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## Downpour of ideas

City, developers and builders discuss Twin Falls' water options; raising rates one idea

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Just like a plant needs water to blossom, homes are unlikely to be built without the precious resource.

Developers and builders met Tuesday with city officials to address the city's proposal to shrink the water service area to address a future water shortage. The city had proposed that option last week at a council meeting.

The city's water sources continue to decline. One proposal is to tighten the city's service area by several hundred acres. Tuesday's meeting — organized by Brad Wills of Wills Inc., chairman of the Developers Council for the Magic Valley Builders Association — was attended by the consulting firm studying the water issues, city staff, one city councilman and about two dozen developers.

Among the ideas:

- Raise water rates to discourage excess water use. Water rates went up 7.5 percent last year.
- Ask residents to approve a bond in November to allow the city to incur debt to buy water rights. Until water rights are purchased, residents would not see a rate hike.

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**Possible water solutions**

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- Encourage drought-friendly landscaping (like gravel or dry plants).
- Treatment plans for existing water or long-term storage.

## Nipping bugs in the bud



Karl Van Leeuwen, weed and pest control superintendent for Twin Falls County, tests a pond Thursday at Rock Creek Park for mosquito larvae. Van Leeuwen tests the ponds for a threshold number of mosquito larvae, to determine when a treatment is needed to reduce larvae count.

## Twin Falls County approves emergency abatement district

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

At **Magicvalley.com**  
See a video of the commissioners' discussion.

TWIN FALLS — Starting today, county residents could see fewer mosquitoes and black flies.

But the cost of doing so — like a tax increase — remains unknown.

The Twin Falls County Commissioners declared an emergency Thursday to battle a pesky insect problem, allowing them to form an emergency abatement district.

The move creates a temporary tax district that could increase control of insects using funds from the county budget, which would be reimbursed next year by a tax increase.

County residents voted in 2008 whether to make the district permanent.

But few details of the program were disclosed, including a budget and the amount of an expected tax.

Twin Falls is the first county to

take advantage of a recent state law passed during the 2007 legislative session.

For 30 minutes, the three officials Thursday debated on a funding mechanism before unanimously approving the plan, agreeing that the county has an insect problem.

Commission Chairman Tom Mikessel was skeptical of forming a district without a budget or a program policy and a possible tax hike.

He said he was unsure if investing money — between \$150,000 and \$200,000 — with a tax district was the best way to battle a West Nile Virus that typically only has a

couple strong years.

But Commissioner Terry Kramer, whose been pushing the plan for months, said the problem is imminent and money matters can be addressed later, calling taking money from the reserves each year inconsistent.

The formation of a district was lobbied heavily by the agriculture community, many of whom showed up at a public meeting last week citing damage to animals that hurt them financially.

Mikessel said he would prefer some sort of cooperative financial partnership with the farmers.

But Kramer and Uric said the need is not only due to the West Nile Virus that last year infected more people in Idaho than any other state, but also because of the black fly.

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The county budgets about \$30,000 each year for vector problems but typically spends it all by August. The additional funds could decrease mass swarms of the black fly in the fall, said Karl Van Leeuwen, the county's weed and pest control supervisor.

The board said aerial spraying is not part of a plan, but did not rule it out. The commissioners said they can use data from last season to determine hot spots.

"If we wait, we'll miss our opportunity," said Commissioner George Uric.

## Caught red-pawed

Fox finds free meal at backyard bird feeder

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — There's no such thing as a free lunch, they say. But don't tell that to a fox that was caught red-pawed Sunday evening raiding a bird feeder near Ketchum.

The critter was spotted by Dick and Diana Fassiono as they ate supper in their dining area, and the spotting, they say, was truly a surprise.

Each morning last week, Dick found the feeder empty and assumed there were just "very hungry birds" in the area. But apparently, it was the crafty critter who'd been raiding the bird box.

"I suppose that he thinks it's sort of a fox McDonald's," Diana said.

Animal sightings are common

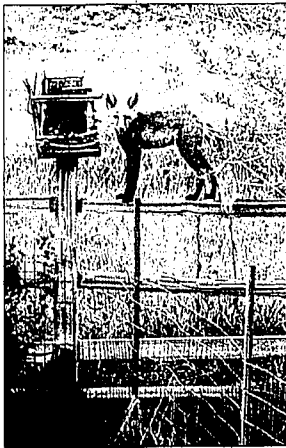
at the Fassiono property. They've allowed their lawn to grow wild, and they often see critters — including the wily fox — bounding through the grass. But they've yet to see an animal eating food meant for another species.

"It was the first time we'd seen him stuffing himself on the fence," Diana said.

After Dick snapped a photo of the feasting fox, the Fassionos decided dog food might be a more appropriate meal. So the next day, Dick swapped the seed for kibble.

No one is sure if the birds were upset their food was being stolen, but the Fassionos' dogs certainly weren't happy their fare was being offered to a fox. The dogs chased it across the road when they spotted it munching their food.

Diana said she's not sure what to offer the fox next. Whatever they offer, one thing is for sure: The fox won't be shy about eating it.



This red fox was caught in the act of stealing food from a Ketchum bird feeder.

## Illegal immigrants could win legal status under new plan

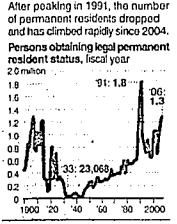
By Julie Hirschfeld Davis  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — In a striking reach across party lines, the White House and key lawmakers agreed Thursday to reshape the nation's immigration laws and give millions of illegal immigrants legal status. At the same time, borders would be tightened.

The compromise brought liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans together with top members of President Bush's team on an issue that carries heavy potential risks and rewards for all involved.

The Senate will wade into an emotional and wide-ranging debate on the issue next week that promises to test the unlikely coalition that produced the deal. Almost instantly, the plan brought vehement criticism from both sides of the immigration issue, including liberals who

### Gaining citizenship



called it unfair and unwelcome and conservatives who brand it an overly permissive "amnesty."

The proposal constitutes a far-reaching change in the

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TODAY'S FORECAST

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

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Warmer than normal temperatures, and mostly sunny, but hazy skies. Highs in the lower to middle 60s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Cole Porter's "Kiss Me Kate," presented by the Jerome High School Fine Arts department, 7 p.m., the Jerry Dieth auditorium on the campus of Jerome High School, \$5 per person.

DANCING

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary public dance, 8 p.m., D.A.V. Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., \$2 donation, 734-5208.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Bingo, sponsored by the Gooding County Historical Society, 7 to 10 p.m., Sally's Office Solutions, 338 Main St., Gooding, \$11 per packet (20 games), 534-4432.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Members of the Twin Falls High School graduating class of 1947 luncheon, open to all 1947 classmates, 1 p.m., Jaker's, cost of meal, 733-7410 or 420-9435.

EDUCATION

Accessing the Media seminar, sponsored by Twin Falls County HealthNet Coalition with a panel of local television, radio and newspaper representatives on getting media coverage for local events and activities, 2 to 3:30 p.m., Health and Welfare building, 601 Pole Line Road, no cost (open to the public), 423-5915.

FAMILY

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

GOVERNMENT

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

HEALTH

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

ADDITIONS

"Abuse Is the Training for Addiction," Dr. Sharon Custer, 6:30 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 Third Ave. E., no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium, "Far Out Space Places" 7 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families (children under age 4 not admitted), 732-6655.

SCHOOLS

Kimberly Middle School Open House for retiring teachers Beverly Riecke and Lani Tingley, 3 to 4 p.m., the Kimberly Middle School library, 423-4170.

OPINION

MINI EDITORIAL

Exciting Good Agricultural Practices?

Exciting Good Agricultural Practices? From a grower's perspective, this program is both costly and unnecessary.

Want to submit a Mini Editorial? Send it by e-mail to mini@magvalley.com. Include the writer's name, address and daytime telephone number.

MAGIC VALLEY



New technology expected to save county money

Jerome — A new technology promises to save Jerome County money and free up bed space in its overcrowded jail.

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Low voter turnout stumps school officials

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Paul to hold fundraiser Saturday for city park

Paul — On Saturday the city will hold a fundraiser to help generate funds for a new 11.5-acre city park.

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Newspaper makes editorial changes

Twin Falls — The Times-News this week promoted two longtime Idaho journalists to key roles in its newsroom.

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OBITUARIES

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CLARIFICATION

Gray wolves not yet delisted in Idaho

The May 17 article "In Her Sight" said that gray wolves in Idaho are delisted. The official delisting of wolves in Idaho is held up due to an impasse between Wyoming and the federal government.

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Recordings used to try to help whales

West Sacramento, Calif. — Biologists tried Thursday to use recorded siren songs of humpback whales to lure an injured female and her wounded calf from a shipping channel and back toward the Pacific Ocean 90 miles away.

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BLM drops plan to expand rifle ban

Boise — The Bureau of Land Management has dumped its plan to expand a rifle-and-pistol ban at a multipurpose Snake River bird preserve after pressure from Idaho lawmakers.



Sell

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Senators aim to fix farmworker shortage

Washington — Farmworker shortages that have left tons of fruits and vegetables unplanted or unpicked would be relieved under a proposed immigration deal.



Crain

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Delling 'met murder victim through Internet'

Boise — A man charged with killing a Boise State student met him on Internet gaming sites and then used the Web to track him down, according to court records.

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Reports: Warming will raise fire spending

Portland — Global warming is likely to greatly increase spending on fighting wildfires, two new reports suggest.

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COMING TOMORROW



NATION/WORLD



Keeping Prince Harry out of Iraq splits Brits

London — Some said it was a sensible judgment and should have been made long ago.

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British girl, 14, missing in Portugal

Pratia da Luz, Portugal — The mother of a 14-year-old girl who disappeared in Portugal marked the 14th day of the search for her daughter by attending a church service Thursday.

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U.S., Iran diplomats to talk about Iraq

Baghdad, Iraq — Talks between U.S. and Iranian diplomats over the future of Iraq have set for May 20, officials announced Thursday.

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Israel launches airstrikes in Gaza

Jerusalem — Retaliating after three days of rocket fire, Israel mounted several airstrikes in the Gaza Strip on Thursday, killing at least five people in a region already ravaged by a bloody Palestinian factional struggle.

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Pressure on Gonzales gathers once again

Washington — After appearing to have weathered the worst of the Justice Department scandal, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales found himself under fresh assault Thursday on the heels of this week's revelations about his conduct in the Bush administration.

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SPORTS



Bruins softball loses heartbreaker at state

Post Falls — One mistake. The Twin Falls High School softball team played nearly error-free ball Thursday against Mountain View in the first round of the Class 5A state tournament.

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Lewiston shuts out Bruins at state tournament

Boise — The Lewiston Incomer ran full-steam ahead and Twin Falls couldn't get off the tracks in time. The result: the defending champion shut the Bruins out 8-0 during the first round of the Class 5A state baseball tournament at Ridge Field.

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Minico Spartans beat defending 4A champs

Boise — It's the drubbing from Minidoka County versus J-Town and it's officially on. The Minico Spartans were absolutely filthy during — and after — Thursday's 11-1 six-inning whupping of defending Class 4A state champion Bishop Kelly.

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GOD AT THE BOX OFFICE

Religion figures prominently among the themes of this summer's new movies.

SATURDAY IN RELIGION

Times-News

Table with columns: PUBLISHER, ONLINE, CIRCULATION, MAIL INFORMATION, ADVERTISING, and CLASSIFIEDS. Includes contact information for various departments.

# Idaho's funeral picketing law too late for planned protest:

POCATELLO (AP) — A Kansas-based church group known for protesting at the funerals of soldiers killed in combat said it plans to picket an eastern Idaho soldier's funeral Saturday, well before an Idaho law designed to prevent such protests goes into effect.

Members of the Topeka-based Westboro Baptist Church, led by the Rev. Fred Phelps, have picketed burials

around the United States, claiming the deaths are God's punishment for a nation harboring homosexuals.

The church faxed its intentions to the Pocatello Police Department on Wednesday. Sgt. Blake C. Stephens, 25, of Pocatello, Idaho, died May 8 in Salinas Park, about 18 miles, south of Baghdad; when a roadside bomb exploded near his vehicle.

"I think it's just ridiculous,"

Steve Bulluck, a friend of Stephens, told the *Idaho State Journal*. "(Stephens) fought for their freedoms, and they disgrace him by doing that."

Church members have protested at an Idaho soldier's funeral at least once before, carrying signs reading "God Loves Sept. 11" at the June 2005 funeral in Caldwell of Kerry French, the first female soldier from

Idaho to die in Iraq.

Idaho lawmakers last March approved a law designed to prevent disruptions of funerals, but it doesn't go into effect until July 1.

"The protesters don't have the right to do that," said Rep. Eric Anderson, R-Tri-City, who sponsored the bill and now wishes he had made it go into effect immediately.

"The families have the right to mourn their loss."



Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., center, accompanied by Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., left, and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., right, discusses immigration reform legislation during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday.

## Immigrants

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immigration system that would admit future arrivals seeking to put down roots in the U.S. based on their skills, education levels and job experience, limiting the importance of family ties. A new class of guest workers would be allowed in temporarily, but only after borders were fortified and measures were in place to ensure the rules were followed.

Bush said the proposal would "help enforce our borders but equally importantly, it'll treat people with respect."

"This is a bill where people who live here in our country will be treated without amnesty but without animosity," Bush said.

The formula was enough to satisfy liberal Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass. — viewed as his party's decisive voice on immigration — and Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., a conservative who has been adamantly opposed to past overhauls.

Kennedy hailed it as "the best possible chance we will have in years to secure our borders and bring millions of people out of the shadows and into the sunshine of America."

Kyl said the measure wasn't perfect, "but it represents the best opportunity that we have in a bipartisan way to do something about this problem."

It was clear, however, that many Republicans and Democrats were deeply skeptical. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., called the proposal a "starting point" for next week's debate and said it needed improvement.

"I have serious concerns about some aspects of this proposal, including the structure of the temporary work program and undue limitations on family immigration," Reid said.

In a reminder of the delicate

nature of the alliance, some lawmakers on both ends of the political spectrum who attended the weeks of closed-door talks that yielded the agreement deserted it at the last moment.

Sen. Robert Menendez, D-N.J., said the proposal "tears families apart" because a new point system used to evaluate future legal immigrants would value family connections well below employment-related criteria.

"When you anchor yourself to the far right and you give, I think, relatively little, it's hard to meet the challenge" of producing a workable bill, Menendez said in an interview.

Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, said he had "very serious concerns with the principles outlined" in the agreement.

And conservatives on both sides of the Capitol derided the deal as "amnesty" for illegal immigrants, using a politically charged word that figured prominently in campaigns across the country last year.

"I don't care how you try to spin it, this is amnesty," said Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C.

The proposed agreement would allow illegal immigrants to come forward and obtain a "2 year" — and — after paying fees and a \$5,000 fine — ultimately get on track for permanent residency, which could take between eight and 13 years. Heads of households would have to return to their home countries first.

"They could come forward right away to claim a probationary card that would let them live and work legally in the U.S., but could not begin the path to permanent residency or citizenship until border security improvements and the high-tech worker identification program were completed.

est of all concerned."

No one idea was favored more than another, but it was a positive meeting, said City Manager Tom Courtney.

"It was an exchange of ideas," he said. "Our concern is to not continue service to areas that we cannot serve."

Some of the possibilities will be presented Monday to the City Council, Courtney said.

Government reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at 735-3204 or jhopkins@nwg-icalley.com.

## Tryouts for 'Oklahoma!' start today in Oakley

OAKLEY — Tryouts for the Oakley Valley Arts Council production "Oklahoma!" will be from 6 to 9 p.m. today, from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, from 7 to 9 p.m. May 24, and from 9 a.m. to noon May 26 at Hoesel's Open House.

Everyone auditioning will need to have a musical number and be prepared to read a part. Oklahoma will run July 19 through Aug. 4.

This year's OVAAC Distinguished Service Award recipients are Robert and Deann Fehlan of Oakley. They have been recognized for their continual support to the Oakley Valley Arts Council and many other local organizations.

## Open house today for school administrators

BURLEY — The Cassia School District will host an open house from 3:30 to 5 p.m. today in the Central Office Board Meeting Room at 237 E. 19th St. to honor Superintendent Dr. Michael Chesley and other central office staffers.

Dr. Chesley is retiring after 38 years in education and six years as superintendent of Cassia School District. The public is invited.

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NATION

# Democrats divided over Iraq, too — safe political ground hard to find

By David Esgo  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Move over Republicans. Democrats, too, are divided over Iraq, the issue that increasingly overshadows all others in Congress and the campaign for the White House.

In both parties, it is as if public sentiment is moving so quickly that the politicians cannot find the safe ground they covet.

"It was considered absolute heresy four months ago" to cut off war money, Democratic Sen. Russell Feingold of Wisconsin said this week — a few minutes after 28 Democrats voted to do so effective March 31, 2008.

That mirrored last week's vote in the House, where 169 Democrats lined up behind a plan to withdraw all U.S. combat troops within nine months.

The legislation failed in both cases. Republicans voted nearly unanimously against the bills despite concern about being saddled any longer with responsibility for an unpopular war.

For Democrats, leadership must mute their opposition to the war long enough to seek a compromise with Republicans and the Bush administration on a bill to pay for military operations through Sept. 30. Those talks began in earnest Thursday when Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., met in his Capitol office with White House chief of staff Josh Bolton and Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky.

## Schools fall short in preparing for emergencies

WASHINGTON (AP) — When it comes to preparing for emergencies, the nation's schools could be getting better grades.

While most school districts have plans for dealing with emergencies such as terrorist attacks, hurricanes or flu pandemics, those plans often fall short of what is needed, according to an analysis by the congressional Government Accountability Office. For example:

- About half of school districts don't have plans for continuing to educate students in the event of a lengthy school closure.

- School districts generally are not working with first responders or other community officials on how to implement emergency plans.

- Twenty-eight percent of school districts with emergency plans do not have specific provisions for evacuating students with disabilities in an emergency.

- Two-thirds of districts reported a lack of expertise and equipment such as two-way radios and adequate locks for school buildings as impediments to emergency planning.

The agency's findings were summarized Thursday by Cornelia Ashby, GAO director of education issues, for the House Homeland Security Committee.

Stiff Kuzmich, deputy chief of Department, said the department requires school districts to certify that they have emergency management plans before they can get grants under the Safe and Drug-free Schools and Communities program. But Kuzmich acknowledged the department doesn't assess the quality of those emergency plans.

Committee Chairman Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., said he intends to change that. "I assure you that we will tighten up, so there is some review of whatever is submitted," he said.

### News analysis

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio planned to join the talks Friday. Democrats are expected to suggest legislation that sets standards for the Iraq government to meet, effectively jettisoning their demand for a troop withdrawal timeline.

"We'll work through something we can all live with," predicted President Bush, whose veto of an earlier bill was easily sustained by House Republicans.

Unwilling to be tagged with denying resources for troops in the war zone, Democrats hope to pass the bill before Congress begins a Memorial Day vacation next week. Then they promptly will

begin challenging Bush and his GOP allies in Congress again.

"We need to change the United States mission and begin the redeployment of our forces," Reid emphasized earlier in the week.

The recent votes in the House and Senate demonstrated for the first time that a sizable majority of Democrats in Congress favors a quick end to a war in its fifth year.

The same votes also exposed divisions that had been largely hidden from public view as Reid and Pelosi labored all winter and spring to show a united front in a brutal vote fight with Bush.

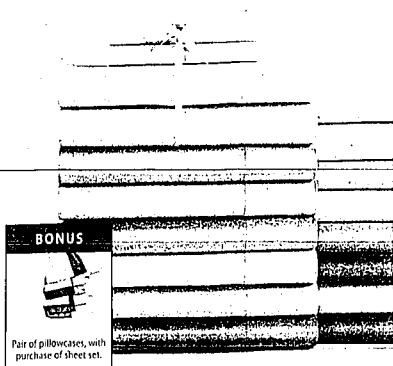
In the Senate, 19 Democrats voted against cutting off the money. They included Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee and a longtime

critic of Bush's war policy. In the House, 59 Democrats voted against the troop withdrawal deadline. Among them was Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md. More broadly, the list ran heavily to lawmakers in conservative-leaning swing districts. Reps. Joe Donnelly, Brad Ellsworth and Baron Hill of Indiana, for example, all of whom defeated incumbent Republicans last fall.

