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Adam Mower pleads guilty

Despite plea, he will still serve long prison term

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls man has pleaded guilty to shooting Idaho State Trooper Chris Glenn after robbing a convenience store clerk in south Twin Falls on the morning of Dec. 20.

Adam Mower told the court Monday afternoon how it all happened.

But Mower's admissions will not save him from serving a long prison term.

Twin Falls County Prosecuting Attorney

Grant Lochs agreed to drop his charge that Mower eluded officers on a high speed car chase or that he used a gun to commit the robbery. That lowered the maximum sentence from life plus 70 years imprisonment to life plus 45 years.

Mower told the court he robbed a woman working at Slinker Station on Shoshone Street West and then raced southward in his car. Mower recalled seeing Glenn's lights flash behind him as the trooper pulled him over. He explained how Glenn walked up to his car and Mower shot him with his handgun. Glenn fell to the ground and Mower speeded off, only to crash into a tractor trailer rig in Jackpot, Nev.

The bullet struck Glenn, a father and husband from Kimberly, in the neck. Soon it became clear that the bullet had damaged



Glenn

his spinal cord and paralyzed him from the chest down.

Today, Glenn is home in the Magic Valley. But for 10 weeks after the shooting, he underwent surgeries and struggled confidently through rehabilitation at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Mower's wounds, on the other hand, were minor.

His recovery today is complete. The gashes once prominent over his face are no longer there. After Mower's release from the Boise hospital, a patrol car returned him to

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Ending the cycle

FDA approves birth control that eliminates monthly period

By Rob Stein
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration Tuesday approved the first birth control pill that completely eliminates a woman's monthly period.

Taken daily, the pill, called Lybrel, continuously administers slightly lower doses of the same hormones in many standard birth control pills to constantly suppress menstruation. It is designed for women who find their periods too painful, unpleasant or inconvenient and want to be free from the monthly ritual.

"This will be the first and only oral contraceptive designed to be taken 365 days a year, allowing women to put their periods on hold," said Amy Marren of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, which expects Lybrel to be available by prescription by July. "There are a lot of women who think that's a great option to have."

Company studies involving more than 2,400 women showed Lybrel is as effective as preventing pregnancy as standard birth control pills and completely suppresses menstruation for many women within the first year, although some women experience sporadic bleeding, the FDA said.

The pill's approval was welcomed by birth control advocates for providing women with another option.

"Every woman's birth control needs are different, and the best methods are those that fit a woman's lifestyle and meet her needs," said Vanessa Cullins, medical director of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

But the approval was criticized by others, who questioned whether enough research had been done to be sure it is safe to suppress menstruation long-term.

"There may be important health consequences that we don't know about," said Christine Hitchcock, an endocrinology researcher at the University of British Columbia. "I don't think we understand everything that the menstrual cycle does well enough to say with confidence that you can abolish it and not have any consequences."

Others criticized the pill for fueling biases and misconceptions about menstruation.

"I think it sends the wrong message about menstruation in women's lives, especially for young women," said Ingrid Johnston-Robledo, an associate professor of psychology and women's studies at the State University of New York at Fredonia. "It perpetuates a lot of negative attitudes and taboos about menstruation — that it's something that's bothersome and dirty and debilitating and shameful."

The company and FDA said there is no evidence of any long-term risks and that suppressing the menstrual cycle can have many benefits, especially for women who are plagued by cramps, bloating and mood swings. There is no reason to think it would pose any additional health hazards, they said.

"The risks of using Lybrel are similar to other conventional oral contraceptives," said Daniel Shames, deputy

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Set in stone

Junior high will dedicate rock to former student

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — They say the rock reflects his personality. It's not like traditional school-pride rocks with wide, flat surfaces that are frequently spray-painted with the school colors — or the colors of a rival school. But something unusual is exactly what Vera C. O'Leary Junior High wants to represent itself and one of its former students.

The junior high school will dedicate its first school-pride rock today to Justin Hernandez, who died last year while jumping from a cliff into a hidden lake near Dierkes Lake.

"He loved life and he liked to push the envelope, which is really how he died," said Teresa Burgess, Hernandez's



Hernandez

mother and a teacher at the junior high. "That's why we decided to have a rock that didn't follow the rules of what a school rock should be."

Although Hernandez' death was difficult for students at the junior high school, staff and students are hoping that the rock will provide a simple lesson to future students.



The new rock outside of Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School will be dedicated to Justin Hernandez today. Hernandez died last year after jumping off a cliff into one of the hidden lakes near Dierkes Lake in Twin Falls.

Dedicating the rock

Vera C. O'Leary Junior High will dedicate the O'Leary Justin Hernandez memorial rock today at 3:30 p.m. The dedication will be held by the rock in front of the school's main office. The public is invited to attend.

"I think it will help students think twice about life in general," said Jeff Lords, the assistant

principal. "He was taken at such a young age and he had his whole future ahead of him."

Hernandez, who would have been a sophomore this year, was known by his peers as an energetic and outgoing person. Although he enjoyed pushing the envelope, students say he also knew when to exercise restraint.

