were a pair of free throws by Sherrell Neal with 1:18 remaining.

Neal missed two free throws with 4:44 left as the Aggies up 44-43 and teammate Anika Ingers missed the front end of a one-and-one with 1:18 remaining.

Burley rallies to split with Bonneville

By Sven Berg For the Times-News

BURLEY — There is joy in Mudville. After suffering a 13-3 blowout in the first game of its doubleheader against the visiting Bonneville Bees Saturday, Burley put on an eight-run rally late in the second game that turned a bleak afternoon on its head with an 8-7 win.

Minico hammers Madison

By Chuck Mann For the Times-News

RUPERT — The Minico Spartans opened their 2007 baseball season in convincing fashion, taking both games of a doubleheader against the Madison Bobcats, 16-0 and 14-4, Saturday at Minico High School's Warburton Field.

Burley rallies to split with Bonneville

But Beck is no Casey. He jumped on the next fastball he saw and drilled it on one hop off the left field fence, clearing the bases. The rally was on.

When the dust settled at the end of the sixth, Burley had trimmed the Bees' lead to two runs.

Hoskins walked, third baseman Kade Redder ripped a line shot toward left field whose voyage ended prematurely in Bonneville third baseman Mike Demotropolis' glove.

By Chuck Mann For the Times-News

He pitched really good. "Spartans coach Ben Frank said, 'After the first inning — I don't know if it was nerves being the first time out or if he was just trying to do too much — but he pitched a gem for us. He pitched really well.'"

Minico hammers Madison

stuck out Joyce, he walked Barnes to load the bases. Wolf then walked Anderson, which brought in Christensen for a run. Winnill hit a two-run double to score Moon and Barnes, and Tracy reached on a fielding error that allowed Anderson to score.

Table with 2 columns: Game 1, Game 2. Rows include scores and player statistics for various teams.

SPORTS

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Buckeyes closing in on top seed

CHICAGO — Greg Oden put together a highlight package for NBA scouts and helped No. 1 Ohio State move to the finals of the Big Ten tournament and a step closer to a top seed in the NCAA tournament.

Oden had 17 points, a tournament-record 19 rebounds and four blocks Saturday and the Buckeyes (29-3) pulled away late from scrappy Purdue for a 63-52 victory.

Carl Landry scored 24 points for the Bollweckers, who managed just four baskets in the final 10 minutes — three by Landry — cooling off at the wrong time against the talented Buckeyes.

Purdue (21-11), losing for the third time this season to the Buckeyes, will have to wait until Sunday's selection announcement to see if they will make the NCAA tournament.

No. 3 Wisconsin 53, Illinois 41

CHICAGO — Alando Tucker set the Badgers career scoring record and finished with 21 points to set up a championship matchup with the Buckeyes.

Kameron Taylor scored all but two of his 16 points in the second half for Wisconsin (29-3). Tucker began the day with 2,146 points — one shy of Michael Finley — and set the record on his first attempt.

Warren Carter scored 14 for Illinois (23-11), which had won 18 straight at the United Center.

Big 12 Tournament

No. 2 Kansas 67, Kansas State 61

OKLAHOMA CITY — Mario Chalmers scored 16 points and the Jayhawks held off a second-half charge from the Wildcats.

Julian Wright added 12 points, including a jumper with 1:05 left that put the game out of reach, and Sherron Collins had 10 points and six assists for the top-seeded Jayhawks (22-9), who advanced to the Big 12 championship game against Texas.

Carlier Martin had 17 points for Kansas State (22-11).

No. 15 Texas 69, Oklahoma State 64

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant scored 26 points and hit the decisive 3-pointer to help Texas hold off Oklahoma State in a Big 12 semifinal, giving the Longhorns the rubber match in the season series.

Playing in front of a partisan Oklahoma State crowd at the Ford Center, Texas (24-8) dealt the Cowboys their first loss in their seven games in the building. A.J. Abrams added 20 points, while D.J. Augustin had 15 points, six assists and three steals.

James On Curry led Oklahoma State (22-12) with 24 points and Mario Boggan added 21.

SEC Tournament

No. 6 Florida 80, Mississippi 59

ATLANTA — Corey Brewer scored 22 points. Lee Humphrey added 17 and the Gators moved a game closer to a threepeat at the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Defending national champion Florida (28-5) jumped out to a quick 11-point lead and was never seriously challenged by the Rebels (20-12).

Clarence Sanders was the Rebels' lone player in double figures with 21 points. Tarence Green added 14 points for Florida, which buried the Rebels by going 10-of-24 from beyond the 3-point arc.

ACC Tournament

No. 8 North Carolina 71, Boston College 56

TAMPA, Fla. — Brandon Wright scored



Ohio State center Greg Oden reacts after dunking the ball during the second half of their Big Ten Tournament basketball semifinal game against Purdue in Chicago, Saturday.

scored 17 points and Tigers extended the nation's longest winning streak to 22 games to wrap up their second straight Conference USA tournament championship.

The Tigers (30-3) became the first Conference USA to go undefeated in the regular season, then win the tournament title.

Oliver Lafayette had 23 points for Houston (18-15), which hadn't played in a conference tournament championship since 1992. Jahmar Thorpe added 15.

American East Championship

Albany 60, Vermont 59

BURLINGTON — Omar Wilson scored 23 points, Jason Siggers added 14 and the Great Danes won the America East conference championship to earn a spot in the NCAA tournament.

Albany (23-9) reprised its victory over Vermont in last year's title game, but this time won before a raucous Vermont home crowd.

Marqus Blakely and Mike Trimball led the Catamounts (25-7) with 10 points apiece.

Atlantic 10 Championship

George Washington 78, Rhode Island 69

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Carl Elliott scored 17 points to help George Washington defeat Rhode Island in the Atlantic 10 final and give the Colonials their third consecutive NCAA bid.

Dokun Akingbade added 15 points for George Washington (23-8). Maureece Rice had 12 and Regis Kundujia 11.

Will Daniels scored a career-high 29 points for Rhode Island (19-14), which was in its first tourney final since 1999.

MEAC Championship

Florida A&M 58, Delaware State 56

RALEIGH, N.C. — Brian Greene's buzzer-beating layup lifted Florida A&M past Delaware State in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship.

Greene finished with 22 points and 13 rebounds for the Rattlers (21-13), who earned their fourth NCAA tournament berth but first since 2004.

Roy Bright had 23 points and Elyon Bush added 10 for top-seeded Delaware State (21-12), which was denied its second trip to the NCAA tournament in three years.

Southwestern Championship

Jackson St. 81, Mississippi Valley St. 71

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Terry Johnson scored 33 points to lead Jackson State over Mississippi Valley State in the Southwestern Athletic Conference final.

The win sends the Tigers (21-13) to the NCAA tournament for the first time in seven years.

Carl Lucas led Mississippi Valley (18-15) with 22 points and Ylichius Snow added 15.

Mid-American Championship

Miami (Ohio) 53, Akron 52

CLEVELAND — Doug Penno made a controversial 3-pointer off the glass as the horn sounded to give Miami a stunning win over Akron in the Mid-American Conference championship.

Penno shot set off a premature celebration by Miami's players, coaches and fans at midcourt. Eventually, 0.6 seconds were put back on the clock, giving Akron one last chance.

But an inbound pass to Nick Goddard went out of bounds, ending the game. Jeremiah Wood led the Zips (26-7) with 17 points.

— The Associated Press



UINLV players hold the Mountain West men's basketball tournament championship trophy following their 78-70 victory over Brigham Young in Las Vegas, Saturday.

Rebel rally: UINLV surges past BYU

LAS VEGAS — Michael Umeh was the first one up the ladder to cut down the nets after UINLV won the Mountain West Conference championship. He overcame a lot to earn that honor.

The senior guard who considered leaving UINLV after coach Charlie Spoonhour stepped down for health reasons in 2004 led the Runnin' Rebels to their first NCAA tournament bid in seven years Saturday night.

Umeh scored 18 points in No. 25 UINLV's 78-70 comeback win over BYU in the Mountain West tournament final. Wink Adams added 15 points as the Rebels overcame an early double-digit deficit against the top-seeded Cougars, who got a career-high 34 points from Keena Young.

"Definitely has been a long journey," Umeh said. "Definitely like to thank Spoonhour for giving me the opportunity to come here. Glad he was in the stands today."

Rebels coach Lon Kruger, who became the fifth coach to take four teams to the NCAA's, was glad he was able to talk Umeh into staying three years ago.

"You've got to have people in the core of your program to get things turned, to get things going. Michael Umeh is as good as you can have in that regard," Kruger said. "I thought his play today resembled what it was two years ago. Last year he fought through some injuries. I thought today he had some pretty good bounce and confidence in that jumper. He was outstanding."

And for a while, he was the only one on his team finding the nets that he would later cut down.

The second-seeded Runnin' Rebels (28-6) came out cold, going without a basket for nearly six minutes, missing 14 of their first 15 shots and failing behind 16-3 before capping their comeback in the top 25 since 1992-93 with the trophy and their first NCAA trip since 2000.

Umeh sank two 3-pointers while the rest of his teammates were a combined 0-for-13.

Young, the conference player of the year, finally snapped out

of his funk — he had gone 7-for-26 from the floor in the first two games — by sinking 13-of-18 shots. But it wasn't enough to prevent the Rebels from winning their 17th straight game on their home court, where they finished 19-1.

No. 23 BYU (25-9), coming off its first outright league title since 1997-98 and owner of the nation's longest homecourt winning streak at 31 games, still looks like a strong bet for an at-large NCAA bid.

Lee Cummond had 13 points and 13 rebounds for the Cougars, who appeared right at home in the first half, taking a 37-26 lead at the break.

The Cougars led 41-28 before the Rebels came roaring back and their fans capped the comeback by storming the court and singing, "Viva Las Vegas!" before they cleared out to follow the award ceremony to proceed.

WAC Championship

New Mexico St. 72, Utah State 70

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Justin Hawkins scored 20 points and Elijah Ingram had 18 points, including four rainbow 3-pointers, to lead New Mexico State to a 72-70 win over Utah State in the Western Athletic Conference title game on Saturday night and a berth in the NCAA's.

New Mexico State's Ted Knauber stepped in front Kris Clark's pass intended for teammate Chris Session as Utah State was trying to work for a potential game-winning or tying shot. Knauber made the steal, was fouled and made two free throws with 12.2 seconds left to make the score 72-68.

Utah State's Jason Carroll hit a layup with 2 seconds left and New Mexico State gave Utah State one last chance when Tyrone Nelson threw a long inbound pass that wasn't touched. Utah State got the ball back under its basket with 1.6 seconds left and Carroll, under pressure, was short on a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

Carroll scored 26 points, Durrah Patterson scored 15 for Utah State.

— The Associated Press

Women

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Maria Moore's 22 points and 15 rebounds, while Amy Bratvold added 18 points and 10 rebounds. The hard-working Thompson had to sit out the late stages of the game after fouling out with four points and six rebounds.

"I told her at the end, 'In all my years of coaching, nobody's worked harder than you,'" Rogers said of Thompson.

Tear-streaked faces walked in and out of the CSI locker room after the game, as getting this group of sophomores to the national tournament has been a major goal of this squad all season.

"They felt bad, just like, 'Coach, I wish we could have done it for you,'" Rogers said. "But it's not about me, it's about the kids. This program has won 50 games in two years and 50 is a lot of wins."

While Thompson, Bratvold, Maria Moore and fellow sophomores Alexis Tucker and Britany Moore have played their last games in CSI's gold and black, they leave behind legacies of determination, according to Rogers.

"I think everyone saw it in their eyes how much they wanted this," Rogers said. "But they've shown us that this spring and summer, how hard we work determines what happens next year."



CSI sophomore Ashley Thompson looks up at the scoreboard from the Golden Eagles' bench during the second half of Saturday's loss to Salt Lake.

The sting of the loss will stay with the Golden Eagles, as it represents the termination of a season one step short of their year-long goal.

"It's something we've worked hard for for two years," Thompson said. "All the 10-minute drills and miles. In the end, it's just a game. Whoever's up is up."

No. 20 SLOC 74, No. 24 CSU 69

Amanda Tucker 27 13 8, Britany Moore 26 6 4, Maria Moore 23 6 4, Amy Bratvold 18 10 10, Ashley Thompson 22 6 2, Amy Rogers 20 6 0, Kelli Hunt 20 22, Britany Moore 24 0 2, Whitney Thompson 0

All-Region 18 Honors

Coach of the Year: Betsy Specker, Salt Lake Community College.

All-conference First team: Katie King, Salt Lake Community College (Player of the Year); Maria Moore, College of Southern Idaho; Kay Hill, North Idaho College; Britany Moore, CSI; Elisha Harris, College of Eastern Utah; Shordy Murford, SLOC.

Second team: Nina Scott, NIC; Kim Gambin, Snow College; Staci Little, CEU; Amy Passney, SLOC; Amy Bratvold, CSI; Jenny Fiso, CEU. Honorable mentions: Shante Horner, Shordy; Lindsay Wilson, Snow; Ashley Wassburn, Colorado Northwestern Community College; Ashlie Thompson, CSI; Jessica Thiesen, NIC; Adelaide, SLOC; Alexis Tucker, CSI.

All-tournament team: Maria Moore, CSI; Alexis Tucker, CSI; Danielle McDonald, SLOC; Shordy Murford, SLOC.

Most Valuable Player: Katie King, SLOC.

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Bratvold Champs

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memories, and I learned a lot," Bratvold said. "I miss playing with them."

Bratvold's last appearance in the black and gold heralded an 18-point, 10-rebound double-double and 10-of-11 free throws in her final 38 minutes of play.

As the train leaves the depot, the destination is still unclear. She is ready to leave her comfort zone for new experiences, but said she would want to stay east of the Mississippi.

"Well miss her work ethic," Rogers added. "She's a good jokester... well liked."

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percent from the field and stuck with CSI in nearly every way. However, the Golden Eagles had the last run and sealed the game with some clutch late free throws.

"I thought we just wanted it a little bit more," Peery said. "I thought our passion for the game was very good."

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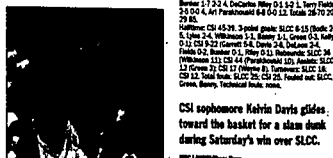
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Cougars sophomore Kaitlyn Davis guides toward the basket for a slam dunk during Saturday's win over SLOC.

Boozer, Williams help Jazz to sixth straight win

SALT LAKE CITY — Carlos Boozer had 20 points and 13 rebounds, and Deron Williams added 13 assists to lead the Utah Jazz to their sixth straight victory, beating the New Orleans Hornets 98-86 Saturday.

Mehmet Okur scored 28 points and Gordon Gricek added 16 for the Jazz, who are 8-2 since the All-Star break and won for the 14th time in 16 games.

Juanero Pargo scored 15 and Chris Paul had 12 points and 11 assists for New Orleans, which has lost five straight and was outrebounded 17-6 in the fourth quarter.

Tyson Chandler had six blocks and led the Hornets with 10 rebounds, but he pulled down just two in the final period as the Jazz dominated the boards and broke open the game with a 3-3 run.

Matt Harpring and Williams added 10 points apiece for the Jazz.

Utah led 83-75 when the Jazz got an odd three-point play. Desmond Mason and Harpring got their arms tangled in the lane and Harpring crashed hard to the floor as Boozer was making a layup. The shot counted and Mason was called for a flagrant foul. Harpring made the free throw and Utah kept the lead, leading to another layup by Boozer that put Utah up 88-75 with about 4 minutes left.

Pargo made a 3-pointer with 1:40 remaining that got the Hornets within 91-84, but after Williams was way off on a shot, Boozer grabbed the offensive rebound in the final minute to seal it for Utah.

The Jazz scored the first nine points of the third quarter and held New Orleans without a point until Devin Brown made two free throws 3:09 into the period. The Hornets didn't get a field goal until Brown took a steal in for a dunk with 8:33 left in the third.

New Orleans led by as much as eight and was up 47-45 at halftime, but never caught up to the Jazz after the opening run in the third quarter.

76ers 100, Pacers 96

INDIANAPOLIS — Andre Iguodala scored 25 points, and Philadelphia won its seventh straight game with a victory over Indiana, which has lost eight in a row.

Danny Granger and Troy Murphy each scored 10 points, while Mike Dunleavy and Ike Diogu added 17 apiece for the undermanned Pacers, who have their longest losing streak since the 1988-1989 season.

Guard Jamal Tinsley was suspended for the game for conduct detrimental to the team.



New Orleans Hornets forward David West, right, tries to keep the ball away as Utah Jazz forward Carlos Boozer takes a shot at it during the first half Saturday in Salt Lake City.

Jermaine O'Neal, Indiana's leading scorer, rebounder and shot blocker, sat out with a sprained left knee and Marquis Daniels, a key reserve, sat out with a sore left ankle.

Hawks 99, Timberwolves 93

ATLANTA — Josh Smith scored a career-high 32 points, going 12-of-15 from the field and helping Atlanta beat Minnesota for its third straight victory.

Kevin Garnett had 32 points, 11 rebounds and five assists for the Timberwolves, who have lost eight straight and 11 of 12 on the road.

Zaza Pachulia and Josh Childress each scored 16 for Atlanta.

Knicks 90, Wizards 89

WASHINGTON — Steve Francis swished a 3-pointer at the buzzer to complete a late comeback and lift New York over Washington, moving

the Knicks into a tie for eighth place in the Eastern Conference.

Francis, who finished with 26 points and seven rebounds, dribbled behind his back to get space away from defender Antonio Daniels and released the ball with about a second on the clock. When the ball went through, he hopped on the scorer's table, crossed his arms and nodded at the crowd, before teammates mobbed him. After Francis got down, Nate Robinson jumped on the guard's back for a ride across the court.

Gilbert Arenas finished with 25 points.

Grizzlies 115, Bobcats 107

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Pau Gasol had 31 points and 15 rebounds, and Memphis snapped a six-game losing streak by beating Charlotte.

Hakim Warrick had 18 points for Memphis and Rudy Gay added 16 points and 10 boards. Mike Miller also scored 16 points. The Grizzlies,

who own the worst record in the league, won for only the fifth time in 33 road games.

Raymond Felton scored a season-high 24 points on 10-of-19 shooting, while Gerald Wallace added 24 points and 13 rebounds for Charlotte.

Spurs 93, Nets 77

SAN ANTONIO — Tony Parker scored 19 points to lead a balanced effort, and the San Antonio Spurs beat the slumping New Jersey Nets 93-77 on Saturday night for their 12th straight victory.

Tim Duncan added 17 points and 13 rebounds, while Manu Ginobili had 12 points and Brent Barry scored 11.

Vince Carter had 17 for the Nets, who have lost five straight. Mike Moore added 14 points and Josh Boone scored 11, but Jason Kidd had only seven before he was ejected in the third quarter after picking up a pair of technical fouls.

Nets coach Lawrence Frank was also ejected. Brandon Machbar's dunk with 8:20 left in the fourth quarter brought New Jersey within 74-64 points, and Carter's alley-oop slam 31 seconds later made it 74-67.

But Ginobili sank a 3-pointer, then made a rare dunk off a pass from Duncan for an 81-67 lead with 6:28 left. New Jersey didn't get closer than 12 after that.

Both teams started slowly, with the Spurs not scoring for the final 4 minutes of the first quarter while missing eight straight shots. New Jersey missed seven straight toward the end of the period, but starter better in the second.