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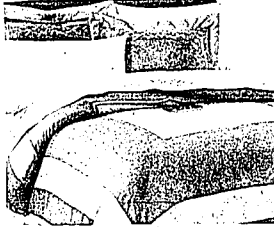
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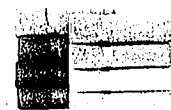
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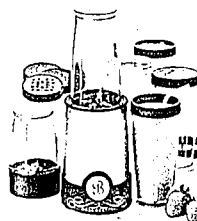
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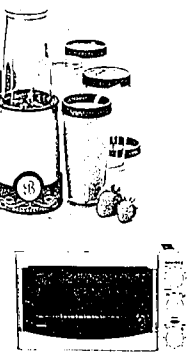
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# Pressure on Gonzales gathers anew after ex-prosecutor's testimony

By Tom Hamburger and Joe Mozingo  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — After appearing to have weathered the worst of the Justice Department scandal, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales found himself under fresh assault Thursday on the heels of this week's revelations about his conduct in the Bush administration.

Gonzales suffered withering attacks from two Republican senators and a former prosecutor as Senate Democrats added pressure of their own, calling for a no-confidence vote on the attorney general's performance.

A week ago, Gonzales' position seemed to be improving as he received support from Republicans on the House

Judiciary Committee. But damaging testimony about Gonzales earlier this week from former Deputy Attorney General James B. Comey undermined faith in his leadership.



Gonzales

"I don't have confidence in Gonzales," Republican Sen. Norm Coleman of Minnesota told reporters on a conference call Thursday as he became the fifth Senate Republican to call for the attorney general's departure. "I would hope that the attorney general understands that the department is suffering right now, and he does the right thing and that is allows the president to provide

new leadership." Coleman, who faces a tough re-election campaign next year, cited Comey's testimony as part of the reason for his call for Gonzales' departure. Comey told a Senate panel on Tuesday that Gonzales, when he was White House counsel, pushed a secret national security order over the objections of the Justice Department, which believed the program

was illegal. Also Thursday, Democratic Sens. Dianne Feinstein of California and Charles E. Schumer of New York called for a full Senate vote on their largely symbolic resolution expressing a lack of confidence in Gonzales. The vote, they said, could come as early as next week. The Democrats' announcement followed remarks by Sen.

Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, the senior Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, predicting Gonzales may resign after the panel finishes its probe of the firing of the federal prosecutors.

Calling the Justice Department "close to being dysfunctional," Specter said that Gonzales seems "unable to perform" his duties as the U.S. chief law enforcement

officer. "I have a sense that when we finish our investigation, we may have the conclusion of the tenure of the attorney general," Specter said at a committee meeting Thursday. Still, President Bush has said he has full confidence in Gonzales, and the attorney general has said he plans to stay in his post as long as he can be effective.



Spectators watch as one of two humpback whales surfaces in the Port of Sacramento in West Sacramento, Calif., Thursday.

## Scientists use recordings to lure whales out of port

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Biologists tried Thursday to use recorded siren songs of humpback whales to lure an injured female and her wounded calf from a shipping channel and back toward the Pacific Ocean 90 miles away.

When the researchers played the underwater recordings from an 87-foot Coast Guard cutter, the whales swam away from the sound rather than toward it.

Hours later, the whales were still swimming at the Port of Sacramento, where they have been since Tuesday. Scientists then decided to move the sound equipment to a 25-foot Coast Guard vessel, believing the noise from the larger ship's generator may have interfered with the whale sounds.

It could take weeks to get the whales back where they belong, scientists said. Still, hundreds of people lined the river banks to watch the progress Thursday.

The procedure worked in 1995 with a humpback nicknamed Humphrey that wan-

dered nearly a month in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta before heading to the ocean.

But biologists said the latest situation is more complicated: It involves a mother and calf rather than a single whale and the two whales are much farther into the delta than Humphrey. The injuries add another dimension, as scientists say they do not know how the wounds might affect the whales' behavior.

"It's not like we're applying something we have a lot of experience with in the past. It's essentially an experiment," said Pieter Folkens, an Alaska Whale Foundation biologist. The injuries were apparently caused by a boat propeller. Scientists checked them Wednesday using photos of the animals swimming in the port. The injury to the calf appears more severe than the one on the mother, said Frances Golland, director of veterinary science at the Sausalito-based Marine Mammal Center.

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EDITORIAL

# Keep early education ideas on track with state funding

**G**ov. Butch Otter got a quick lesson on the importance of early education programs this week. Otter sent notice that some state programs funded by federal dollars were on the chopping block.

That didn't sit well with early education advocates — including former first lady Patricia Kempthorne. It's unfair, however, to categorize this as a stingy governor wielding a hatchet on pre-kindergarten spending. Many of the programs identified for potential cuts have been paid for with funds that don't match their purpose.

But the response should remind Otter of a key point: If federal funding isn't available for these popular programs, it's time for the state to cover the cost.

Otter's administration learned this year that certain long-term state programs for early education relied on the wrong federal funding streams. State auditors said federal dollars, called Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, or TANF funds, may have been a legal liability.

In all, the state auditors found some \$4.6 million of TANF money in the 2006 budget that was used by ongoing programs.

A \$1.5 million chunk of it was in Head Start, the federal preschool program that collects some \$24 million from the federal government in Idaho. Other programs included the Parents as Teachers program and the Immunization Registry Information System, created by former Gov. Dick Kempthorne as part of his "generation of the Child" mandate.

When the Legislature balked on those ideas in 1999, Kempthorne used executive orders to start them through citizen councils, and used TANF funds. Kempthorne left office in 2006 for the U.S. Department of the Interior, but he consolidated the councils under the Executive Office for Families and Children.

With his written notices, Otter announced his intention to dissolve that office next month.

Enter the former first lady, who leads a foundation dealing with family issues.

"To me, less government means more citizen involvement," Patricia Kempthorne told the Idaho Statesman. "What's happening is they're moving all that info into the bureaucracy. The sadder part is that I don't know who's being helped, and I think the children and families are losing."

An Otter spokesman said the funding issues were the real concern — not the programs' legitimacy. "We need to wear these programs off this funding," said Jon Hanian. "The warning flag went up from auditors, and there was a shot across the bow."

"We're trying to determine how to come up with some replacement funding. That's something we may be able to do or not do. We recognize this has created uncertainty, but we didn't have an option of not acting."

Fair enough, but the response made this week shows that the programs need state assistance.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna has repeatedly applauded the Parents as Teachers program for involving families and identifying early needs for students.

Otter should see the programs as some of Idaho's best seed corn for educational success.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Pauls not the only one questioning district

To those who wish Diana Pauls' would just stop speaking altogether:

Once again, the question must be asked: are we living in a democracy? Mrs. Pauls has the right and the duty to speak her concerns and opinions. I, for one, appreciate that someone has the courage to stand up and say "hey, look at this! Something isn't adding up here!" Those who serve on boards must be willing to be accountable for their actions — both positive and negative. I don't think closing our eyes or looking the other way is good for anyone. Things don't add up in the Gooding School District —

whether intentionally or not — and something has to change. And, by the way, Diana Pauls is not alone — not at all! MELINDA JAY Gooding

### Water practice still need to reflect scarcity

On May 8, Jenie Mayer hit the nail squarely on the head and quite eloquently. Kids, Jenie!

I haven't seen any more articles on this waste of taxpayers' money or the volumes of water that will be required to keep the "plants" and grass green. Water is liquid gold and will be more valuable in the near future and forever. Rock would have been just

fine in the median of Pole Line. Rock would have been an excellent example from our leaders; we don't require water, is cheaper and quicker to install, cheaper to maintain, probably look better in the long run, no repair, upkeep or fill blow outs for the sprinkling system, no plant replacement costs, no city employees mowing, etc., no wasted sprinkler water all over the road (the wind has been known to blow in Twin Falls). Besides, private entities or inmate work details could clean the trash three or four times a year.

Think about it leaders. The future is now, tomorrow and tomorrow — and our farmers (our food and industry) have wells shut down-right now;

junior surface rights folks may have their water reduced or shut off.

Who cares? Just Jenie and me! All this talk and actions for more growth (rooftops); we may have already outgrown our water resources.

BUD MANKER  
Twin Falls

**Civility still matters with today's young people**

Everything in society is so backward from the way it's supposed to be. I just came from the junior high, where the high school Jazz Band and Madrigals gave concerts for the elementary school and junior high kids.

I watched the kids. There were a few you could tell came

from good, loving homes but, for the most part, the kids looked angry, sulky, impatient and rebellious — even little kids. The shirts they wore had sayings that were an outward sign of how they looked. A teacher said never in all her years of teaching have kids been like she sees them this year.

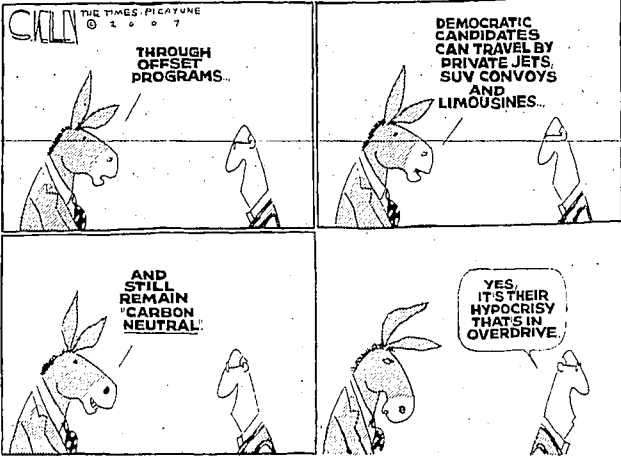
What happened to the parents? Nobody seems to take the job of parenting seriously anymore. My son has a friend from school who came over to the house the other day. That evening my son told me what his friend said to him. "Like your mom; she is nice." My son replied, "Yeah, she is great and she makes us obey!"

Kids desperately need adults to be adults. I am ready

for people to grow up and accept responsibilities. Stop catering to what they want and raise this generation of kids to be somebody. My son held a door open for a lady at the bank; she about fainted. She turned and said, "A child with manners! What a rare thing; my son, son!" I smiled at her and gave credit to my husband for teaching him how to treat a lady.

Please, let this be a wake-up call to a nation that has fallen asleep about many things, but especially with our duty to our families and children. Without adults being adults and training children properly, we really have no hope of society ever changing!

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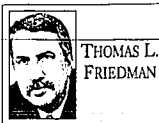
# Only halfway there

**I**m glad Democrats are enjoying the pressure on President Bush for a withdrawal date from Iraq. It's the only way to keep him and Iraqis focused on the endgame. But if Democrats really want to be taken seriously on foreign affairs, they need to recognize that they have only half a policy on Iraq. And it's the easy half.

You can't be in favor of setting a date to withdraw from Iraq without also being in favor of a serious energy policy to radically reduce our dependence on oil — now. To call for withdrawing from Iraq by the situation date, no matter what the situation is on the ground there — without a serious energy plan here — is reckless. All we would be doing is making ourselves more dependent on an even more unstable Middle East, because any U.S. withdrawal from Iraq is likely, in the short run, to be destabilizing.

The Middle East today is deeply troubled. If we determine that our efforts to tilt that region in a different direction — by building a decent Iraq — have failed, then our efforts to minimize our exposure to that region have to begin. But the last thing we can afford to do is walk away from the Middle East militarily while remaining chained to it economically.

More important, if Iraq totally fails, but we still believe it is



THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

in our interest to promote reform in the Middle East, a serious U.S. energy policy that permanently brings down the price of oil — by developing scalable alternative energies — is actually the best Plan B there is. You will see reform in the Arab-Muslim world only when regimes there can't survive just by extracting oil, but have to extract the talents of their people by educating, empowering and connecting them.

But to hasten that day, Democrats have to be a lot more serious about energy than they have been up to now. Everyone has an energy plan for 2020. But we need one for 2007 that will start to have an impact by 2008 — and there is only one way to do that: get the price of oil right. Either tax gasoline by another 50 cents to \$1 a gallon at the pump, or set a \$50 floor price per barrel of oil sold in America. Once energy entrepreneurs know they will never again be undercut by cheap oil, you'll see an explosion of innovation in alternatives.

"Right now we're looking for

solutions in all the wrong places," argues the noted oil economist Philip Verleger. "The only way one can effectively address this problem today and get an immediate kick is by raising the price at the pump and keeping it there." Some of the revenue could be used to buy back the most fuel-efficient vehicles on our roads, he added. "The best monument to 9/11 we could erect would be a mountain of crushed gas guzzlers."

There are some hopeful signs: Chris Dodd has just broken ranks and become the first presidential candidate to issue a serious, comprehensive energy plan that includes the "T word." He has called for a "corporate carbon tax" that would both help fight global warming emissions and raise gasoline prices.

"You say the word 'tax' and people usually head for the hills," Dodd told me. "But this is one where the American people can handle the truth. Unless you address the issue of price, you're not serious about moving us from Point A to Point B."

Barack Obama also just got to Detroit's office. He went to Motown, called for much tougher fuel economy standards and blantly told automakers and autoworkers the truth: "For years, while foreign competitors were invest-

ing in more fuel-efficient technology for their vehicles, American automakers were spending their time investing in bigger, faster cars. Whenever an attempt was made to raise our fuel efficiency standards, the auto companies would lobby furiously against it, spending millions to prevent the very reforms that could've saved their industry." Those are fighter words!

Finally, in a move that also merits praise, General Motors announced that it was joining other major U.S. corporations, like General Electric, and signing on to the U.S. Climate Action Partnership (USCAP), which calls for a cap-and-trade program to control carbon dioxide emissions. GM is the first auto company to do so.

None of these go far enough, but they are all new positions and may be harbingers of a new competition in which companies and candidates try to outdo each other in being serious about energy rather than being phony. That would be a big deal — and it might give the Democrats a more comprehensive Iraq policy just in the nick of time.

You can't be serious about getting out of Iraq if you're not serious about getting off oil.

Thomas Friedman is a columnist for The New York Times.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Veterans deserve the right respect in parade

This letter is in response to the article written by Jim Hartwell in regard to the parade showing lack of respect to local veterans.

I would like to take this time to commend Jim Hartwell for standing up for the veterans. I think the parade committee needs to take a step back and re-evaluate its thinking. As we are at war now, and without our soldiers fighting for this country, where would the

United States be? In war time, we are faced with many ugly and disgusting situations, but true patriotic people take their jobs seriously, and do what it takes to maintain the U.S. status among other nations.

Because the Fourth of July is a celebration of our independence, I think that all walking members in the parade should not have to follow the horses but lead the horses. We veterans have been wading in manure, so to speak, for several years; many of us were treated very disre-

spectful when returning home from the horrors that we faced protecting this great country of ours.

I am encouraging you to rethink your decision to put animals before man. I also understand that horses played a big role in some battles that we fought, but without the technology created by man today, where would we be standing up for the veterans.

Thanks again, Jim, for standing up for the veterans.  
DON CULLEY  
Paul  
(Editor's note: Don Culley is a World War II veteran.)

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# Trade debate stirs up issues for Dems

The issue of trade policy — as critical to the nation's future as Iraq and every bit as divisive — is now squarely before the Democratic Congress. It will almost certainly provide a huge challenge to its leadership.



DAVID S. BRODER

The stage was set by a painfully negotiated deal between the White House and Democrats, announced last week, on the terms of trade in pending agreements with Peru and Panama. Those agreements with two small nations are just the aperture for a much larger debate involving tariff-cutting deals with Colombia and South Korea. And then comes the monumental question of whether to give President Bush the same free hand as his predecessors have enjoyed in negotiating global and regional trade agreements, not amendable by Congress but subject only to an up-or-down vote.

Before last week, there was no chance Bush would be trusted by a Democratic Congress to look out for the interests of American firms and workers in any such negotiations. Now there is a chance — but only a chance — that the United States will be able to take its usual leadership role in moving the world toward an open trading system.

What created this opportunity was that after months of saying "no," the lead negotiators for the White House, Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson and U.S. Trade Representative Susan Schwab, finally said "yes" to the inclusion of labor and environmental guarantees in the body of the trade agreements. Such provisions — requiring signatories to enforce internationally recognized standards banning child labor and prison labor and permitting union organizing, as well as enforcing their own environmental laws — had been included in the final trade agreements negotiated by the Clinton administration and approved by Congress.

But Bush, responding to pleas and pressure from his business supporters, balked at making them part of the basic agreements — and Democrats in Congress got their backs up.

Last week, congressional negotiators, led by Chairman Charles Wangel of the House Ways and Means Committee, finally got the deal that would allow early action at least on the agreements with Panama and Peru.

In my conversations with Schwab and with Rep. Sander Levin of Michigan, the chairman of the Trade Subcommittee of Ways and Means, it was clear that more work remains to be done before Colombia and South Korea can expect Congress to act on their cases.

Levin said that the government in Colombia, which is allied with the United States in opposing the influence of Venezuela's leftist Hugo Chavez, must do more to curb violence targeted at union organizers. And Levin, representing an auto district, wants South Korea, which ships thousands of cars to the United States, to open its doors to American-made vehicles.

Nonetheless, both Levin and Schwab describe last week's agreement as "an important first step" toward rebuilding a bipartisan coalition behind a trade policy that expands the volume of shipments into and out of this country — but raises labor and environmental standards instead of degrading them.

That is what Levin calls "expanding the circle of those who benefit from globalization," a healthy step beyond the old and futile debate between "free trade" and "protectionism."

But there are some forces in the Democratic Party and elsewhere reluctant to abandon the old rhetoric — or the old fights. Bloggers such as

David Sirota and interest groups such as the U.S. Business and Industry Council condemned the new agreement and vowed to fight the issue.

Because most Republicans are on the side of liberalizing trade, the key question is how many Democrats will support trade agreements negotiated by a Republican administration. When I asked Rep. Rahm Emanuel of Illinois, the chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, his answer was "maybe 60 to 70," substantially less than half the Democratic membership but perhaps enough to make a majority with Republican votes.


What Emanuel — who in an earlier life as a Clinton White House aide worked to pass the North American Free Trade Agreement — also said is that dealing with the effects of globalization requires much more than smart trade agreements.

America's education and health care systems also need attention, he said, and so do our incentives for investment in modern technology — if we are to be prepared for competition from India, China and other nations. He is right, and if the coming trade debate opens up all of those issues as well, so much the better.

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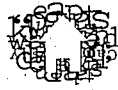
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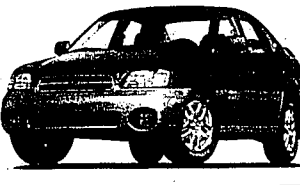


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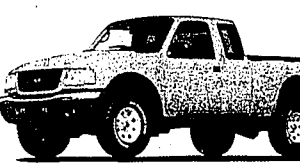


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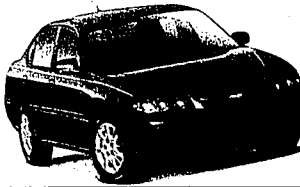


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## 5A TRACK Bruin boys struggle at state track

By Dustin Larray  
Times-News correspondent

**BOISE** — False start. The Twin Falls boys track and field team didn't have too much success Thursday — that is to say, it didn't have a single athlete finish as a state champion. The team only collected six points on the day, putting it in 12th place out of 14 teams.

Bruin senior Brandon McNew, the defending state champion in the high jump, finished tied for fifth place in the triple jump with Sam Saunders of Capital. Both leapers reached a distance of 43 feet, 2 inches.

"I definitely thought I was going to do better, but came up short, jumped about two feet less than what I really wanted to," McNew said.

Tyler Evans of Mountain View won the triple jump with a state-record-breaking leap of 47-10.25. Few fans noticed Evans' jump; they were waiting for Kasev Covington to jump, and possibly break the record Evans just broke. No cheers for Evans, but he did take his first place at state.

"It's a cool feeling," McNew said. "I wish I could have done a little bit better so that I was actually competing with them, but it's fun to be around them, to see what to do."

McNew will also compete in the high jump, the long jump and the 4x400 relay today.

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## 4A TRACK Blauer repeats in high jump

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — While only one state title was earned, several Magic Valley athletes said it was a good day for giving your best.

Burley's Diana Blauer defended her high jump title at the first day of the Class 4A state track meet at Bronco Stadium in Boise.

Blauer, a junior, cleared the same height as last year and was the only competitor to get over 5 feet, 4 inches.