Students and staff will dedicate the rock this afternoon after a poetry reading and the release

of red balloons. The rock, which was donated by a local business, will then be known as the O'Leary Justin Hernandez Memorial Rock.

"It's interesting," Lords said. "The initials will be the same as the schools — O'Leary Junior High."

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Moscow police: Shooter had Aryan Nations ties

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — A search of the home of Jason Hamilton, blamed for fatally shooting three people and himself last weekend, turned up an Aryan Nations flag and written materials from the white supremacist group, a police official said Tuesday night.

Hamilton's ties to the group, formerly based in North Idaho, were found when FBI agents, federal Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives agents and Latah County sheriff's deputies searched his home here, Moscow Assistant Police Chief David Duke said in a telephone interview.

The 36-year-old janitor, who

moved from the Boise area a few years ago, fatally shot himself in a Presbyterian church after killing his wife, a police officer said.

Experts say it's not easy to commit mentally ill. See page A7

The victims were white, Duke said.

The *Spokesman-Review* of Spokane, Wash., citing unidentified sources, reported on its Web site that Hamilton had an Aryan Nations membership card, as well as a flag, and had

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U.S. appetite for BIG HOMES keeps growing

By Stephen Ohlemacher
and Paul Foy
Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — McMansions are sprouting in the suburbs of Washington and Atlanta, in southern Connecticut and out West in Utah as an appetite for bigger homes just keeps on growing.

One in five American homes had at least four bedrooms in 2005. That's up from one in six in 1990, despite shrinking families and increasing costs for construction and energy.

Houses with five or more bedrooms were the fastest-growing type in that time, adding to the nation's consumption of resources and reputation for excess.

"In this country, bigger is better," said Gopal Ahluwalia,

vice president of economic research at the National Association of Home Builders.

"This is true for houses and this is true for automobiles." Utah leads the nation with nearly 40 percent of homes having at least four bedrooms, according to a report Tuesday by the Census Bureau.

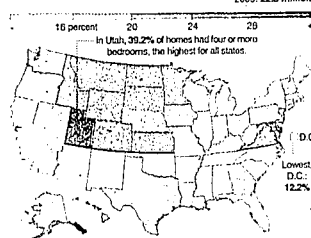
Demand is high in part because Utah has more people per household (3.07) than any other state. Evan and Valerie Astle are having a 5,700 square-foot house built in a new subdivision near Ogden because they want more space for their three teenagers. They have been renting a storage unit while living in their old, 2,100-square foot home.

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American homes getting bigger

Utah and Maryland top the list of states that had the highest percentage of occupied homes with four or more bedrooms in 2005.

1990: 14.6 million
2005: 22.3 million



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau



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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today Tonight Thursday

Temperatures edging upward Partly cloudy Partly to mostly cloudy
High 66 Low 41 73/148

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Not as cool, mostly dry and partly cloudy. Highs low 60s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and cool. Lows middle 30s.
Tomorrow: Clouding back up. Little to no rain expected. Highs upper 60s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

St. Luke's Magic Valley Auxiliary quilt raffle, for both a twin- and a queen-size quilt, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the main hall across from the Cancer Center, \$1 per ticket or six for \$5, (drawing at 4 p.m.), 734-0477 or imo@ltnf.com.

BUSINESS

Open house and groundbreaking for St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 10:30 a.m., southeast corner of Pole Line Road and Grandview Drive (site of new hospital), open to the public, 737-2943.

COMMUNITY

Workshop 1: Neighborhood Surrounding Downtown, a "brainstorming" session - part of the Twin Falls comprehensive General Plan Update with activities for children and a door prize, 6 p.m., Twin Falls Library, lower level, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 735-7276 or awestenskow@ltd.org.

EXHIBITS

"Floral Perspectives" in oil and acrylic by Rosi Martinez-Eckert in the Galeria Pequena; and photographic images by Jackie Plastino in the reception area and foyer, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. S., no cost, 734-2787.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 941 18th St., 679-8158.

Twin Falls School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 201 Main Ave. W., 733-6900.

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

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 23, the 143rd day of 2007. There are 222 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight In History:

- On May 23, 1934, bank robbers Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were shot to death in a police ambush in Jennville Parish, La.
- On this date:
 - In 1533, the marriage of England's King Henry VIII to Catherine of Aragon was declared null and void.
 - In 1701, Captain William Kidd was hanged in London after he was convicted of piracy and murder.
 - In 1788, South Carolina became the eighth state to ratify the United States Constitution.
 - In 1906, Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik Ibsen died in Christiania, Norway, at age 78.
 - In 1937, industrialist John D. Rockefeller died in Ormond Beach, Fla.
 - In 1941, during World War II, Allied forces bogged down in Anzio began a major breakout offensive.
 - In 1945, Nazi official Heinrich Himmler committed suicide while imprisoned in Luebenburg, Germany.
 - In 1969, Israel announced it had captured former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann in Argentina. (Eichmann was tried in Israel, found guilty of crimes against humanity, and hanged in 1962.)
 - In 1977, the Supreme Court refused to hear the appeals of former Nixon White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John Ehrlichman and former Attorney General John N.