Cavaliers 94, Bucks 92

MILWAUKEE — LeBron James had 32 points and nine assists, the last one to Anderson Varejao for the winning layup, and Cleveland rallied to beat Milwaukee.

Michael Redd scored 29 points, but failed to force overtime when his short jumper missed. The Bucks lost their 12th straight game against Central Division teams since beating the Detroit Pistons in the season opener for both teams on Nov. 1.

The Cavaliers trailed by 12, but James tied it at 92 with a driving layup with 13 seconds left. Redd missed a 14-footer and Cleveland called timeout. The inbounds pass came to James, who dribbled out at the top of the key before finding Varejao, who drove for the layup and was fouled. He missed the free throw.

— The Associated Press

GOLF

Calcavecchia shoots course record and ties for the lead

PALM HARBOR, Fla. — One round into the PDDCS Championship and Mark Calcavecchia already had his bags packed to go home.

He wasn't quitting. He was just being honest.

Calcavecchia had been in a major slump with his putter, so bad that he went through five clubs in five rounds. And when he took 35 puts in the opening round on his way to a 75, he figured this would be a short week.

"All I had sitting out was a pair of shorts and a T-shirt," he said. "I was ready for the fast exit."

Now he's poised for an incredible turnaround at Innisbrook.

Calcavecchia finally found a putter he could call his friend — and he did. It's actually paid for it at a golf store. It carried him to 10 birdies Saturday to tie the Copperhead course record at Innisbrook with a 9-under 62, giving him a share of the lead with Heath Slocum. The course birdied the last hole for a 67, joining Calcavecchia at 9-under 204.

Five players were within three shots of the lead, starting with defending champion K.J. Choi, who finished with three tough par saves for a 67 to wind up one shot behind. A dozen more players were within five shots of the lead.

"It's so crammed at the top," Slocum said. "I've proved today you can shoot a low number, although I didn't know anyone could shoot that low. Wow."

Calcavecchia usually is fun to watch for other reasons.

He rarely hides his feelings, especially when it comes to his putter. He walked off the course one year at Loch Lomond and handed his putter to a young English lad who only wanted an autograph. Last week at the Honda Classic, he tried a broom-handle putter that he snapped over his knee midway through the second round.

"The good thing was it gave me two pieces to throw into the lake," he said.



Mark Calcavecchia starts from a sand trap on the 16th hole during the third round of the PDDCS Championship golf tournament Saturday in Palm Harbor, Fla.

It got so bad at the Honda that after making a short birdie putt on his 12th hole, he stepped it off shoe-to-shoe to measure the distance (and found out later it was 4 feet, 2 inches).

"That was the longest of the week," he said.

So after missing the cut, he went to a golf retail store looking for a long-handled putter, didn't like the choices and settled on a conventional Ping model that suited his eye and cost him \$256.18.

Francella takes lead at MasterCard Classic

HUXTUILUCAN, Mexico — Meghan Francella shot a 4-under 68 to take a two-stroke lead during the suspended second round of the MasterCard Classic.

The 24-year-old Francella had five birdies and a bogey on the Bosque Real Country Club course in the round, marked by sporadic rain that prevented 87 players from completing the round. She had an 8-under 136 total.

Stacy Prammanasuth, the first-round leader after a 67, and South Korea's Seon-Hwa Lee were tied for second at 6

under. Prammanasuth, coming off a victory two weeks ago in the Fields Open in Hawaii, played only two holes Saturday, while Lee shot a 69.

Mi Hyun Kim was 5 under through three holes.

Annika Sorenstam, the two-time defending champion making her first start of the year, was 3 under through two holes. Natalie Gulbis also was 3 under through two holes.

Medean star Lorena Ochoa was 2 under, also through two holes.

Toshiba Classic

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — Jay Haas shot a 7-under 64 to match the Toshiba Classic's 36-hole scoring record and take a one-stroke lead over Peter Jacobsen into the final round of the Champions Tour event.

Haas, who opened with a 65, had a 13-under 129 total on the Newport Beach Country Club course. He matched the 36-hole record set by Rodger Davis in his 2003 victory.

R.W. Eaks (68) two strokes back at 11 under, and Ben Crenshaw (67) and Joe Ozaki (64) followed at 10 under.

— The Associated Press

MLB: SPRING TRAINING

Benches clear after Beckett beans Ordonez; Prior roughed up again

The Associated Press

The Boston Red Sox and Detroit Tigers nearly came to blows after Josh Beckett hit Magglio Ordonez in the side of the head with a breaking ball.

Mark Prior had his own problems on the mound — he couldn't get the Kansas City Royals out.

Ordonez was hit in the hand by a pitch Saturday, sending the Detroit slugger to the hospital and sparking a testy exchange between two of the A.L.'s top teams in Lakeland, Fla.

Beckett plunked Gary Sheffield with a first-inning pitch and nailed Ordonez in the third, forcing him from the game. He was treated at a hospital.

Detroit reliever Todd Jones then threw behind Boston's J.D. Drew in the fifth, and the benches and bullpens erupted. Players converged near home plate, but no punches were thrown.

Jones and Tigers manager Jim Leyland were ejected. In the clubhouse after Detroit's 7-6 loss, Ordonez wore a bandage that covered much of his head.

"He was groggy, but that was to be expected," Leyland said. "Josh throws a hard breaking ball. I'm sure he won't play tomorrow. I'm sure he'll have a headache."

Ordonez declined to comment. Red Sox reliever Travis Hughes also hit Chris Shelton with a pitch in the eighth. Eric Hinske's grand slam off Justin Verlander kept Boston's five-run first inning.

At Surprise, Ariz., Prior's second appearance of spring training was just about as bad as his first. Now, the former Cubs ace might be in danger



Boston Red Sox manager Terry Francona, left, yells as Detroit Tigers hitting coach Lloyd McClendon, second from left, holds back Tigers pitcher Todd Jones as he argues with Boston Red Sox third base coach DeMarlo Hale during a bench clearing in the fifth inning of a Grapefruit League spring training baseball game in Lakeland, Fla., Saturday.

of not making Chicago's rotation at all.

Prior relieved an effective Ted Lilly to start the fourth inning and was knocked around in Kansas City's 6-5 victory over the Cubs. The right-hander gave up four runs and four hits in two innings.

"I know I'm better than that," said Prior, an 18-game winner in 2003.

In two appearances covering 3-13 innings this spring, Prior has an 18.90 ERA and no strikeouts. He has given up eight hits, five walks and a home run.

"Right now, I'm just worried about playing. Worried about trying to make myself better," he said. "When all that comes through at the end, I'm going to be myself better and I'm pitching the way I can, then I'm helping the ballclub. But right now, I'm just worried about getting better myself. What I did

last two outings is not the way I want to pitch."

Prior, who missed most of 2006 during a third consecutive five-season of injuries, threw 40 pitches, mostly fastballs that registered in the low-to-mid 80s.

Nevertheless, first-year Cubs manager Lou Piniella said he detected improvement.

"He threw the ball a little better," Piniella said. "Again, he couldn't get his breaking ball over at all. He's pitching with one hand and he's not locating that pitch. So he's really a recipe for success right now."

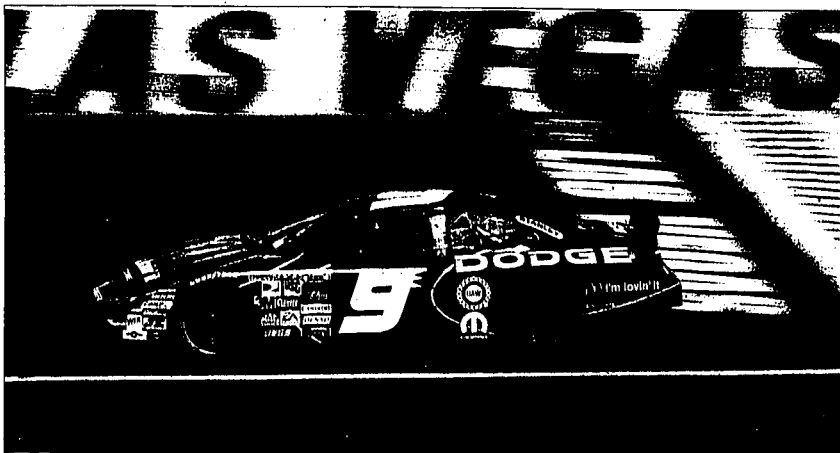
Piniella said there's time for Prior to work things out.

"We'll keep pitching him," he said. "That's what spring training's for. We've got time now to go in spring training. There's plenty of time to pick five starters, and we'll leave it

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SPORTS

NASCAR



Kasey Kahne drives his car during practice for Sunday's NASCAR UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400 auto race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in Las Vegas on Saturday.

Burton wins in wild finish

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Jeff Burton nudged a spinning Kyle Busch across the finish line Saturday to win a chaotic, caution-marred Busch Series race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Complaints about the reconfigured track and the hard lines Goodyear has provided then dominated the post-race conversation, as drivers warned the Nextel Cup race on Sunday could be a disaster.

"The race will suck," said Kevin Harvick, who finished seventh. "The paving is awful. It's rough. They had some guys that pave parking lots out there doing it. It's pretty awful."

Las Vegas officials reworked the track during the off-season and increased the banking from 12 degrees to 20 as track owner Bruton Smith sought to improve the competition. But it made speeds extremely high, forcing Goodyear to bring a hard left tire that Matt Kenseth called "treacherous" to the track.

Greg Biffle said it felt like he was driving on black ice, and Kasey Kahne said every lap is a fight to keep the car from wrecking.

The race winner said they were all right, but also defended Goodyear.

"They are all right. I am not disagreeing with any of them," Burton said. "The question is 'What would you do different?' We don't live in a perfect world. I am not saying the tires are perfect. They are not. It is treacherous. Restarts are a mess. Driving underneath someone is very difficult."

"But what are you going to do? Put your head in the sand and pretend there's not a problem."

The Busch race was marred by a reaction causing four laps, and the post-race debate overshadowed a spectacular finish that denied Busch a victory on his home track.

Contact between Burton and Busch in the closing laps approached the checkered flag sent Busch into a spin, and he crossed the finish line backward before shoving into the wall and into the wall. He still finished second.

The Las Vegas native took turns dominating the race with his older brother, Kurt, and was out front when Burton took the lead away from him with 13 laps to go.

The caution brought out the red flag to clean up debris from an accident, preventing Burton from running away with the win.

Track changes confuse drivers in Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A major renovation at Las Vegas Motor Speedway has turned the monstrous track in the desert into a glistening palace that shames almost every other NASCAR facility.

The facelift sure made Las Vegas pretty, but the verdict is out on what it did for the racing. Track owner Bruton Smith is confident the Nextel Cup event will be a thriller, but the drivers aren't so sure what they'll get on Sunday.

"To a certain degree, you've got to give them credit for trying to make it better," said two-time series champion Tony Stewart. "I'm not sure they did."

Stewart has been extremely vocal in his displeasure of the Las Vegas changes, which cost Smith an estimated \$20 million. Stewart dislikes the reconfiguration, which increased corner banking to 20 degrees from 12. But it produced speeds that hovered around 200 mph during a January test session, leading Goodyear to develop a very hard tire for use this weekend.

And Stewart really doesn't like that. "You would think a company like Goodyear could do a lot better job than what they're doing, especially a company that has been in this business for so long," Stewart fumed after qualifying. "They don't care about the competition. They don't care about the drivers, they don't care about the teams. All they care about is not having bad publicity and not blowing tires out and getting bad publicity because

"The racetrack is going to be a challenge. The greatest thing that we can hope for is that these brutal summers out here in Las Vegas will weather this asphalt really quickly, and take some of the edge off it. It's a real challenge for Goodyear and the teams to handle the speeds it's producing."

— Mark Martin on Las Vegas Motor Speedway

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Where: Las Vegas Motor Speedway
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allows the use of a softer tire, which all fits into their comfort zone. A brand new track surface wrecks havoc on everything they know.

"The racetrack is going to be a challenge," Mark Martin said. "The greatest thing that we can hope for is that these brutal summers out here in Las Vegas will weather this asphalt really quickly, and take some of the edge off it. It's a real challenge for Goodyear and the teams to handle the speeds it's producing and the loads it's putting on the tires."

"It's going to make things difficult for the teams this weekend."

But there are other issues, as well. The curved entrance to pit road could be problematic, and since the smaller fuel cells will require frequent visits, the drivers must get acclimated to it.

"It's a lot trickier than we've had," said Elliott Sadler. "It's really the only one curved on our schedule we have shaped like this, so it's going to be new to all of us. The pit boxes are big enough and long enough to help us a little bit, but still, facing the turn, it's going to be tough."

of that. "I would give half my salary to get Hoosier Tire to be making the tires instead of the junk we've got to run on right now."

Because the durability of the tires is so unknown, NASCAR mandated the use of a smaller fuel tank to equalize it. By using a 13-gallon tank instead of the normal 17-gallon tank, teams will pit more often and probably change their tires more often.

Drivers seemed to have a better feel for the situation during two quick Saturday practice sessions — a stark change from a chaotic Friday that saw several Busch and Cup cars destroyed in crashes.

"There's more wrecks and more stuff happening now that they've made the tire harder," said David Stremme. "It's hard to get a feel. When the car starts to break loose, you're done."

It's been an annoyance for many of the drivers, who are frustrated that

most of the data accrued after two days of testing was negated by the changes.

"It's been a real challenge," said four-time series champion Jeff Gordon. "They slowed us down over a second from when we were here testing. It's been one of these things where everybody's real frustrated with trying to get the grip and trying to get some comfort back in the car."

Smith insists it will all be worth it on Sunday, when everyone is rewarded with side-by-side racing, lead changes and a battle to the checkered flag.

"Bruton Smith puts the race fans first, and that's what he was doing with this new configuration — looking for better competition and more side-by-side racing," said track general manager Chris Powell.

But it might not happen on Sunday. Drivers generally prefer older tracks, where the asphalt is worn and not very slick. It gives them more grip and

After son's death, mom keeps up fight against NCAA rules

Court revives suit claiming academic rules discriminate against learning disabilities

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A snapshot shows Michael Bowers towering over his petite mother in his prom tuxedo, the star athlete's future seemingly full of promise.

The 6-foot-7 Bowers had been actively recruited for his football prowess, and dreamed of playing for a Division I team.

But once coaches saw his transcript from Palmyra High School in New Jersey — where he battled a learning disability, but still ranked 52nd out of 90 in the class of 1996 — the phone stopped ringing. He was not likely to meet NCAA freshman eligibility rules because of his special-education classes.

"One coach) was devastated when he looked at Michael's transcript because he knew he would never be cleared," said his mother, Kathleen Bowers.

Last month, a federal appeals court revived Bowers' 1997 lawsuit against the NCAA, saying Bowers might have been discriminated against under the Americans with Disabilities Act. But the long-sought victory is bitter-sweet for Kathleen Bowers.

Michael, her only child, died of a drug overdose in June 2002. "He was so young. Twenty-four. He had his whole life ahead of him," Kathleen Bowers said recently from her idyllic home in Palmyra, just across the river from Philadelphia.

She plans to pursue the suit, which her son initiated as a teenager, even though the NCAA nine years ago changed its procedures to better accommodate the learning disabled

She hopes winning damages would make the NCAA even more careful in its treatment of special-education students.

The defendants include Temple University and the University of Iowa, which argue that they stopped recruiting Michael Bowers over his football, not his academic abilities.

Bowers' lawyer said the NCAA rules, though changed over the years, still make it hard for learning-disabled students to prove themselves college material.

If they acknowledge taking special-education classes, they have to show they are equivalent to regular classes, she said.

"Why are you going to self-identify when you know that that identification may result in your being excluded or being forced to jump through certain other hoops that other people don't have to undergo?" asked attorney Barbara Ransom of the Public Interest Law Center in Philadelphia.

NCAA rules require student-athletes to complete a certain number of core high school classes, and obtain minimum grades and SAT scores, to compete freshman year at a Division I or Division II school.

The standards were created in 1983 to keep schools from recruiting star athletes who could not do college work. But critics soon charged that the NCAA lacked the expertise to evaluate coursework at schools across the country.

The Justice Department investigated and negotiated a 1998 consent decree that gave learning-disabled



Kathleen Bowers makes remarks during an interview with the Associated Press at her home in Palmyra, N.J., March 1. Last month, after a 10-year court fight, a federal appeals court revived her son Michael's lawsuit charging the NCAA with violating the Americans with Disabilities Act. The victory is bitter-sweet for Bowers since Michael, her only child, died of a drug overdose in 2002.

students more power to appeal or seek waivers. The NCAA also pledged to look at the content covered in a course, and not just its "terminal" or "special-education" label.

"Since the consent decree was entered, there have been no new lawsuits brought against the NCAA alleging that an initial eligibility decision failed to accommodate a learning disability," NCAA spokesman Erik Christianson said in an e-mail.

The NCAA approved all but 10 of 116 requests for disability waivers in the 2005-2006 academic year, he said. But until 1998, waivers only could be sought by the recruiting colleges. So Bowers had little recourse when the

NCAA certified just three of his high school classes, even though he would complete his individualized Education Plan and earn a diploma.

"He had every reason to believe he had wonderful opportunities available to him at a university to pursue both his educational and his athletic interests," said Ransom. "To have those hopes dashed so dramatically, it was devastating."

She remembers Bowers as a polite teenager who first came to her law firm in a suit and tie.

"When he testified at the preliminary injunction hearing, he was so impressed that the defendants, to a person, came up to him and shook his

hand," Ransom said. But the injunction was denied, and Bowers fell into a tussle, she said.

Chad Gaden, a former state champion swimmer from Illinois, also sued the NCAA in the late 1990s over its rejection of his special-education classes.

Gaden was deemed a partial qualifier, which allowed him to practice but not compete his freshman year at Michigan State.

"That's hard to recover from. I gained weight. I had a loss of endurance," said Gaden, who settled the suit and is now a high school coach in Aurora, Ill.

Although Bowers had trouble processing information, he had an above-average IQ and earned a 3.6 GPA as a commuter student at Temple in the spring of 1997, court documents show.

But he was struggling by that fall, having become addicted to painkillers following back surgery, according to his mother. At some point, he graduated on the cocaine and heroin that killed him.

Kathleen Bowers said she helped her son go through several drug-treatment programs. She thought he had the problem licked in 2002, when he completed the spring semester at American International University in Springfield, Mass., and participated in spring football drills. He hoped to make the team that fall.

"I had no idea. I thought everything was OK," his mother said.

Ransom might have turned out differently if her client had won the preliminary injunction.

"I thought he felt hopeless," Ransom said. "He thought, 'I've done everything that everybody's asked me to. And I'm stuck out here with nothing.'"

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BOWLING/GYM TWIN FALLS
SUN, EARLY MIXED
MEN'S SERIES: Corey Magee 728, Mike Knorrack 690, Mike Leazer 659, Bob Leazer 239.
LADIES SERIES: Corey Magee 276, Dale Back 238, Blake Knorrack 245, Mike Leazer 239.
LADIES SERIES: Nicole Fredrickson 610, Shannon LeMaster 609, Sylvia Wood 603, Tracy Hoffman 555.
LADIES GAMES: Sharon LeMaster 235, Tracy Hoffman 207, Sylvia Wood 206, Nicole Fredrickson 204.
MEN'S SERIES: Nicholas Parsons 694, Anthony Vest 611, Tyler Dack 530, Tom Smith 502.
BOYS' SERIES: Nicholas Parsons 254, Anthony Vest 235, Zach Black 204, Tyler Dack 200.