"I am happy with my jump, but there is always room for improvement. There was a lot of pressure and a lot of competition," said Blauer, who will have the honor of carrying the flag into the stadium Friday during the parade of athletes.

Saving their best for last, Jerome athletes Tyler Lott and Elena Ruggenbach both captured third-place finishes in the triple jump while a great final lap in the 3,200 meters earned Minico's Robbie Newman a fourth-place result. In team scores, Jerome's girls are currently ninth with 13 points while Burley tallied 10 points and Minico collected three.

On the boys' side, the Tigers are also in the top local entrant with 13 points followed by Burley with 10 and Minico with four.

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# Shutout: Bengals break Bruins in opener

By Bradley Guire  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — The Lewiston locomotive ran full-stroke ahead and Twin Falls couldn't get off the tracks in time. The Bruins out 8-0 during the first round of the Class 5A state baseball tournament at Wagle Field.

The Bengals head to the next round while the Bruins go to the consolation bracket.

To be blunt, most things went wrong for the Bruins. "It'd be fair to say that," head coach Mike Federico said. "We're a good team with good kids, but we picked a bad time to play a bad game. We didn't play any offense, we didn't base run,

we didn't pitch very well, didn't field very well."

Perhaps one of the more noticeable letdowns came in pitching. Mike Yergensen and Jacob Coats both struggled on the mound, hitting seven batters. Two of Yergensen's came with bases loaded to allow two unearned runs. It was then that Coats came in for relief.

"I didn't get out of it," he said of the game. "We couldn't make an adjustment to the mound, we were probably too nervous and overworking everything. Just choked it."

They allowed five earned runs on 11 hits. Federico said that the game could have been different had they not lost

these key exchanges: "Every time we had a big situation to get back in the game, we just didn't. Something went wrong," he said.

1. Top of the third: A dropped ball at first with two outs kept Lewiston's rally alive for two more runs.

2. Bottom of the third: Nate Robertson doubled and then advanced to third on a batted ball thrown to second. Marcus Schnal walked, and Remington Pullin hit to third. Robertson bolted for home but was called out.

3. Bottom of the third: While Bo Fokinga is at the plate, Schaaf got caught stealing to strand Pullin end the inning.

4. Bottom of the fourth: With bases

loaded, pinch-hitter David Fish was struck out looking at a 3-2 moment.

"When you have those moments, you lose games," he added.

"Though they are wounded, the 19-7 Bruins can still play for pride and win No. 20 when they face the Boise Braves in the 10 a.m. elimination game."

"We've gotta show other people that we're a much better team than we've showed (against Lewiston)," Yergensen said.

### Class 5A state tournament

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## CLASS 4A BASEBALL

# Round Six: It's on

## Jerome, Minico to meet in state semis

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — It's the dirtbags from Minidoka County versus T-John and it's officially on.

The Minico Spartans were absolutely filthy during — and after — Thursday's 11-1 six-inning whipping of defending Class 4A state champion Bishop Kelly, while senior pitcher Tucker Thompson shined in Jerome's 3-1 win over Sandpoint at Bishop Kelly's Roy Peterson Field in Boise. Now, the two teams will meet at 7 p.m. today for a spot in the state championship game.

The 23-7 Spartans proved that a little dirt is a great thing in postseason baseball as the Spartans slid all over the field, particularly near home plate in a game that seemed stacked against them. But after junior R.J. Salvi's base-clearing double ended the game on the 10-run rule, the Spartans reveled in their postgame tradition. After every game, no Minico jersey goes home clean. Thursday was no different as every Spartans player took a dive in the dirt between first and second, wallowing in the grime and the win.

"We're dirtbags," Salvi said. "We give it all we've got."

Only hours later, Thompson and the 26-4 Tigers went about the business of dismantling Sandpoint's hopes of a title run. Thompson put in an efficient 80-pitch, five-strikeout performance while sophomore first baseman Kris Bos' sixth-inning triple ignited a three-run Tigers rally that would be the final. Thompson allowed one run in the bottom of the sixth before closing the door on the Bulldogs.

"They're a good team and they don't waste any swings," Thompson said. "I had to trust my defense behind me."

The defense behind Thompson helped the Tigers overcome a game



Jerome pitcher Tucker Thompson throws against Sandpoint Thursday during the first round of the Class 4A state baseball tournament at Bishop Kelly High School in Boise.

that saw Sandpoint put the leadoff hitter on base in four straight innings, only to bring one run around.

"That was Tucker," Tigers head

coach Tom Bobrowski said. "He threw a great game, kept them off balance and typically we have a great defense."

Centerfielder Buddy Green, who

Bobrowski said was error-free in two years for the Tigers, led that defense with a pair of key putouts and a 1-for-3, RBI performance at the plate.

Minico starter Dane Broadhead put up a performance to rival Tom Thompson's as the junior pitched a complete game two-hitter and finished 2-for-2 with two runs, two walks and an RBI at the plate.

Broadhead is the beneficiary of a game-changing blast from sophomore center fielder Chris Joyce in the bottom of the third. Joyce's two-out rally for the Spartans. The batter, which easily cleared the right field fence 325 feet away from home, was Joyce's first of the season.

"That pumped us up big time," Salvi said.

The middle of Minico's effort was mired on Oregon State University-bound lefty pitcher Josh Ochiel as Matt Tracy, Broadhead and Salvi combined to go 6-for-10 with seven RBIs and four runs on the Bishop Kelly starter.

Now, the Great Basin Conference West rivals will meet for the sixth time this season. This time, it's bigger than ever.

"We'd like to play someone different, but if it's Minico, people will get their money's worth," Bobrowski said between Thursday's games.

Tonight's game will be broadcast live by Oregon TVnow and Troy Wynnill on 370 AM KFIA.

### Class 4A state tournament

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## Pilots fall to hot-hitting Grangeville in Class 2A tourney

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**NAMPA** — Anyone still under the impression that high school athletics don't matter much needed to see Jerome Ferry head coach Denis Uhl Thursday.

Uhl, utterly drained after his Pilots gutted their way through a 10-5 loss at the hands of the Grangeville Bulldogs during the opening round of Class 2A state tournament action, needed a moment. Because for seven seasons who gave Uhl and the Pilots program their all over the last four years, this was the last chance. Now it's a chance missed. Judging by Uhl's crackling voice, it mattered.



Glenn Ferry's David Sauman tags out a Grangeville base runner Thursday at the Class 2A state tournament in Nampa.

"It's tough," Uhl said. "These guys worked hard for

four years and they deserve an opportunity. And they got it."

The nuts and bolts of Thursday afternoon's game at Nampa's Lofholm Field at Roddey Park are simple: Grangeville loaded the bases with no outs twice in the game. Every single one of those runs scored. Be it through timely hitting or Pilots starter David Zito's six walks on an off day, the 16-11 Bulldogs were able to step to the plate with runners consistently in scoring position. Eventually, enough good opportunities turned into a win.

"It's really tough to come out of the inning when you've already got a few guys on base against you," Pilots senior catcher and pitcher Cody Darrington said. "We couldn't overcome it."

Darrington's 2-for-3 performance with two runs, and RBI and a triple led the 14-10 Pilots at the plate, while Zito finished 2-for-4 with three RBIs. Each struck out five during their time on the mound, but Glenns Ferry couldn't muster enough of a consistent offensive attack against Bulldogs starter Justin Polensky to keep pace with the Grangeville bats.

"We couldn't put a whole lot together back-to-back," Uhl said. "The boys didn't give up late, though. They battled and played with character, and that's important to us."

Glenns Ferry now hopes

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SPORTS

Kimberly keeps going: Bulldogs head to 3A semis

Filer rally falls short against Payette

By Tialey Guire Times-News writer

ONTARIO, Ore. — The Kimberly Bulldogs only needed two more outs to advance in the championship round of their first-ever Class 3A state baseball tournament. The 4-0 victory was all but official as Mitchell Dime faced down Bonners Ferry batter Matt Phibid at Treasure Valley Community College.

Amused by the mixup, the Bulldogs got those final two outs and a ticket to the championship bracket. "We're playing better defense," head coach Darin Gonzales said. "Mitchell didn't have quite the number of strikeouts he had last week, but we're trying behind him." Gonzales also praised his team at the plate. Jerke contributed a 3-for-3, one-RBI performance. Wright hit a two-run, A.J. Schroeder sacrificed for

one RBI and Nate Harbison batted two runs in with a double. For their efforts, the Bulldogs match up with Fruiland, which won the evening game to advance to the semifinals. "Right now, we're in a zone and feel confident that we can make plays," said Gonzales.

Payette 6, Filer 5

Though the Wildcats lost the opener, their heart and willpower can't be denied. Down by five runs headed into the bottom of the fifth, Filer rallied three innings straight for an attempted comeback, but ultimately fell 6-5 to Payette Thursday at Treasure Valley Community College. Pitcher Casey Murray doubled

during the bottom of the fifth to score two and start the comeback. An inning later, Quentin Jones scored a run during the confusion of a hotched run-down play between first and second. Matt Lassen wasn't caught, and as Jones reached home, he took advantage of that distraction and reached third. A few minutes later, Lassen stole home—well—it wasn't planned—that way, but once he was halfway down the baseline, there was no turning back. "It was supposed to be a squeeze, but we missed the hit," Filer head coach Cody Chandler said. "The pitch was up. They bailed us out with a bad pitch, so it's alright." Murray later scored again from third in more Payette fielding confu-

sion, which as no one guarding home plate. The pitcher, along with catcher T.J. Ingle, accounted for two RBIs each. Murray was upset following the loss, but Chandler testified to the kid's fight. "It was a good fight," Chandler said. "He'll be ready if we need him on Saturday." Filer (0-18) faces Priest River today in a 10 a.m. elimination game.

Class 3A state tournament schedule table with columns for game number, time, and teams.

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that two more character games will give them the tournament's consolation trophy. While the boys' string (14) and his group of seniors, they will look to make most of the final days have together on the diamond. "We'll just come out with a lot of spark, a big bang and hope we can come away with a trophy," Darrington said.

The Pilots continue play today at 1 p.m. in Nampa.

Class 2A state tournament

Grangeville 10, Glenns Ferry 5

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5A track

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"I am looking forward to it," McNew said. The Bruins' only hope in the 100-meter dash, junior Ryan Seastrom, false started in his preliminary heat, disqualifying him from contention. Caleb McSturdy of Borah won the shot put with a distance of 56-02. The two 100-meters in the event, Frank Arriaga of Scammon, false started, but did finish in 10th place, and Nick Preece, finished 10th and 10th, respectively. Arrington also finished 13th in the discus.

threw seven feet further than Sheena Brumel from Mountain View, who took third, but fell eight feet short of the distance. Brittany Wright from Madison. "I think I performed really well. I was really relaxed and I threw my second best all season," Casperson said. The 400-meter runner also finished 10th in the shot put, but that wasn't good enough for her. "Shot put, I bombed it, so I decided just to do my best in discus," Casperson said. "I was too tired before the shot put, but got really pumped up before the discus, but stayed relaxed, if that makes any sense." Casperson will also compete in the 4x100 and the 4x200 relays today.

Casperson takes second, Bruin girls in 10th

Hisa Casperson was the highest finisher for the Twin Falls girls track and field team Thursday at the Idaho High School State Track Championships at Bronco Stadium in Boise. The girls' 400-meter dash has a great day, but they did finish in 10th place. "It feels really good, especially because I am a senior, that I was able to pull it off and get us some points," Casperson said. Casperson took home a second-place trophy in the discus with a throw of 117-01. She

"My time was the best it has been this year, but I know I can improve getting over the hurdles and not stuttering," Irms said. Irms' time in the preliminaries will give a better lane assignment today in the finals. "To me, I don't think it really matters in the long run, but in my mind it matters," Irms said. "I like to have the inside lane." She will join Casperson today in both the 4x200 and 4x100 relays. "It's going to be really close," Irms said. "We are tied for second with like four teams. That will be a fun one."

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Bulcher wins first title for Lions

Wendell's Carillo second in triple jump

By Dustin Lapray Times-News correspondent

BOISE — There's nothing like the first time. Chris Bulcher won the Class 1A Idaho High School State high jump title Thursday at Bronco Stadium in Boise by clearing a height of 6 feet, 4 inches. "I am extremely excited. I'm satisfied. I'm glad everything finally paid off in the end for us. These are the feelings I have right now," Bulcher said. Lighthouse Christian High School is attending the state meet for the first time ever this weekend. The dividends have already paid off.

all these guys who have Wendell school records and what it means to go to Wendell," Carillo said. "To do this ... I've never had a pit to practice in. We don't even have a track." The Wendell school record is something Carillo said he has been chasing since he was in eighth grade, an amazing feat to accomplish for a kid who doesn't cannot practice. "If we had facilities, the sky is the limit," Carillo said. Jaci Lancaster placed fifth for Wendell in the 2A triple jump with a 32-03. "I don't really make a pun, but — set the bar for our school and our sports and the future athletes to come out of Lighthouse." James Carillo, a senior from Wendell, took home a second-place medal Thursday in the triple jump. He leapt a distance of 43-08.25, which was more than three feet better than his state qualifying distance. It was 2-foot-8-in further than his personal best.

"There's a handful of really good jumpers up here," Bulcher said. "If you take into account the rain, the first storm finished the field for about 15 minutes around dusk, halting competition momentarily and the pressure, that all came into play. There's so much talent and skill up here that it kind of came down to the very end, not who was jumping higher and more talented." Bulcher beat out defending

"It's going to be pretty cool," Bulcher said. "I'm glad to have — not really to make a pun, but — set the bar for our school and our sports and the future athletes to come out of Lighthouse." James Carillo, a senior from Wendell, took home a second-place medal Thursday in the triple jump. He leapt a distance of 43-08.25, which was more than three feet better than his state qualifying distance. It was 2-foot-8-in further than his personal best. "I don't really make a pun, but — set the bar for our school and our sports and the future athletes to come out of Lighthouse." James Carillo, a senior from Wendell, took home a second-place medal Thursday in the triple jump. He leapt a distance of 43-08.25, which was more than three feet better than his state qualifying distance. It was 2-foot-8-in further than his personal best.

2007 Idaho State Baseball Tournaments

2007 Idaho State Baseball Tournaments schedule table with columns for game number, time, and teams.

4A track

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It was a special day for Jerome exchange student Rigenbach. The senior from Jerome captured a spot in her final attempt to win a third-place medal. "It is amazing I can do sports here," said Rigenbach, who said that in her hometown schools don't compete against each other. "The atmosphere and team support is great. I am so excited. I didn't expect a medal."

"Best jump of this year, definitely. I have been trying to get a new PR all season. Finally did it at state."

—Jerome's Tyler Lott on his performance in the triple jump

Rigenbach will attempt to bring home more hardware as she made the finals of the 100 high hurdles and will also run a leg in the 3x100 relay. A trio of girls will compete in the final of 100-meter dash led by Vanessa Ward of Burley. Molly Reid of Jerome and Detany Fox of Wood River will join her in the final. Fox will also run in the 100 high hurdles and 300 intermediate hurdles. "It is only my fourth time running the hurdles so I am new to this," said Fox, a sophomore who focused on the sprints last year. "The atmosphere and team support is great. I am so excited. I didn't expect a medal."

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"Best jump of this year, definitely. I have been trying to get a new PR all season. Finally did it at state."

Lott, a senior at Jerome, had the ninth-best qualifying distance in the triple jump, but that didn't matter as he set a new personal record with a jump of 43-1.6 on the final jump of his high school career.

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SPEED - NASCAR, Craftsman Truck Series, at Concord, N.C. and Lubon, 20, at Concord, N.C.

ESPN2 - Lightnings, Zach Rabinov (27-2 vs. Cristobal Cruz) (3-13-07), at Tallahassee, Fla.

WGN - Chicago White Sox at Chicago Cubs
8 p.m.

TBS - Atlanta at Boston NBA BASKETBALL
8 p.m.

ESPN - Pittsburgh, Game 6. Proceeds at the Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia.

VERSUS - Americas Cup, semifinals, race 4, at Spain.

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Selanne ends slump as Ducks beat Red Wings to even series at 2-2

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Teemu Selanne snapped off of his scoring slump with a goal and two assists Thursday night and the Anaheim Ducks beat the Detroit Red Wings 5-3 to even their playoff series.

The Ducks tied the Western Conference finals 2-2, with the best-of-seven series shifting to Detroit on Saturday.

The Ducks built a 1-0 lead in the opening period, lost it in the second, then Ryan Getzlaf scored on a power play with 14:36 remaining to put them ahead to stay.

Nadal beats Andrejev, Federer wins

HAMBURG, Germany — Rafael Nadal cruised past the last man to beat him on clay two years ago, downing Igor Andrejev 6-4, 6-1 Thursday at the Hamburg Masters for his 79th straight win on the surface.

Top-ranked Roger Federer also advanced to the quarterfinals with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Ivan Ljubicic 6-2, 6-3.

David Ferrer beat Ivan Ljubicic 6-3, 6-3; Carlos Moya upset American James Blake 1-6, 6-3, 6-3; and Nicolas Pietrangeli defeated Jose Acasuso 6-2, 6-3.

Sports Shorts

National and Magic Valley briefs.

Century Bike Ride Saturday

RUPERT — The Second Annual Century Bike Ride will be Saturday in Rupert. Riders may check in on the northeast corner of Rupert Square from 8-845 a.m. and the ride will begin at 9 a.m. The 35-mile loop will pass Jackson Bridge, ride along the Snake River and go through Lake Wallace State Park.

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WENDELL — Wendell High School will host a Fall Sports Night at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, for all parents and athletes planning on playing football, soccer, volleyball or cross country this fall.

Wendell School District is also offering physicals for all incoming second graders, freshman, and juniors at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23, at Associates in Family Practice. The cost is \$15.

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### TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Hazy skies and unseasonably warm. Record temperatures are possible. Highs in the upper 80s.  
 Tonight: Unseasonably mild nighttime temperatures and partly cloudy skies. Lows middle 50s.  
 Tomorrow: Another warmer and drier than normal day. Highs in the lower 80s. Lows upper 40s.

### BUILEVILLE/UPPERT FORECAST

Today: Warmer than normal temperatures, and mostly sunny, but hazy skies. Highs in the lower to middle 80s.  
 Tonight: Mild nighttime temperatures and partly cloudy skies. Lows in the upper 40s.  
 Tomorrow: A summer-like Saturday in May. Highs lower 80s with mostly sunny skies.

### IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Conditions will be very nice for enjoying life outside today and Saturday. Temperatures will be unseasonably mild and skies will be mostly sunny with a few clouds with scattered shading.

### BOISE

Today High: 72 to 77. Tonight's Low: 31 to 33.  
 Skies will be sunny, but hazy for the morning and possibly Saturday. Today and tomorrow will also be warmer than normal. Sunday will be a little cooler, but still very mild.

### NORTHERN UTAH

Today High: 70 to 75. Tonight's Low: 27 to 30.  
 Conditions and mostly sunny to sunny skies throughout Saturday. Sunday will be breezy, mostly dry and not as hot as yesterday is also possible.

### TWIN FALLS

Today High: 85 to 90. Low: 44 to 53.  
 Today: Hazy skies and unseasonably warm. Record temperatures are possible. Highs in the upper 80s.

Yesterdays State Estimates: 50 at Caldwell. Low: 27 at Starkey. Weather Key: B=Partly Cloudy. H=High. M=Mostly Sunny. S=Sunny. W=Mostly Sunny. C=Cloudy. D=Dry. W=Wind. W=Wind. W=Wind.

### GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Being defeated is only a temporary condition; giving up is what makes it permanent."  
 Marvin Sorenson

### TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Near record highs and mostly sunny skies	Breezy, partly cloudy and warm	Continued warm and mostly dry	Milder temperatures and mostly dry	Mild, partly cloudy and maybe a shower	Mostly sunny skies and very nice
High 87	Low 54	83/47	75/41	70/39	73/42

### ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset	Pollen Count
Vastly High: 87.0	0.0	70%	30.0	Sunrise: 5:13 AM	High: 1000
Vastly Low: 54.0	0.0	50%	30.0	Sunset: 8:10 AM	Low: 500

### REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
Boise	72-77	70-75	68-73
Idaho Falls	70-75	68-73	65-70
Rupert	70-75	68-73	65-70

### NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
Atlanta	78-88	78-88	78-88
Chicago	68-78	68-78	68-78
Los Angeles	72-82	72-82	72-82

### WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
London	55-65	55-65
Tokyo	65-75	65-75
Sydney	75-85	75-85

### TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

Fronts: Cold, Warm, Stationary, Occluded.

### CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Ottawa	55-65	55-65
Calgary	65-75	65-75
Vancouver	75-85	75-85

## GOLF ROUNDUP

# Sutherland in front at AT&T Classic

DULUTH, Ga. — Kevin Sutherland shot a 7-under 65 in a favorable scoring conditions Thursday to take a two-stroke lead after the first round of the AT&T Classic.

Japan's Ryuji Imada, a former standout at the University of Georgia, eagled his final hole to join Stephen Marino, Tommy Armour III, Bob May and Craig Kanada at 67 on the 9-iron Norman-designed TPC Stadium.

Sutherland's 8-run shot hit the lip of the bunker on the par-3 16th and rolled into the sand, but the 42-year-old Californian, who began play on the back nine, boled the bunker shot for the first of three straight birdies.

"After hitting a wedge within 5 feet at No. 17, Sutherland reached the 15th green in two shots, leading to the second of his birdies on the par 5s.

"It kind of adds up fast when they come in bunches like that," Sutherland said. "It was a really just a solid day for me."



Kevin Sutherland prepares to hit his tee shot on the No. 8 hole during the first round of the AT&T Classic golf tournament in Duluth, Ga., Thursday.

Imada, who finished in the top 15 of the U.S. Open the last two years, recovered from a double bogey at the par-4 fifth that left him 2 over. A few Georgia fans helped him stay loose with playful Bulldog barks from the gallery.

"After the double on 5, I knew I had to make birdies," Imada said. "I hit my driver on three par 5s that were reachable, and once I got to six and made a birdie, I started feeling better. My shots showed it."

Imada has made 10 of 15 cuts this year, including a ninth-place finish at the Byron Nelson Championship. He tied for 10th last year in suburban Atlanta. "I love the golf course," Imada said. "It's got wide landing areas off the tee and really nice, fast greens. The people here are nice all the time, so that makes me feel good."

Dicky Pride, Joe Ogilvie, Mark Brooks and D.J. Brigran shot 68s. Stewart Cink

week after winning The Players Championship four days ago. Even without Tiger Woods and Mickelson, Sutherland finds no lack of excitement.

### Sarah Lee has early lead at Sybase Classic

CLIFTON, N.J. — Sarah Lee shot a bogey-free 6-under 66 to take a two-stroke lead over defending champion Lorenza Ochoa and four others after the first round of the LPGA Sybase Classic.

Future ITT of Ramer Sr. Rik Pak, up-and-coming Brittany Lincicome, rookie Angela Park and Hye Jung Choi joined Ochoa at 68 on the at Upper Montclair Country Club course, a shot ahead of three others led by recent first-time winner Meaghan Fanello.

Lee, who led after the first two rounds of last week's Micholob Ultra Open and eventually finished third, had birdies ranging in length from 7 to 18 feet, capping her round with a 9-footer on the par-5 11th.

The tournament is in its first year at Upper Montclair after 17 seasons at Wyckoff in Rochelle, N.Y.

### Four share lead at Irish Open

ADABE, Ireland — England's Simon Dyson, Sweden's Peter Hanson and Peter Gustafsson and Argentina's Andres Romero shot 4-under 68s to share Irish Open lead.

South African Louis Oosthuizen and James Kingston and Sweden's Christian Nilsson opened with 69s on the Adare Manor course, Paul McGinley was the top Irish player at 72. John O'Leary was the last Irish winner, taking the 1982 tournament at Portmarnock.

— The Associated Press

## Preakness awash with memories of Barbaro

BAITIMORE (AP) — The scene will be familiar enough, maybe not much so.

When the gate bursts open to start the Preakness Stakes on Saturday, the horse charging out of the No. 6 post will be a handsome bay colt. Only this time, it won't be Barbaro, even if it might seem that way. After all, images of last year's race are still superimposed on the minds of many.

"No way you don't see Barbaro coming out of that starting gate, coming down that track," said Scott Palmer, a veterinarian who rushed to Barbaro's side when the Kentucky Derby winner pulled up seconds after the start, his right rear leg flaring out grotesquely.

"I think everyone is going to take a deep breath and say, 'Let's hope everybody comes home safe,'" he said.

Barbaro's owners, trainer and jockey will be back at Pimlico Race Course looking for closure following a year of highs, lows and, finally, heartbreak when the colt was euthanized Jan. 23.

"I've had people come up and ask me if I'll be a little more nervous before this year's Preakness," Pimlico president Lou Ruffalo said. "I tell them I worry about the start of every race, the Preakness specifically."

Thoughts of Barbaro weighed heavily on the mind of James Tafel, who owns

Street Sense, the favorite to win the Preakness and set up a run at the Triple Crown.

"Accidents happen, and I've thought about Barbaro many times," Tafel said. "I don't think it's going to affect this running at all. I hope not."

Barbaro was honored two weeks ago at Churchill Downs, where his brilliant 6 1/2-length victory was replayed on video. At Pimlico, it will be difficult for many to look at the wide strip of dirt in front of the grandstand without visualizing the breakdown.

Barbaro bolted from the gate early that day, and jockey Edgar Prado guided him back around for a restart. This time, the colt broke cleanly with the rest of the field. But just a few hundred yards into the race, Barbaro veered sideways while eight rivals passed him.

With the horse still trying to run on three legs, Prado jumped off and steadied his mount as best he could.

One misstep had left Barbaro with a shattered leg.

"People were crying, screaming, yelling, it shook up everybody," Palmer recalled. "The race? People weren't even watching it. I've never seen anything like it."

Owners Gretchen and Roy Jackson will, of course, have different roles this year. They will present the winner's trophy for the newly named Barbaro Stakes, a race on the Preakness undercard.

## LeMond accuses Landis camp of harassing him

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — The Floyd Landis hearing took a chaotic twist Thursday when fellow American Tour de France champion Greg LeMond revealed he had been sexually abused as a child and claimed the Landis camp tried to use it as blackmail to keep LeMond from testifying.

"It was a shock, not only because of the content of the three-time Tour de France winner's much-awaited appearance, but because of the contrast between his testimony and three days of scientific nit-picking.

During his short bit of testimony, LeMond told of a conversation he had with Landis after news of Landis' positive "A" urine sample during his 2006 Tour victory had been leaked to the press.

LeMond urged Landis to come clean if, in fact, his backup "B" sample also came

back tainted.

He said he encouraged Landis to help his sport and "more importantly, help himself."

"At this point, he said, 'I don't see anything that ... what good would that do? If I did, it would destroy a lot of my friends and hurt a lot of people,'" LeMond testified.

He said he used the story of his being sexually abused when he was 6 as an example of how it's good to get things out in the open.

"It really destroyed me by keeping the secret," LeMond said.

He said he told Landis that very few people knew that about him, then accused someone in the Landis camp of using that information Wednesday night to intimidate him from appearing as a witness.

He said he was so distraught by the call, he filed a police report.

## Time running out for drivers still looking for speed

INDIANAPOLIS — Time is running out for Mika Dunno, John Andretti and other drivers still looking for enough speed to make the Indianapolis 500.

Friday is the last full day of practice before the final qualifying sessions this weekend for the May 27 race.

Dunno, a rookie from Venezuela whose open-wheel resume lists only a 14th-place finish at Kansas Speedway last month, crashed during practice last week and has struggled since.

"Something is not right, but I have confidence in my team that they are going to find and fix what is happening now," Dunno said.

Dunno's top speed, which came on the first day of practice, was just under 220 mph, about 1.5 mph slower than the slowest of the 22 who qualified last weekend. The final 11 spots will be filled Saturday and Sunday, leaving Dunno in a shaky position unless she can find and fix what is happening.

Dallara that has been updated to 2007 specifications.

"They did a fantastic job to have the car ready, but I just need to find what is happening," she said. "I have confidence we will have a good car."

Dunno drove only eight laps Wednesday, her first day back on the track since her crash, and had a top lap of just over 169 mph.

On Thursday, she was out as soon as the track opened for practice, managed a top speed of just over 212 mph in the first 90 minutes and increased that to only 213.460 mph the rest of the day.

Others who have not yet qualified included Roger Yasukawa, who landed a ride with Dreyer & Reinbold Racing on Tuesday and jumped to more than 217 mph in his first extended practice, and Andretti, who joined Panther Racing on Wednesday and quickly reached 216 mph in his first appearance in an Indy car since 1994.

Andretti, a seven-time starter at Indianapolis, has driven mainly in NASCAR the past dozen years and was expected to take the final two phases of a refurbishment.

Another driver yet to qualify is veteran Stephan Gregoire, whose top lap was almost 218 mph shortly before his car went sideways and backed into the wall coming out of the first turn. The seven-time Indy starter was examined at the infield hospital and, complaining of pain

in his back, was transferred to Methodist Hospital, where an MRI showed a fractured vertebra.

Gregoire, the fastest among the nine non-qualified drivers who practiced, was expected to be released from the hospital Friday.

### Idaho's Hamilton continues to prep for May 27 race

INDIANAPOLIS — Preparing to compete in his seventh Indy 500, Idaho driver Davey Hamilton really got his all of the information he wanted," he said. "We only did one solid full run. We went through some downforce adjustments, one step at a time until we got really high, just to see what the car could do."

Hamilton will start the 91st running of the race from the 29th starting position.

— AP and wire reports

## School districts ponder election results, turnout

Low voter turnout and little support for levies has school officials scratching their heads

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

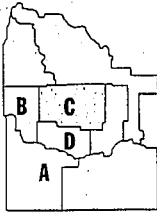
TWIN FALLS — School officials are bewildered this year by low voter turnout and little support for supplemental levy elections. Only one community in south-central Idaho won approval of its supplemental levy request, and less than half of all school districts reported above-average turnout for school elections.

School administrators and board members were surprised to see the decline in voter turnout after support from local communities appeared to be growing in the past two years.

"We ran a supplemental levy last year that was much smaller than the bond election we recently held, but I believe that our turnout was much higher last year compared to this year," said Greg Lowe, superintendent of the Wendell School District. "It's a

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### Election results by school district



District	Supplemental levy	Facilities bond	School board election
A	Twin Falls		Election cancelled. Two ran unopposed.
A	Kimberly	Rejected: \$6.09 mil.	Above avg. turnout. Two positions up for election — one uncontested.
B	Gooding	Rejected: Two-year, \$400,000	Highest turnout in Magic Valley. Two positions up for election.
B	Wendell	Rejected: \$1.75 mil.	Avg. turnout. Two positions up for election — both uncontested.
C	Shoshone	Rejected: \$800,000	Low turnout/Three positions up for election — all uncontested.
D	Jerome	Approved: One-year, \$650,000	Avg. turnout. One position up for election — uncontested

## Times-News appoints interim leadership

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Times-News this week promoted two longtime Idaho journalists to key roles in its newsroom.

Virginia Hutchins is interim editor, overseeing all of the newspaper's reporting, photography and page design and its Web site, Magicvalley.com.

Reporting to Hutchins, David Cooper will become interim city editor later this month, leading news coverage by a team of beat reporters.

Hutchins, a Twin Falls High School graduate, holds a bachelor's degree in physics and English from Albertson College of Idaho. Most recently, she was the Times-News' features editor, leading a team that produces six weekly features sections such as Family Life and Food & Home. In her 12 years at the Times-News, she has also been a business editor, assistant city editor, reporter and page designer, and she led the newspaper's coverage of Twin Falls' 2004 centennial. She and her husband, Mark, live in Twin Falls.

Hutchins replaces former editor Chris Steinbach, who is now the Times-News' business editor.

Cooper is the Twin Falls newspaper's Opinion editor — writing most of the newspaper's daily editorials — and its Outdoors editor. A native of Pocatello, Cooper graduated from the University of Utah in mass communication and was a staff writer and page designer at the *Deseret Morning News* in Salt Lake City. He worked four years at *The OklaHoma (Alt.) News* as a reporter, copy editor and business editor, before joining the Times-News in 2001. He and his wife, Tamara, live in Twin Falls with their four children.

Cooper will assume his interim role when City Editor Matthew Brady leaves the Times-News in late May to become a managing editor with Greenspun Media Group in Las Vegas, helping to oversee a group of suburban newspapers.

"I have a very high opinion of Virginia and David," said Times-News Publisher Brad Hurd. "They are excellent journalists and strong leaders who will guide us well."



Hutchins



Cooper



Connie Rencher opens the door to the Twin Falls Fitness Center last week.

## Twin Falls Fitness and Y to close deal today

Members to be offered streamlined rates

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Whenever something changes, there's bound to be someone who doesn't like the new way of doing things.

The directors of the YMCA of Twin Falls Inc. know this, and so do Connie and Craig Rencher. More about owners of Twin Falls Fitness and Y locations. Pole Line Road. The Renchers are set to sign the fitness center over to the Y today, in a deal that will combine the two gym's memberships and consolidate rates.

"I'm sure some people will be unhappy, but they always do when there's changes," Connie Rencher said last week. "Most of our members are excited about the possibility that they get three places for the price of one."

"The ink won't be dry on the deal until today, said Karen Jachnowski, executive director of the Y, but she was confident last week that the agreement won't fall through at the last minute. Without disclosing the exact terms of the contract, she said that it was made possible by the Rencher's donation of about half the

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"We're looking at being creative. We're looking at what offenders can afford. They can pay \$9 a day and be able to go to work."

— Kyle Fisher, Jerome County's chief officer of juvenile and misdemeanor probation



A model wears an ankle monitor outside a bar in Twin Falls. Older devices, like this one, allow people to enter restricted areas. A new GPS device that Jerome County Misdemeanors and Juvenile Probation will begin using can block a wearer from entering restricted areas.

## GPS: Jail of the future?

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

JEROME — A new technology promises to save Jerome County money and free up bed space in its overcrowded jail.

Jerome County and other northern Magic Valley counties will meet June 14 to discuss building a jail together. But Kyle Fisher, chief officer of juvenile and misdemeanor probation, is suggesting another approach: pull some inmates and offenders out of the jail, slap on ankle global positioning systems and save \$136 a day on juveniles while making money on working adults.

"When it works, it's won-

### Jail vs. GPS

Daily cost per inmate

	Jail	GPS
Juveniles: \$136	\$9*	\$9*
*Not at a time covered by federal grant.		
Adults:	\$30	\$9
Adult overflow:	\$40	\$9

Source: Kyle Fisher, Jerome County juvenile and misdemeanor probation

derful," Fisher said. "The technology has finally caught up. The goal will be to have the people on the monitors (while) working and reimbursing the county."

Currently, younger defendants placed at the Snake River Juvenile Detention Center cost the county \$136 a

day. Adult inmates, often relegated to sleeping on cell floors, cost the county \$30 or \$40, if housed in other counties, plus transportation costs.

Fisher ordered four GPS anklets on Wednesday for juveniles, each costing \$9 a day, which will be paid for through a federal grant.

Next, Fisher will pitch to commissioners to invest in the technology for adults — facing or convicted of misdemeanor. Felony defendants are handled by the state from a Twin Falls headquarters.

"We're looking at being creative," Fisher said. "We're looking at what offenders can afford. They can pay \$9 a day and be able to go to work."

Jerome County Commission Chairman Charlie Howell said a successful substitute for jail would have to not only save money, but also not endanger the public.

Commissioners signed a contract with a monitoring company called Behavioral Interventions last week for the juvenile program. The county could implement these ankle monitors as early as this week.

The county stopped using GPS monitors more than a year ago, after more than four years of renting bulky and unstable equipment, Fisher said.

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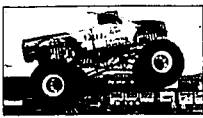
## YOUR WEEKEND

### 'Women' in Buhl



What: The West End Theatre Company will present Allan Knee, Jason Howland and Mindi Dickstein's musical adaptation of Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women."

When: Buhl High School auditorium. When: Today and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. How much: Tickets, which are \$6 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens, are available at the door.



### Ready to rumble?

What: The National Mud Bad and Monster Truck Showdown is coming to Filer.

Where: Twin Falls County Fairgrounds arena.

When: Saturday, 7 p.m.

How much: Advance tickets, available at NAPA Auto Parts in Twin Falls, are \$15 for adults and \$9 for kids 12-21. Tickets at the gate are \$16 for adults and \$12 for kids 12-21.

### Hearts of chrome

What: The third annual Spring Classic Car Show, hosted by OK Auto Systems, will be held Saturday. The event will include a performance by Crossfire, food for sale by El Sombrero Restaurant and a live remote by 99.9 The Buzz. Awards will be given at the end of the night. Entry fee is a \$10 donation. Proceeds will benefit the Court Appointed Special Advocate program.

Where: OK Auto Systems/Rite Aid parking lot at the corner of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Addison Avenue.

When: Saturday, 4-9 p.m.

How much: It's free.



### Music in Burley

What: Burley Junior High School will present its spring concert, featuring the Burley Junior High Jazz Band, Burley Seventh Grade Concert Band and Burley Junior High Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Ross J. Barson, and the Lake Hazel Middle School Eighth Grade Concert Band from Boise, under the direction of Nell M. Barson.

Where: College of Southern Idaho Mini-Casella Center, 1600 Park Ave., Burley.

When: Today, 7 p.m.

How much: Admission is free, but donations will be accepted with proceeds going toward the purchase of new band equipment.

### On a classical note

What: Anam Cara — The Chamber Choir of Idaho — will sing Sir John Tavener's "Two Hymns to the Mother of God" and Norman Dello Joia's "A Psalm of David."

Where: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Ketchum.

When: Today, 7:30 p.m.

How much: The concert is free but donations will be accepted to help pay the expenses of the choir, which is of singers from throughout southern Idaho.





# YMCA

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appraised value of the building and the value of all the fitness equipment.

"That's how we were able to do it, quite honestly," Jachimowski said. "This was a win-win for both parties."

The Renchers, who have owned Twin Falls Fitness Center for 10 years, said they have wanted to sell the fitness business for a while, but other bidders on the building weren't interested in operating it as a gym.

"It was great when the Y approached us, because we really want it to stay as a fitness center so our members wouldn't lose out," Rencher said. "I think it's pretty much going to stay the same, so people shouldn't be too worried about that."

The gym will be returned from Twin Falls Fitness Center to Canyon Rim YMCA, and a major change for both fitness center members and Y members is in the rates they will pay.

The Y has considered lower-

ing its rates for a while, Jachimowski said, and the takeover of the fitness center was a good time to institute the change.

"Our goal is to be consistent and fair to all," Jachimowski said. She said she believes the new prices are a great value. "Prices aren't going sky-high. You're getting more than you're getting now."

Because salesmen at the fitness center were able to negotiate monthly rates with each potential member, those rates varied from \$19.95 a month to \$72 a month, with classes and other services at additional fees, Jachimowski said.

At the Y, there have been different rate schedules for corporate and non-corporate members. The higher non-corporate rates will be dropped to the corporate level under the new rate scheme. Existing Y memberships will run at the old price during the term of the membership, then the member will be offered the new rate.

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members are paying more than the Y's new rates, they are welcome to reapply immediately to get the new YMCA rate. However, if they are paying less, they have until Sept. 1 to continue paying their old rate while they decide if they would like to remain members. On Sept. 1, they must pay the new rate or discontinue membership.

"What we're trying to do is get a baseline so everyone's the same," Jachimowski said. "We couldn't figure out another fair way of doing this."

At the Y, classes, child care and other services come with the price of membership, so for most former Fitness Center members, the actual amount they pay each month will likely be less than it has been, she said.

If former Fitness Center members have financial circumstances that would pre-

clude them from paying the YMCA rate, they are welcome to confidentially apply for financial aid from the Y.

"We know people's money is important to them, regardless of the amount," Jachimowski said. She feels the new rates are reasonable. "For you to be healthy, this is a small amount of money. It's less than what you put in your car."

In addition to rate changes, there will be some physical changes to the former Fitness Center building on Pole Line Road. At the end of the day today, provided the paperwork is signed, the building will close for the weekend to allow the Y to make repairs and change out the signage. It will reopen at 5 a.m. Monday.

Jachimowski plans to keep the same schedule of classes that the Fitness Center has offered. All the fitness center's instructors were given the opportunity to apply with the Y, and Jachimowski said every Twin Falls Fitness Center instructor who applied has been hired. Other community members who responded to the Y's advertising have also been hired as instructors.