Mitchell in connection with their Watergate convictions.

In 1994, funeral services were held at Arlington National Cemetery for former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.

Ten years ago: The defense at the Oklahoma City bombing trial suffered an embarrassing setback when one of its own witnesses provided testimony potentially damaging to defendant Timothy McVeigh. The Senate decisively approved a carefully constructed deal to balance the budget and cut taxes. Filanians elected a moderate president, Mohammad Khatami, over hard-liners in the ruling Muslim clergy.

Five years ago: During visits to Germany and Russia on the same day, President Bush told many European leaders we've got to use all means at our disposal to deal with Saddam Hussein," and he denounced anyone who would appease terrorists or ignore threats to Europe. Golfing legend Sam Snead died in Hot Springs, Va., at age 89.

One year ago: In a recording posted on the Internet, a voice purported to be that of Osama bin Laden said neither Zaccarias Moussaoui — the only person convicted in the U.S. for the Sept. 11 attacks — nor anyone held at Guantanamo had anything to do with the al-Qaida operation. ABC appointed Charles Gibson to replace Elizabeth Vargas as anchor of its "World News Tonight" evening newscast. Former senator, vice-presidential candidate and Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen died in Houston at age 85.

THOUGHT

"You can tell the ideals of a nation by its advertisements."

— Norman Douglas, British author (1868-1952)

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Quick and flavorful cooking from a can

As California chefs have been saying for years, you're only as good a cook as your ingredients. And that's especially true when they come in a can.

Although "A Twist of the Wrist" author Nancy Silverton provides a list of sources, advising the use of top-quality ingredients, both she and her readers are left, ultimately, at the mercy of what's inside all those cans, jars, boxes and bags.

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School to name rock for student who died at lake

TWIN FALLS — Vera C. O'Leary Junior High will dedicate its first school-pride rock today to Justin Hernandez, who died last year while jumping from a cliff into a hidden lake near Dierkes Lake.

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Parents voice concerns about drugs at school

TWIN FALLS — Students at Twin Falls High School are becoming more tolerant of alcohol use on campus, according to a recent survey. Now the question is: Who will do something about it before it's too late?

About 30 parents voiced their concerns Monday afternoon about the pervasiveness of drugs and alcohol at the high school. Several parents asked the district to do more to fight the growing problem, while others offered their support.

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T.F. County, Gooding peace officers awarded

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County sheriff and Gooding city police chief have won the highest certificate awarded to peace officers in Idaho for ensuring their staffs receive proper training.

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County commissioners approve fee increases

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County commissioners approved increases Monday to most zoning permit fees, citing a need to keep taxpayers' money from funding projects that are unlikely to reap benefits.

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City looks to create new housing district

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls City Council voted Monday to prepare measures for the city to create a medium-sized residential lot district, giving city staff the go-ahead to schedule a public hearing for an issue the council has expressed interest in for the past year.

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OBITUARIES

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- John "Jack" Marvin Holmes, 70
- Dollo M. Ferrenburg, 83
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Experts: It's not easy to commit mentally ill

MOSCOW — Court-house killer Jason Hamilton's comments about wanting to take others with him as he committed suicide might have raised a red flag, but they were not specific enough to have him involuntarily committed under Idaho law, mental health professionals said Tuesday.

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Head of Idaho budget office says he'll retire

BOISE — The architect of Idaho's \$2.7 billion budget said Tuesday he'll retire to help care for an ailing mother. Brad Foltman, 61, has been the administrator of the Division of Financial Management since 2003.

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Decision-making faulted in 5 firefighter deaths

YUCAIPA, Calif. — Blisky decisions to protect structures from a raging arson wildfire last fall, failure to fully scout escape routes and social pressure to work in a hazardous situation apparently led to the deaths of five U.S. Forest Service firefighters, who were over-run, an investigative report released Tuesday found.

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NATION/WORLD



Britain seeks charges in ex-Soviet spy's death

LONDON — Britain demands extradition from Russia of a former KGB bodyguard to face murder charges in the poisoning of an ex-Soviet spy turned Kremlin critic. Russia immediately refuses, threatening to plunge relations to a new low.

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Thousands flee fierce battles in refugee camp

TRIPOLI, Lebanon — People flooded out of a besieged Palestinian refugee camp, waving white flags and telling of bodies lying in the streets and inside wrecked houses after three days of fighting, between Lebanese troops and Islamic militants.

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Some U.S. Muslims support suicide bombings

WASHINGTON — One in four younger U.S. Muslims said in a poll that suicide bombings to defend their religion are acceptable at least in some circumstances, though most Muslim-Americans overwhelmingly reject the tactic and are critical of Islamic extremism and al-Qaida.

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SPORTS



CSI men's team signs center from Texas

TWIN FALLS — The already loaded College of Southern Idaho men's basketball recruiting class for the 2007-08 season recently received another big addition. Tuesday, Golden Eagles assistant coach Jeff Renegar announced that Kevin Anderson, a 6-foot-10, 210-pound center out of Dallas' Good's Academy Prep signed a national letter of intent to join CSI for next season. Anderson averaged more than 13 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks per game in the 2006-07 season.