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BOYS' SERIES: Nicholas Parsons 694, Anthony Vest 611, Tyler Dack 530, Tom Smith 502.
BOYS' GAMES: Nicholas Parsons 254, Anthony Vest 235, Zach Black 204, Tyler Dack 200.

MONDAY MIXED FOLLIES
MEN'S SERIES: Rick Morrison 621, Jerry Moses 628, Ron Marshall 621, Rick Burt 607.
MEN'S GAMES: Rick Morrow 238, Jerry Moses 237, Ron Marshall 238, Rick Burt 237.
LADIES SERIES: Nicole Fredrickson 610, Tracy Hoffman 555, Tammi Beck 539, Rebecca Rosen 524.
LADIES GAMES: Nicole Fredrickson 237, Tracy Hoffman 214, Tammi Beck 206, Rebecca Rosen 204.
SHOOTBOX
MEN'S SERIES: Clint Peterson 644, Tom Smith 639, Byron D. Hager 630, Joe Mauldin 629.
MEN'S GAMES: Byron D. Hager 268, Tom Smith 217, Joe Mauldin 228, Kelly Jurec 223.
LADIES SERIES: Tiffany Hager 568, Joan McGee 529, Susan McCann 516, Gretchen Black 510.
LADIES GAMES: Tiffany Hager 215, Joan McGee 200, Dee Siegel 194, Ann Skogdahl 191.

MID MORNING MIXED
MEN'S SERIES: Gerald Lewis 764, Jerry Skogdahl 651, Tom Glass 628, Blaine Ross 626.
MEN'S GAMES: Blaine Ross 269, Gerald Lewis 268, Jerry Skogdahl 265, Tom Glass 264, Blaine Ross 263.
LADIES SERIES: Vicki Kieing 614, Joanne Miller 523, Pat Glass 505, Marlene Wood 490.
LADIES GAMES: Vicki Kieing 224, Joanne Miller 193, Tom Armstrong 190, Dawn Kulm 190.
GIRLS' SERIES: Amy Tridos 190, Ann Shepard 532, Joan McGee 527, Dorothy Moody 519, Barbara Hill 496.
GAMES: Carol Clark 212, Ann Shepard 203, Dorothy Moody 190, Barbara Hill 190.

LATECORNERS
BOYS' SERIES: Kristy Rodriguez 587, Ann Shepard 532, Linda Vining 514, Patsy Kieing 509.
GIRLS' SERIES: Kristy Rodriguez 203, Ann Shepard 200, Tony Federico 200, Ann Shepard 200.

CITY MIXED
MEN'S SERIES: Herb Meloy 516, Rod Sorenson 577, Mike Star 508, Mike Wanzel 560.
MEN'S GAMES: Mike Star 237, Rod Sorenson 226, Mike Wanzel 224, Kellye McLean 214.
LADIES SERIES: Vicki Waters 561, Sue Sorenson 552, Crystal Shull 513, Corrie Frickerson 455.
LADIES GAMES: Crystal Shull 206, Vicki Waters 205, Sue Sorenson 187, Stephanie Shull 167.
CONSOLIDATED
SERIES: Cory Moore 744, Corey Magee 740, Rocky Bennett 694, Jene Prager 691,516.
GAMES: Cory Moore 279, Corey Magee 266, Casey McMillott 268, Kellye Anoua 254, Mark Brannam 254.
MID SENIORS
MEN'S SERIES: Myron Schroeder 589, Jim DelVies 567, Victor Hagood 560, Ron Marshall 532.
GIRLS' SERIES: Myron Schroeder 215, Ron Marshall 214, Victor Hagood 210, Eddie Chappell 201, Bill Freeman 201, Bob Severson 201.
LADIES SERIES: Shirley Kurman 510, Jean McHugh 498, Dee Hall 473, Barbara Ann 458, Carolyn Beaver 458.
LADIES GAMES: Carolyn Beaver 207, Shirley Kurman 192, Dee Hall 194, Barbara Ann 190.

LIONS CLASSIC
SERIES: Tiffany Hager 598, Debbie Howard 590, Sue Hancock 555, Pam Wood 549.
GAMES: Debbie Howard 247, Ann Shepard 232, Kim Ward 214, Tiffany Hager 214.
SPECIAL FORCES I
MEN'S SERIES: Marcus Henkelman

329, Bryan James 253, Rickla Roger 239, Ronnie Riddle 211.
MEN'S SERIES: Marcus Henkelman 171, Bryan James 154, Rickla Roger 118, Ronnie Riddle 111.
LADIES SERIES: Tamara Ahrendson 218, Sherron Proch 204, Martha Dalrie 175.
LADIES GAMES: Tamara Ahrendson 120, Sherron Proch 120, Martha Dalrie 99.

SPECIAL FORCES II
MEN'S SERIES: Mike Ellis 367, Trevor McClain 206, Tony Wassinger 287, Chris Henoes 239.
GIRLS' SERIES: Mike Ellis 219, Trevor McClain 166, D.J. Snyder 152, Tony Wassinger 150.
LADIES SERIES: Shon Gonzales 239, Sharon Fitzpatrick 179, Pam Taylor 352, Jenni Norman 218.
LADIES GAMES: Shon Gonzales 180, Sharon Fitzpatrick 179, Pam Taylor 148, Jenni Norman 117.

SUNSET
SERIES: Kristy Rodriguez 573, Stacy Pirman 523, Ann Shepard 514, Michele Seidel 510.
GAMES: Kristy Rodriguez 223, Amanda Johnson 218, Stacy Pirman 193, Sylvia Imre 209.

PHI, PM SENIORS
MEN'S SERIES: Myron Schroeder 606, Ken Hodges 606, Tom Smith 599, Bill Boren 535.
MEN'S GAMES: Myron Schroeder 243, Tom Smith 218, Ken Hodges 211, Bill Boren 208.
LADIES SERIES: Gloria Rudolph 525, Susan McCann 501, Sandy Schroeder 459, Betty Peterson 447.
LADIES GAMES: Betty Peterson 201, Susan McCann 190, Gloria Rudolph 179, Carolyn Bauer 174.

MONSIEURS
SERIES: Danielle Humen 581, Samara Annun 551, Deanna Heil 523, Ilene Hoenes 499, Kellye McLean 492.
GAMES: Danielle Humen 200, Michele Knopp 191, Kellye McLean 185, Ilene Hoenes 185, Ann Shepard 185.
MOOSE
SERIES: Bobby Cristobal 683, Neil Welch 659, Jan Powell 655, Rick Kieing 655.
GAMES: Jim Coggens 259, Bobby Cristobal 267, Rick Morrow 256, Dale Black 244.

PEWEE & BUMPER
BOYS' SERIES: Jacob Hildeth 202, Nicholas Coats 189, Derek Robinson 180, Jaymund Oyer 168.
BOYS' GAMES: Jacob Hildeth 125, Nicholas Coats 112, Jaymund Oyer 93, Derek Robinson 89, Alex Peterson 89.
GIRLS' SERIES: Alicia Bevely 227, Rebecca Robinson 183, Xysta Tew 175, Stephanie Leater 164.
GIRLS' GAMES: Alicia Bevely 123, Rebecca Robinson 93, Stephanie Leater 89, Xysta Tew 89.

LIL GIANTS
BOYS' SERIES: Dillon Adams 377, Michael Kelley 375, Chris Coates 375, Jaymund Oyer 168.
BOYS' GAMES: Dillon Adams 145, Michael Kelley 110, Broden Lovell 106, Chris Coates 93.
GIRLS' SERIES: Britney Stirling 332, Samantha Bevely 311, R. Leater 303, Elyse Matlock 282.
GAMES: Britney Stirling 121, R. Leater 120, Alexis Kieing 117, Elyse Matlock 115.

GIANTS
BOYS' SERIES: Brian Payne 402, Kyle Lotbecki 362, Nick Overton 356, Garrett Peterson 348.
BOYS' GAMES: Brian Payne 154, Nick Overton 135, Garrett Peterson 133, Kyle Lotbecki 131.
GIRLS' SERIES: Anal Ulker 385, Kristi Jo Moses 380, Taya Moses 366, Kristi Jo Moses 342.
GIRLS' GAMES: Kristi Jo Moses 149, Taya Moses 148, Kristi Jo Moses 148, Anal Ulker 133.

SWAKE RIVER BOWL BURLEY
BOYS' SERIES: Glenda McMan 528, Jan Studer 496, Debbie Ingram 489, Sharon Hayden 475.
GAMES: Glenda McMan 191, Jan Studer 185, Sharon Hayden 182, Debbie Ingram 178.

WENDY MARAUDERS
SERIES: Clance Leslie 491, Stacy Heil 463, Diana Wright 469, Denise Hietzand 408.
LADIES GAMES: Clance Leslie 201, Clance Leslie 192, Alicia Bywater 178, Stacy Heil 174.
SERIES: Brenda Schenk 597, Denny Smith 545, Pam Roehk 452, Eunice Hentigan 451.
GAMES: Brenda Schenk 244, Denny Smith 212, Pam Roehk 178, Eunice Hentigan 169.
CLASSIC TRIOS (4 GAME SERIES)
SERIES: Bob Bywater 907, Gene Smith 873, Dan Romis 868, Alan Felthel 841.
GAMES: Alan Felthel 265, Gene Smith 256, Dan Romis 245, Jordan Parish 241.

TUESDAY MIXED
SERIES: Bob Bywater 712, Gene Smith 684, Tony Pickett 583, Chris Rowley 420, Kristie Johnston 491, Theresa Knorrack 465.
GAMES: Bob Bywater 268, Gene Smith 245, Tony Pickett 244, Chris Rowley 241, Kristie Johnston 187, Theresa Knorrack 182.

WED, MIXED
SERIES: Tony Hartzel 847, Spencer Meyer 615, Jonathan Parish 605, Annette Hirsch 502, Tom Harris 448, Christy Gonzales 437.
GAMES: Jordan Parish 257, Marty Holland 236, Tyson Hirsch 235, George Schmitz 183, Annette Hirsch 178, Jon Hartzel 174.

THURS, MIXED
SERIES: John Ehlers 479, Jay Ehlers 460, Tim Fisher 422, Bob Payne 466, Annette Ehlers 411, Narette Ehlers 365.
GAMES: Jay Ehlers 197, John Ehlers 177, Tim Fisher 144, Carol Payne 170, Annette Ehlers 151, Narette Ehlers 129.

RAILROADERS
SERIES: Becky Marinic 572, Diane Adams 522, Nita Mauer 503, Lisa Hutchinson 500.
GAMES: Becky Marinic 225, Diane Adams 215, Kathia Homban 205, Nita Mauer 194.

THURS, MIXED DLS
SERIES: Deanne Richens 564, Deon Fassett 483, Carol McCall 477, Eunice Mergenz 317.
GAMES: Deanne Richens 240, Carol McCall 197, Deon Fassett 177, Eunice Mergenz 177.

THURS, MIXED DLS
SERIES: Lisa Hutchinson 575, Sharon Humph 534, Matty Stuart 523, Bonnie Murphy 503.
GAMES: Lisa Hutchinson 213, Matty Stuart 202, Sharon Humph 192, Bonnie Murphy 192.

MA & PA
BOYS: Don Despain 562, Brent Olsen 532, Randy Ross 503, Annette Hirsch 493, Kay Barntone 492, John Grant 492.
GAMES: Kay Barntone 209, Brent Olsen 205, Bob Despain 203, Annette Hirsch 193, Chastene Barntone 183, Kay Pook 177.

MAJOR
SERIES: Bob Bywater 711, Chris Warb 705, Jack Cooper 691, Steve Schab 660.
GAMES: Bob Bywater 300, Shon Bywater 269, Chris Warb 267, Steve Schab 267.

EARLY BIRDS
SERIES: Cecil Carter 620, Darrin Carter 628, Duane Smith 554, Nita Mauer 646, Brenda Frazer 506, Angie Castaneda 502.
GAMES: Cecil Carter 244, Duane Smith 242, Darrin Carter 230, Nita Mauer 220, Brenda Frazer 180, Sharon Carter 176.

LOONEY NIDS
SERIES: Fred Fowler 538, Steven Fowler 222, Jacco Hill 187, Francis Fowler 451, Elyse Matlock 336, Megan Hill 218.
GAMES: Fred Fowler 208, Steven Fowler 164, Jacco Hill 164, Francis Fowler 160, Zoe Igna 91, Megan Hill 87.

PINEHEDS
SERIES: Quentin Roberts 345, Joe Fisher 245, Scott McEvoy 50, Courtney Yehusa 548, Kara Hob 348, Anna Blevett 340.
GAMES: Quentin Roberts 135, Joe Fisher 118, Courtney Yehusa 192, Kara Hob 144, Anna Blevett 123.

TUESDAY TEENS
SERIES: John Hamilton 581, Andrew Morgan 569, Todd Rees 565, Anna Rose 533, Kristie Schrafer 427, Bridget Abbott 405.
GAMES: Andrew Morgan 209, John Hamilton 204, Todd Rees 192, Anna Rose 191, Caitlin Carter 153, Bridget Abbott 147.

MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS
MEN'S SERIES: Stan Adams 652, Tom Homan 613, Pat Vissler 612, Keith Hays 600.
MEN'S GAMES: RD Adams 234, Tom Homan 231, Gray Foley 220, Stan Vissler 219.

LADIES SERIES: Marge Adema 606, Minky Long 566, Amanda Adema 548, Sherry Anderson 506.
LADIES GAMES: Sherry Anderson 213, Marge Adema 212, Minky Long 209, Amanda Adema 203.

SUNNY ROLLERS
SERIES: Kathy Gray 544, Glenda Barnuta 518, Dot Van Hook 515, Nancy Lewis 485.
GAMES: Dot Van Hook 193, Kathy Gray 191, Glenda Barnuta 184, Nancy Lewis 184.

COMMERCIAL
SERIES: Bruce Major 709, Sue Klimes 686, Tony Watkins 674, Ron Dawson 558, Wayne Oglesbee 253, Leon Klimes 249.

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CLUB VOLLEYBALL

Jerome squad fares well at tournaments

TWIN FALLS — The Jerome club volleyball team fared well at two recent tournaments in the Magic Valley. Jerome went 7-0 at the Bull tournament Feb. 24 against a 14-team field and 9-1 at the Jerome tournament March 3. The Bull field included teams from Kimberly, Firth, Buhl, Twin Falls, Castleford, Valley, Gooding and Wood River. Players for Jerome are Almee Hilbert, Melissa Marsing, Erica McKinley, Cassie Novak, Nicole Ridgway, Tara Ridgway, Chayna Ruby, Heather Sturgeon, Sydney Sullter, Rachelle Twitchell and Melodie Zamora. Twin Falls hosted a club volleyball tournament on Saturday.

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209 General
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General

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High school diploma or GED equivalent; skill and experience in the operation of various types of heavy equipment; ability to use standard office computer programs; work in thin mists and air brake and Tanker endorsement within 30 days of hire. In addition, the candidate must have a suitable combination of education, years of experience or Water Distribution licenses to have or be able to obtain a Class III Water Distribution license within one year and a Backflow Assembly Tester License within 6 months of hire.

A City employment application and job description are available at www.tffd.org. For additional information contact the **Human Resource Office** located in City Hall, 321 2nd Avenue East or phone (208) 735-7268. Closing date is 3/23/07. The City of Twin Falls is an Equal Opportunity Employer, Drug Free Workplace.

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Major Job Activities/Duties:

- Provide Production Team Members with technical resources in areas of product quality and food safety during ongoing production, as well as in nonproduction situations (attend noncompliance meetings to address audits and analyses on finished and intermediate products, ingredients and systems as requested)
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- Follow safety, sanitation, Good Manufacturing Practices and Good Laboratory Practices when performing tests
- Calibrate and maintain production measurement equipment as requested
- Represent Quality Assurance in cross-functional groups as assigned
- Provide administrative support to the QA Operations group in assigned projects areas.

Job Requirements:

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212 Miscellaneous

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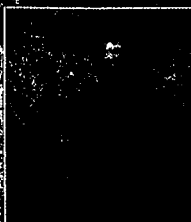
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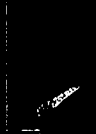
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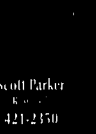
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Sunday, March 11, 2007

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Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff: Can you suggest some starter books or online instruction that will explain the basics of bridge? I'm just starting out and have been playing with computers at MSN games. My problem is I just don't understand the bidding at all.

Tyru, Fort Wayne, Ind.

ANSWER: Excellent question. The purists pass these hands and get shut out of the deal, but keep their consciences clean. Those who like to get down and dirty (like me) double. We accept the odd ball result, but get involved and get partner into the action on far more deals. Bid first, apologize later, I say!

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Dear Mr. Wolff: With ♠ A-2, ♥ A-Q-7-3-2, ♦ J, ♣ K-10-9-6-3, I opened one heart, and heard three spades on my left. Both my partner and my RHO passed smoothly, and I could not tell what to do. Eventually I passed — and found my partner with A-Q-fifth of clubs. We could have made a slam! Was I so wrong here?

Lowdown Hat, Dayton, Ohio

Dear Mr. Wolff: With ♠ 7-2, ♥ K-9-4-2, ♦ A-J-7-3, ♣ Q-8-4, I passed. My left-hand opponent opened one club and my RHO responded one spade. I thought that now would be my safest chance to get into the auction, so I doubled. My partner had to play two diamonds doubled with three high cards and only three diamonds — down 1100! Was I wrong to bid?

Over the Top, Pittsburgh, Pa.

ANSWER: Just because the double comes at a low level and you are a passed hand does not mean you HAVE to bid. If you had 5-4 shape, you would have far more offense, and greater expectation that the opponents have a fit. I do not like your decision to act, though I admit it might have worked far less badly than it did.

ANSWER: You had a real problem. Anything you bid could cost the earth, while passing might easily miss something (or you might take three spades to the cleaners). Even though I'm normally aggressive in this seat, I admit I too might have passed if vulnerable.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I have trouble deciding whether to double an opening bid of a minor when I have both majors, but am relatively short (a doubleton) in the other minor. This is on hands in the 12-14 range, when the alternative would be to pass.

Sunnit In Theory, Fayetteville, N.C.

Dear Mr. Wolff: At a recent game, my partner as South reached a three-no-trump contract. West was on lead, but before he led, East asked if he could ask a question about the bidding. I said no, the lead must be made first. On reflection I think this alerted West to ask questions about the bidding. Was this unethical on East's part?

Quilliber, San Antonio, Texas

ANSWER: West should lead before East asks. Sometimes East's merely indicating he wants to ask persuades West to find out something he would not have asked about. It is tough to propose a remedy for that. The rules do not cover this rather delicate nuance — but yes, if that was East's intent, he should not have done it and should probably have known better!

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GETTING THEIR IRISH UP

Magic Valley families celebrate St. Patrick's Day

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Pin on a shamrock, lift a pint of green beer, then order some corned beef and cabbage in your best Gaelic accent — because everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day.

Some have the green, white and orange built into their DNA, while others have to work a little harder to bring St. Paddy home. Twin Falls has some of each — such as the Maccabees, Irish transplants, and the Jeffs, who simply love all things Celtic.