"We're hiring the best of the best staff," she said.

Jachimowski hopes to maintain continuity of class schedules and instructors during the summer months, provided there are enough attendees at the classes to make them worthwhile. She will also be holding focus groups of Y members during the summer to ask them what they want at the new facility.

At the Twin Falls Fitness Center, the small pool has been shut down for mechanical reasons, and it will not reopen under Y ownership. The Y's insurance company won't cover the pool as it is,

and it will cost too much to renovate it to their standards, Jachimowski said. She hopes the few users of the fitness center's pool will use the Y's two other pools.

Also for insurance reasons, the fitness center's tanning beds will be closed under Y ownership, Jachimowski said.

As for the Renchers? Connie said she and Craig will continue to manage their other properties around town, and will spend more time with their grandchildren. But Connie said she'll miss her Twin Falls Fitness Center members.

"I've really come to love the people here, and feel a great responsibility or kinship with them. People see their lives changed through it, so it's a great industry to belong to," she said. "It's going to be hard for me to leave it all, but life goes on."

*Times-News features writer Arid Hansen can be reached at arid.hansen@tw-n.net or 735-3376.*

"It was great when the Y approached us, because we really want it to stay as a fitness center so our members wouldn't lose out. I think it's pretty much going to stay the same, so people shouldn't be too worried about that."

— Connie Rencher, co-owner of Twin Falls Fitness Center

# Vote

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little strange because so much of the community was involved in our bond election committee this year.

Wendell voters rejected a \$1.75 million bond election earlier this week, which would have expanded the district's instructional facilities. The bond failed with only 54 percent of voters supporting the election — schools need 66.7 percent voter approval, according to Idaho code.

The Kimberly School District narrowly lost its \$6.09 million bond election about one month earlier — the bond failed by two votes. And voters in Shoshone rejected their school district's \$980,000 bond election by about 7 percent.

"You're going to see more schools seeking supplemental levies and facilities bonds," said Mel Wiseman, superintendent of the Shoshone School District. "But funding from the state and rising operational costs are pushing the limits of our budgets."

But less than two years ago, voters were approving multi-million-dollar bond elections, as well as ongoing supplemental levies. Last year, the Twin Falls School District passed the third-largest school bond in Idaho history.

"It's not like schools are not working for the votes."

Wiseman and other administrators have become a part-time campaign workers by distributing fliers and meeting with local civic groups.

"Really, we just want people to show up and vote," he said.

The Gooding School District was the only district this year that experienced significantly higher voter turnout. However, that was due to controversy surrounding the Gooding School Board and allegations that it was misusing money.


Jerome was the only school district in the Magic Valley area

to pass a supplemental levy this year, even though voters passed a \$26.5 million facilities bond less than two years earlier.

But Linda Hadam, chairwoman of the Jerome School Board, said the new facilities may be part of the reason why the district was successful in passing its \$650,000 supplemental levy.

"With the new schools going up, I think it's easier for the community to see the progress we're making," Hadam said. "And I only hope that the reason there is not a lot going on in our school board elections is because the community has confidence in what we are doing."

**Buhl resident Celebrates 80th birthday**



Emmett (Joe) Mietzner turns 80 on May 18th. The children of Emmett invite family and friends to celebrate with Emmett at an open house at the Senior Citizens Center in Buhl from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, May 20th.

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# Reports: Warming will raise fire spending, cut salmon habitat

Northwest already 2 degrees warmer, separate study says

PORTLAND (AP) — Global warming is likely to greatly increase spending on fighting wildfires and greatly reduce salmon habitat in the Northwest, two new reports suggest.

The University of Oregon's Institute for a Sustainable Environment projects that an average wildfire year for Oregon in the 2020s will see 50 percent more acres of forest burned than during the 20th century. By the 2040s the increase will be 100 percent.

Thinning forests may reduce the severity of wildfires, but not the frequency, and annual state spending to fight wildfires is

likely to increase from the current range of \$10 million to \$64 million to, in inflation-adjusted dollars, \$60 million to \$36 million in the 2020s and \$60 million to \$120 million in the 2040s, the report said.

The report estimated federal spending to fight wildfires in Oregon would rise from current range of \$20 million to \$132 million a year to, in inflation-adjusted dollars, \$32 million to \$197 million a year in the 2020s and \$40 million to \$263 million in the 2040s.

In another report, a panel of 11 independent scientists told the Northwest Power Planning Council that temperatures in the Northwest have already gone up nearly 2 degrees Fahrenheit since 1900, which is 50 percent more than the global average.

The increase is expected to continue at a rate of about 1

degree Fahrenheit each decade.

The amount of precipitation over the Northwest is expected to remain about the same, but more will fall as rain and less as snow, making for higher winter river flows and warmer water temperatures — too warm for salmon in some places.

The report notes some studies expect more than 40 percent of rivers in Oregon and Idaho will be too warm for salmon by the year 2090, and 22 percent in Washington. It would be even worse for bull trout, which demand even colder water.

Warmer water makes salmon eggs hatch quicker, producing smaller juvenile fish that are more likely to be eaten by predators. Warmer water favors fish that eat young salmon. Warmer water will also weaken adult salmon as they swim up fish ladders going over the dams, and make them more vulner-

able to parasites and diseases. Warmer oceans may mean less food for salmon as they mature.

The scientists suggest that only global strategies that reduce greenhouse gases will completely address the problems, but the federal hydroelectric dams can help by releasing more cold water from reservoirs and installing weirs that help young fish pass over the dams more quickly while migrating downstream.

They also suggest opening up more backwaters and sloughs along rivers to cool temperatures, protecting cold-water spawning areas, increasing control of predators such as the northern pike minnow, and considering trucks and barges to carry adult salmon up the lower Snake River in late summer when the water can be lethally warm.

## Police: Delling met murder victim through Internet games

BOISE (AP) — A man charged with killing a 25-year-old Boise State University student met him on Internet gaming sites and then used the Web to track him down, according to court records.

John Delling, charged with two counts of first-degree murder and another count of grand theft, told an FBI agent that he used the Internet to find out that 25-year-old Bradley Morse of Meridian worked at the Idaho Parks and Recreation office in Boise.



Delling

Morse was found shot to death April 3 in a pond where he worked.

The connection between Morse and Delling had been unclear until court documents obtained by The Idaho Statesman revealed the Internet gaming association.

Authorities say Delling embarked on a 6,000-mile Western road trip that left two people dead and another seriously injured.

Delling, 21, is accused of killing Morse on April 2 and taking his car, and of killing David Boss in Moscow on March 31. He is also suspected in the March 20 wounding of University of Arizona student Jacob Thompson in Tucson, Ariz.

Delling, Boss and Thompson were all former classmates at Timberline High School in Boise, and Delling and Boss were childhood friends.

Morse attended high school in nearby Meridian at about the same time as the other three.

According to the court documents, police seized computers from Delling's home and obtained online computer records from Yahoo! and MSN, making it possible for them to track Delling's moves on the Internet.

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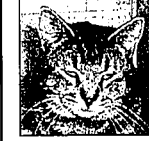
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# Lawmakers' pressure prompts BLM to drop expanded rifle ban

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The Bureau of Land Management has dumped its plan to expand a rifle-and-pistol ban at a multi-purpose Snake River bird preserve after pressure from Idaho lawmakers, putting an end to a proposal originally aimed at protecting safety of the state's National Guard soldiers who train at the site.

The BLM, which oversees the 490,000-acre Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area south of Boise, said it had been working with National Guard leaders for four years on the proposed shooting closure. It came after reports that sport shooters who come out to blast ground squirrels on the raptor preserve were also taking positions at soldiers and tanks who have trained on top of the site since the 1950s.

After a report by The Associated Press in April, however, Idaho lawmakers, led by U.S. Rep. Bill Sali, a Republican gun-rights advocate, intervened and held meetings with National Guard leaders,

including Maj. Gen. Lawrence E. LaFrenz.

Those discussions concluded by dropping the ban by 41,000 acres — existing restrictions cover 60,000 acres — could actually exacerbate conflicts by concentrating shooters closer to other sites near the National Guard's Orchard Training Area.

So instead of the BLM broadening the shooting ban, LaFrenz has agreed to sweep the area instead, to warn shooters to stay clear while war games are taking place, the BLM said.

"We'll just continue to monitor the situation," M.J. Byrne, a BLM spokeswoman in Boise, said Thursday. "As the population continues to grow out there, and the number of recreationalists continue to grow, the concern about safety is going to continue to grow, too."

Prairie falcons and eagles soar over the preserve, home to one of the world's densest concentrations of nesting raptors. They live off the ground squirrels that pop their heads above the grass and sage.

With just two BLM agents to patrol 4 million acres of desert near Boise, however, gun enthusiasts regularly defy the existing 60,000-acre restrictions on rifles and pistols — shooting squirrels, protected birds and even cattle, preserve officials said.

Still, in Idaho, where one town recently passed a municipal ordinance encouraging residents to own a gun, attempts to pare shooting rights are often equated with attacks on personal liberties, and this latest instance was no different.

"We had three meetings with the BLM," said Bob Wells, a policy adviser for Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter. "The governor didn't want to limit what has been a traditional public use."

Sali's work to get the shooting expansion plans dropped by the BLM shows the power Idaho's elected officials wield in influencing policy — even on issues that have undergone

years of public comment. The federal agency holds a public concern that those decisions aren't made arbitrarily."

— Wayne Hoffman, U.S. Rep. Bill Sali's spokesman



Sali

While a National Guard soldier was shot in the mid-1990s during training by a sport hunter, Hoffman said additional claims of conflicts such as stray fire directed at military tanks appeared to be overlooked. LaFrenz and Brig. Gen. Alan C. Gayhart, who led Idaho Army National Guard soldiers during their tour in Iraq in 2005, said during meetings with Sali aides that such incidents are rare, Hoffman said.

"We felt as if the information wasn't adding up," he said.

Lt. Col. Stephanie Dowling, a spokeswoman for the Idaho National Guard, said she didn't have details about how soldiers training in the Orchard site would sweep the area to prevent possible conflicts with sport shooters.

# Senators' immigration deal offers fix for farmworker shortage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmworker shortages that have left tons of fruits and vegetables unplanted or unpicked would be relieved under a proposed immigration deal.

Thursday's accord includes a pilot program for legalizing agricultural workers, said Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif. The aim, she said, is "to see that we have a consistent labor force for agriculture, the one industry in America that almost solely depends on an undocumented work force."

"I believe that we have achieved that in this bill," Feinstein said at a press conference.

Farmers say that as immi-

gration enforcement has tightened in recent years, worker shortages have ranged from 10 percent to 30 percent across the labor-intensive produce industry and have affected dairy farms and nurseries, too.

In some cases, pests, strawberries and other crops have gone unharvested. In others, farmers have chosen not to plant, or have reduced plantings of the most labor-intensive crops, such as asparagus.



Craig

economic losses have been estimated in the millions.

"We're looking at deterioration of the work force and the inability of people to survive. We're looking at the failure of farms and small businesses," said Craig Riegelbrugge, co-chairman of the Agriculture Coalition for Immigration Reform.

The "AgJobs" program pushed by Feinstein and Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, would create a five-year pilot program to legalize immigration status for those who have worked in U.S. agriculture for at least 150 days over the previous two years. The program would be capped at 1.5 million.

Feinstein spokesman Scott Gerber said the basic framework of that bill was becoming part of the deal Thursday.

The measure would be a separate program and subject to different requirements than for other guest workers or illegal immigrants already in the country, Gerber said.

The proposal passed the Senate last year as part of a larger immigration bill, but the House and Senate didn't reach a compromise on the bill. Currently the farm labor force in the U.S. numbers about 1.6 million, according to people in the industry, and 70 percent or more are estimated to be illegal.

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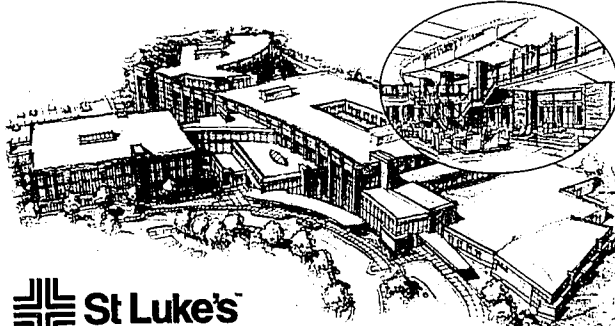
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NATION

Bush, Blair, friends to the end, salute each other at White House farewell

WASHINGTON (AP) — To the last, neither George Bush nor Tony Blair wavered.

The British prime minister allowed not a single regret about the war alliance that cost him his popularity and perhaps his job.

"Trying to do a tap dance on his political grave, aren't you?" Bush said Thursday at Blair's side in the White House Rose Garden.

Bush's reluctance to see the British leader go is understandable. For Bush, Blair has been a steadfast friend for over six years.

The British prime minister

has been a presence in Bush's presidency like no other leader.

Telephone conversations were regular. This White House meeting spanning two days was their 13th get-together in Washington since Bush took office in 2001.

It wasn't even their last: that will come early next month at a gathering of major industrialized countries in Germany.

Sill, as a farewell of sorts, it was more a sentimental than substantive summit.

Reflecting their close ties, Blair was offered at the last minute — and accepted — a White House sleepover, choosing the Queen's Bedroom down the hall from the president.

Wednesday evening, Bush and Blair dined on shepherd's pie and potatoes, and flounder-strawberry napoleon. The pair then sat on the Truman Balcony, peering out over Washington's monuments as they chatted into the night.

There was yet another perk: a trip to the newly renovated and top-secret Situation Room in the basement of the White House.

Bush and Blair have cooperated on Iran, the Middle East, fighting malaria, AIDS and global warming, and on the global anti-terror battle.



President Bush, left, and British Prime Minister Tony Blair shake hands after their joint press conference in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington, Thursday.

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# Southern Ocean study sounds more alarms on global warming

Los Angeles Times

The Southern Ocean, a massive storehouse for carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, is slowly losing its capacity to buffer the world from rising concentrations of the greenhouse gas, researchers reported Thursday.

As a result, the study says, carbon dioxide could accumulate in the atmosphere faster than previously expected.

The Southern Ocean, which surrounds Antarctica, accounts for about one-third of all carbon stored in the oceans.

The researchers described a vicious cycle in which global warming reduces the ocean's ability to absorb the heat-trapping gas that then accelerates the accumulation of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and triggers warming.

"The buffer doesn't seem to be kicking in as one might expect," said Ralph Keeling, a geochemist at Scripps Institution of Oceanography at the University of California, San Diego, who was not involved in the study.

The findings are controversial. Peter Jones, a senior scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Boulder, Colo., said the measurements of carbon dioxide changes were so subtle that they easily could have been sampling errors.

"I think they make a good case, but I am not entirely convinced," he said, adding that there was little evidence so far that the planet's ability to absorb carbon was fading.

The degree to which the oceans will be able to buffer against rising carbon dioxide emissions is a key uncertainty in predicting temperature increases.

# Taxes get political spin in \$2.9 trillion budget plan

By Joel Havemann  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The House and Senate on Thursday approved a \$2.9 trillion federal budget blueprint that, depending on who you asked, contained the second largest tax hike in history or, conversely, no tax increase at all.

How are such different readings of one document possible? It could happen only in the world of Washington budget-speak, where political spin is at least as important as fiscal reality.

The new budget resolution, the first to make its way through Congress since the Democrats took control in January, in addition to almost \$3 trillion in spending, anticipates just under \$2.7 in revenues,

leaving a projected deficit of about \$260 billion. Everyone agreed on that Thursday — but on little else, especially not on the politically sensitive issue of whether taxes will go up or down or stay the same.

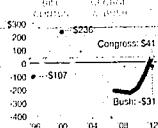
At the heart of the dispute are the massive tax cuts that President Bush pushed through Congress soon after taking office in 2001. Congress, then controlled by Republicans, approved the cuts but specified that they would expire after 2010 unless Congress extended them — a provision designed to make the size of the cuts more palatable. The GOP has since sought to make the cuts permanent.

Now the Democratic majorities in the House and Senate have voted to let some of the

## New draft for budget

The Congressional Democrats budget blueprint promises a \$11 billion surplus in 2012.

## Budget surplus or deficit



NOTE: Estimates for 2007-2012

SOURCES: Congressional Budget Office, AP Research and Strategy Budget Committee

cuts expire — particularly those that benefit the wealthiest taxpayers. For example, the new budget resolution would allow tax rates on high income Americans to revert to their

pre-2001 levels in 2011.

That's how Republicans can accuse the Democrats of approving big tax increases, while the Democrats can argue that they're just letting stand a law that Republicans created. Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said the Democrats' budget would begin to restore "fiscal responsibility" to a budget that was in surplus when Bush took office in 2001 but quickly swung to record deficits because of the deep tax cuts.

The Democratic sponsors of the budget said it would surpluss the budget back into surplus by 2012, when revenues were projected to exceed spending by \$11 billion.

By itself, the budget — technically a resolution not a law, so that it takes effect without the president's signature — does not raise or spend a dime. It merely sets targets for Congress to shoot for as it passes spending and tax legislation for the fiscal year that begins on Oct. 1. It is this important legislation that Bush can sign or veto.

At the same time, the new budget makes an important change in congressional rules, effective immediately. The budget would reinstitute the expired pay-as-you-go rule, which requires that any legislation to increase federal benefit programs be accompanied by provisions — either tax increases or spending cuts — to offset the effect on the deficit.

# Paris Hilton won't appeal sentence

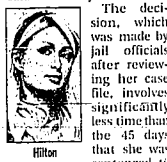
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Paris Hilton filed papers in Los Angeles Superior Court on Thursday indicating she will not appeal the jail sentence a judge issued after the socialite violated her probation.

Hilton has said the sentence was unfair and had filed papers saying she would appeal the judge's decision. But in a new filing, her attorney was "abandoning" that appeal, said court spokeswoman Katherine Roberts.

Hilton will spend at least 25 days behind bars for vio-

lating her probation but will do her time separate from the general inmate population. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department officials said Wednesday.



Hilton

similar misdeeds. She will not serve the entire sentence, they said, because the state allows time off for good behavior.

Sheriff's Department spokesman Steve Whitmore said jailers had decided that because of her fame, Hilton would be kept off limits from the rest of the inmates at the Century Regional Detention Facility in Lynwood.

She will live in the "special needs housing unit" that is reserved for police officers, public officials, celebrities and other high-profile inmates. The unit contains 12 two-person cells.

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WORLD

# U.S., Iran diplomats will discuss Iraq's future

By Ned Parker and Ramtin Mostaghim  
Los Angeles Times

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — Talks between U.S. and Iranian diplomats over the future of Iraq have been set for May 28 here, officials announced Thursday.

Both sides, however, downplayed the chances of a breakthrough with some observers cautioning that Washington had more riding on the outcome than Tehran.

The meeting would mark the first major discussions between the two nations since the American-led invasion of Iraq in 2003. Iran enjoys strong ties with leading Iraqi Shiite and Kurdish political parties

and has a strong trade relationship with its neighbor.

"Nothing but Iraq is on the agenda for Iran and U.S. talks," Iranian Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki told reporters at a conference of Islamic foreign ministers in Islamabad.

Mottaki ruled out the possibility the talks could be widened to include the Islamic Republic's nuclear program or normalizing ties with Washington.

"The talks will strictly be focused on the security situation in Iraq," he said, adding Iraq would attend as a third party. The minister did not name the diplomats who would be attending for Tehran and the U.S. team is expected to

air its allegation that Iran is supplying armored-piercing bombs to Shiite Muslim militias to attack American troops. U.S. officials have also accused Iran of providing weapons both to Shiite death squads and their main enemy, Sunni Arab extremists.

Iran, meanwhile, wants the U.S. to release five Iranian diplomats arrested in April in February. Mottaki reiterated Iranian claims that the presence of U.S. forces in Iraq was a major cause for the continuing violence.

"Terrorists say that we are doing this because of the foreign forces," and the foreign forces (are) saying that 'We are

here because of the terrorist groups,'" Mottaki said.

Confirming the date of the talks, U.S. State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said Tehran needed to start to live up to its pledges regarding Baghdad.

"They talk about the fact that they want a stable, secure, prosperous Iraq. Well, their actions are not lending — are not helping with — helping to produce a more stable, secure Iraq. So we'll see what they do," McCormack told reporters.