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Trail Blazers land No. 1 NBA pick

SECAUCUS, N.J. — The Portland Trail Blazers beat the odds and won the right to settle the Greg Oden-Kevin Durant debate. With just a 5.3 percent chance of winning the No. 1 pick, the Blazers won the NBA's draft lottery Tuesday night, earning the right to draft a potential franchise player from what's considered to be an excellent class. The Seattle SuperSonics also moved up, landing the second pick.

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OPINION

MINI EDITORIAL

A writer's life
"When are you going to do some real writing?" my wife asked, I thought for a moment. At age 60, getting a noun and verb to meet in the same room is tough enough, not to mention rounding up all those adjectives, articles and adverbs. Real writing? Sign — Someday, dear.

— WILL WHITE, Twin Falls

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COMING TOMORROW

INSIDE TN

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- Exploring greed



Cowboy book not yet available in Twin Falls

Although listed in a story in Tuesday's Times-News as available now, Idaho Cowboys' is not yet available at Book Territory in Twin Falls, according to Second Time Around owner Claudia Reese. She is taking pre-orders for the

Corrections

book now at 609 Washington St. N. or 734-6008, and expects it to be available Monday. The Times-News regrets the error.

May 17 story about dogs biting mail carriers. The Associated Press, relying on data provided by the Postal Service, reported erroneously that no letter carriers were bitten by dogs last year in New York City. The report also stated that 67 carriers bitten by dogs in the city. The Postal Service now says.

Mail carriers bitten 67 times last year in NYC

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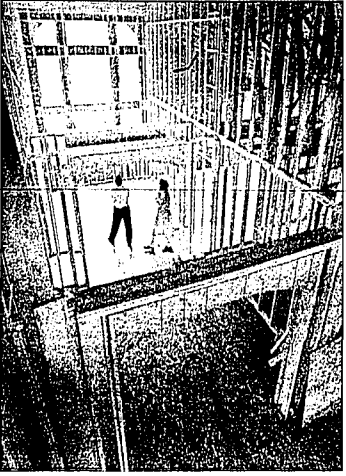
Mower's trial, which is canceled, was scheduled for June 12.

Late last week, with the prosecutor's offer already on the table, Mower replaced his attorney, Public Defender Marilyn Paul, by hiring a pri-

vate attorney, Neal Randall, his new attorney, represented him in court Monday afternoon.

Mower still faces unrelated charges of domestic violence.

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Erin and Valerie Aelle tour their new 5,700 square foot home, Tuesday in Kaysville, Utah. The nation's appetite for big homes is growing, despite rising energy costs, escalating prices and shrinking families.

Homes

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That won't be a problem in the new house, which has four big bedrooms, 3½ bathrooms and a three-car garage.

"Our kids have more stuff. They need more living space," said Valerie Aelle, a grade-school teacher. "Our (old) house was fine when they were small, but we've just outgrown it."

Among states with the biggest percentage of large homes, Utah was followed by Maryland, Virginia, Colorado and Minnesota. Arkansas had the smallest share, at 12.6 percent.

In much of the country, the growth in big homes is fueled by suburban homebuyers seeking luxury, rather than big families needing space, Ahluwalia said.

"They are buying for lifestyle," he said.

Nationally, the average household size has shrunk slightly since 1990, to about 2.6 people. Meanwhile, the average new house grew by nearly 400 square feet, to 2,434 square feet.

"You cannot sell a new house today with 1½ bathrooms," Ahluwalia said. "Even if only two people are in house, they still want 2½ to three bathrooms."

Dale Mattison, a real estate broker in the Washington area, said smaller families are getting creative with all those extra rooms. One option: his and her offices.

Some bedrooms are converted into dens, but many big houses already have those, Mattison said. They also have media rooms, which used to be called TV rooms back when there were fewer electronic devices to choose from.

Homes in the United States are much bigger than they are in other countries, according to figures compiled by the United Nations.

Homes by the numbers

By The Associated Press

BIGGER AND BIGGER: One in five American houses had at least four bedrooms in 2005. That's up from one in six in 1990, despite shrinking families and increasing costs for construction and energy.

MORE SPACE: Houses with five or more bedrooms were the fastest-growing type in that time.

HOME, SWEET HOME: States with the biggest percentage of large homes include Utah, followed by Maryland, Virginia, Colorado and Minnesota.

Court finds that Kensington Mine permit is illegal

By Mary Pemberton
Associated Press writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A permit allowing a gold mining company to discharge a slurry containing millions of tons of mine waste into a lake in southeast Alaska is illegal, a federal appeals court ruled Tuesday.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' permit allowing Coeur Alaska to dump mining waste in Lower Slate Lake violates the federal Clean Water Act, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco ruled.

Conservation groups that filed the lawsuit against Coeur Alaska's tailings disposal plan for the Kensington Mine near Juneau called it a victory for clean water everywhere.