Daragh Maccabee and his family moved to Magic Valley from Ireland last summer, for his job as a chief financial officer with Gianbia Foods Inc. Daragh and his wife, Dolores, are world travelers, and their years living away from the green hills of Ireland have diluted the brogue of their three young daughters. But the land of the shamrock isn't far from their hearts.

"We'll always want them to think they're Irish," Daragh said.

To that end, the family watches a popular Irish sport called hurling on cable, and they are teaching Hollie, 7, Lara, 5, and Andrea, 2, the Irish language. Irish, one of the Gaelic languages, is spoken by government officials and in schools in the Republic of Ireland, and the girls will need to be fluent if they hope to hold government jobs there when they grow up.

"They'll always have their original culture," Dolores said.

But she and Daragh are excited about exposing the girls to new cultures and new experiences, including the southern Idaho experience.

"It's a chance in a lifetime for them," Dolores said. "They're going to go home with an American slant."

Hollie and Lara attend school in Twin Falls, where their parents said they've fit in well. With St. Patrick's Day approaching, they've been defending their Irishness to classmates.

"They'll say, 'I'm Irish, I'm Irish, and I'll say, 'No, you aren't,'" Hollie said with a pique grin.

The degree to which people identify with the green-and-white streaks in their ancestry is unique, the Maccabees said.

"People always want to be connected to the Irish. There's some pride about it," Dolores said. The Irish are so well-regarded, Daragh suspects, because they have never invaded another country and because they embrace the role of the underdog in both history and sport.

Over the past few centuries, as immigrants fleeing potato famine and religious conflict seized the American promise, they brought that pride with them. In places like New York and Boston, Irish expats built St. Patrick's Day into a celebration of pure Irishness unlike any in the home country. The first public St. Paddy's festival in the U.S. was held



Dolores and Daragh Maccabee of Ireland, with their three girls — Andrea, left, Lara and Hollie — will celebrate their first St. Patrick's Day in the U.S. on Saturday.

An Irish St. Paddy's

In Ireland, said natives Daragh and Dolores Maccabee, St. Patrick's Day doesn't much resemble its American counterpart.

It's rare in Ireland to see a shamrock on March 17, and most people don't have to work as a traditional Catholic holiday. St. Patrick's is a day to attend church and to gather with family members.

"It's a day off," Daragh said. "It's an occasion to have a bit of fun." As for the corned beef and cabbage Americans seem so fond of? A more typical St. Patrick's Day dinner in Ireland would feature lamb, Dolores said, because it's fresh and in season.

Like an American Thanksgiving, the Irish St. Patrick's Day features a lot of "watching of sport," though fans cheer hurling finals instead of football's Turkey Bows. And like Macy's pre-bowl extravaganza, St. Patrick's Day parades are popular in Ireland — everyone participates or watches.

There's not much green beer in Ireland; what little is poured is imbibed by the tourists, Daragh said. And the Irish don't dress in green from head to toe, for fear of a pinch.

In 1737 in Boston, but it wasn't until 1903 that the Irish government recognized it as an official bank holiday.

"You had to create this party to show your young ones. That was a way of hanging onto your culture," Dolores said. If, like the first immigrants, she suspected her children would never again see the emerald shores of the Irish isles, her family would be at the forefront of St. Paddy's parties here.

"We'd be out there with our green and white better than anybody," Dolores said.

Irish by choice

Not everyone has shamrocks in the blood, but anyone can wear one on a sleeve.

Stephanie Jeffs and her family often take it beyond the sleeves, donning intricate handmade steeple costumes that just scream

"Ireland," but not in a Riverdance kind of way.

"People really don't know anything about Irish dance or Irish music," Stephanie said, dismissing the modernization of the dance style that the best-selling theatrical show Riverdance popularized. "Traditional Irish dance is just an amazing art form. It's kind of like having tap and ballet all rolled into one."

In the dance, the arms and torso are kept relatively still while the legs move precisely and rapidly. The dances are performed to Irish folk music, most often fiddle and hornpipes.

It was this music that first interested Stephanie in Irish steeple dancing.

"I've played music my whole life, and tried every kind of music. I've played the banjo and the guitar and

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Where to wear your green

• **St. Patrick's Day Parade, Twin Falls.** Entrants should assemble at Krangle's True Value Hardware (528 Main Ave. S.) at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, and will march in the order they arrive. The parade starts at noon, and the route runs from Krangle's to the Magic Valley Alternative High School parking lot (512 Main Ave. N.). After the parade, prizes will be awarded in front of O'Dunken's Draught House (102 Main Ave. N.). O'Dunken's will serve green beer.

• **Chadwick Grille, 135 W. Main St., Burley; 878-0380.** Musical performances by Celtic Fire on Saturday evening — perhaps accompanied by stepdancers.

The Grille will serve corned beef and cabbage and offer Irish drink specials, including green beer, Guinness and Irish Car Bombs.

"It's a chance for us to celebrate the things that we love and to show it to other people.

It's spreading happiness."

— Stephanie Jeffs, who isn't Irish but has adopted much of the culture, speaking at St. Patrick's Day



Stephanie Jeffs ties on her dance shoes before teaching an Irish dance class last year at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Jeffs is a lover of Celtic culture — now teaching stepdance at the American Heritage Academy in Burley.

Photo by Dan

STUDENTS AND EDUCATION

It's tough being 9

Educators puzzle over why some students slump in fourth grade

By Steve Cramp
Times-News writer

See how Idaho's fourth-graders stack up on national tests.

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TWIN FALLS — Eric Cartman and his "South Park" buddies hated fourth grade so much that they commissioned the science geeks in their class to build a time machine so they could go back to third grade.

Their teacher went, too. So what's so bad about being 9 years old? Educators around the country are wondering.

"The fourth-grade slump," as Newsweek magazine calls it, can strike students between the second and fifth grades. The trend is marked by declining interest in reading and a gradual disengagement from school.

According to the National Assessment of Educational Progress, kids' reading scores are getting better in the first, second and third grades. But after fourth grade, test scores are flat. "There's a lot of pressure (on fourth-graders)," said Steve Fulmer, a fourth-grade teacher at Harrison Elementary School. "Since NCEA, everybody is held more accountable, including students."

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Meravigliade Elementary School fourth-grader Caleb McKee works on a multiplication problem Wednesday during class. The fourth-grade slump — marked by declining interest in reading and a gradual disengagement from school — can strike students between the second and fifth grades. It's hard to discern that trend in McKee's test scores, though.

FAMILY LIFE

Manners making a comeback

By Greg Morgan

The Hartford Courant

One might be glad to know that just as "please" and "thank you" are fading into the sunset and that the handwritten thank-you note is becoming as rare as a buffalo nickel, that manners still matter.

We might at this very moment be allowing our rude children to run amok, be stealing a parking space from someone who was waiting, be mindlessly texting a friend during a conversation with another, or be squawking into the cellphone on the commuter train, but we are, at least in passing reference, mindful of the need for some degree of civility in this ill-mannered world.

Etiquette, however fuddy-duddy sounding, isn't an antiquated notion. How do we know? Because so many people appear to want to behave better. Parents are sending their children to etiquette classes; companies are encouraging young executives to take business etiquette courses; public discourse occasionally calls for a kinder, gentler nation.

And there were new titles out recently that focus on manners and etiquette (even books for we ones, such as "Whoopi's Big Book of Manners" by Whoopi Goldberg and "Emily's Everyday Manners" by Peggy Post).

In recent months we saw the following books published: "The Everything Etiquette Book: A Modern-Day Guide to Good Manners" by Leah Ingram; "Business Class: Etiquette Essentials for Success at Work" by Jacqueline Whitmore; "Miss Manners' Guide to Excruciatingly Correct Behavior, Freshly Updated" by Judith Martin and Gloria Kamen; "Multicultural Manners: Essential Rules of Etiquette for the 21st Century" by Norine Dresser and "Modern Manners: The Thinking Person's Guide to Social Graces" by Thomas Farley.

Manners, it seems, matter a great deal. "Manners need to be reinvented," said Thomas Blaikie, author of the new "To the Manner Born: A Most Proper Guide to Modern Civility." "To a lot of people, old-fashioned

manners got very tangled up with the class system and became a way of excluding people from being ladies and gentlemen. That's not the case any longer."

Indeed, as the world has gotten smaller, more immediate (instant communication) and less conscious of social tiers, manners have become everyone's responsibility. Blaikie said modern civility is now shared and shouldered by the masses.

"Manners is about society and community. We've all got to be responsible," he said. "We have all these complaints about manners, but there's some reluctance to do something about it. Manners is what a whole society agrees on as what is a reasonable way to behave. In the end a society gets the manners it deserves."

Most people, despite the pressures and time constraints of modern life, actually continue to look for guidance in how to negotiate manners and etiquette, said Peggy Post, great-granddaughter-in-law of Emily Post. "The world has changed. That's why we keep revising the books. Emily

had to do the same thing — her world was always changing," said Post, the author of the just-published "Excuse Me, But I Was Next: How To Handle the Top 100 Manners Dilemmas."

"New guidelines continue to be drawn up. We need new ways to have human behavior match up with what's respectful of the other person."

Post said that interest in manners took a dive in the '60s, but the pendulum has swung back.

Today, manners books are selling because there's an audience craving solid, practical advice for negotiating what many believe to be an increasingly manner-less world.

Also on the recently-published list: "Jane Austen's Guide to Good Manners" by Josephine Ross and "The Merc' Mortal's Guide to Fine Dining: From Salad Forks to Sommeliers, How To Eat and Drink in Style Without Fear of Faux Pas" by Colleen Rush.

"A lot of it is the frustration level. There are so many examples of 'What do I do if...?' People don't just want answers, they want to know what to say," Post said. "They want what I call that script for life. People don't necessarily see themselves as being rude, but based on the letters we see, people want answers. They don't want to commit faux pas. They want scripts for life."

There's a generation or two that didn't learn these lessons at home; or their instruction was spotty, experts said.

"Our society has become casual to a fault. Because we don't know how to do things, we as Americans tend to laugh it off. We make jokes about it. In reality, it's not funny. If you meet people from other countries they will take it as a sign of disrespect. We tend to laugh it off to let ourselves off the hook. It's a big mistake."

We don't have the Sunday dinners, that sitting-down at the family table and talking about things, said Stephanie Horton, an etiquette speaker, author and trainer in Washington state. "The young people don't have a forum to learn about these types of things."

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$4.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5.50 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menus:
Monday: Spaghetti, green beans, tossed green salad, french bread, fruit pie
Tuesday: Sweet and sour pork with rice, Oriental vegetables, fruit and Jell-O salad, bread, custard
Wednesday: Baked potato bar, corn salad, pineapple cake
Thursday: Chicken cordon bleu, potatoes, spinach, peaches and cream
Friday: Fish or pork chops, potatoes and gravy, red beets, fruit salad, cookie

Activities:
Today: Magic Valley Bridge Club
Monday: Monday Bridge Club
Tuesday: Quilting
Wednesday: Exercise class
Thursday: Blood pressure
Friday: Tax assistance
Saturday: Elks Card Club
Sunday: Quilting

Jackpot trip: 3 p.m.
Foot clinic: 10 a.m.
Thursday: Exercise class
Pinochle: 1 p.m.
Tax assistance: Friday
Pool: blood pressure
Quilting: lunch
Bingo: lunch

Richtling Senior Center

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, fried potatoes, corn bread, carrot salad, cinnamon rolls
Tuesday: Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, peach pie
Wednesday: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, corn, fruit medley, zucchini bars
Thursday: Malibu chicken, potatoes and gravy, country vegetables, fruit, blueberry shortcake
Friday: Corned beef and cabbage, carrots, under-the-sea salad, slawrock cookies

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl

Menus:
Today: Roast beef dinner, 1 p.m.
Monday: Soup and sandwiches
Tuesday: Deluxe cheeseburger, potatoes, baked beans, salad, fruit, dessert
Wednesday: Surprise casserole
Thursday: Corned beef and cabbage, carrots, potatoes, celery salad, fruit, bread, birthday cake, ice cream

Activities:
Today: Buffet, 1 p.m.; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60 and \$3 for children 12 and under
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wedge SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

Thursday: Birthday dinner, noon
Bingo: 1 to 3 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 9:30 a.m.

Flier Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.

Menus:
Monday: Sweet and sour pork with rice, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, bread, layer cake
Tuesday: Chicken, chili, corn bread, salad, fruit, cookie
Wednesday: Corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, lime Jell-O with fruit, bread, fruit cobbler

Activities:
Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Games, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
St. Patrick's Day dinner, noon
Fiddlers, noon
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

Menus:
Monday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, Italian vegetables, fruit, cookies
Tuesday: Salisbury steak with bacon, potatoes, peas, fruit, cream puffs
Wednesday: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, corn, fruit medley, zucchini bars
Thursday: Malibu chicken, potatoes and gravy, country vegetables, fruit, blueberry shortcake
Friday: Corned beef and cabbage, carrots, under-the-sea salad, slawrock cookies

Agless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee, juice and tea served.
Full-service salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; take-out available; \$4 for seniors 60 and above, \$5 for people under 60.

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday: Pinochle and bingo, 1 p.m.
Snack bar: 6 p.m.
Bingo: 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: SilverSneakers fitness class, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Pinochle and bingo, 1 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers fitness class, 10:30 a.m.
St. Patrick's Day lunch, noon: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

60, \$2.50 for children under 12

Menus:
Monday: Potato soup, sandwiches, coleslaw, carrot cake
Tuesday: Spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, pudding
Wednesday: Baked ham, potato casserole, Harvard beets, ice cream, cake

Activities:
Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: AA meeting, 8 p.m.
Wednesday: AA meeting, 8 p.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Stearns Ave., Gooding

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.
Monday: Pepper steak, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, green salad, banana bread, pudding bread
Tuesday: Teriyaki chicken, rice, peas, penny carrot salad, garlic bread, fruit
Wednesday: Enchiladas with lettuce, tomatoes and sour cream, frog-eye salad, Texas sheet cake
Thursday: Corned beef and cabbage, carrots, potatoes, lime Jell-O, rolls, St. Patrick's Day cake
Friday: Soup and salad

Activities:

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle: 12:30 p.m.
Wild One: 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Pinochle, Shoshone at Gooding: Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Bingo: 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.
Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Saturday: Smart grocery shopping
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1:30 p.m.
Saturday: Potluck dinner and dance with the Fiddlers

Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is \$4 for seniors; \$5 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12. Thrift shop open 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Monday: Barbecue chicken,

potato rounds, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert

Wednesday: Tuna pie, green salad, fruit, chips and salsa, bread, lemon pie
Friday: Corned-beef and cabbage, salad, vegetables, fruit, bread, carrot cake

Activities:
Wednesday: Tax assistance with Bob Wunderle every Wednesday through mid-April

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Iden

Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors and \$5 for non-seniors. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

Menus:
Tuesday: Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, vegetables, coleslaw, fruit
Thursday: Corned beef dinner

Activities:
Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Years Senior Citizen Inc.

218 N. Ball St. W., Shoshone

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menus:
Tuesday: Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, English peas, cream puffs
Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, beef vegetable soup, carrot sticks, lemon pie
Friday: Corned beef and cabbage, boiled carrots, boiled potatoes, Irish soda bread, pistachio dessert

Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Quilters, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.
Pinochle, Shoshone at Gooding
Wednesday: Scrapbooking
Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.; public is invited, \$4 per person

Bain County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Menus:
Tuesday: Hot turkey sandwich with gravy, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, jellied cranberry sauce, magic bar
Wednesday: Baked potato bar with broccoli cheese sauce, salad bar, hot rolls, hot fudge pudding cake
Friday: Fish or corned beef brisket, cabbage, boiled red potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, chocolate cake

Activities:
Monday: Shopping in Twin Falls, 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Foot clinic, 10 a.m.

Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

Exercise: 1:15 p.m.
Wednesday: Red Hatters meeting, 11 a.m.
Wednesday be a Winner, noon
Tax assistance: 1:30 to 4 p.m.
Bingo: 5:45 p.m.
Thursday: Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m.
Exercise lunch at Carey Birthplace (Sun Valley), 1:30 p.m.
Friday: Sing-a-long, 11:45 a.m.
Birthday lunch, noon: St. Patrick's Day celebration

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Sides are available by placing the center at \$65.20 monthly. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Menus:
Tuesday: Texas salad, peas, carrots, Texas toast
Thursday: Corned beef and cabbage or roast beef, carrots, potatoes, pears, whole wheat bread

Activities:
Monday: Tax assistance, 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Birthday celebration
Bingo, 2 p.m.
Thursday: Gem meeting, 10:30 a.m.
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.
Saturday: Tax assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Suggested donation for the meal is \$4 for ages 10-55; \$3 for 60 and above and \$2 for children under 10.

Menus:
Tuesday: Enchiladas, vegetables, fruit, dessert
Wednesday: Baked potato bar with chili and condiments, vegetables, fruit, dessert
Friday: Pork roast, potatoes, carrots, fruit, bread, dessert

Activities:
Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos and visible available 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
Wednesday: Board meeting, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friday: Life insurance representative

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and

home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menus:
Monday: Beef stew, biscuits, salad, pie
Tuesday: Hot dogs with sauerkraut, vegetables, fries, salad, brownies
Wednesday: Roast pork, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, cake
Thursday: Finger steaks, fries, salad, rolls, vegetables, pudding
Friday: Smorgasbord

Activities:
Monday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sidewalk seniors on the bike trip, 10 a.m.
Strength training with Institute on Aging, 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tax aid, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; call 436-9107 for appointment
Sidewalk seniors on the bike trip, 10 a.m.

Strength training with Institute on Aging, 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.
Friday: Medication assistance by pharmacists, 11 a.m. to noon

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley

Menus:
Monday: Beefy tomato macaroni, peas and carrots, salad, rolls, lemon bars
Tuesday: Sandwich, vegetables and cheese, vegetables, raspberry fruity Jell-O, bread pudding with caramel sauce
Wednesday: Birthday dinner
Thursday: Barbecue on a bun, fries, corn, fruit cup, cookies
Friday: Gam chowder, green Jell-O, green vegetables, rolls, pistachio pudding

Activities:
Monday: Tax help, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Wednesday: Pool
Thursday: Pool
Friday: Pool
Saturday: Pool
Sunday: Pool

Radio show, 9:06 a.m.
Exercise
Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Kids activities, 4 to 6 p.m.
Adult activities, 7 to 9 p.m.
Thursday: Pool
Exercise
Board meeting, 1 p.m.
Community pinochle, 6 p.m.
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool
Exercise
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Irish

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the recorder, and then I finally decided I really liked Irish music," she said.

After learning fiddle, penny whistle, concertina, bagpipes and bodhran (an Irish drum), Stephanie started the band Celtic Fire, which performs regularly in Magic Valley and across the Pacific Northwest. In fact, the only traditional instruments Stephanie hasn't learned — yet — are harp and flute.

"I started taking Irish dance a couple years ago, and I absolutely loved it because I already knew all about the music," she said.

"I just love it because it's different. It's something I feel happy for my kids to do and perform."

The week before St. Patrick's Day has developed into a time of tradition for the Jeffs family. Stephanie cooks corned beef and cabbage one night during that week, and the family gears up its home for the holiday. Shamrocks, Irish flags, leprechauns.

The family — Stephanie and her husband, Lewis, son, Garrett, 10, and daughter, Alyssa, 8 — takes a step-down lesson from a teacher who

comes from Portland, Ore., just for the occasion; Garrett and Alyssa often dance at schools to demonstrate the art, and the Friday before the holiday they participate in a stepdance performance.