Ryan Crocker, the U.S. ambassador to Iraq who will lead the American delegation, told reporters in Baghdad: "I

would not expect a stunning, startling breakthrough. We would like to see some progress on Iraq-related issues."

The groundwork for the talks was laid earlier this month at a conference on Iraq attended by regional countries and Washington in Sharm el-Sheikh. That session was a follow-up to a gathering in March in Baghdad, where the sides briefly chatted.



## Israel launches airstrikes into Gaza Strip, killing 5

Los Angeles Times

**JERUSALEM** — Retaliating after three days of rocket fire, Israel mounted several airstrikes in the Gaza Strip on Thursday, killing at least five people in a region already engulfed in a bloody Palestinian-factional struggle.

The Israeli military also confirmed Thursday that it sent a "small force" to join tanks that had crossed over into the northern edge of Gaza. But a spokesman said the troops were staying close to the border fence and that the operation "is not an incursion."

Throughout the day, five Israeli attacks destroyed buildings belonging to Hamas and targeted cars carrying suspected Islamic militants. Hamas said that three of its members also were killed and promised reprisals, possibly including suicide bombings within Israel.

It was the radical Islamic organization's first threat of suicide attacks since declaring an off-quarantined and recently abandoned cease-fire with Israel last November. But the group's capacity to carry out such operations is in question at the moment.

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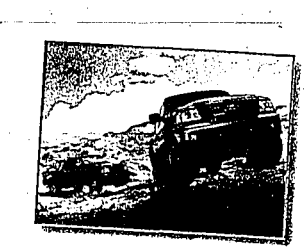
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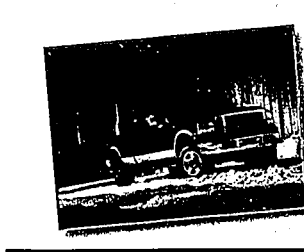
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This day had begun as bad many for me. I worked across Fifth Street from the post office, at Harding's Trail Inn, pearl-diving, table-bussing, prep-cooking and flour-mopping. My shift was 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. I earned and was paid \$2.65 an hour plus tips from waitresses. Ketchum's saloons shut down at 1 a.m. and Harding's accepted the raucous crowd until 2 a.m. I was last to finish my duties and often greeted the opening shift as I departed.

Every young man needs a motorcycle. The illusion that the rider is in control is intoxicating and at some point a gravitational humbling will assist you to understand that ego produces nothing.

This day, after work, I rode my motorcycle out Warren Springs Road and began an ascent on its West Fork. This barely passable relic of mining and logging days presented to me a rocky, steep challenge.

The warm morning air smelled sweetly of granite dust and pine. I paused at the final miner's cabin. Instead, I drank from a spring tapped with a pipe by some early utilitarian. Riding again, I crested the summit on a little known trail that crossed into the Adams Gulch drainage via Eve Gulch. I parked my motorcycle along the trail and biked through a lush, flowering meadow to a spectacular Grizzly Butte, and all that surrounded it. Here, where coyotes pay no taxes, you can really be alone and you become instinctually aware that you, too, belong.

Later, in Adams Gulch and upstream from the highway where the road fords the creek for the fifth time, I met a band of panicked sheep. Dust, barking collies, Baaf Baaf Baaf (Pause.) Baaf!

A shepherdier vielding a Winchester approached me from an elevated position above the narrow canyon floor. In broken English and fluent Portuguese he interrogated me. "Did I seen any bears?"

"No," I replied. Pointing and motioning for me to follow, he led me a short distance to where a cinnamon colored bear lay dead surrounded by three sheep, also dead, two of which appeared to have been unintentionally shot.

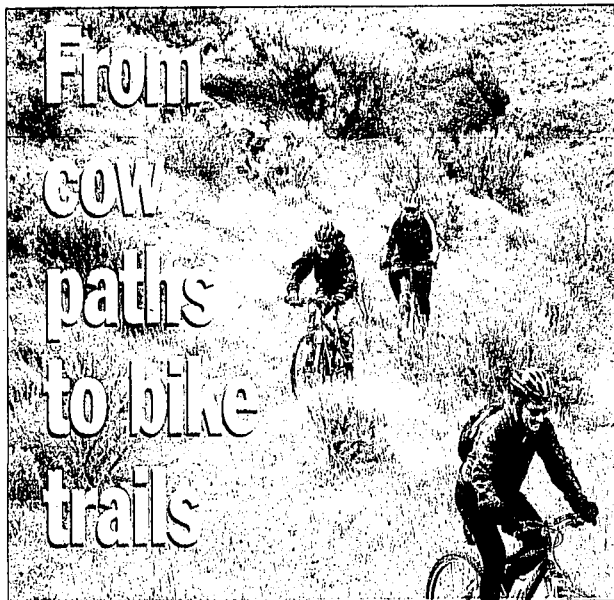
His gestures, Portuguese exclamations, and a few English bang, bang's conveyed to me what his morning's work had entailed. Suddenly he stopped, stared at me, and then grabbed me motioning for me to stay put. He ran toward his nearby sheep-camp, all the while yelling.

He returned with an envelope clasped in his ragged hand. He grabbed my shirt's top button, unbuttoned it, and stuck the envelope inside. No further interpretation was needed. I had been selected to post his mail.

And now, fulfilling his request: I licked and pasted the required additional postage onto the envelope and placed it into the out-of-town slot. It was addressed to Publishers Clearinghouse.

Folks, if you are looking for an opportunity to get your two cents in, then do for others.

Ron Yates is an outdoors columnist from Twin Falls.



## Grazing range becomes recreation destination

By Julie Pence  
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY — There's some finger pointing going on between mountain-biker huddles Jim Brennan and Doug Schwamb.

Brennan says it was Schwamb's biking, hiking and horseback riding trails in the foothills south of Kimberly, Schwamb, on the other hand, his nicknamed Brennan "King of the cow trails," since it was Brennan who first turned his bike tires to some rough cow paths in the Indian Springs/Dry Gulch area about a decade ago.

Whoever is responsible, the result is an outstanding new network of trails through a natural high desert garden that is only eight miles south of the main intersection in Kimberly. Brennan, Schwamb and some of their friends began breaking out the new trails literally with such tools as mattocks, pruning shears, shovels and weed-whackers in 1998.

"The BLM told us the only things we couldn't use were backhoes and loaders," Brennan joked.

These days the biking huddles make a point to cross paths in that part of the South Hills at least twice a week.

"That's the best way to absorb the beauty of the high desert," Schwamb says.

"There are some kinds of wildflowers out here that only come up for a day," he said. "One day you'll see an entire hillside covered with blue birds," he said.

Somewhere between the third week of May and the first week of June, depending on the weather, there is an immense migration of monarch butterflies through the Dry Gulch area, he added.

The biking/hiking trails start in the Indian Springs parking lot at 4,100 feet and top out at 5,700 feet at the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain. It's almost impossible to get lost because none of the trails ever more than a mile from the main Indian Springs road, and the terrain tends to be mostly open. Trails are marked with rock cairns, painted rocks and a few brown BLM signs. The trails are available almost 12 months out of the year.

On your journey, you'll cross over small creeks, pass by outcroppings of rocks set off by wildflowers and sagebrush, and pedal through clumps of conifers. Some of the wildlife you can expect to see include mule deer, a rare bobcat, antelope, coyotes, golden eagle and other hawks, said Dennis Sauer, who frequently accompanies Brennan and Schwamb.

And, oh, maybe a snake once in a while, Sauer added.

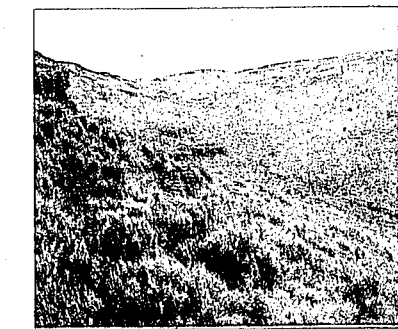
Many of the trails will be hard to detect beyond 30 or 40 feet. Schwamb calls them "stealth trails," to describe the bikepaths with minimal impact to the terrain. Beginning and intermediate mountain bikers can travel about 10 miles in the Dry Gulch section of the area before turning back. Plus, there are plenty of trails that loop around the Dry Gulch trail. For advanced bike riders, the Stone Mountain ascent provides five miles of technical challenges and a thrilling descent.

All the trails provide first-class biking opportunities, Schwamb said.

Dennis Sauer, top, Dennis Kinkald, middle, and Jim Brennan bike in the Indian Springs/Dry Gulch area of the South Hills directly south of Kimberly at least twice a week nearly every month of the year. Sauer says the only time the 30-some miles of trails are not easily accessed is during a spring thaw when sometimes they become too muddy.



Doug Schwamb takes a break from mountain biking in the Indian Springs area of the South Hills to give his dog Sandy a drink. He found his mixed-breed companion abandoned in the same area a few years ago when he was working on trails.



The biking trail through Dry Gulch, which is on the east side of the Indian Springs area of the South Hills, is considered an easy to intermediate mountain biking trail. All the trails in the area provide pleasant hiking.

This new network of trails winds through a natural high desert garden that is only eight miles south of the main intersection in Kimberly.

### If you go:

Drive 8.3 miles south of the main intersection in Kimberly to the Indian Springs road marker. Then drive about ¼ mile farther south on a gravel road to the parking lot, and you're there.

Be sure to bring along on your bicycle ride:

- A pack;
- Water and energy foods;
- A wind breaker;
- A medicine kit;
- A tool kit that includes a spare tube, tire repair kit, pump and such things as allen wrenches, a chain breaker, chain lube, spoke wrench and screwdrivers.
- A GPS, if you have one. A GPS will help you trace a route, or help you figure out a loop trail.



Jim Brennan, right, and Dennis Sauer blaze a mountain-biking trail in the South Hills eight miles from Kimberly. Brennan began biking on cow paths in the area about 10 years ago after growing bored of riding on 4x4 roads, he said. Eventually he and Sauer and other biking friends went to work turning the cow trails into biking and hiking trails with hand tools.

## OUTDOORS

# Fish tales: A hundred years of hatcheries

For The Times News

The Idaho Historical Museum in Boise will take you back to what some might call the Good Old Days with "Fish Tales: A Hundred Years of Hatcheries," the featured exhibit that continues through Free Fishing Day, June 9.

The display showcases a century of hatchery and fish stocking operations, an important part of the history of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

"It's who we are," said Sharon Clark of the department's fisheries bureau. "The Department of Fish and Game is such a unique agency anyway."

In 1907 the first state-owned hatchery opened its doors at

Hayspur in central Idaho to produce trout for nearby waters. Now the state has 21 hatcheries and a rich history of producing fish for anglers all over the state.

The museum exhibit evolved from a small display of artifacts put together by Fish and Game employee Mick Hoover to decorate the "feed room" of the Mackay Hatchery, north of Arco. Among those treasures was an old postcard featuring a pack string of horses and mules hauling milk cans full of tiny fish to Idaho alpine lakes. This inspired Hoover to put out a call to other hatcheries in search of one of those antique milk cans.

He never uncovered a milk can. But he did find a wealth of

artifacts, documents, photos and memoirs that evolved into the exhibit on display this month.

A featured item, which will be shown intermittently outside the building, is a restored 1957 Chevrolet half-ton truck. This pickup was purchased new by Fish and Game and assigned to the Sandpoint and Hagerman hatcheries. It served to stock fish, as a feed truck, and had a fish pump mounted on the rear to load the large fish tankers.

In 2002, the Delroy A. Dennis Professional-Technical Education Center in Boise restyled the exterior of the truck as a student project at no expense to Fish and Game.

Mounted in the back of the truck is a restored 1940s-era fish tank, recovered from a ranch near the Mackay State Fish Hatchery. It is most likely the department's first slide-in pickup fish tank.

A 1968 Salen Boat Works wooden drift boat and homemade trailer on display inside the museum is identical to the 12 boats the department bought for research on the large rivers of the state. It is on loan for the display from a private individual.

For more information about the exhibit, call the Idaho Historical Museum at 208-334-2120 or visit [www.idahohistory.net/museum.html](http://www.idahohistory.net/museum.html) or <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/cms/fish/hatcheries/history/>.

## Apply early to avoid fishing license delays

Idaho Fish and Game

Applying early for controlled hunt drawings and fishing licenses will help avoid last-minute congestion on license vendor computer terminals — as the Idaho Department of Fish and Game switches to a new licensing contractor.

Anglers who don't have a 2007 Idaho fishing license yet and who don't want to be part of the rush, and the inevitable wait that comes with it, will get their licenses before the Memorial Day weekend fishing opener.

The application period for this fall's deer, elk, pronghorn and black bear controlled hunts runs through June 5. But hunters who get their controlled hunt applications in by May 2 will be eligible to win \$450 in the May 25 drawing, the second of two, in the

Idaho Department of Fish and Game's annual early application contest for 2007.

Controlled hunt applications and fishing licenses are available by phone at 1-800-554-0605 or 1-800-624-3729, at Fish-and-Game Offices, license vendors or on the Internet. <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>

Others not applying for a controlled hunt may submit their name, age, address, and telephone number on a 3-by-5-inch piece of plain paper to: IDFG, Early Application Contest, P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707.

The drawing is sponsored by the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation and funded by Fish and Game's new licensing contractor, Outdoor Central, which also operates similar systems in Washington and several other states across the country.

## OUTDOOR BRIEFS

### Jerome sporting clays shoot this Sunday

JEROME — The Jerome Rod and Gun Club will host a shoot at 9 a.m. this Sunday. This shoot is sponsored by Sportsman's Warehouse of Twin Falls. Competition begins with a 9 a.m. sign-up, and a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

This is a 100 target event, shooting for gift cards from Sportsman's Warehouse. This is a skins game, one win per station plus high overall, high lady, high vet, high junior. The cost is \$20 for members, \$23 for non-members; \$14 for juniors under 18, and \$17 for non-member juniors.

First-timers who have never shot sporting clays at Jerome Gun Club get their first 50 targets free.

The club is located one 1/4-mile east of Highway 93, mile marker 64 or 11 miles west of the junction of Highway 93 and I-84.

Our next scheduled shoot will be Saturday, June 2. This will be trophy day for the league plus a fun shoot and barbecue. For more information, call Kenny Siemens at 733-6045.

### State parks could use your old photographs

BOISE — Have you ever thought about that exciting trip you took years ago being a part of history? If you have photos, it could be. Next year is the centennial of Idaho's state parks, and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation is celebrating by creating a history of the sys-

tem. They're looking for pictures of early recreation anywhere in the state, particularly in state parks.

The agency wants early pictures, or even film, of people recreating anywhere in the state, not just in state parks.

That's because several sites that were once state parks no longer carry that designation, and some places that were not state parks years ago, now are.

If IDPR uses your photo, the agency will give credit to the photographer (if known) and to the person submitting the photo. In addition, you will receive your choice of a free one-year day use pass to all of Idaho's state parks, or two nights free camping in any park.

You can submit your photos digitally to [rust@idpr.idaho.gov](mailto:rust@idpr.idaho.gov) or by mail to Jack Just, IDPR, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83721-0065.

### CSI to host used equipment sale Saturday

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Outdoors Program will have a used equipment sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Student Union of the Taylor Administration Building.

The sale is open to all non-motorized used recreation equipment. Check-in is today from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 4:45 a.m. in the student union.

All unsold items must be picked up by 3 p.m. on Saturday.

— compiled from staff reports

## Youth class near Ketchum to teach environmental understanding

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Twelve- to 14-year-olds who would like to learn about their natural environment — and how to protect it and use it wisely — will find opportunities to do exactly that at the 48th Natural Resources Workshop on June 25 to June 30 north of Ketchum.

Held at the scenic Central Idaho 4-H Camp and sponsored by University of Idaho Extension and the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts, the workshop will give its youthful participants the chance to:

- Observe wildlife habitats, identify animal parts and signs, and explore predator-prey relationships.

- Identify range grasses, shrubs and forbs and bring home a reference plant collection and plant press.

- Learn about modern forest-management practices and identify trees.

- Explore water-quality issues associated with municipal, recreational and agricultural water uses.

- Distinguish different soils by their texture, structure and color and learn how much soils vary across the environment.

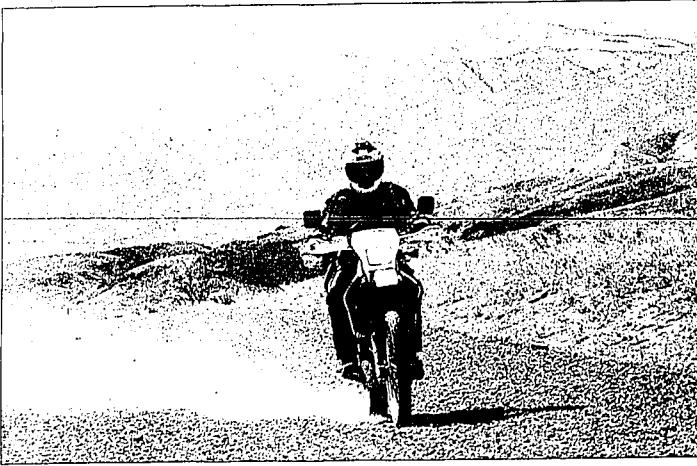
Participants explore the interconnections between soil, water, air, plants, animals and people in an outdoor-classroom setting. They conduct experiments, complete outdoor projects, discuss and debate natural-resources issues and discover their responsibilities as citizens.

The workshop's hands-on approach carries through to its numerous recreational activities, which include hiking, rappelling, fishing, volleyball, firearm safety, target shooting, fireside sing-alongs, a Tournament of the Outdoors and a Lewis and Clark Expedition.

The cost is \$175 by May 25 (\$195 after that date). Scholarships are available through local Soil Conservation District offices.

The workshop is limited to the first 90 students who register.

For an application or more information, visit a nearby University of Idaho Extension or Soil Conservation District office or contact Hines at (209) 886-2406 or [shines@uidaho.edu](mailto:shines@uidaho.edu) in by their texture, structure and color and learn how much soils vary across the environment.



Wayne Larsen rides a dual-sport motorcycle through the Owyhee Desert in April. A dual-sport motorcycle is a great way to explore this vast area. Dual-sports are street legal and powerful enough to be ridden at highway speeds but also tough enough to be taken on rough backcountry roads and trails.

# The perfect machine

## Dual-sport motorcycle a great way to explore the Owyhee Desert

By Roger Phillips  
Idaho Statesman

BOISE — The Owyhee Desert is a massive, rugged landscape that begs to be explored. Seeing it on foot would take a lifetime, and exploring it in an SUV is a test of the vehicle's suspension and the driver's patience for miles of rough roads.

But a dual-sport motorcycle is a great way to explore this vast area.

Dual-sports are street legal and powerful enough to be ridden at highway speeds but also tough enough to be taken on rough backcountry roads and trails.

"We call the dual-sport motorcycle the magic carpet," said Wayne Larsen of Boise. He rides his Suzuki DR650E thousands of miles every year and takes trips on it throughout the West.

The Owyhee country south of the Treasure Valley is one of his favorite places to ride, especially in the spring because the temperature is mild, the desert plants are in bloom, and wildlife is plentiful.

The Owyhee Desert spans three states and encompasses about 14,000 square miles. It is one of the most sparsely populated areas in the United States and has few paved roads but thousands of miles of gravel and dirt roads and trails.

It's a land of sagebrush plants, rolling grassy hills, rocky buttes, above-timberline mountain peaks and scenic river canyons that are home to dozens of species of wildlife.



Larsen enjoys the view while riding a dual-sport motorcycle through the Owyhee Desert. He calls the motorcycle 'the magic carpet.'

Owyhee. "I love the desert. It's so unique," Larsen said. "I just never get tired of it."

Larsen is 62 years old, and his riding buddy, Willard Abbott of Boise, is 62. They've been riding various types of motorcycles on different terrain for most of their lives.

Larsen is a former dirt bike racer and trail rider, and Abbott has ridden cross-country on a touring motorcycle.

Dual-sport riding offers them a taste of both worlds. They can do day trips up to 150 miles, or multi-day rides that take them to the far corners of the state and beyond.

"It's such a fabulous sport because you get to see country people never, ever see," Larsen said. "The key word is freedom to go to those places and see all the things."