The plan, they said, set a

dangerous precedent in giving mines across the United States the OK to use rivers, streams and lakes to dispose of mining waste.

"This sends a clear message to mines in Alaska and across the country that they must protect our clean water," said Mark Iirik, with the Sierra Club in Juneau. "Dumping processed mine tailings into our lakes and streams is illegal."

Construction of the tailings facility was halted last summer pending outcome of the lawsuit brought by the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, the Sierra Club and Lynn Canal Conservation.

The appeals court found that the Corps of Engineers did not have the jurisdiction to grant the permit. That fell to the Environmental Protection

Agency, the ruling said.

The purpose of the 1972 Clean Water Act was "to eliminate completely the discharge of all pollutants into the nation's navigable waters by 1985," the ruling said. The act set standards for dealing with discharges, which the court said are more stringent for new sources such as the Kensington Mine. It allowed for no exceptions, the court said.

The appeals court sent the case back to a lower court to vacate the tailings permit, as well as a permit to build a marine terminal to service the mine.

Calls by The Associated Press to Coeur Alaska and its parent company — Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. in Idaho — were not immediately returned.

Worried about the cost of dry-stacking the tailings, Coeur Alaska chose to discharge the waste instead into the lake. The 23-acre lake is in the Tongass National Forest and drains into Betsner Bay.

The permit would have allowed Coeur Alaska to discharge 210,000 gallons of processed water containing 1,440 tons of tailings each day into the lake. The slurry would have contained about 45 percent water and 55 percent tailings. Tailings are ground up rock left over after the gold is extracted.

Of the 2,000 tons of ore the mine is expected to produce daily, only about 100 tons or 5 percent contains enough recoverable gold. About 40 percent of the tailings were to be used to backfill the mine. The rest was to go into the lake.

Shooter

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been a three-paying member since 2000 — four years before the death of Aryan Nations founder Richard Butler.

"I don't know about a card, they did find a flag and books — publications put out by the

Aryan Nations," Duke said. "My sources say he might be a member but he wasn't active. We haven't verified his membership status."

The assistant chief said he did not know exactly what publications were found.

Aryan Nations headquar-

ters is currently listed on the Internet as a Lexington, S.C., post office box.

Hamilton in 2005 had been arrested for domestic violence against a woman with whom he was having an extramarital affair, and sentenced to two years

probation.

Hamilton had received two mental health evaluations, and had appeared in a Latah County courtroom May 15, but was released on condition that he get mental health counseling and not possess any weapons, Duke said.

Pill

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director of the FDA's Office of Drug Evaluation. "We don't suspect there are going to be any surprises in terms of long-term use of this product."

Rosa Nolasco, 38, of New York, said Lybrel liberated her from the monthly torment of her period when she took it as part of a clinical trial.

"I get really severe cramps, bloating, chocolate cravings, mood swings. I would literally be in bed for a few days each month," said Nolasco, a single mother-of-four. "It was really nice not to have to worry about any of that."

Others said menstrual suppression could actually have some health benefits. For women who had low periods because they were either pregnant or breast-feeding for most of their reproductive lives.

"We weren't supposed to have 13 natural periods year after year after year," said Linda Miller, an obstetrician-gynecologist at the University of Washington in Seattle. "We

as a society have already changed what nature intended for us."

But Miller said women could accomplish the same goal more cheaply by using generic versions of some birth control pills that have long been available.

"You don't need a brand," said Miller, who counsels women about suppressing their periods through her website www.verywell.com.

Standard birth control pills consist of 21 pills containing the hormones estrogen and progestin, which suppress a woman's normal cycle, followed by seven dummy pills that allow a woman to menstruate. The pill was originally developed to mimic a

woman's normal cycle in the belief women would find it more acceptable, not because it would be safer or more effective at preventing pregnancy.

The FDA approved a birth control pill formulation known as Seasonale in 2003, and a similar regimen called Seasonique in 2006, both of which reduce the number of periods to four times a year.

Any Alliance of the National Women's Health Network, a Washington advocacy group, said Lybrel could offer an attractive alternative for some women. But she said she was concerned the company was downplaying the number of women who still experience bleeding while taking Lybrel.

"You still have bleeding, but you just don't know when it's going to happen," she said.

In the company's research, Lybrel eliminated bleeding in the 59 percent of women who stuck with the pill for a full year. But many women dropped out before that, in part because they continued to experience bleeding and spotting.

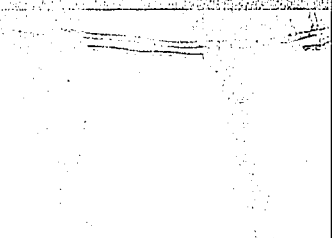
Because women taking Lybrel may not know if they are pregnant, the FDA said women taking it should undergo pregnancy tests, if they suspect they could be. Women begin ovulating again within days of discontinuing the pills.

The company had not yet set a price for Lybrel.

Have you seen your other backyard lately?