All these activities have one thing in common.

"We do it as a family, so it's kind of a family thing to us," Stephanie said. "It's a chance for us to celebrate the things that we love and to show it to their people. It's spreading happiness."

She considers Twin Falls lucky to have a St. Patrick's Day parade, and she hopes that — stepdance lovers or not — Idahoans will get into the spirit of St. Patrick's Day.

"Somewhere in their family history, I'm sure there's an Irish family name somewhere," she said. "It's a chance to remember your heritage."

"The more they drink it, the less family imbibes she said. It's also a good excuse to down a pint of Guinness. Maybe at Chadwick Grille in Burley, where Celtic Fire regularly performs on St. Paddy's Day.

"The more they drink it, the more tips they get us," she said with a laugh. "It's really a lot of fun."

Accounting for oneself

We're going around the seminar table pitching project ideas. These are advanced seniors, talented liberal arts majors who take their work seriously. One says he wants to write about his life as a young African American preacher.

Another wants to explore why in the world his Chinese mother taught him to lie about being half-Chinese. Another has gained access to rare, personal files of long-deceased steelworkers, and wants to re-create stories of the industrial Revolution.

"I'm excited. I tell them these are essays I would love to read. I turn to Ashley, whose turn is next.

"I want to write about why I'm switching my major to accounting," she says.

Silence. The room grows hot. "Well, then," I say, trying to soak up the awkwardness.

Ben helps. "Oh, I get it!" he says. "This would be, like, a satire?"

Ashley smiles, shakes her head. "No, I'm serious," she says. "I've decided to switch my major."

Nothing wrong with that, of course. "College is a time for exploration," I say, stiplily.

"But isn't accounting something most people switch out of?" one student offers.

Interesting point. And certain the way we liberal arts majors are trained (defensively?) to see the world: "Why would anybody 'study' business?" The story of the opposite journey is, at least, the more romantic: a man whose major who turns out to be a closeted poet or painter and who finds the courage to bust loose and follow her muse, much to the chagrin of practically minded parents. But to go the other way? It's just not a story you often hear among liberal arts majors.

"This has to do with some parental intervention?" I ask Ashley, trying not to pry but needing to pry. I've always felt grateful to my own parents for not forcing me to take the practical route, but instead allowing for the follow-your-blessed method of career planning. Sometimes I feel a duty to allow that message to at least sneak back forth.

"My parents?" Ashley says. "No. I just have finally found what I love. I love accounting! Especially now that we are doing tax returns."

"Hence, China is forth."

"Oh, so this really is a satire thing," Ben offers. "God, you had me going there —"

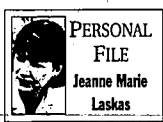
"Guys," Ashley says. "I'm serious."

"You love doing tax returns?" I say for the record.

"Well, not all of them," she says. "Mostly the 1040 long form. I mean, it's definitely boring without at least the Schedule C."

"We are, for a notable million-dollar, speechless. She is serious. How can we make sense of this? We are liberal arts majors, a tribe. We are a people who remain grateful that there are other people in this world who find their bliss in tax returns, even as we don't believe them. It boggles the mind. We love a boggled

Accounting for oneself



mind. We live to unbugle the mind as we continue to feed it the stuff that boggles it.

"Where is the business school?" one student asks the class. A wave of shrugs stops at Ashley, who leads us to a place we can't even imagine.

"The bagel place?" she says. "That's on the ground floor of it." Oh, the bagel place. Of course. (There's a building on top of that!) We find it interesting to note that we — liberal arts majors who pride ourselves on an embrace of other cultures, other ideas, other modes of thinking — have utterly boggled out this world.

We give Ashley a thumbs up to write. "They about her idea, thus showing our belief in her while conveniently disregarding that it affirms our belief in ourselves.

"But you're going to have to find a way of convincing us that you really love doing tax returns," I say.

"Do you think it's some kind of security in the predictability of numbers?" Michelle offers. "Like, you're sick of everything being wishy-washy in literature?"

Ashley lets her eyes wander for a moment. "Look, you have this document," she says. "And it's mostly just numbers. And a guy's trip to Japan. Japan? Nothing odd about you're like: What's this guy about?"

"Wait — so you're inventing stories about these people who talk tax returns you're doing?" I ask. "That's why you love it?"

She shrugs, nods, shrugs. "I mean, that's part of it."

"That's the English major way?" Ben declares. We agree. We feel happy. She hasn't really abandoned us. (She's just confused.) Perhaps every US looks to cling to its members, especially those threatening to join them. And so we go around and around in our talky-talk-glee about how Ashley is simply employing a text, which happens to be numerical, and upon which she allows her imagination to make meaning. We're smiling. Soon we'll high-five each other. One student tells Ashley she should write about how the splintered self ironically opens pathways toward the possibility of a more unified identity. We are having a blast. All of us except Ashley, who can't seem to get a word in.

"Sometimes a tax return is just a tax return," she says finally. "I love accounting. The end."

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.

Little white lies might be worthwhile, Libra

IF MARCH 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You might feel that you are adding a teetotaler as this year unfolds. Be assured that once you become "grounded," you can make the condition a permanent condition. Necessity and obligation can weigh you down in June, so be cautious about taking on new responsibilities or neglecting your work. It is important to meet deadlines and obey the rules.

In August your intuitions are enhanced and you can take steps that will guarantee better health or improve your long-term financial security. You could become dedicated to feeding your spiritual needs or meet up with someone who becomes a lifelong partner.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Extravagance gives you extras. A significant someone might go to extremes or expect too much. Social contracts might dictate that you keep your plinkie held extra high while slipping tea.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Force a smile. Go ahead and do someone a favor even if you feel one isn't deserved. Overtwelve your thumbs as a boring social event. Something good can evolve from your kindness.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Grin and bear it. The person who preaches the sermon might be a hypocrite, so a sense of the ludicrous comes in handy. Instead of poking fun, you might wish to find the kernel of truth.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Every day, in every way, things get a little bit better. Apply the mantra to financial concerns or your self-image — and by the end of the week you should see a definite improvement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): How do you spell relief? Gradually certain responsibilities that have been a thorn in your side can evaporate as this week unfolds. All your hard work and past effort will finally pay off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Political correctness hems you in. Everyone could be so worried about offending, the sensibilities of others that there is little left to say. Luckily you will find someone on the same wavelength later this week.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Little white lies might be worthwhile. Perhaps you must put on a good front or give a few insincere compliments. The least likely candidate might hold you in high regard later this week.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Accept the conventional. Go along with other people's opinions, even if they grate on your nerves. Your generosity and tolerance today can bring increased understanding and harmony later.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emotional roller coasters can be either thrilling or terrifying. It might depend upon whether you are on the receiving end of someone's irrational ups and downs or are the one dismounting it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Strive to be content. We always wish for summer when winter has captured us in its icy paws. The first evidence of a spring thaw as the week passes by, could be an improved relationship.

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How Idaho's fourth-graders stack up

Idaho Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT)

Students in grades 2 through 10 take a comprehensive assessment of reading, language usage and math skills in the fall and spring. The state reports ISAT results in two ways: in the fall, scores reflect the percentage of students who met their individual growth targets. In the spring, results reflect the percentage of students who met state proficiency targets.

The most recent results were for spring 2006 and report on the percentage of students who met state proficiency targets.

Reading, percentage of students proficient and above		Math, percentage of students proficient and above		Language usage, percentage of students proficient and above	
82.1%	3rd grade	83.5%	3rd grade	91.6%	3rd grade
84.9%	4th grade	83.7%	4th grade	89.7%	4th grade
82.8%	5th grade	78.9%	5th grade	88.2%	5th grade
82.1%	6th grade	78.3%	6th grade	85.9%	6th grade
85.5%	7th grade	78.3%	7th grade	78.0%	7th grade
82.8%	8th grade	75.2%	8th grade	74.9%	8th grade
83.6%	10th grade	80.6%	10th grade	71.3%	10th grade

Idaho Direct Math Assessment (DMA)

Students in grades four, six and eight take this timed assessment in late November each year. The DMA is a performance exam that requires students to show their work. The results released in April 2006 showed:

73% of 4th-graders proficient and advanced 54% of 6th-graders proficient and advanced 68% of 8th-graders proficient and advanced

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

Every other year, random samplings of fourth- and eighth-graders in each state take the NAEP, a comprehensive reading and math assessment based on national standards. NAEP is the only test that provides comparable data that can be compared across all states. The most recent results for Idaho show:

Reading (2005)	Math (2005)	Writing (2002)	Science (2005)
33% of 4th-graders proficient and advanced; U.S. 30%	40% of 4th-graders proficient and advanced; U.S. 35%	22% of 4th-graders proficient and advanced; U.S. 27%	29% of 4th-graders proficient and advanced; U.S. 27%

Source: Idaho Department of Education

Slump

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NCLB is the No Child Left Behind Act, a 2001 federal law that transformed education in America by requiring students to pass a series of tests.

All that testing may be contributing to the slump, according to Jeffrey Wilhelm, an associate professor of English at Boise State University and a reading expert.

"At every level of schooling, Wilhelm told Newsweek, "kids are not using a wide range of reading materials — fiction and expository writing — and lots of vocabulary words."

Increasingly, schools "teach to the test," replacing social studies and science with additional reading instruction in the first, second and third grades. That doesn't necessarily equip kids to handle the abstract thinking that the fourth grade requires.

Combine all that with fourth-graders' fascination with video and computer games, encroaching puberty and the transition to more difficult classroom material, and it's a recipe for a slump.

"Up until third grade, students are learning to read," said Ted Poppelwell, elementary programs director for the Twin Falls School District. "In the fourth grade, they start reading to learn."

And they aren't always ready for that.

"Up until the fourth grade, students are babied," said Mary Castronova, a fourth-grade teacher at Perrine Elementary School. "It takes some of them half the (school) year to make the transition, and some of their parents get very frustrated. They're not prepared for the fourth grade."

It's hard to discern that trend in Idaho's test scores, though.

"Some of our fourth-graders' scores actually improve from the third grade," said Dana Johnson, another fourth-grade teacher at Perrine.

On the most recent Idaho Standards Achievement Test — the most important achievement exam given to students in Idaho public schools — the percentage of fourth-graders rated proficient in reading and math was higher than the percentage of third-graders rated proficient. Only in language use were they slightly lower.

Seventy-three percent of Idaho fourth-graders were deemed proficient on the most recent Idaho Direct Math Assessment, a higher percentage than for sixth- and eighth-graders. And the Gem State's fourth-graders were rated better than the national average

in reading, math and science on the National Assessment of Educational Progress in 2005. Only in writing were they below the national standard.

"We don't see a lot of difference in the (indices that rate the) progress of fourth-graders and students in the younger grades," Poppelwell said.

Still, there are reasons for concern, Fuller said. Fourth-graders' spare time is increasingly dominated by video games, and parents aren't always around to make sure their kids make school a priority.

"Everybody works," he said. "Parental involvement suffers."

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BEHOIT-WALLER

TWIN FALLS — Ted E. Behoit of Boise and Mary Jo Church of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosanna Marie Behoit, to Joel Matthew Waller, son of Linda Spencer of Elko, Nev.

Behoit graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1998 and earned an associate's degree from the College of Southern Idaho. She is a professional assistant for an entrepreneur in Kealahou Bay, Hawaii.

Waller graduated in 1991 from Jerome High School. He formerly was a professional and later head golf professional at the Blue Lakes Country Club in Twin Falls from 1990 to 2004. He is employed in the



Rosanna Behoit and Joel Waller lighting and design business on the Big Island of Hawaii. A traditional Hawaiian wedding is planned for Wednesday, July 18, in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. A reaffirmation-of-ovos ceremony and reception will be held Sunday, July 22, in Twin Falls.

WILLIAMS-BAGGETT

TWIN FALLS — Rachel Ann Williams and Matthew Duncan Baggett were married March 10 at the Living to Go Church in Goodlettsville, Tenn.

The bride is the daughter of Rex and Karla Williams of Twin Falls.

The groom is the son of the Rev. Paul and Abby Baggett of Nashville, Tenn.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho, majoring in music. She is a country-gospel singer, songwriter and recording artist in Nashville.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Greenbrier High School



Rachel Williams and Matthew Baggett and a 2002 graduate of the Brownsville School of Ministry. He is working and traveling for the Living to Go Church in Goodlettsville. He is also a singer and musician. The couple will reside in Nashville.

STORK REPORT

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Luke Everett Gallup, son of Jared and Chastity Gallup of Paul, was born Feb. 24, 2007.

Carter Orville Edge, son of Joshua and Karen Edge of Burley, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Eduardo Lupe Adame III, son of Eduardo and Alena Adame of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 20, 2007.

Jack Burton Schoessler, son of Victor and Wendy Schoessler of Jerome, was born Feb. 23, 2007.

Breanna Nicole Perez, daughter of Manuel Perez and Randi Aranza of Jerome, was born Feb. 23, 2007.

Michael John Reasch, son of Matt and Benny Reasch of Jerome, was born Feb. 25, 2007.

Tristan Peterson, son of Chad and Julie Peterson of Jerome, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

Emily Jane Hill, daughter of Kurtis and Rhonda Hill of Wendell, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

Kenneth Andrew Brown, son of Michael and Kristina Brown of Hagerman, was born March 1, 2007.

Harriet Alton Haycock, daughter of James and Angela Haycock of Twin Falls, was born March 2, 2007.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Reata Edith White, daughter of Kristi Lynn White and David Lee White of Bruneau, was born Feb. 8, 2007.

Serenity Nicole Sandstoe, daughter of Felicia Marie Perot and Rupert, was born Feb. 20, 2007.

Alikah Jean Connors, daughter of Jessica Lynn Gailly and Kristopher Casey Connors of Jerome, was born Feb. 22, 2007.

Kaycee Jane Pulsipher, daughter of Kortnee Gleen Pulsipher and William Shane Pulsipher of Jerome, was born Feb. 23, 2007.

Sydney Ryan Brizay, daughter of Erica Britany Brizay and Cody Isalah Brizay of Buhl, was born Feb. 24, 2007.

Keyaira Rebecca Agundez, daughter of Rita Shirley Agundez of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 24, 2007.

Mayah William Tucker, son of Zealand Aileen Tucker and Joshua William Tucker of Kimberly, was born Feb. 24, 2007.

Trapper Will Pullin, son of Brooke Donna Mary Pullin and George Anthony Pullin of Berger, was born Feb. 25, 2007.

Jennifer Lopez-Vazquez, daughter of Gabriela Vazquez and Jose Alfredo Lopez of Jerome, was born Feb. 25, 2007.

Mayree Leel Cross, daughter of Danette Jolene Woolstenhulme and Luke Christopher Cross of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 25, 2007.

Kyla Ray Hutchinson, son of Brandi Nannette Hutchinson of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 26, 2007.

Alex Wayne Miller, son of Karen Kay Miller and Eric Wayne Miller of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

Noah Paul Bartlett, son of Michelle Lianette Bartlett and Colton Seth Bartlett of Jerome, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

Owen Lee Carter, son of Elizabeth Anne Carter and Jeremy Daniel Carter of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 27, 2007.

Halley Jean Eggleston, daughter of Krista Marie Eggleston of Kimberly, was born Feb. 28, 2007.

Johnathan Marshall Strader, son of Tina Ileen Strader and Steven Mose Strader of Kimberly, was born Feb. 28, 2007.

Kaylee Dale Coates, son of Ashley Lynn Coates of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 28, 2007.

Braylen Konner Mercer, son of Debra Sue Mercer and Robert Wesley Mercer of Jerome, was born Feb. 28, 2007.

Jalsha Marie Davis, daughter of Jennifer Ann Thieneman and Eric Clinton Davis of Wendell, was born Feb. 28, 2007.

Layne Noel Simmons, daughter of Brandy Marie Miller and Keith Alexander Simmons of Buhl, was born March 1, 2007.

Arya Elizabeth Ball, daughter of Marilee Elizabeth Young and Matthew Shane Ball of Rupert, was born March 2, 2007.

Xander Clay Ramirez, son of Heather Lizza Diann Ramirez and Annelcioto Clay Ramirez of Buhl, was born March 2, 2007.

Rhett Reddick Child, son of Kendra Jean Child and Clinton Blaine Child of Filer, was born March 2, 2007.

Noah Lee Woodland, son of Erin Ann Woodland and Ryan Michael Woodland of Twin Falls, was born March 2, 2007.

Balley Ann Norman, daughter of Mary Ann Norman and Russell Dean Norman of Gooding, was born March 3, 2007.

Aiden James Crisp, son of Tarna Nicole Crisp and Ryan James Crisp of Twin Falls, was born March 4, 2007.

Nathan Jackson Wayment, son of Courtney Claire Wayment and Robert Peavy Wayment of Twin Falls, was born March 4, 2007.

The celestial cat that vanished

It wasn't until 2002 that the current roster of 88 constellations was established by the International Astronomical Union.

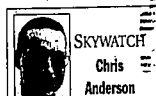
Prior to that, astronomers often invented new constellations between the brighter star patterns recognized from antiquity. Some are still with us today, while others fell by the wayside and are now mere historical footnotes. An example of the latter is 'Felis the cat.'

Dogs have gotten their due with no fewer than five canine constellations—if you count Lupus the wolf along with his tamer kin Canis Major and Canis Minor (the large and small dogs, respectively), and Canes Venatici, the (two) hunting dogs. While there are cats in the sky (namely Leo the lion, Leo Minor the little lion, and Lynx) none are of the domesticated variety.

In 1799, French astronomer Joseph de La Lalande attempted to even the score by creating Felis (Latin for "cat"). In explaining his innovation, La Lalande later wrote: "I love cats very much. I will have this picture engraved on the star map. The starry sky has supported my tired enough throughout my life to allow me to have a little fun with it now."

Johnann Bode must have liked Felis, because it appeared in his celestial atlas, "Uranographia," in 1801. Then again, Bode was a bit of a pack rat, including some 20 other constellations that the IAU later axed.

To see the stars of La Lalande's celestial Chesapeake, you'll need to look from a



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Saturday

- **Planets:**
 - Mercury before sunrise; Mars, ESE, very low; Jupiter, S, low; One hour after sunset: Venus, W, low; Saturn: ESE, mid-sky
- **Moon:** Third quarter tonight, 9:54 a.m.
- **Other data:** Daylight saving began at 2 a.m. today. (set clocks one hour later)

dark evening location around midnight. Once your eyes have adjusted to the dark, scan out of the bottom of the Big Dipper's bowl to Leo's mark with a bright star (Regulus) forming the question mark's point. (Just to the right of Leo is Saturn, shining even brighter than Regulus.) In Regulus, drop halfway down toward the horizon. There you'll find the faint stars of Felis, as had to be seen as any other black cat in a moonless night.

—Chris Anderson is production specialist and observatory manager at the Faulkner Planetarium at the Hermit Center for Arts and Science of the College of Southern Idaho.

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Wife of roving husband tired of drama he creates

DEAR ABBY: "John" and I have been together for seven years and were finally married last February. We have a 4-year-old daughter together. I recently learned that John has had multiple affairs during our relationship, and fathered a child who was born last summer.

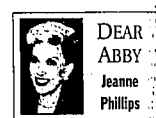
I was devastated by the news of the affairs, not to mention that one resulted in a child. We are still together, but I plan to meet with an attorney soon. I know I can sue John for divorce and child support.

The child's mother is making my life crazy. She has not yet filed for child support, and she calls my home weekly demanding money from me because John is out of a job.