"If it wasn't for the bike, I wouldn't have seen a tenth of the state that I have seen," Abbott said.

hours would take all day in a four-wheel-drive vehicle.

Dual-sport motorcycles give him the option of using everything from paved roads to single-track trails to do a loop ride in the desert.

"With dual-sport riding, you are riding in areas that are new and exciting," Larsen said. "The Owyhees give them the opportunity to ride for a day, a weekend, or even weeks, and never cover the same ground twice."

"It's nice to know there is so much open land out there," Abbott said.

Your first step to taking your own trip should be checking a map.

The Benchmark Idaho Road and Recreation Atlas is a good starting point. It covers most of the Owyhee Desert and distinguishes between different types of roads (paved, gravel, AWD).

Map out a loop and estimate the mileage. United States Geological Survey maps and Bureau of Land Management maps for the exact area you plan to ride will give you more details about it. But no

map will tell you how rough the road is going to be. Try calling the BLM office that manages that area for more information about your route.

At the Owyhee field office, call Ryan Hoffman at (208) 896-5925; at the Jarbridge office, call Max Yungt at (208) 736-2362; and in the Brunson office call Judi Zuckert at (208) 384-3356.

Google Earth is an excellent computer program, and it's free. It shows you exactly what the terrain looks like so you can take a virtual trip before you go. Check it out at [earth.google.com](http://earth.google.com).

Consider the roads you're riding when deciding how far you will go. On a smooth gravel road, you can go considerably faster and with less physical effort than you can on a rough, double-track or jeep trail.

For example, a 50-mile ride on a smooth gravel road is a casual outing. Fifty miles on a rough four-wheel-drive road can be an all-day, back-pumping test of endurance.

Main routes are more likely to be signed and easier to follow than double tracks and four-wheel drive routes. Beware: The routes can be confusing. Four-wheel-drive roads are often not marked on maps, or crisscross other roads that aren't signed or found on maps.

Watch out for motorized travel closures for the area you are riding. The Owyhees have many wilderness study areas. It can be confusing to figure out where you can and can't legally ride, so you might want to avoid those areas.

You also may encounter private roads. Get the landowner's permission for riding in those areas. If you can't contact the landowner, ride elsewhere.





# World Bank President Wolfowitz to resign

By Jeannine Aversa  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Embattled World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz will resign at the end of June, he and the bank said late Thursday, ending his long fight to survive pressure for his ouster over the generous compensation he arranged for his girlfriend.

His departure ends a two-year run at the development bank that was marked by controversy from the start, given his previous role as a major architect of the Iraq war when he served as the No. 2 official at the Pentagon.

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... I acted ethically and in good faith in what I believed were the best interests of the institution, including protecting the rights of a valued staff member.”

— World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz

faith in what he believed were the best interests of the institution and we accept that,” the board said in its announcement of his resignation.

The departure was all but forced, however, by the firing of a special bank panel that he violated conflict-of-interest rules in his handling of the 2005 pay package of bank employee Shabba Riza.

The controversy, which gripped the bank for a month, was seen as a growing liability that threatened to tarnish the poverty-fighting institution's reputation and hobble its ability to persuade countries around the world to contribute billions of dollars to provide financial assistance to poor nations.

By tradition, the World Bank has been run by an

American. The Bush administration keenly wanted to keep that decades-old practice firmly intact as the board dealt with Wolfowitz's fate. The United States is the bank's largest shareholder.

The board said it was clear that a number of people had erred in reviewing Riza's pay package.

Wolfowitz, who had fought the pressure to resign for weeks, said in his own statement Thursday that he was pleased that the board “accepted my assurance that I acted ethically and in good faith in what I believed were the best interests of the institution, including protecting the rights of a valued staff member.”

PROFILE

## Departure ends controversial start

World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz will resign in June after heading the organization since June, 2005.

- 2005-2007 World Bank president
- 2001-2005 U.S. deputy secretary of defense
- 1994-2001 Dean, School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University
- 1989-93 Undersecretary of defense for policy
- 1985-89 Ambassador to Indonesia
- 1982-86 Assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs
- 1981-82 Head of State Department's policy planning staff
- 1977-80 Deputy assistant secretary of defense for regional programs
- 1973-77 U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency



Paul Wolfowitz

SOURCE: Defense Department

# \$1 million an acre

Group wants \$2 million for two-acre Blue Lakes Boulevard lot

By Chris Steinbach  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Asking \$1 million an acre for commercial property might not shock Donald Trump, but he doesn't live in Twin Falls.

The partnership that owns the former Blue Lakes RV Park at 1122 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. is asking \$2 million for the two-acre piece of property that is adjacent to KMYT Channel 11. R&R Retail Investments LLC has been actively trying to sell the property for about six months.

“We received an offer several months ago” for about 90 percent of the asking price, said Joe Russell, who is partner in the investment company with Dr. James Retmier.

The partners have fielded inquiries from companies interested in putting everything from a restaurant and strip mall to a car wash on the property, which is R&R Retail Investments bought in November 2005.

“Over course of the next year we closed the RV park and have cleared it off,” Russell said.

Theirs, he said, isn't the first commercial property in Twin Falls with an asking price of \$1 million an acre — a fact that could not be confirmed Thursday.

Jim Evans, vice president and manager of the D.L. Evans Bank that opened last year at 906 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., said his company didn't pay that much for the land it bought three years ago.

It's more comparable to commercial property prices in the Treasure Valley, Evans said.

“They'll probably get what they're asking for because it is on Blue Lakes,” he said. “I think they'll get it eventually.”

Said Russell: “Our feeling is that



ABOVE: Sam Hollan, owner of Big Boy's BBQ Shack, cleans up during a break Thursday. He is serving barbecue from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at the site of the former Blue Lakes RV Park, 1122 Blue Lakes Blvd. The owners of the property are trying to sell it for \$2 million. BELOW: A sign displays contact information for those interested in purchasing the lot.

## Ground broken

TWIN FALLS — R&R Retail Investments LLC broke ground Wednesday on the seventh of eight buildings being developed at Renaissance Office Park on North College Road. R&R Retail Investments is a partnership between Joe Russell and Dr. James Retmier.

Twin Falls is so unique. In most communities, even our size, there will be at least two or three locations that are similar in quality and desirability.”

For now, the uncertainty over when a proposed five-mile bypass will be completed from Grandview



Drive to the U.S. 93 and U.S. 30 interchange makes Pole Line Road a less desirable commercial location, he said. Construction of the bypass has been put off by the

Idaho Transportation Department until at least next year.

“Blue Lakes Boulevard is pretty much the destination,” Russell said.

## Market Watch

	close	change
Dow Jones Industrials	13,476.72	-10.81
Nasdaq composite	2,539.28	-6.04
Standard & Poor's 500	1,512.75	-1.39
Russell 2000	815.64	-4.56

## Stocks of local interest

Con Agra	25.15	▲ .03
Dell Inc.	26.06	▲ .14
Idacorp	32.81	▲ 2.31
Libbia Motors	26.35	▲ .14
Micron	11.50	▲ .04
Supervalu	46.85	▲ .64

## Commodities

June Oil	64.86	▲ 0.31
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Live cattle	92.43	▲ .33
June gold	657.2	▼ 4.3

For more, see page D5

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Lee Enterprises declares dividend

TWIN FALLS — Lee Enterprises, the parent company of the Times-News, declared a quarterly dividend Thursday of 18 cents per share. It is payable July 2, to stockholders of record of both the Common Stock and Class B Common Stock as of June 1.

The company owns 51 daily newspapers and has a joint interest in five others. Online sites and more than 300 weekly newspapers and specialty publications in 23 states.

### U-Haul to unveil new graphic honoring Idaho

HAGERMAN — U-Haul International will unveil its new SuperGraphic image honoring Idaho during a ceremony at 6 p.m. May 25 at Coldharbour Park in Hagerman.

The company said it is teaming up with Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument to celebrate Hagerman Fossil Days.

The SuperGraphic depicts the mystery of America's first horse. The

uncovering of bones from the animal dubbed the Hagerman Horse has proven to be the largest sample of the extinct species found in one place. It is also the oldest known representative of Equus, the genus that includes modern horses, donkeys and zebras.

For information about the U-Haul graphic, go to [www.uhaul.com/supergraphics](http://www.uhaul.com/supergraphics). For information about Hagerman Fossil Days, call (208) 437-4793.

### Pioneer credit union plans Day for Kids

TWIN FALLS — Pioneer Federal Credit Union will hold its Day for Kids fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network from 1 to 4 p.m. June 8 at 1439 College Road E.

Toys, games, raffles and children's safety information will be available. If you are interested in making a donation to the Children's Miracle Network at St. Luke's Children's Hospital or would like information about the event, contact Terry Rowat at 735-0814 or by e-mail at [trowe@pioneerfcu.org](mailto:trowe@pioneerfcu.org).

### N.Y. attorney general sues Dell, claiming deceptive practices

NEW YORK — Paul Reiser says he had an excellent credit rating — until he got what he thought was a good deal on a Dell computer.

Reiser, a computer programmer, said he was offered zero percent financing for six months, during which he paid off his \$1,500 computer. He said he was then informed he had never qualified for the rate and was obligated to pay a 29 percent interest rate.

New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo has similar questions. He accused Dell Inc. and its financial services affiliate on Wednesday of “bait and switch” advertising practices and failing to deliver on promised customer service.

The lawsuit, filed a day earlier in New York Supreme Court, claims that Dell and Dell Financial Services LP engaged in fraud, false advertising and deceptive business practices.

— From staff and wire reports

## Extension offering management course on irrigated pasture

Times-News

SALMON — Livestock operators with irrigated pastures can learn at a University of Idaho Extension workshop how to increase their livestock and forage productivity and decrease fertilizing, harvesting and feeding costs.

The workshop will be held June 11-14 at the Nancy M. Cummings Research, Extension and Education Center north of Salmon.

The Lost Rivers Grazing Academy is designed for producers and other agricultural professionals and offers plenty of practice along with management principles. Participants learn how to design and manage grazing cells, water systems and electric fencing. They apply low-stress cattle-handling techniques and find out how to reduce their winter feed costs by stockpiling standing forage and drawing on their livestock's “fat banks.”

The academy will be taught by Extension faculty and consultant Jim Gerrish of American GrazingLands Services LLC in May, Idaho.

The workshop's pre-registration deadline is June 4. Its \$450-per-person registration fee includes continental breakfasts, meals and all materials. Farmers and ranchers who register as part of a management team pay \$150 for the first team member and \$225 for each additional member.

For information, call (208) 879-2344.

## U.S. economy to slow in coming months, experts say

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A gauge of future economic activity showed the U.S. economy will slow in coming months, reversing recent gains and suggesting higher gas prices and a sluggish construction industry are beginning to take their toll.

The Conference Board said Thursday its index of leading economic indicators dropped 0.5 percent, higher than the 0.1 decline analysts were expecting. The reading is designed to forecast economic activity over the next three to six months.

The increase almost reversed an amended 0.6 percent climb in March, which analysts say should relieve pressure on the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates.

“The data may be pointing to slower economic conditions this summer. With the industrial core of the economy already slow, and housing mired in a continued slump, there are some signs that these weaknesses may be beginning to soften both consumer spending and hiring this summer,” said Ken Goldstein, labor economist for the Conference Board.

The reading tracks 10 economic indicators. Two of those readings were positive in April: stock prices and real money supply. The negative contributors, beginning with the largest, were building permits, weekly unemployment claims, manufacturers' new orders for non-defense capital goods, consumer expectations, vendor performance, average weekly manufacturing hours and interest rate spread.

With the latest decline, the cumulative change in the index over the past six months has dropped 0.2 percent.

The slowdown should ease concerns that the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates, said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com. The interest rate standoff over the past nine months has driven the Dow Jones industrial average to record highs.

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Decided cheese prices on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. BLS: 1.6650 - 1.8150 40-pound blocks 1.7000 - 1.8000

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) - U.S. - May potato markets for Idaho... BLS: 1.5000 - 1.5500 50 lb. bags...

LIVESTOCK

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Livestock Commission Co. reports the following prices from the livestock sale... BLS: 1.0000 - 1.1000 500 lb. steers...

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WORLD

# Britain divided over decision to keep Prince Harry from Iraq duty

LONDON (AP) — Some said it was a sensible judgment and should have been made long ago.

Others said the decision not to deploy Prince Harry to Iraq with his army unit was ridiculous, and that backtracking handed a victory to insurgents. The decision was debated on talk radio and the Internet on Thursday — just like the original announcement that the 22-year-old tank commander would serve with his Blues and Royals regiment in the southern Iraqi city of Basra.

"I think the general public — and to a greater extent the mil-

itary — are quite annoyed at how things have been handled," said A. M. Y. S. Godfrey, a military expert at the Royal United Services Institute, a London-based think tank.

Some military families expressed unhappiness at what



Prince Harry

they saw as special treatment. "It is not safe for any of them out there," Gella Tomlin, the wife of a British soldier, told the British Broadcasting Corp. "Who do I need to speak to in order to stop my husband being sent there later in the year?"

Thom Keys — whose son Thomas was killed while serving in Basra in 2003 — said the decision was distasteful.

"It would appear that Harry's life is more valuable than my son or the other nearly 150

service personnel who've given their lives," Keys told the BBC. Defense Secretary Des Browne said he understood the families' concerns, but argued that sending Harry to Iraq would have "increased the risk to others disproportionately." Despite the decision, he said he hoped the British royal tradition of military service would continue. "I don't accept for a moment that the long tradition of the royal family serving in the military is in any sense an anachronism," Browne said.

Serving soldiers said they understood the decision of Gen. Sir Richard Dannatt, the army chief of staff, who announced Wednesday that Harry would not go to Iraq because of "specific threats" to his life that would expose the prince and his fellow soldiers to unacceptable risk. The Daily Telegraph said the military should never have considered sending Harry — a grandson of Queen Elizabeth II who is third in line to the throne — to a war zone, and

the about-face was a victory for insurgents. "The deployment of the prince should have been ruled out from the very start, regardless of his personal wishes," the newspaper said in an editorial. "In reaching that decision after such lengthy vacillation, the government has handed a priceless propaganda coup to Iraqi insurgents, who can now, with some justice, claim that they have forced Britain into a humiliating U-turn."



McCann, the mother of missing girl Madeleine McCann, leaves the Our Lady of Light church in Praia da Luz, southern Portugal, after attending mass Thursday.

## Portuguese police looking for missing British girl

PRIMA DA LUZ, Portugal (AP) — The mother of a 4-year-old girl who disappeared in Portugal marked the 14th day of the search for her daughter by attending a church service Thursday, and police released a Russian computer expert questioned in connection with the case.

Madeleine McCann vanished after her parents left her and her 2-year-old twin brother and sister alone in their room while they went to a tapas bar inside their hotel complex in southern Portugal's Algarve region, a popular European tourist destination.

The mother, Kate McCann, went to a beach-side church with friends shortly after dropping off her two other children at a hotel kindergarten with her husband, Gerry, who was not at the service.

Police said they questioned a man who is believed to have had business dealings with their only formal suspect in the case, 33-year-old Robert Murat, a British man who lives close to the McCanns' hotel.

The Russian, who has lived in the resort town Praia da Luz for three years, was taken to a local police station by plainclothes detectives late Wednesday. They also took computer equipment from his apartment.

Inspector Olegarin de Sousa told Portugal's news agency Lusa the man was released early Thursday after providing a written statement.

Police have placed Murat under formal investigation, although they released him after questioning earlier this week because they did not have enough evidence to charge him. Murat has denied any involvement in Madeleine's disappearance. However, he is barred from giving a detailed public rebuttal by Portugal's secrecy laws, which forbid the release of information pertaining to an ongoing police investigation.

A man who said he was a friend of Murat's distributed leaflets Thursday morning. Portuguese reporters gathered outside the suspect's house. The leaflets explained the legal constraints on Murat.

The friend, Tuck Price, said Murat was upset that media have distributed his name and photo.

"He's upset ... he's devastated by this," Price told reporters. "He just wants to switch the focus to the little girl."

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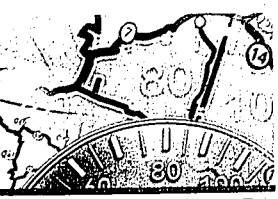
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### 2007 BUICK LUCERNE

## Luxurious style

RoadWorthy  
By Ken Chester, Jr.  
Motor News Media Corporation

Marking the return of V8 power to Buick passenger cars, the all-new full-size Buick Lucerne was introduced to the automaker's line-up last year. As the nameplate's most premium and elegant model, the Lucerne is loaded with safety, comfort and convenience features normally found in luxury sedans costing thousands more.

Available in CX, CXL and CXL trim levels, base power for the large front-drive Buick sedan is provided by the always reliable 3000 3.0L Series III V6 engine, while the top-of-the-line trim level is equipped with the 4.6L Northstar V8. Torque is communicated to the pavement through the Hydra-Matic 4T65-E electronically controlled four-speed automatic for the V6, while the V8 is bolted to the Hydra-Matic 4T80-E electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission.

Refinements to the 4.6L V8 prime mover this year for even quieter operation include a QuietTuned engine cover, revised cam chain tensioner, camshaft cover isolator mounts, and pistons coated with a Grafal polymer for quieter operation.

The Lucerne offers drivers four specifically tuned suspension packages. The base model is equipped with a standard F1-1 sus-



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pension with 16-inch wheels, while the CXL with the V6 engine benefit from an F-41 suspension with a slightly firmer calibration and 17-inch wheels. CXL V8 models feature firmer suspension damping and GM's magnetic assist steering system. The top-of-the-line model features 18-inch wheels and adds Magnetic Ride Control.

On the road, the big, beautiful Buick equipped with the 3.8L V6 engine is smooth and responsive. A competent, able performer at speed, the Lucerne coddles driver and passengers in reassuring comfort.

The foundation for the four-wheel independent

suspension hardware starts with a stiff body structure; MacPherson coil-over-spring struts, twin-tube dampers, (monotube on CXL) and a 29-mm tubular stabilizer bar up front works with the multi-link rear suspension with coil springs, semi-trailing arm, air-ride control dampers and an 18-mm tubular stabilizer bar to keep the large Lucerne firmly in control.

All Lucerne models benefit from Buick's all-encompassing Quiet-Tuning engineering initiative, designed to reduce or tune out unwanted road and powertrain sound in order to provide best-in-class levels of ride

quietness.

Inside the cabin, the Lucerne boasts a complete range of comfort and convenience features such as: heated/cooled front seats; factory-installed remote vehicle start; ultrasonic rear parking assist; rain-sensing windshield wiper system; heated windshield washer fluid system; nine-speaker 280-watt Harman Kardon audio system; six-disc in-dash CD change with MP3 capability and DVD map navigation.

Interior appointments underscore Buick's focus on elegance, comfort and spaciousness. Premium materials are enhanced by tasteful wood and chrome

finishes and a flowing, cross-car design theme that is trimmer and sleeker than previous full-size Buick sedans. Rear leg room is impressive while an additional two inches of front seat travel makes the large Buick a very hospitable place.

Upgrades in the passenger cabin for 2007 include a touchscreen navigation system, OnStar's Directions & Connections service package with Turn-by-Turn navigation and an available heated leather-wrapped steering wheel.

The touchscreen navigation system uses signals from GPS (global positioning satellites) to compute the vehicle's position and display its location on a virtual map set into the instrument panel. It can also suggest the best routes to a destination as well as locations of gas stations, restaurants and other points of interest.

Additional support is provided by OnStar's Turn-by-Turn navigation system. The OnStar system offers safe, simple interactions, without the need for data entry or a touch screen. To activate the system, the driver presses the OnStar Blue button, give the advisor an address or point-of-interest destination and directions are sent to the vehicle. The instructions are voice-guided, delivered through the radio speakers to guide drivers' turn-by-turn to their destination.

### 2007 Buick Lucerne by the Numbers

#### PRICING:

The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2007 Buick Lucerne sedan starts from \$25,560 for the CX up to \$34,690 for the CXL. Destination charges add \$750.

#### WHEELBASE:

115.6; overall length: 203.2; width: 73.8; height: 58.0 — measurements are in inches.

#### ENGINE:

3.8L V6 — 197-hp at 5,200 rpm and 227 lbs-ft of torque at 3,800 rpm; 4.6L V8 — 275 hp at 6,000 rpm and 295 lbs-ft of torque at 4,400 rpm.