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AROUND THE NATION

WASHINGTON

Agreement near on Iraq funding bill

Financing in the face of a veto threat, Democratic congressional leaders neared agreement with the Bush administration Tuesday on legislation to pay for the Iraq war without a troop withdrawal timeline.

Several officials said the emerging compromise would cost about \$120 billion, including as much as \$8 billion for Democratic domestic priorities—originally resisted by the White House—such as disaster relief for Hurricane Katrina victims and farmers hurt by drought.

After a bruising veto struggle over the war, congressional leaders in both political parties said they hoped the compromise would be cleared for President Bush's signature by Friday.

In power less than five months, Democrats swiftly vowed to renew their challenge to Bush's war policies this summer.

"We're going to continue our battle—and that's what it is—to represent the American people like they want us to represent them, to change the course of the war in Iraq," said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada.

Top lawmakers in both par-

ties claimed victory in the bill that was taking shape after secretive negotiations.

Bush "won't get a blank check," said Reid. He and other Democrats pointed to a provision setting standards for the Iraq government to meet in developing a more democratic society. U.S. reconstruction aid would be conditioned on progress toward meeting the goals, but Bush would have authority to order the money to be spent regardless of how the government in Baghdad performed.

Republicans said that after weeks of struggle, they had forced Democrats to give up their demand for a troop withdrawal timetable.

Poll: 1 in 4 younger U.S. Muslims OK with bombs

One in four younger U.S. Muslims said in a poll that suicide bombings to defend their religion are acceptable at least in some circumstances, though most Muslim Americans overwhelmingly reject the tactic and are critical of Islamic extremism and al-Qaida.

The survey by the Pew Research Center, one of the most exhaustive ever of the country's Muslims, revealed a community that in many ways blends comfortably into society. Its largely mainstream members express nearly as much happiness with their

lives and communities as the general public does, show a broad willingness to adopt American customs, and have income and education levels similar to others in the U.S.

Even so, the survey revealed noteworthy pockets of discontent.

While nearly 80 percent of U.S. Muslims say suicide bombings of civilians to defend Islam can not be justified, 13 percent say they can be, at least rarely.

That sentiment is strongest among those younger than 30. Two percent of them say it can often be justified, 13 percent say sometimes and 11 percent say rarely.

"It is a hair-raising number," said Badwan Masoudi, president of the Washington-based Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy, which promotes the compatibility of Islam with democracy.

VIRGINIA

Thousands turn out for Falwell funeral

LYNCHBURG — The Rev. Jerry Falwell was remembered by thousands Tuesday as a champion of conservative Christian values who fearlessly galvanized the religious right into a powerful force in American politics.

The funeral returned Falwell to his roots at the Thomas Road Baptist Church, where he

started as a young preacher in 1956 with just 35 parishioners in an old, abandoned soda bottling plant. More than 10,000 people attended the funeral, many forced into overflow seating.

He was a champion of the fundamental values that he held dear, fellow Virginia evangelist Pat Robertson said as he entered the sanctuary. He stepped on some toes.

The event was mainly peaceful, though it drew a handful of protesters. Falwell's son Jerry Falwell Jr. said Liberty University security personnel told the family Monday night that there had been a threat but that it had been resolved with an arrest.

Police said a student at the evangelical university was arrested after they found homemade bombs in his car. While he planned to attend the funeral, authorities said, they do not believe he planned to disrupt the event by using them.

ILLINOIS

Doctors say Lincoln had severe case of smallpox

CHICAGO — Abraham Lincoln has been dead for 142 years, but he still manages to make medical headlines, this time from doctors who say he had a bad case of smallpox

when he delivered the Gettysburg Address.

Physicians in Baltimore said last week that Lincoln might have survived being shot if today's medical technology had existed in 1865. Last year, University of Minnesota researchers suggested that a genetic nerve disorder rather than the long-suspected Marfan syndrome might have caused his chunky gut.

"If you play doctor, it's difficult to shut down the diagnostic process" when reading about historical figures, said Dr. Armond Goldman, an immunology specialist and professor emeritus at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He and a colleague "diagnosed" serious smallpox in Lincoln after scouring historical documents, biographies—and old newspaper clippings.

Their report appears in *May's Journal of Medical Biography*.

"Lincoln is such a famous figure in American life that people are just automatically drawn to him," Goldman said.

Heart illness, eye problems and depression are among other ailments modern-day doctors have investigated in the 16th president.

But smallpox is the one that might come as the biggest surprise in the general public, especially if Lincoln had it when he spoke at Gettysburg.

According to Goldman and

co-author Dr. Frank Schmalstieg, Lincoln fell ill Nov. 18, the day before giving the speech in Pennsylvania.

When Lincoln arrived at the battlefield to dedicate a cemetery for the fallen soldiers, he was weak, dizzy, and his face had a ghastly color, according to the report.

On the train back to Washington that evening, Lincoln was feverish and had severe headaches. Then he developed back pains, exhaustion and a widespread scarlet rash that turned blister-like. A servant who tended to Lincoln during the three-week illness later developed smallpox and died in January 1864.