She calls me at work and has threatened to show up at my home and my job with the baby in her arms.

What can I do about this? She knew about me when her affair with John started. She refuses to take into consideration the fact that my child is an age where she can figure out something is not right.

John says he's willing to support her baby, but he wants nothing to do with either of them. I cannot trust him. She's acting crazy, and I'm the one who's been betrayed. I am holding up the best I can, but please advise me. I am truly tired of the mess that the two of them have created.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

is willing to part with, she donates to the local thrift store where I volunteer. Because Sally cannot stand to feel as if she is being wasteful by throwing her tattered and broken belongings away, she unloads them on the thrift shop in the hope that someone else will be able to find a use for them.

Recently, several friends who also volunteered at the store made it known to me that they did not appreciate Sally's donations because, it takes them several hours to sort through the items, only a few of which are suitable for resale after cleaning and repairs. Frankly, I agree.

Most of her donations wind up in the garbage, wasting the time the volunteers could be spending on other tasks that would be more beneficial to the shop.

Abby, what is the polite way to inform my mother-in-law that her donations are no longer wanted at the store?

—ANONYMOUS IN MICHIGAN

DEAR ANONYMOUS: The first thing to do would be to send a generic letter to Sally and the rest of your list of donors—stating that the thrift shop can accept only "gently worn" items and appliances that are still in working condition. Many thrift shops do this as a matter of course.

The next thing would be to speak directly to Sally and explain the problem. However, if donations are dropped off in a community drop-off box, you, the other volunteers should be absolutely certain that the items in question have really come from your mother-in-law, and not some other donors. And frankly, I would think it'd be difficult to ascertain and would almost certainly create ill will if you were mistaken.

Thinking inside the kitty's bag

DEAR TIREDS: I hope you understand that you are under no obligation to give John's ladyfriend a penny. What she is doing is harassment, and could be considered an attempt at extortion. So please, be a good citizen and report her to the police.

She must not be allowed to jeopardize your job, because John's track record is that he has a strong hunch you're going to need it to support yourself and your child. Please don't wait.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law, "Sally," is a pack rat. She cannot bear to throw anything away. The items she

plains decided for the employee

\$53.4 million — Amount paid by employers to resolve these complaints

Source: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

HARMON-McCLELLAN

PAUL — Brent and Karla Harmon of Central Pointe, Ore., and formerly of Declo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Mari Harmon, to Nathan Dale McClellan, son of Kent and Vickie McClellan of Paul.

Harmon attends the College of Southern Idaho nursing program and will receive a registered nursing degree in May. She will complete her preceptorship at Madison Memorial Hospital in Heshburg, where the couple will reside.

McClellan attends Brigham Young University-Idaho, majoring in business. He served a mission to Culiacan, Mexico, for The Church of



Jennifer Harmon and Nathan McClellan Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is employed by Apex security systems. The wedding is planned for Friday, March 16, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at the View LDS Church, 550 S. 500 E., Burley.

SHELBY-WATSON

BURLEY — Rick and Jackie Shelby of Reno, Nev., and formerly of Burley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Estella Shelby, to Kenneth L. Watson, son of Donald and Shirley Hawkes of Poacatello and Kevin and Stacey Watson of Alton, Wyo.

Shelby attended schools in Burley and graduated in 2003 from Creekside High School in Murray, Utah. She attends

Idaho State University, majoring in business management, and is employed at Red Lion Hotel in Poacatello.

Watson graduated in 2005 from Highland High School in Poacatello and is studying game simulation programming. He is employed at Red Lion Hotel.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, April 7, at the LDS Church at 200 S. Fairway in Poacatello.

VAIL-WEST

RUPERT — Scott and Vickie Vail of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Tiffany Leigh Vail, to Jeffrey Reid West, son of Brent and Jerri West of Burley.

The wedding is planned for Friday, March 16, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Springdale LDS Church in Burley.



Tiffany Vail and Jeffrey West

ANNIVERSARIES

THE STEINMETZES

HAZELTON — Henry and Bobbie Steinmetz of Hazelton will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at the Snake River Elks Lodge, 410 E. 200 S., on U.S. Highway 93 in Jerome.

Henry Steinmetz and Bobbie Stovall were married March 17, 1957, in Buhl.

The event is hosted by their



Henry and Bobbie Steinmetz children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

THE ULRICHS

TWIN FALLS — Joe and Marilyn Ulrich, formerly of Twin Falls, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 22, 1957. They attended Idaho State University, and he graduated in 1959 with an Army commission. They lived in Germany for more than three years, and upon returning to the U.S. they lived in Detroit and St. Louis, where they have lived since 1964.

He was an insurance agent for 35 years in St. Louis and retired in 2002. She stayed at

home with the children and was active in community and school activities. She is employed at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

An anniversary trip to Washington, D.C., is planned this year. An anniversary celebration and family reunion are planned this summer in St. Louis.

They have four children, Jennifer (Jeffrey) Davis of Webster Groves, Mo.; Leslie (Scott) Darlington and Douglas (Michelle) Ulrich, all of Columbus, Ohio; and Christopher (Rebecca) Ulrich of the San Francisco area; and nine grandchildren.

Announcements

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Pregnancy: The numbers game

The Washington Post

23,267 — Number of pregnancy discrimination complaints received since 2001 by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

6,415 — Number of com-

So you want to be a cartographer

Mapmaker finds a different route to happiness

By Amy Orndoff
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — When Allen Carroll was a kid, he would ride around his Indianapolis, Ind., neighborhood on his bike, then go home and color his route in red on a map.

"I turned most of the north side of Indianapolis red," he jokes.

Carroll, the National Geographic Society's chief cartographer (mapmaker), says he spent time looking at maps the way most kids read books. When his family went on road trips, Carroll would be the navigator and help his parents figure out the best route.

"I grew up loving maps, and I wanted to be an architect when I was a kid," says Carroll, 55, in his Washington office. "But it never crossed my mind that I could make a living making maps."

Carroll and his staff of 25 employees create maps of all sizes that National Geographic uses in its magazines and books and online. It takes about three months to produce a fairly detailed map; a really complicated one can take more than half a year.

Cartographers (pronounced car-TOGG-rah-fers) are employed by all sorts of companies. Police departments use maps to figure out where the most crimes are occurring. People who run fast-food restaurants use maps to figure out where people are moving so they know the best place to open a store.

There are lots of details to consider when creating a map, Carroll says. For example, "If we were doing a map of the Chesapeake Bay, do we want to show how deep the bay is or where you can find crabs or rockfish? Birds? Parks? Highways?"

Being artistic and good with computers are two necessary characteristics of a good cartographer.

"I love my work, and all of us here love our work because it involves a really cool combination of technical and creative and artistic (skills)," Carroll says.

Before computers, cartographers did their work by hand. They would etch lines into special film and layer those sheets on top of each other to make a readable map. "We used tools a little more sophisticated than pencil and paper," Carroll says. "Now, of course, all that stuff is done on computers."

Computers also have changed the way people use maps. Instead of having to figure out



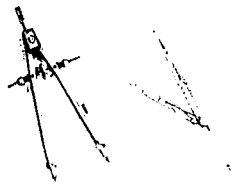
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Chief cartographer Allen Carroll sees the world from his desk in Washington. Carroll and his staff of 25 employees create maps of all sizes that National Geographic uses in its magazines and books and online.

driving directions, your parents can simply plug addresses into Web sites that tell them where to go.

Even though looking up directions online might be easier, Carroll suggests that kids who are interested in maps should do as he did — help their parents find other routes.

"The greater fun or challenge is to say, 'Well, yeah, I am going from here to here, but what is the way I would rather go? What landmarks do I want to see along the way? Or how can I ... just have more fun getting there?'"



Today almost all National Geographic maps are created with computers, eliminating the need for tools such as a compass, left, or proportional divider. Mapmaking 'involves a really cool combination of technical and creative and artistic (skills),' says Allen Carroll.



So you want to be a cartographer? Allen Carroll, chief cartographer for the National Geographic Society in Washington, always has enjoyed plotting the roads taken, and not taken. "I grew up loving maps," he says.

Cartographer career tips

- **Draw your own maps.** Start with your neighborhood and think about all the details you could include, such as trees, houses, stores and streams.
- **Be the family navigator.** Being comfortable using a map is a must for a cartographer. So

- before going on a trip, pull out the map and plan your own route.
- **Study, study, study!** Give special attention to social studies and science classes, especially when maps are used. Many colleges offer cartography classes. Allen Carroll, chief cartographer at the National Geographic Society, majored in environmental studies.

- **Think about the world around you.** "Place matters for almost everything," Carroll says. "Why do you live where you do, and why is the grocery store where it is?" Why do certain ethnic groups live in certain areas? Why are certain industries where they are? It all has to do with geography, which is represented by cartography.



PHOTOS BY BILL HUBBARD — THE WASHINGTON POST

Uniforms: The good, the bad and the truly ugly

By Fred Bowen
Special to The Washington Post

The Washington Wizards unveiled their new alternate uniforms recently: a shiny gold top and black trunks, with lots of black stars on the sides and shoulders. The new uniforms are, in a word, ugly — possibly the worst in the league. They look like circus costumes.

The team's new fashion statement got me thinking about sports uniforms. Some uniforms are cool. Some are not so cool. Let's look at the good, the bad and the ugly of sports uniforms.

National Basketball Association uniforms are all starting to look alike, but my favorite is the Phoenix Suns'. Royal purple is a strong color, and the circle around the number on the front of the jersey is a nice touch. Of course, maybe I like the Suns' uniforms because I love the team's run-and-gun style.

The Chicago Bears have the best uniform in the National Football League when they wear their dark helmets with the red "C," dark shirts and white pants. That's when the Bears look like the "Monsters of the Midway." When the Bears wear their orange jerseys, they look like the Chicago Pumpkins.

The Seattle Seahawks have the ugliest NFL uniforms, especially when they wear a single color. By the way, what is that



Chicago Bears' Thomas Jones (20) breaks away during the first quarter of Super Bowl XLII.

color? Green? Blue? Gray? Or greenish-bluish gray? I can't find the Seahawks' color anywhere in my box of 64 crayons. Lots of NFL teams have great helmets. I love the look of the helmets worn by the Colts, Falcons, Broncos and Texans. But the Miami Dolphins' helmet is dopey. A dolphin leaping out of the water wearing a helmet doesn't make the team look tough at all.

In college football, the Penn State uniforms are perfect: blue and white with nothing fancy.



San Jose Sharks goalie Evgeni Nabokov, of Kazakhstan, makes a save against the Minnesota Wild March 6.

The University of Oregon's uniforms are a fashion nightmare. The Ducks wear green and yellow with some kind of criss-cross pattern on the shoulders and knees.

Hockey uniforms are either terrific or terrible. I love the fiery red "C" on the Calgary Flames' jersey. The Detroit Red

Wings, Florida Panthers and Minnesota Wild have cool jerseys, too. But I'm not crazy about jerseys with cartoon characters on the front, such as the Pittsburgh Penguins, San Jose Sharks and Phoenix Coyotes wear.

Of course, uniforms shouldn't matter. They don't help you

Of course, uniforms shouldn't matter. They don't help you score points. Still, uniforms are important to kids. Lots of kids have lucky numbers and favorite colors, or colors that they just can't stand.

One season when I was coaching, I was late picking up the shirts for my fourth-grade boys basketball team. The recreation department had only one color left.

"They're pink!" one of my players yelled as I handed out the shirts. "They're light red," I insisted.

The boys weren't so sure. It didn't help when the sock-keeper at our first game asked: "Why are you guys wearing girls' shirts?"

The next day the recreation department found my team new shirts. We played the rest of the season in blue. Just like the Wizards should do.

Survey says

The Washington Post

A recent KidsPast survey asked: How old should you be to vote? More than 470 young readers responded:

- Any age, 18.5 percent
- 12 and older, 16.2 percent
- 16 and older, 20.0 percent
- 18 is just right, 33.6 percent
- 21 and older, 11.7 percent

About you and making the world a better place

The Washington Post

More than 1,200 kids (ages 8 to 10) were asked: who is most responsible for making the world better for children. Here's what they said, according to a Harris International survey for Save the Children.

- Individuals, 39 percent
- U.S. government, 22 percent
- Charities, 16 percent
- Other governments, 11 percent
- Religious groups, 11 percent
- Corporations, 1 percent

FAMILY LIFE

Breast cancer? Over 40?

More women are risking pregnancy anyway, and succeeding

By Marilyn Marchione
AP medical writer

High-risk pregnancies are on the rise in the U.S. and may be more common now than at any other time, since modern obstetric care became available.

Why? More forty-something moms are having babies, and epidemics of diabetes, obesity and high blood pressure are causing pregnancy and birth complications.

But in this otherwise troubling trend is also some good news: A small but growing number of women are successfully having children despite life-threatening conditions that once made a safe pregnancy almost inconceivable.

Exact numbers are not available, but doctors say that tens of thousands of organ transplant recipients, breast cancer survivors, women with heart defects, and even women with the AIDS virus have decided to risk childbearing in the last few years.

Not all of these stories have happy endings, and many people worry that some of these women will not live long enough to raise their children, or that they will pass on their medical problems.

But most results have been so surprisingly good that they are overturning decades of gloomy dogma about who is medically fit to have a child.

"These people define a whole new era of pregnancy for us," said Temple University's Dr. Vincent Arment, who runs a registry that tracks births to transplant patients.

"We have to change our mindset about the perfect pregnancy," he said. Women should be given advice based on solid research "instead of an emotional feeling that some people just shouldn't have a baby."

No one knows precisely how many high-risk pregnancies there are. It is a catchall term that in the past has meant the mom is over 35 or has a condition like high blood pressure that is dangerous for her or her fetus. But as these situations have become more common, even this loose definition is changing.

Births to women 35 and older are soaring. And many complications are becoming so routine that nurse midwives can manage them instead of sending women to high-risk care specialists. Doctors around the country say they are treating far more of these risky cases than they did a decade ago.

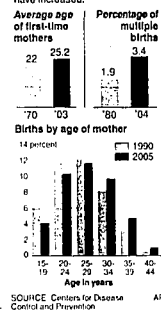
"Patients are getting older, so by definition, they're higher-risk. The diabetes rate is going



Madelyn Engelman, who turned 6 on Feb. 11, plays with her mother, Dr. Gabrielle Fish, at their Cherry Hill, N.J. home Feb. 2. When she decided to try a risky pregnancy after her kidney transplant, Fish was in her mid-30s and had been stable on her anti-rejection drugs for two years.

Older moms

In 2005, there were 104,644 births in the U.S. to women ages 40 through 44 and 6,546 to women 45 and older. Multiple births also have increased.



through the roof, so that's high-risk. More people with high blood pressure are getting pregnant. The list goes on and on," leaving fewer women considered "low-risk," said Dr. Jacques Moritz, director of gynecology at Roosevelt Hospital in New York City.

Dr. Mary D'Alton, the Columbia University Medical Center obstetrics chief who recently delivered twins to a 39-year-old woman, has replaced the term "high-risk" with a 1-to-10 scale.

Birth outcomes for older women and those with medical problems "have been better than we would expect," although complications are more common, she said. For example, about half of organ transplant recipients give birth prematurely, although often by just a couple of weeks. "I don't

mean to paint a rosy picture, but I would want to paint an optimistic picture," D'Alton said.

Dr. Gabrielle Fish felt optimistic when she decided to try pregnancy after her kidney transplant. Fish, of Cherry Hill, N.J., was in her mid-30s and had been stable on her anti-rejection drugs for two years. After researching pregnancies among transplant patients — there have been more than 1,000 in the last decade — she asked her doctors' advice.

"They pretty much encouraged me. They said, 'You're a healthy woman and you don't want to wait till you're high-risk because of your age,'" Fish said.

The result: a healthy daughter, Madelyn, now 6. Fish said she feels lucky to have her, but would not try to have a second child.

Carla Taylor also feels lucky. A delivery room nurse from New York, she was 42 when she discovered she was pregnant after having artery embolization to treat uterine fibroids. Such women are advised not to try pregnancy because the treatment plugs blood vessels that feed fibroids, and that might keep a fetus from growing properly.

Taylor had a healthy daughter, Bailey, now 6. Moritz, the gynecology director who works with Taylor at Roosevelt Hospital, said 16 of his patients have unexpectedly had children after the fibroid treatment and most have done well.

"Usually if they were able to get pregnant after the embolization, it means that blood supply to the uterus is pretty good," he said. Doctors expect more of these cases as embolization becomes a popular option to hysterectomy for fibroids, which plague millions of women.

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Family ties: Conflicted? D'oh!

By Meghan Wolff
The Washington Post

Sibling rivalry may be as old as the hills (think Cain and Abel, Jacob and Esau, Lisa and Bart, George and Jeb), but there's new science to it. The worst ages for strife, according to a study in Child Development: When the older child is about 13 and the second around 10. These most likely to view the relationship with their sibling in a positive light? Girls in a sister-sister pair. When the wars often cool? Late adolescence.

Researchers at the Pennsylvania State University base these findings on their look into the relationship between first- and second-born siblings (mostly preteen and adolescent) in 200 white, working- and middle-class families in urban and rural Pennsylvania.

The researchers asked siblings to rate their relationship with each other on two scales — one measuring "positivity,"

or intimacy, and the other measuring conflict. Researchers then asked each child's parents to do the same thing. The data show that sibling relations are largely defined by the context of the whole family. When conflict between children and their fathers either increased or decreased, similar changes were reported between the siblings. Findings also linked a mother's warmth and acceptance of her children with the intimacy of siblings, researchers said.

Lead study author Ji-Yeon Kim, a research associate at Pennsylvania State University, said via e-mail that she chose to study siblings because their relationship is one of the longest-lasting in people's lives. She acknowledged her findings might not apply to a more ethnically diverse group.

"Further, in single-parent families, I would speculate that the significance of parent-child relationships and sibling, relationships would not be the same."

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Hot Lake Springs: A reminder of gentler times

By Joseph B. Frazier
Associated Press writer

LA GRANDE, Ore. — Off a remote Eastern Oregon highway by a steaming sulfurous lake at the base of a hill, a stately old pile of brick and history beckons.

It recalls a faded color postcard from an old album. Carriages. Women in long dresses and bustles. Men with coats and ties, and hats that they tipped.

"Having a wonderful time," the card might have read. "Waters doing wonders for Mother."

Hot Lake Springs, Ore. Maybe 1910. The way of life is gone, but a renowned bronze sculptor, David Manuel, and his wife Lee are leading a multimillion-dollar effort to bring Hot Lake Springs and some of what it represented back to life.

The project is already drawing 200 to 300 tourists a day who come through to visit Manuel's foundry, observe the restoration and see some of the artifacts.

Hot Lakes Springs was once a hotel, sanitarium, spa and among the early teaching hospitals, a self-contained city with its own bank and post office. The Mayo brothers, of Mayo Clinic fame, were frequent visitors.

Vacationers came to relax, patients to shed a variety of ills.

Hospital director Dr. W.T. Phyl believed syphilis could not withstand the repeated hot sulfatic baths in the lake water (it survived just fine) and, in those pre-antibiotic days, dosed his patients accordingly. Arthritis patients were placed in a hot mud bog.

Healthier folks, such as Wild Bill Hickok and his Wild West Show, came through, too, and for decades so did the well-shod from around the world, often on the three trains a day that stopped there.