#### TRANSMISSION:

four-speed electronically controlled automatic.

#### EPA FUEL ECONOMY:

3.8L V6 — 19 city/28 highway;

4.6L V8 — 17 city/25 hwy.

#### CARGO CAPACITY:

17.0 cu. ft.

Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags,

head curtain-side-impact airbags, PRS Key III theft-deter-

rent system, OnStar

communications system, auto-

matic headlamps, daytime

running lights, traction control,

the pressure monitoring sys-

tem, remote keyless entry,

four-wheel disc brakes with

anti-lock and automatic power

door locks, CXL adds fog lights

and StabilTrak vehicle stability

enhancement system.

Optional safety features include

a remote engine start, alarm

system, rear parking sensors

and navigation system.

#### WARRANTY:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Budget Hearing for Wooding Joint School District #231 which was scheduled for May 22, 2007 has been cancelled and will be rescheduled.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Wendell Rural Fire District will hold a public hearing at the office of the Wendell Rural Fire District, 75 S Idaho Street in Wendell Idaho on the 20th day of May 2007 beginning at 8:00 PM to consider the petition for annexation of the following areas:

East 1/4 T7S R14E S16, East 1/4 T7S R14E S20, All of T7S R14E S21, All of T7S R14E S28, East 1/4 T7S R14E S29.

All interested persons are invited to attend and shall have an opportunity to be heard. Dated this 2nd day of May 2007

By Chief Bob Bailey

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Idaho Code that Oregon Trail Storage, 471 South Park Avenue West, Twin Falls, will repossess the contents of the following units: Rick Lingren, Unit #N7, last known address PO Box 6988, Ketchum, ID 83340. Brandon O'Connor, Unit #F-44, last known address 102 Brooklane East, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Dean Relablag, last known address 198 Ramona, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**REAL PROPERTY FOR SALE**

A public auction will take place on May 30, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Murtaugh City Hall located at 106 4<sup>th</sup> Street West, Murtaugh, Idaho 83344. A parcel of real property consisting of one acre with a well, located at 4525 East Road, Murtaugh, Idaho 83344, will be auctioned to the highest bidder. A minimum bid of \$20,000.00 is required. Arrangements can be made for a viewing of the informational packet for a fee of \$25.00 from the City Clerk's Office, 106 4<sup>th</sup> Street West, Murtaugh, Idaho 83344, by calling the City Clerk at 208-432-6543.

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

Case No. CV 06-4072  
Small #2007232

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

The Bank of New York, as Trustee, pursuant to the Terms of certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of March 1, 2006, related to Metropolitan Mortgage Funding, Inc., Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-A Plaintiffs,

vs.  
Bailey, Vernon V. and Cindy R. United States of America, District Director of Internal Revenue Service; Community First National Bank Harpor Contracting, Inc.; Ford Motor Credit Co.; Doyle Krossop & T. Co.; Statewide Collections, Inc.; Primary Children's Medical Center Idaho State Tax Commission; State of Idaho Persons in Possession Or Claiming Right To Possession, Defendants

By Virtue of a Writ of Execution issued from this court, in this cause on May 4th, 2007, pursuant to a Judgment rendered and entered on February 27th, 2007, in favor of The Bank of New York and against Vernon and Cindy R. Bailey, Per the order in the judgment, I have attached and will sell the real property described below to satisfy the judgment against Defendants, in the sum of \$136,795.71 which represents the total money award to date, including judgment amount interest, attorney's fees and costs associated.

The following property is described as: TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, SECTION 11; EAST OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, AND THE WEST 30 FEET OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER LYING NORTH OF THE HIGHLINE CANAL.

Commonly known as: 1349 East 3400 N., Buhl, Idaho 83318

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 5TH day of June, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., I will call all rights, title and interest of the said Defendants, V. Vernon and Cindy R. Bailey, for the above described real property at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, lawful money of the United States of America. I hereby give Writ of Execution and all costs associated with the sale. The Auction will be held on the steps of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone at. N., Twin Falls, Idaho, 83301. The Sheriff, by Certificate of Sale will transfer the rights, title and interest of the judgment debtor in and to the property at the time of the execution of attachment was moved. The Sheriff will give possession, but does not guarantee clear title, nor continued possession right to the purchaser. A Sheriff's Deed will be provided at the end of the Redemption period for this property.

Dated: 5/07/07  
Wayne Toussaint  
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**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

Panel 1: DOESN'T ANYONE KNOW WHO SAID 'GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH'?

Panel 2: JOHNNY?

Panel 3: ALL I KNOW IS NOBODY EVER SAID IT AGAIN.

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

Panel 1: NOW, DO WE HAVE ANYTHING I COULD HAVE FOR A SNACK?

Panel 2: SURE THERE ARE APPLES IN THE BASKETS, BUT APPLES ARE OFF-LIMITS ON THE COAST.

Panel 3: DO WE HAVE ANYTHING YOU COULD JUST DROP IN ANY MOUTH FROM THERE?

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

Panel 1: I'VE BEEN CALLING YOUR PHONE NUMBER AND NO ONE EVER ANSWERS!

Panel 2: WHAT NUMBER WERE YOU CALLING?

Panel 3: 8-3-3-0. I.O.O.-O.

Panel 4: WERED YOU GET IT?

Panel 5: IT'S OVER THERE, ON YOUR FRONT DOOR.

Panel 6: THAT'S NOT OUR PHONE NUMBER.

Panel 7: IT'S OUR STORE HOURS.

Panel 8: OPEN MON - SAT 10:00-10:00

**Brevity** By Guy & Rodd

Panel 1: YOUR DAD'S A JERK!

Panel 2: [Man at counter]

Panel 3: [Man at counter]

Panel 4: [Man at counter]

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

Panel 1: CAROL, YOU SHOWED UP FOR WORK ALMOST EVERY DAY THIS WEEK. HERE ARE SOME "MORALE DOLLARS."

Panel 2: IT'S NOT REAL MONEY, BUT YOU CAN REDEEM IT FOR GIFTS AND SERVICES THAT YOU DON'T WANT OR NEED.

Panel 3: I ALSO ENTERED YOU INTO A RAFFLE THAT YOU DIDN'T WIN.

Panel 4: HONK!

**Doonesbury** By Garry Trudeau

Panel 1: NO STEP-PARENTS FOR YOU!

Panel 2: NOT CHECKING IN ISN'T OUR POLICY. WE'VE GOT TO HAVE AN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER FOR EVERYONE.

Panel 3: AND I WAS FREQUENT! YOU KNOW, THERE'S ALL THIS STUFF AND NEITHER OF US WANT TO GET INTO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS I'VE NEVER ANSWERED.

Panel 4: LIFE IS YOURS! YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF!

Panel 5: I HATE THIS JOB!

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

Panel 1: Let's review your health plan, Mr. Winters.

Panel 2: Okay, Ma'am.

Panel 3: Now let's see, do you have medical plans A and B?

Panel 4: Yep! Ah, even got C, D and E!

Panel 5: Wait a minute, there is no part E...

Panel 6: Right here.

Panel 7: The Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes?

Panel 8: It's my backup plan.

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

Panel 1: I'VE JUST RECALLED WHAT I SAID INTO THE SOUTH BEACH. DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS TODAY?

Panel 2: IS IT GOOD? WOULD YOU LIKE A HANDBOOK?

Panel 3: I'M ASKING ALL THESE QUESTIONS BECAUSE I'M A BIT OF A NERD. I CAN ONLY ASK YOU ONE QUESTION: DID YOU HAVE A NICE TRIP TO THE BEACH?

Panel 4: IF YOU LOVED ONE OF THESE QUESTIONS, WE'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER IT. IF YOU HATE ALL OF THEM, WE'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER THAT TOO.

Panel 5: SOUNDS LIKE A NICE TRIP TO THE BEACH.

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**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

Panel 1: THE MANAGER TOLD ME TO PLAY FIRST BASS!

**Luann** By Greg Evans

Panel 1: I THOUGHT YOU LOST YOUR CELL PHONE.

Panel 2: I CALLED THE POLICE.

Panel 3: SO ABOUT MY BROTHER, HE'S BEEN MISSING SINCE LATELY. HE NEEDS A G-FRIEND, SO I'LL TELL HIM YOU'RE -

Panel 4: ACTUALLY, I'D RATHER DO IT ANY WAY, OR TAKE IT SLOW, MAYBE EVEN BACK OFF... LET THINGS COOL DOWN.

Panel 5: BUT BOB'S SO DESERVE AND YOU'RE SO NICE! I WOULD HELP YOU TWO WORK UP!

Panel 6: LUANN, I'M GOING TO BE A BANKER.

**Mallard Fillmore** By Bruce Tinsley

Panel 1: I KNOW IT'S HARD TO DEAL WITH PIMPON... BUT SOMETIMES BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE... I'M JUST PROUD TO HAVE A DAUGHTER...

Panel 2: WHO CARES IN AN AGE WHEN YOUR GENERATION IS MOCKED FOR BEING TOO SOFT AND SWEET, YOU WANT ANSWERS!

Panel 3: AND IF I KNEW WHY GALIYAYA GOT VOTED OFF OF "AMERICAN IDOL," I'D TELL YOU...

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

Panel 1: SEE YA, RAT.

Panel 2: YOU GOING SWIMMING?

Panel 3: NO, WHY?

Panel 4: BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T WEAR INFLATABLE RAFTS WHEN THEY'RE GOING SWIMMING.

Panel 5: I HAVE SO MUCH TROUBLE ACCESSORIZING.

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

Panel 1: GRAMPA, IS THIS AS BALD AS YOU'RE GOING TO GET OR WILL YOU GET BALDER?

Panel 2: BECAUSE RIGHT NOW YOU'RE JUST BALD ON TOP.

Panel 3: ARE YOU GOING TO GO BALD ON THE REST OF YOUR HEAD TOO?

Panel 4: I DON'T THINK GRAMPA WANTS TO TALK ABOUT IT, NELSON.

**Rose is Rose** By Pat Brady

Panel 1: NO WARRIORS WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO GET UP SOME ASSIGNMENT TO COMPLETE OVER THE GARDEN?

Panel 2: WHOA! WHY DID YOU O.K. MY CLASS, BACK TO YOUR SEAT?

Panel 3: SCHOLASTIC ENTHUSIAST! OPEN YOUR EYES! BEHOLD! AS WELL AS THOSE AROUND THEM WITH NOBLE - YET UNPOPULAR - PROPOSALS!

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

Panel 1: FOR THE NINETEENTH TIME, I AM NOT GOING TO REPEAT MYSELF!

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

Panel 1: LOOK, WE'VE ONLY HAD TO GET SOME FROM THE HANDS OF THE GARDENERS AND DESCENDED FROM THE T-REX. CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT?

Panel 2: TELL HIM I WANT HIM AND HIS CHICKEN. OK, CLICK ZLOP.

Panel 3: HAH! YOU'VE BEEN CONJUGATED - A NERB CONJUGATION.

Panel 4: HA! YOU'VE ALSO GET IN.

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

Panel 1: SHE SAYS THIS WORLD IS ALREADY SPOKEN FOR.

## Draw on your charm, Gemini

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**IF MAY 18 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** A passionate desire for success could be the carrot that lures you to excel in your field during the year to come. You may need to pay your dues during the summer, or might be subjected to intense scrutiny and criticism by the boss or powers that be — but if you keep on plugging away, you will eventually hit your stride. Look for improved conditions by December and an opportunity to make long-lasting improvements. Providential advice at that time could pave the way to future bliss.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Take a well-earned and blissful break. It might seem as though the bell rang at the end of the day, signaling that school is out. Kick up your heels and find something entertaining to do this evening.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** It is a good time to examine problems from the past and get organized so you can do things more efficiently in the future. Don't let frustrations — or a wedge between you and a loved one.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Draw on your charm to instill trust. Those who were suspicious or leery earlier this week might be willing to listen to you today. A relationship can get back on track this weekend.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** People can bank on you; you might not be able to make headway with a financial situation for a few more days, but your supporters will repay your dependability.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Convey the appropriate message to a loved one or make plans to get certain jobs completed — with speed and accuracy. Errors illuminate what needs extra attention.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Change is good, but most people are afraid of change. The fear of failure or the fear of the unknown can be controlled. Rely on your best friends and allies for support.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Repair things that have worn out. You may be forced to take something apart and put it back together again. A relationship problem might need to be rehashed or mended.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Old habits die hard. If you have been full throttle, it will be difficult to unwind and relax. Develop new habits that rejuvenate your spirits and make them part of your routine.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** With your gift of gab you can get any idea across succinctly. Others may not jump into action, but they won't ignore your ideas, either. Give everyone plenty of time to make decisions.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Peace can be yours if you listen with your heart as well as with your ears. You can follow your intuitions if a commitment must be made. Things going on behind the scenes are to your advantage.



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blonde

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



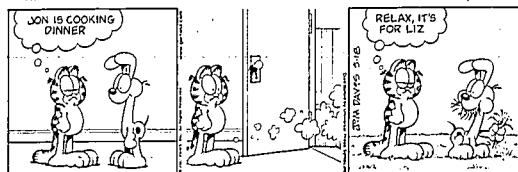
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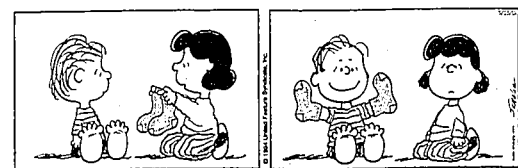
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By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



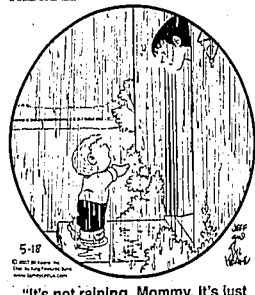
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchum



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



# Practice after breakfast puts golfer in the rough with wife

DEAR ABBY: Is it harmful for someone to practice golf swings right after breakfast? I'm talking about leaving the breakfast table and heading outside to the back yard and starting practice. The way I see it, swings exert a lot of effort. Swinging a club for 15 to 20 minutes could do damage to the internal organs, right? To say the least, I don't think it helps the digestion.



DEAR Jeanne Phillips

swinging after breakfast, please leave the poor man alone. Be happy you're married to someone who cares enough about his health to exercise. Many women are not so fortunate.

The "someone" I'm writing about is my husband. He plays golf almost weekly. The only time he doesn't play is when he is away on a business trip. I'm 100 percent behind him playing golf because it's good for his health. I just don't think that practicing any sport right after a meal is appropriate.

I brought this up with him, but he keeps saying that it's the only time he can practice. My argument is: Not being able to do it at some other time doesn't mean that one should do it at the WRONG time.

Please enlighten me on this. If I'm convinced that it won't do my husband any harm, I'll shut up.

— PROTECTIVE WIFE IN SANTA CLARA, CALIF.  
DEAR PROTECTIVE: You appear to mean well, but you also appear to have some control issues. If your husband says he feels no ill effects from

ers put their labels on the outside rather than the inside, so wearers can publicize not only the brand they're wearing but the implied price they paid for the garment. (Long gone are the days of quiet opulence).

DEAR ABBY: How do you respond to a woman who is nearly 50 but acts like a child in public at meals? My sister-in-law, "Heather," who is divorced, will hum very loudly and sing out at the table. The family just smiles and says something about how she must really like the song.

Abby: It's embarrassing! We've been in very expensive restaurants, and Heather is rocking and saying, "La, la, la!" loudly, and people ask if she's impaired. What can I do? I cringe at any public event.

— RED-FACED IN VERO BEACH, FLA.  
DEAR RED-FACED: Heather may be making a bid for attention, which should strike you as more sad than embarrassing. Or she could have a mild form of Tourette's syndrome. Someone in the family — not you — should speak to her about it.

However, if she's unwilling or unable to "change her tune," you'll just have to accept her, eccentric as she is. It's really no reflection on you, and after all — she's family.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, May 18, the 138th day of 2007. There are 227 days left in the year.

### Today's highlight

On May 18, 1896, the U.S. Supreme Court endorsed "separate but equal" racial segregation with its Plessy v. Ferguson decision, a ruling that was overturned 58 years later by Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka.

### On this date

In 1642, the Canadian city of Montreal was founded.  
In 1804, the French Senate proclaimed Napoleon Bonaparte emperor.  
In 1920, Pope John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in Wladowice, Poland.  
In 1926, evangelist Aimee Semple McPherson vanished while visiting a beach in Venice, Calif.; she reappeared more than a month later, claiming to have been kidnapped.  
In 1927, a schoolhouse in

Bath, Mich., was blown up with explosives planted by farmer Andrew Kehoe, who then set off a dynamite-laden automobile; the attacks killed 38 children and six adults, including Kehoe, who had earlier killed his wife.

In 1933, the Tennessee Valley Authority was created.  
Now I wonder if a red-headed Southern lady, should have told him about his label. Abby, what should I have done?

— SOUTHERN BELLE  
DEAR SOUTHERN BELLE: Because my seat partner was not inclined to talk, you should have done exactly what you did — which was keep quiet.

The label on his jacket may not have been there because of an oversight. Some design-

of a research center at the National Institutes of Health devoted to the goal of developing an AIDS vaccine within the next decade.

The 50th Cannes Film Festival awarded Golden Palm to Japanese director Shohei Imamura for "The Ball and the Cross" and Akira Kurosami for "The Taste of Cherry."

Five years ago, India and Pakistan exchanged fire across their shared border, renewing fears the countries were on the brink of a nuclear war over the Himalayan region of Kashmir.

War Emblem won the Shreaks Stakes, setting up a shot at the Triple Crown. (However, War Emblem came up short at the Belmont Stakes, finishing with long shot Sarava.)

One year ago: Visiting one of the busiest crossing sectors between the U.S. and Mexico, President Bush said in Yuma, Ariz., that it made sense to put up fencing along parts of the border but not to block off the entire 2,000 mile length to keep out illegal immigrants.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actor Bill Macy is 85. Sportscenter Jack Whitaker is 83. Actor Robert Morse is 76. Actor and television executive Dwayne Hickman is 73. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Brooks Robinson is 70. Blues singer-musician Rodney Dillard (The Dillards) is 65. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Reggie Jackson is 61. Actress Candice Azzara is 60. Country singer Joe Bonsall (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 59. Rock musician Rick Wakeman (Yes) is 58. Actor James Stephens is 56.

Country singer George Strait is 55. Rhythm-and-blues singer Butch Tavares (Tavares) is 54. Actor Chow Yun-Fat is 52. Rock singer-musician Page Hamilton is 47. Contemporary Christian musician Barry Graul (MercyMe) is 46. Slurpee-actress Maritika is 38. Comedian-writer Tina Fey is 37. Rap/er Special Ed is 33. Rock singer Jack Johnson is 32. Rhythm-and-blues singer D'Angelo (Allen's Mistis) is 27. Actor Matt Lang is 27. Actor Spencer Breslin is 15.

## THOUGHT

"Committee — a group of men who individually can do nothing, but as a group decide that nothing can be done."

— Fred Allen, comedian (1894-1956).

## Helmet saves cyclist after truck runs over his head

By Colin Flynn  
Associated Press Writer

MILWAUKEE — Ryan Lipscomb lived to tell how it felt to have a truck run over his head. "Really strange," he said.

Lipscomb, 26, of Seattle, suffered a concussion but was otherwise unhurt. He was shaken up, especially after he saw his mangled helmet.

Lipscomb, a graduate student in medical physics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, was riding down a bike path in Madison on Friday afternoon. As he approached an intersection, he said, he noticed the

oncoming delivery truck preparing to make a right turn in front of him.

The truck wasn't going to stop, Lipscomb said, so he slammed on his brakes, flipping his bike and landing in the street.

A moment later the truck rolled over his head.

"I didn't see it coming, but I sure felt it roll over my head," he told The Capital Times newspaper. "It feels really strange to have a truck run over your head." His black helmet was flattened, tread marks visible on the cracked frame.

Lipscomb was taken to a hospital and released about three hours later.

Police initially declined to call the incident a hit-and-run, saying it was unclear whether the driver knew someone had been hit. But Sgt. Bernie Gonzalez later updated the accident report to include the designation. Police spokesman Mike Hanson said Tuesday there haven't been any arrests because investigators haven't been able to identify the driver.

In a telephone interview Tuesday with The Associated Press, Lipscomb said he has had some lingering headaches and a stiff neck.

"All things considered, that's about as good as it can get," he said.