NEW YORK CITY

Yellow cab fleet will be all hybrids in 5 years

NEW YORK — Every yellow cab in this city will be a fuel-efficient hybrid by 2012, and stricter emissions and gas mileage standards for taxis will be phased in starting next year, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Tuesday.

There are now 375 hybrid vehicles among the 13,000 taxis rolling on New York City streets. Under Bloomberg's plan, that number will increase to 1,000 by October 2008 and will grow by about 20 percent each year until 2012.

— The Associated Press

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

A Commitment to the Community

Dear Magic Valley Community,

Partnership, healing, service, and caring: these themes reflect St. Luke's dedication to excellence and our commitment to you.

Of these words, the one that perhaps best sums up St. Luke's experience this past year is partnership. On May 23, 2006, 88 percent of you voted a resounding "yes!" to partner your county hospital, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, with St. Luke's Boise, Meridian, and Wood River. As a result, on July 1, we officially joined together to form St. Luke's Health System, the only Idaho-based, not-for-profit health care system. This system umbrella will ensure that every St. Luke's patient receives the same standard of care and the same level of service. This commitment translates to everything we do, from sharing of best practices to building a new, state-of-the-art hospital for residents of the Magic Valley.

As our region continues to change and grow, St. Luke's will be here for you and your family. Through our not-for-profit mission we will reinvest every net dollar into the technology, staffing, programs, and services that will most benefit the people we serve. We thank you for the confidence you placed in us last May, and for being our partner in the future of health care in Southern Idaho.

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Caring for others is not a duty. It is a calling and a privilege. At St. Luke's Magic Valley, we never lose sight of the reason we are here: Because people need our help. This means we must be able to provide the care and services our growing region demands, and do so without sacrificing quality or efficiency.

As a not-for-profit community hospital, St. Luke's Magic Valley returns all net revenues to our health care mission through community service programs, charity care, improved technology, and expansion of facilities and services. St. Luke's Magic Valley is committed to providing health care to the citizens of our communities, 24 hours a day, seven days a

week, regardless of their ability to pay. We also feel an ethical responsibility to ensure the careful use of health care resources in fulfilling our mission to improve the health of the people in our region.

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A highlight of our first year was the 900 Women campaign, a regional effort to promote annual breast screening for women aged 40-49 who have not received regular mammograms. 900 Women provided 200 free mammograms to women in the Magic Valley, and plans to expand its outreach to serve even more in its second year.

The program is a collaboration among local health care organizations, the public health department, physicians, and Magic Valley agencies and businesses.

(If you know someone who needs a mammogram and cannot afford one, call 737-2615 for English or 737-2630 for Spanish.)

Immigration bill survives attempt to scrap temporary worker program

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Senate turned back an early attack on a broad bipartisan immigration overhaul Tuesday, keeping alive a temporary worker provision that could bring in as many as 600,000 foreign laborers each year.

Senators voted 61-31 to reject a proposal offered by Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., and supported by some labor unions to strike the program, which is one of the measure's key elements.

The vote was the first big test for the improbable coalition that wrote the measure with White House officials, and is now struggling to keep the fragile deal from unraveling under pressure from across the political spectrum.

The bill still faces myriad assaults, including further Democratic attempts to limit or alter the temporary worker program, which would bring in foreign employees on two-year visas. A proposal by Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., to

Inside
Businesses oppose key measures in immigration proposal.
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slash the number of annual visas available for temporary workers to 200,000 could come up as early as Wednesday. A similar amendment passed the Senate last year by an overwhelming margin.

The immigration measure would also toughen border security, give legal status to the estimated 12 million immigrants in the country unlawfully and create a new workplace verification system to bar undocumented workers from getting jobs.

It would create a point system for future immigration applicants that would place less emphasis on family connections and more on education and skills in demand by U.S. businesses.

Republicans were considering efforts to strengthen the bill's security measures and make it more difficult for illegal immigrants to get on the path to citizenship. Democrats

were eyeing changes that would ensure more visas would be available for family members of permanent residents and U.S. citizens.

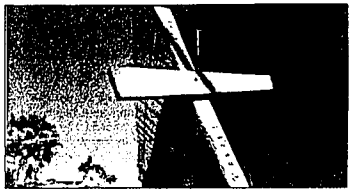
Conservatives, liberals and centrists who worked out the White House-backed deal are struggling to keep the bill intact while giving Democrats and Republicans who harbor grave concerns about it opportunities to make revisions.

Coalition members meet each day to decide which proposed changes are deal-breakers to what they call their "grand bargain." Dorgan's was considered one such poison pill.

The temporary worker plan has come under attack from several fronts. It would allow most of the workers — largely unskilled, nonagricultural workers in areas such as construction, landscaping and meatpacking — to stay up to three two-year stints, provided they left the United States for a year between each stay.

Many labor unions say that would depress wages and create a class of workers with no

job rights. Business groups call the leave-and-return element unworkable. Hispanic advocacy organizations and religious groups say it unfairly denies workers the chance to stay in the U.S. and ultimately gain citizenship.