Most of the original wooden structure, built during the rough-and-tumble gold rush in 1864, burned in 1934, although the part that held the bank and post office survived. But hard times came barreling through.



David Manuel is shown in his studio at Hot Lake Springs. Manuel, a renowned bronze sculptor, and his wife Lee are trying to bring Hot Lake Springs and some of what it represented back to life. Once it was a hotel and sanitarium, among other things. TDP: A sign at Hot Lake Springs in La Grande, Ore.

The railroad that brought in guests was rerouted, the new highway bypassed it and the Depression didn't help. The post office closed and over time, the main brick building, completed in 1908, became 65,000 square feet of not much in the middle of nowhere.

Nurses trained there during World War II. It lived various lives, as a nursing home, a nightclub and figured in other plans that somehow didn't work out.

The Manuels said they had been thinking of the old place for years, and when they bought it in 2003 it was in sorry shape.

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A bronze cast is seen at the foundry in the old bath house at Hot Lake Springs.

If you go ...

HOT LAKE SPRINGS: 66172 Hwy. 203, LaGrande, Ore., midway between La Grande and Union in Oregon's northeast corner; <http://www.davidmanuel.com> or 541-963-4685.

GETTING THERE: The nearest towns with commercial air service are Pendleton, Ore., about 50 miles away, and Boise, 170 miles. La Grande has a half-dozen motels and hotels, with room rates under \$100 this time of year.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS: Northeast Oregon's attractions include the Wallowa Mountains, known as the Oregon Alps, Haines and Baker City, which started as mining boom towns and retain much of the old flavor. The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, five miles east of Baker City on Highway 88, is an excellent museum right on the old Oregon Trail; details at <http://www.nps.gov/oreg/planyourvisit/site10.htm>. You can still see the wagon tracks.

For horse-lovers, the speckled appaloosa breed favored by the Nez Perce tribe that once lived in the area still are raised on Wallowa County ranches, especially around Enterprise, Ask locally.

Baker City's Geiser Grand Hotel, once said to be the finest between Portland and Salt Lake City, has been brought back from near ruin with a multimillion-dollar restoration similar to the one under way at Hot Lake Springs; <http://www.geiser-grand.com/> or 888-434-7374. Room rates \$89-\$209.

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In Hawaii, she sees seashells on the seashore.
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TRAVEL



Geese walk on the porch at Hot Lake Springs in La Grande, Ore.

Hot Lake

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"Remember looking straight up where the roof should have been and seeing the Big Dipper," said David Manuel, whose bronze castings of early Western life are collected worldwide.

Plans are to reopen the hotel late this year. There will be 20-25 rooms available, many of them decorated in period furniture.

Other rooms will be joined together for a museum, ballroom and theater.

Also on display will be David Manuel's collection of Indian artifacts, which he started with an arrowhead that he found as a boy in Eastern Washington, and his military memorabilia, which dates to the War of 1812. During a visit by an AP reporter, he proudly pointed out a recent acquisition: the last U.S. Army recruiting poster for cavalry troops.

The hot springs bubbles out at 208 degrees into the lake, which will be off limits to guests for insurance and other reasons. But indoor and outdoor soaking tubs are being built.

"Stick in a finger and pull out a home," laughed Lee Manuel, looking at the hot end. It's cooler at the other end.

"People used to start at the cool end and see how close they could get to the hot parts," she said.

A daily cup of the hot sulfur-fused water was said to be healthy if not tasty and also was piped into the rooms for heating.

The U.S. Department of Energy recognizes the place as the first in the nation to use geothermal heating on a large scale.

When the Manuels acquired the property, they found it had been vandalized and looted of everything from molding to doorknobs. The flooring had rotted and warped. Nearly all of the 350 windows had been smashed.

But engineers assured the Manuels that the 30-inch stone foundation was there for the ages, the brick walls were intact, mostly, and from there they went to work.

A bonfire to get rid of trash burned for months and it took 70 semi trucksloads to haul away more garbage, Lee Manuel said.

David Manuel's bronze foundry is operating again after being relocated here from the artsy mountain town of Joseph in northeast Oregon, where the Manuels lived before. Buyers from around the world still seek him out, with most of his pieces going for four or five figures.

On many days David Manuel works meticulously to fine-tune the clay sculptures that, after an elaborate process, will become the precast bronzes for which he is famous. His subjects have ranged from Lewis and Clark to John Wayne; many models come from old portraits of Indians and other paintings.

"These bronzes are meant to tell a story, to capture the imagination," he said.

The area owes history of its own.

For centuries regional Indian tribes who might be enemies gathered there in peace, confident of the healing value of the water.

The Astor expedition, which founded what is now Astoria, the first permanent commercial

settlement of Americans on the Pacific Coast, snipped in the vicinity in 1812 as their way home from investigating fur-trading possibilities for John Jacob Astor, and vague remnants of their camp remain.

There was a lucrative gold rush not far from the area in the 1860s and high gold prices are bringing in some people to consider opening the old mines anew.

While Hot Lake Springs will operate as a hotel now, its medical past is remembered. An early X-ray machine, once in use there, is being restored and looks like something from a Frankenstein movie. An operating room, where students observed the surgical procedures of the day, will become a library.

Some architects and builders estimated the restoration cost at \$23 million. The Manuels say they can put it through for \$10 million and are using proceeds from their business, four fees and naming rights for rooms, bricks and windows and volunteers to help.

Those who paid \$10,000 to name a room may decorate it any way they liked. Some are complete with washstands, brass beds and oil lamps of the past.

David Manuel said they see the project as "an opportunity to give God back the gifts he gave to us."

The 21st century seems distant from the isolated cattle country of northeast Oregon, and the old building still exudes tranquility. A faded sign that may date from the hotel's glory years seems to sum up the attitude: "Keep your voices low and be sweet."

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Deadwood's living history

By Andrea Sachs
The Washington Post

Q: After watching "Deadwood," I'd like to visit South Dakota. What is the closest big city to Deadwood? Any suggestions on stopover places? I'd like to use Amtrak's Explore America pass.

A: Fans of the HBO drama "Deadwood" can travel from their TV dens to the real Deadwood, an old mining town in western South Dakota. "The show is based on actual events that happened in Deadwood," said Keela Rembold, office manager of the Deadwood Chamber of Commerce (800-999-1876, www.deadwood.org). "The whole town of Deadwood is a historic landmark."

The Wild West destination has only 1,700 residents, but it's hardly a one-horse town. An assortment of 19th-century hotels (e.g., the Bullock Hotel, built by Sheriff Seth Bullock in 1895) and museums line Main Street. Rembold suggests visiting the Adams Museum, which covers the town's history; the Broken Bunt Gold Mine, where guests pan for gold; the days of '76 museum, for Western themes and bug-bies from the 1800s; and the Adams House, a Victorian manse owned by town founder W.E. Adams. (The town was named after the dead trees in Deadwood Gulch.)

To visit the burial sites of Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane, hike up to Mount Moriah Cemetery. And to see where Wild Bill was shot, swing into Saloon No. 10, a hybrid museum, bar and gambling hall that displays the chair he was sitting in when he was killed.

Rapid City, about 40 miles to the southeast, is the closest major metro area to Deadwood. In addition, such attractions as Mount Rushmore, Custer State Park and Crazy Horse

Memorial are within 90 minutes. Closer in, Spearfish offers a wildlife sanctuary, and Lead has the Homestake Gold Mine, open for tours.

Amtrak does not run through South Dakota. The Explore America pass allows three free layovers over a 45-day period; to use the program to visit Deadwood you'll have to spend two days traveling from the District to Chicago to Denver. From there, take a bus to Cheyenne, Wyo., then rent a car for the 240-mile drive. Cost is from \$417 per person for a coach seat and bus ride; car rental is extra. It might be easier to go by chuck wagon — or plane.

Q: We have a long layover in Reykjavik. Do tours leave from the airport or can we take ground transportation to the city?

A: Iceland's main airport, Keflavik International Airport, sits on the Reykjavik peninsula and is a 40-minute drive to Reykjavik — a haul when you have a plane to catch. If you're hungry, in the mood to shop or just want to stretch your legs, the little town of Keflavik is only five minutes by taxi. An even better excursion, though, is to the Blue Lagoon (www.bluelagoon.com), the famed geothermal waters. Tour buses depart daily from the airport, but most visits are timed to afternoon arrivals.

Reykjavik Excursions (www.re.is), for one, leaves for the lagoon at 4:30 p.m.; the trip lasts three to five hours and costs \$50 (including bus fare and entry fee). Iceland Excursions (www.icelandexcursions.is) also has day tours departing from the airport.

If four times are inconvenient, take a 20-minute cab ride to the lagoon, then spend your layover soaking in the waters and indulging in spa treatments. You can rent bathing suits (about \$5), bathrobes and towels.

She sees sea glass on the seashore

By Elizabeth Chang
Special to The Washington Post

I'm the kind of person for whom a beach vacation is not complete unless I've scored a piece of sea glass, one of those shards of broken bottle that have been tumbled by water, sand and time into a state of smoothness that renders them treasure.

But a beach full of the stuff? Somehow, despite the fact that I'd been visiting in-laws in Hawaii for 16 years—spending more time eating, shopping or watching my kids windmill off surfboards than collecting bits of old Vicks Vapo-r—the existence of Kauai's appropriately named Glass Beach had escaped me. Until recently, that is.

Even learning from locals that the beach had been picked over, that there were days you could show up and find nothing but pieces so small they weren't almost sand, didn't dampen its allure. On my family's next Pacific fling, I resolved, we would take the girls to Kauai.

And somewhere between visits to its majestic canyons, cute towns, idyllic bays and crowded pools, we would find time for my sea glass obsession. Even if the payoff was likely to be minuscule.

At first, I was mostly ignored as trash, although, according to Richard LaMotte, author of the collectors' bible "Pure Sea Glass," it at one time may have served as a status symbol in Philadelphia, where remnants would place a jar of it in their front windows to illustrate their affluence. Now people collect it, sell it and make things out of it—from fine jewelry to sun catchers, frames and mosaics, even stained-glass windows.

Part of its newfound appeal is its increasing scarcity. Glass bottles and containers have given way to plastic, shipwrecks have become more rare and people have stopped dumping trash in the oceans, all of which means there is less raw material for sea glass. Further compounding the problem, says LaMotte, one of the founders of the North American Sea Glass Association, is the fact that much of the sand brought in to replenish beaches buries whatever glass is on the shore.

I've certainly never had much luck finding sea glass in Hawaii. The kids and I once collected a cupful on Oahu, but it was mostly pedestrian browns and greens, the color of beer bottles, which makes sense when you consider that Body surfers, beer and rough waters would conspire to toss back that kind of common stuff. (LaMotte says it can take 10 to 30 years to create sea glass, depending on the "wave action.")

I had higher hopes for Glass Beach, but first we had to find it.

Glass Beach isn't mentioned in most guidebooks, and there are no signs directing drivers to it. The beach turned out to be in the middle of an industrial zone not far from the popular tourist area of Poipu on Kauai's southern end. To get there, you take the Port Allen exit off the highway, then turn down a street past some warehouses, then follow a very rutted dirt road to the water, wondering if you're going to owe money to the rental car company.

You won't know whether you're on the right way until you walk onto the probably deserted beach and look down. If you're lucky, stretches of the black sand will be paved with glittering glass.

We hit what we considered a bonanza that day—a just your average white and brown and green, of which there were plenty, but amber and blue and aqua. There were shards of smoothed pottery and a few pieces of well-worn trash (the sea glass comes from a nearby dump), including an earpiece from some eyeglasses and what looked like engine parts. But mostly there was lots and lots of glass — on the beach



Collectors prize Hawaiian sea glass for its unusual shapes and colors, especially blue.

and stuck between the rocks. The beach wasn't suitable for anything other than combing; the rocks would make swimming suicidal, and, when we were able to tear our gaze from the sand, the view wasn't impressive: Several gas tanks overlooked one side of the beach. But we spent little of our time

looking up, the four of us scouring the beach like a quartet of cranes, our heads curved and necks bent, we parents sporting sticks to help navigate the slippery rocks. The whole time we were there, we saw only two other people. We didn't talk, except to shout out discoveries: "Here's a big one!" "Here's a blue one!" "Aqua!" We found so much that, after we took photographs of parts of our collection, we left some pieces for future beach-combers. We didn't want to be greedy.

Stella Burgess, who is the Hawaiian cultural specialist at the Grand Iyatt Kauai Resort and Spa and one of the go-to people for information about Kauai, remembers when "everyone on the western end on Kauai would dump rubbish" on the outcropping next to Glass Beach. They would burn the trash and toss it into the ocean. The ocean then tumbled and threw back the trash, some of it rounded and sparkling.

"Nobody really paid attention to the glass," she says, "I just kept building on top of each other. ... The whole beach was glass."

When she was younger, the glass was at least six inches deep. Folks used to go down there with five-gallon buckets and scoop it up to use in retaining walls and driveways. (Now there is a law that prohibits taking more than one gallon of beach sand per day for personal use.) As beach glass has become popular for jewelry and other crafts, artisans have found the beach and have raked it over.

On a visit this past summer, Burgess says, "It wasn't like I remembered it."

"While 'sea glass' can be made in tumblers and acid baths, enthusiasts prefer the real thing. And Hawaiian sea glass is prized because of its unusual colors and shapes.

"Hawaiian beach glass is unique in that you can find more blues, and that's considered one of the more precious colors. If you can consider beach glass precious," says Sharon Umbaugh, a Sea Glass Association board member. She moved to the Big Island seven years ago from Ohio and sells sea glass on eBay and through her Web site, www.tropicalglass.com.

In addition, Hawaiian sea glass is usually "smooth and rounded, a bit like jelly beans, as opposed to the East Coast, where it's flat and ragged," Umbaugh says. "That's one of the reasons why it's so attractive and makes such beautiful jewelry, as opposed to the ones that are more shabby looking."

Umbaugh visited Glass Beach about six years ago. "It's a phenomenon, that beach, because it is really all beach glass," she says. "You can actu-



Kauai's Glass Beach isn't mentioned in most guidebooks, and there are no signs directing drivers to it, but the beach can offer a bonanza for sea glass hunters.

ally just scoop up handfuls of glass, and I've not seen it anywhere else." While Glass Beach may be unusual, she says, there are good sea glass sites all over the islands, although "any serious collector won't reveal their sources."

"There's a certain art to knowing where to look," Umbaugh says, but "on a good day for me, the ocean will just throw it at my feet."

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TRAVEL

A photographer's America

Photo museum takes its classic images to galleries in America's hinterland

By Ben Dobbin
Associated Press writer

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Marilyn Monroe leans against a wall, her shoulders bared in a sexy dress. Babe Ruth, bat in hand, sits alone in the dugout. Angela Davis peers from a "Wanted by the FBI" poster.

To look some of America's cultural icons in the eye, take a trip to Zanesville in Ohio's Appalachian foothills. Or try Hanceville, pop. 2,900, in rural Alabama.

A treasured collection of vintage photographs usually ensconced in the climate-controlled vaults of George Eastman House, the world's oldest photography museum, is slipping out on a three-year tour of the nation's hinterland.

The government-funded impulse? Share the best of America's heritage with communities outside the major arts centers. The outlook? Next to painting, dance and even musical theater, photography is sure to draw some of the biggest crowds.

"Photographs look like the truth and they feel like memory," said Alison Nordstrom, the museum's photography curator. "I do think that for a lot of people, looking face to face into the eyes of Babe Ruth, there is that magic. It's as though you and he were alive at the same time."

The exhibition "Seeing Ourselves: Masterpieces of American Photography" will spend way to four months at a time in 10 small cities and towns over the next three years, opening Friday in Pensacola, Fla.

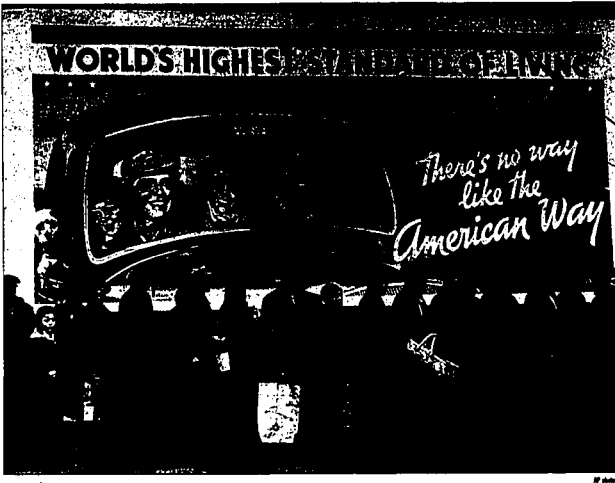
It will end its way from east to west and back again this year, hitting Monterey, Calif., in late May and Columbia, S.C., in mid-September. It will journey next year from Zanesville in the spring down to Jackson, Miss., Hanceville and Lafayette, La., and spend 2009 in Tulsa, Okla., Oshkosh, Wis., and Fort Wayne, Ind.

"We could serve quite a wide audience in sort of the Appalachian area of southeastern Ohio and West Virginia," said Susan Talbot-Stanaway, director of the Zanesville Art Center, which usually draws about 30,000 visitors a year.

"I would be surprised if we don't get 20,000 for this (two-month) show," she added, including many people who aren't regular museum patrons and "think of art as being an urban phenomenon."

The 156-photo show is part of a project supported by \$5.5 million in grants from the National Endowment for the Arts to send world-class visual arts, dance, literature, classical music and musical theater to more than 150 somewhat-out-of-the-way places, from Bozeman, Mont., to Savannah, Ga., to Portland, Maine.

Other participants in "American



This 1937 photo by Margaret Bourke-White, provided by the George Eastman House Collection, shows black flood victims in Louisville, Ky., standing in a bread line. It is among the vintage photographs that Eastman House is sending on a three-year exhibition tour of America.



This 1945 photo by Nikolas Murray, provided by the George Eastman House Collection, shows an aging Babe Ruth posing in his New York Yankee pinstripes.



This photo of actress Marilyn Monroe was shot by Philippe Halsman for a 1952 cover of Life magazine. It is among the vintage photographs that Eastman House is sending on a three-year exhibition tour of America.

Masterpieces: Three Centuries of Artistic Genius" include the Dallas Museum of Art, New York's Museum of Arts & Design, the Kansas City Repertory Theatre and the Virginia Symphony.

The biggest grant of \$200,000 went to Eastman House, a museum in the colonial revival mansion of Kodak founder George Eastman where more than 400,000 highly valued photographs have been gathered up since 1949.

Photography might be a highly accessible art form, but devotees know that seeing original images, some dating to the early days of photography, is incomparable even as reproductions become ubiquitous.

"I've visited museum after museum around the world. I love art and photography, so I know how different it is to see it in a book than in person," said Kristen Holmes, who helped lure the exhibition to George C. Wallace State Community College in Hanceville, 40 miles north of Birmingham.

"It's kind of the same way with a musical performance. It's much different to hear it on the radio than it is to attend a live performance," she said. "This is something I'd like to see museums do more of, expose people to art in a way they wouldn't ordinarily experience."

Among the most widely familiar

"We have a mission to make everyone crazy for photographs, but it's not a hard mission to fulfill because people already are. Just because you live in Oshkosh, Wis., doesn't mean that you should be restricted in your experience of this stuff."

— Alison Nordstrom, George Eastman House's photography curator

pictures are a 1952 Life magazine cover shot of a seductive Monroe by Philippe Halsman, a 1970 dual-photo portrait of Davis when she was wanted for murder, kidnapping and interstate flight, and Nikolas Murray's 1945 portrait of an aging Ruth posing in Yankee pinstripes.

While many are instantly recognizable, such as Dorothea Lange's 1936 shot of a migrant mother in Depression-era California, other less familiar classics, such as Arthur Rothstein's equally surreal depiction of black flood victims in 1937 Louisville, Ky., standing on a bread line beneath an "American Way" billboard of a smiling white family.

One of four other categories is devoted to war — Timothy O'Sullivan's "A Harvest of Death" at Gettysburg, a Vietnam War street execution captured by Eddie Adams, a vengeful "Uncle Sam" poster from Nathan Lyons' "After 9/11" series.

Another depicts mostly well-known "faces," from those of Walt Disney, George Armstrong Custer and boxer Marvin Hagler to a wind-blown Jackie Kennedy Onassis and a somber Theodore Roosevelt. Some are out-of-kind objects, such as a 1915 daguerrotype of an Ojibway Indian woman in upper Canada.

"We wanted to encourage hard looking, and that means a mix of the familiar and fascinating with the surprises," said Nordstrom, citing Arthur Rothstein's quirky profile of a Dalton, N.Y., farmer sitting at home beneath a portrait of George Washington.

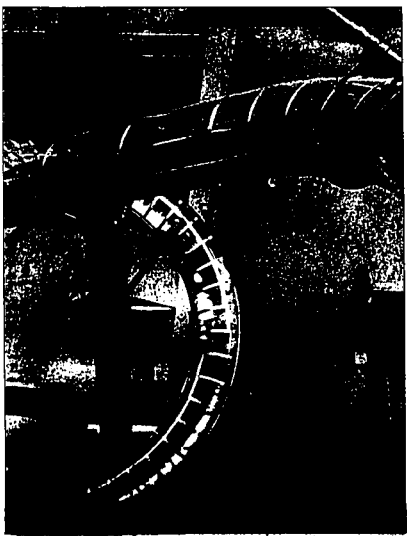
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one crazy for photographs, but it's not a hard mission to fulfill because people already are. Just because you live in Oshkosh, Wis., doesn't mean that you should be restricted in your experience of this stuff."

While "we couldn't send these to a bus station," Nordstrom-said, many small towns in America boast "beautiful little state-of-the-art physical facilities with climate control and alarm systems. What they're lacking is content and we have the content. We're hoping this is the beginning of relationships, not a one-off."

"We have a mission to make every-

'Vuluptuous panic': Doing the eclectic slide in London



At the Tate Modern museum in London, not only can you see the art, you can be the art. Walters carve down chaises designed by German artist Carsten Hoeller from the upper stories to the bottom.

By Carol Sotell
The Washington Post

When my art student daughter in London sent an e-mail saying she'd stood on line to get tickets to the slides at the Tate Modern, I assumed it was an exhibit that had something to do with photographic slides.

How wrong I was.

The slides are the smooth metal kind. The ones that children frequent in neighborhood parks. Only these are slides on steroids, twisting, turning vehicles that rise like Medusa's hair through the museum's five-story-high open hall. More than 600,000 thrill seekers have ridden the slides since the show opened Oct. 10; the exhibit was recently extended by a week, and its final day is now scheduled for April 15.

So how did playground apparatus, albeit super-size versions, get into Britain's national museum of modern art? Designed by German artist Carsten Hoeller, "Test Site" is the seventh in the Unlevel Series, which each year has a different artist figure out a way to use the museum's cavernous Turbine Hall. Hoeller's installation initially consisted of five slides of various heights. (One slide was removed in January to make way for another exhibit.)

In a museum brochure, Hoeller explained his work as "sculpture you can travel inside."

"Slides deliver people quickly, safely and elegantly to their destinations, they're inexpensive to construct and energy-efficient," Hoeller said. "They're also a museum brochure, an emotional state that is a unique condition somewhere between delight and mad-

I launched myself down the enclosed corkscrew tube, feeling like a fish in a bowl as I peered through the tube's clear plastic top at people staring at my descent.

It was described in the fifties by the French writer Roger Caillois as a "kind of voluptuous panic upon an otherwise lucid mind."

Having an affinity for existing in a state between delight and madness, I put the exhibit on my list of things to do during a recent visit to London.

Arriving about 11 a.m., I headed to a window to pick up the free, timed tickets required for the taller slides. Lines can get long during midday; by the time I left a couple of hours later, tickets had been snatched up for the next two hours. (Hint from my daughter: Tourists don't realize the museum is open late on Fridays and Saturdays, so going after 7 p.m. on those days means shorter lines.)

With an hour to kill before my noon entry time, I wandered the various galleries, exploring the States of Flux and the Poetry and Dreams wings.

Basically ignorant when it comes to modern art, I nonetheless found myself drawn to such works as Salvador Dali's "Lobster Telephone" and stretched by sculptures such as Germaine Richier's "Shepherd of the Landes," in which the "shepherd figure has become one with its stilt, achieving an insect-like adaptability," according to the museum's description of the piece.

As noon neared, I pulled my head out of "Un chien andouille," a silent black-and-white surrealist film that

(featured) a woman poking a severed hand with a stick and ants crawling out of a hole in a man's palm, and headed for the slide. I felt a bit surrealistic myself as I switched gears to listening to the attendant instruct me about placing my feet in a canvas sack and folding my arms across my chest.

I launched myself down the enclosed, corkscrew tube, feeling like a fish in a bowl as I peered through the tube's clear plastic top at people staring at my descent. The welding along the structure's joints whacked my back, adding another dimension to the feeling of plummeting through space. Twelve seconds later, after traveling a curving, 182-foot route down the 43-foot drop, I shot out of the slide and onto a black pad, exhilarated and out of breath.

Later in the day, as I rode a crammed tube train, I daydreamed about some of Hoeller's ideas about slides. The artist went so far as to commission two architectural studies, including one that assessed using slides as public transportation in London. I dosed my eyes, uncomfortably close to the armpit of a very tall man, and instead imagined taking a slide to the hotel.

Still energized by my ride, another quote from Hoeller came to mind: "The state of mind that you enter when sliding, a simultaneous delight, madness and 'voluptuous panic,' can't simply disappear without (a) trace afterwards."

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Volunteers — Sale Harbor is looking for volunteers to help with the Saturday lunch program. The lunches are held at several downtown locations with serving time from 11:15 a.m. to noon and cleanup from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Volunteers for the advisory board are needed, and are required to attend an initial board meeting and one meeting per year. The organization also needs a sewing machine. To volunteer or donate, call Phyllis at 736-8787.

Volunteers — Jubilee House is looking for volunteers to help with fundraising efforts by making telephone calls. Other needs are for a storage unit that can be used for donated items until Jubilee House opens; plumbers to finish some of the work at the house; painters; and volunteers for various duties after opening. Call Vicki at 735-2566 or Barbara at 735-9170 or 404-1539.

Volunteers — Aspen Grove Home Health and Hospice is looking for volunteers to help with a caregiving team. Aspen Grove provides care to local residents who are unable to fully take care of themselves. Both participatory and support roles are available. Contact Janie or Sue at 733-2234 or stop by the office at 300 Second Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Mentors — Kids Count Too Inc. is a volunteer organization that provides a quarterly day camp for children, ages 6-16, who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Mentors, ages 18 and older, are needed to vol-

Want to help?
The public services center is designed to match needs to the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.
If you need a volunteer, call the Regional and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, ext. 320, before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday for Sunday publication. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Call weekly to retain your request.

unteer to assist in the day camps. Mentors will be trained before the event, and a background check is required. For information, call Revis at 732-6688 or 404-3210; Bruce at 736-2122, ext. 2393; or Debra at 736-6900.

Volunteers — The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program is looking for volunteers to visit residents in skilled nursing and residential care facilities. Volunteers can be advocates for residents and improve elderly care. Training and mentoring will be provided. Call Mary or Laurene at the Office on Aging at 736-2122.

Drivers/carpenters — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers program is in need of a volunteer to transport a dialysis patient each Monday afternoon and also alternative drivers for dialysis patients for treatment. The caregivers program is in need of volunteers who work with lumber to do handiwork, help build ramps and learn from a volunteer carpenter. Call Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 733-6333.

Respite — Volunteers are needed to give respite to elderly homebound clients so their main caregivers can take a break. Volunteers are needed in the Buhl, Twin Falls, Gooding, Wendell and Jerome areas. Call Edith at 736-4764.

Volunteers — Idaho Home Health and Hospice has openings for volunteers who can help in the home, visiting with patients or relieving the caregivers. The volunteers can help run errands or be available for the families. Office assistance is also welcome. For information about the volunteer program and training, call Heidi at 734-0064 or stop by the office at 826 Eastland Drive in Twin Falls.

Drivers — The Jerome Senior Center needs volunteer drivers to transport senior citizens to the center for lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. Volunteers will receive free lunch and mileage reimbursement. Call Kris at 324-5642.

Volunteers — The Twin Falls County Historical Museum is in need of volunteers to help with archival preservation, cataloguing artifacts and greeting visitors at the museum. Call Darleen at 736-4675.

Mattresses/clothing — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is in need of clean, twin-size mattresses, spring sets, clothing for adults, and bicycles in good condition. To donate items, bring them to the office at 1526 Highland Ave. E. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office is closed from noon to 1 p.m.



Five generations of the Goff family gathered recently. Pictured from left, back row, great-grandmother, Goldie Goff of Twin Falls; great-grandmother, Betty Conrad of Twin Falls; and grandfather, Jeff Conrad of Buhl; middle row, father, James Conrad of Kuna, holding Jonah Conrad; father, James Conrad of Twin Falls, holding Macy Conrad; and father, James Conrad of Twin Falls, holding Heydon Conrad.

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DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

March 14 — Liz Allen's senior concert (of Magic Valley Christian School), with the theme "Music's Influence In Our Lives," 6 p.m., 2156 E. 4100 N., Ft. 208, 733-5928.
March 14-17 — Neil Simon's play "Lost in Yorkers," presented by the College of Southern Idaho Theater Department, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Center Theater, Twin Falls, 45 for adults and \$6 for students/senior citizens, 732-6781 or 732-6788.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

March 15, 18-19 — A 95 Jewely Sale, sponsored by the Auxiliary at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the main hall across from the Cancer Center, St. Luke's MRCM, Twin Falls, \$5 per item, profits benefit patients and staff at St. Luke's, 734-0477 or lmo@link.com.

BUSINESS

March 12 — The Hispanic Business and Professionals Network luncheon meeting. Linda Castaneda will speak on farm labor contractor licensing, noon, Aztar Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard North, Twin Falls, 735-0931.
March 12 — The Local Chapter 1559 News monthly meeting, for current and retired Firefighters, with speaker Margie Alexander of Experience Works, 11:30 a.m., Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 733-0471.
March 13 — The Shoshone District Grazing Board Spring funding meeting, public invited to hear discussion of rangeland improvements projects from Bureau of Land Management and the Grazing Board, 9 a.m., Shoshone District Office, Shoshone, 536-2573.
March 14 — The Welcome Mat monthly "meet and greet," with Bingo Night open to all new residents of the Magic Valley, 8 to 7 p.m., 447 Fambrook, Twin Falls, no cost (reservations required), 423-4478 or www.twinfallswelcomeat.4t.com.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

March 13 — The Twentieth Century Club meeting, musical program by Craig Nebeker, noon, Turf Club, Twin Falls, open to the public, 733-2552 or 734-1487

for reservations.
March 13 — Hagerman Valley Historical Society meeting, with a video-tour presentation of Poland by LeRoy Jewick, 7 p.m., the National Park Service building, 223 N. State Street, Hagerman, open to the public, 837-6288.
March 13 — The Jerome County Democrats monthly meeting, addressing the topic "The Immigrant Influence in the Magic Valley," 7 p.m., the community room, Fish and Game building, Hwy 93 east of Jerome, open to the public, 424-5493.
March 13 — The Snake River Weavers' Guild March meeting, 1:30 p.m., hosted by Gloria Harn, 734-5283 or 734-5358.
March 13 — The American Legion Post 7 & Auxiliary meeting with corn beef and cabbage dinner, for members, guests, prospective members, and Post 65 members, 6:30 p.m. (6:30 dinner), Post Home, 447 Seastrom St., Twin Falls, 53, 733-0962 or 734-1435.
March 13 — Daughters of Utah Pioneers (DUP) Magic Memories Camp monthly meeting, 1 p.m., 1324 Tara Street, Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 734-6252.

March 13 — The High Desert Back Country Horsemen monthly meeting, 7 p.m., at the home of Anita and Darly Jacobs, 5 W. 300 S., Jerome, public invited, 324-0110.

March 14 — The American Legion Post 10 meeting, 7 p.m., at the Rupert Elks lodge, Rupert, 436-1278.

EDUCATION

March 14 — Kindergarten Orientation, for parents with a child entering kindergarten in the 2007-2008 school year, 6:30 p.m., Poppewell Elementary School gym, Buhl, 543-8225.

FAMILY

March 14 — Beginning of eight-week series of parenting classes: Family class for children under age 13 and their parents and Nurturing Parenting class, for parents in substance abuse treatment or recovery, 6:30 to 8 p.m., YMCA building, Twin Falls, \$1 per class (childcare provided), 420-9208 or 490-0800.

HEALTH

March 12 — Eating Healthy "How to Use Food Labels," taught by Maxine Schroeder provided by L.I.F.E. Learning, Interests, Family and Entertainment Groups, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School gym, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, no cost (open to

the public), 543-6579 or idahoranch@wildblue.net.

March 15, 16 — AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no membership required and insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Buhl Fire Dept., 203 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-7004.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

March 13 — Burley Bluegrass Jam, traditional bluegrass focus (all skill levels welcome), 7 to 10 p.m., The Chadwick Millie, 139 W. Main St., corner of Main and Oakley, Burley, (208)670-4688 or robcurtis2@gmail.com.

INTERFAITH ANNOUNCEMENT

ORPHLEUM
The Number 23 (Fri) Day 7:00 - 9:00
Sat - Sun 12:00 - 7:00

JUROPLA
Ghost Rider (13)
In Super Surround Sound, Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Bridge to Terabithia (PG)
In Super Surround Sound, Day 11:30 - 1:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Wild Hogs (13)
In Super Surround Sound, Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Edna Mayberry & NORBIT (13)
In Digital Surround Sound, Day 11:30 - 1:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

TRAIN 12
Music & Lyrics (13)
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Because I Said So (13)
Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Wild Hogs (13) Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Zodiac (13) Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Astronaut Farmer (13)
Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

The Messenger (13)
Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

The Abandoned (13) Day 9:45
Day 7:00 - 9:15

Night at the Museum (PG)
Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Happy Feet (PG) Day 7:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Pursuit of Happiness (13)
Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Ghost Rider (13) Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

300 (13) Day 7:00 - 9:15
Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Bridge To Terabithia (PG)
Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

ODDSY 6
Smokin' Aces (PG) Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Eragon (13) Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Norbit (13) Day 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

Work and the Money (13) Day 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:45, 7:00 - 9:15

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JEROME CITY LIBRARY HISTORY
In June 1909, a group of ladies formed the Jerome Civic Club. Mrs. Walter A. Heiss was chosen as the first president of the organization. Part of their dream was to build a library. Civic Club members donated \$65 to buy the first books. They also held a social event where the admission fee was one book for the library.

In 1909 a large donation of 600 books was made by a group of Chicago ladies who also had ranches in the Hagerman Valley and the North Side. The first librarian was Irene Gorman in 1919, followed by Elizabeth Tillman. Each Civic Club member donated books from her own home library as well. They decided they needed their own building, not just a room in the Camas Building.

At a Red Cross donation in 1918, they received a portion of the donated money to start building an adequate library in Jerome. They also bought war bonds during World War I.

The Jerome Land and Water Co. gave the Civic Club land just one block north of the Jerome National Bank. The cost of the building was \$5,000 and was completed in 1922; the first Jerome Civic Club meeting in the new building was held February 1922.

The ladies scraped together funds over the years, but paid off the \$5,000 mortgage by the time the annual Rose Luncheon was held in June 1928. One of the fund-raising projects was to produce a cookbook in 1923, which turned out to be a best seller. One original copy can still be found at the Ralph Flaters home. This cookbook was reproduced at the suggestion of Linda Helms for the 2007 Jerome Centennial and is for sale at Washington Federal Savings Bank, Jerome.

The Jerome Civic Club has continued to hold regular meetings at the library throughout the years and is still active. Not only did the Civic Club build the library book by book, they also donated to the schools, American Legion Auxiliary Girls State and other worthwhile projects.

By 1960 the library had outgrown the original building, which was sold and moved to become a residence northeast of Jerome. A new brick building was built in 1966 on the same site. The Civic Club again raised funds to help build the new building, donating \$7,500. Long time Jerome County resident and school teacher, Evelyn Crowder, donated one million dollars of her estate to the local libraries, the book which was used to renovate the Jerome Public Library, which was completed in 2006. Life-long Jerome County resident, Susan Weatheron Jacobsen, is the present librarian.

(Compiled by Linda Helms from Then and Now in Southern Idaho, Virginia Ricketts: The History of The North Side, the First 75 Years (North Side News August 5, 1982; Don Sperhawk - Editor, Virginia Ricketts - Author), and recollections of Linda Helms.)

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JANUARY EINSTEINS.



Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls announced its January Einsteins. Pictured from left, top row: Justice Cone, Christina Murdock, Morgan Newton, Storme Jansson, Synthia Stark, Amanda Ramos, Chase Mayo, Sayer Conrad; middle row: Kaitlyn Morris, Teron Patheal, Tanner Schroedter, Anesa Terzic, Oscar Hernandez, Madison Bell, Francisco Godina, Emily Bell, Tyler Anderson, Carlos Garcia; bottom row: Jealys Simons, Jenna Gray, Esmeralda Gonzalez, Mya Difiore, Cole Valpando, Casen Ault, Kamren Shumway, Tori Ihler, Skye Valpando, Berry Cummersall; not pictured: Zoe Strauss, Ricky Vega, Rachel Madsen, Tanner Madsen.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Student makes Dean's List at military institute

LEXINGTON, Va. — Scott B. Sanders, a Virginia Military Institute cadet, was recently named to the Dean's List for the first semester of the 2006-07 academic session. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a cadet must have a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Sanders is from Sun Valley and is majoring in economics and business. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Sanders of Sun Valley.

Soldier graduates from combat training

TWIN FALLS — Army National Guard Pfc. Charles R. Todd has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla. During the nine weeks of training, he studied the Army mission and received instruction in drill and ceremonies, rifle, marksmanship, weapons, map reading, tactics, armed and unarmed combat, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, Army history, core values and traditions, and special training in human relations. He is the son of Alger A. Todd of Filer and is a 1983 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Scout earns Eagle award

MALTA — Cody Powers, 18, son of Todd and Tina Powers of Malta, received his Eagle Scout award at a Court of Honor held Feb. 3 at the LDS Church in Malta. Cody has completed 21 merit badges. For his Eagle project he built a fence around the newly built fire station in Sublett. He is a member of Troop 17. He is a senior at Itan River High School where he is active in football, basketball, truck and drama.



Powers

FOUR GENERATIONS



Irene Myers celebrated her 75th birthday on Jan. 28. During the celebration a four generation photo was taken. Pictured from left is Myers, who resides in Heyburn; Judy Walker, American Falls; and Ariel and Aurora Perley, Twin Falls.

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