A wooden cross honoring a migrant killed trying to make it into the United States, hangs on the U.S.-Mexico border fence in Nogales, Mexico, Tuesday.

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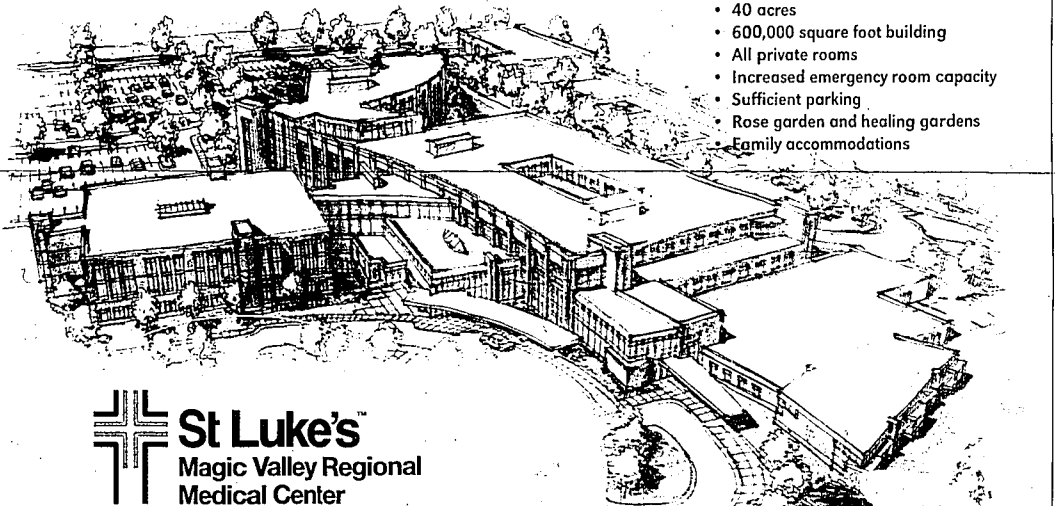
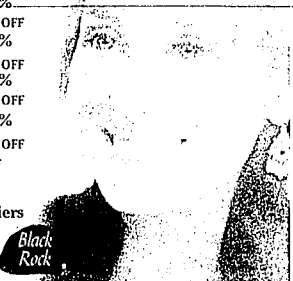
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It's been a year since Magic Valley residents voted "yes" to formalizing a partnership with St. Luke's, bringing Magic Valley residents a new hospital with local governance at no cost to taxpayers.

The merger not only created a new health system, but made our regional medical center clinically and financially stronger. Patients and physicians alike are already experiencing the benefits from new services, such as St. Luke's Women's Center

and Imaging Center. And of course, construction on the new state-of-the-art hospital kicks off with the May 23 ground breaking ceremony.

We will continue to plan and put into practice whatever is necessary to best meet the needs of the Magic Valley. Building a new hospital, enhancing existing services, introducing new programs, and sharing best practices at all levels of the organization, all lead to one goal: Providing the best care available to you, our patients.

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St. Luke's Magic Valley recently completed a very successful free heart screening program that was offered to the community over the past four years. More than 3,200 community members took part in 69 preventative cardiac screening events. Including blood pressure, HDL/LDL levels, Triglycerides, Glucose, and Body Mass Index (BMI). Those at risk were advised to follow up with a physician for early diagnosis and intervention.

In 2005, St. Luke's Magic Valley joined the Institute of Healthcare Improvement's (IHI) nationwide campaign to save 100,000 lives by implementing best practices to reduce unnecessary deaths from ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP). VAP is the leading cause of death among hospital-acquired infections, and can add an estimated cost of \$40,000 to a typical hospital admission. VAP prevention has always been a priority of Intensive Care and Respiratory Therapy staff members; now,

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EDITORIAL

Regional jail idea must clear some high hurdles

The counties of the Magic Valley are remarkably similar. With the exception of Cassia County, they were all settled by folks from the same backwoods. They all have agriculture-based economies, they all struggle with the consequences of growth and taxation, and they all vote reliably Republican.

So why is it so hard to get them to cooperate to fix their mutual problems? The question arises again because the commissioners from Gooding, Camas, Lincoln and Jerome counties will get together soon to talk about the idea of building a centralized jail to serve all four counties. A public meeting on the subject is scheduled for June 14 in the Planning and Zoning meeting room in Gooding.

A mutual jail facility sounds like a win-win proposition. But as anyone who witnessed the divisive debate over management of the South Idaho Regional Communications Center can attest, no one should get their hopes up.

SIRCOMM — a central emergency dispatch center for Jerome, Twin Falls, Gooding and Lincoln counties that's located in Jerome County — was hailed as a triumph in local government cooperation when it went online in 1996. But the grand vision fell apart amid provincialism, lingering debt, employee turnover and mismanagement, and the city of Twin Falls — SIRCOMM's largest member — paid close to \$1 million to get out of the system in 2003.

By any reasonable standard, SIRCOMM should have been an amicable collaboration. Local law enforcement agencies, county commissioners and city council members were eager to get on board, and even more anxious to streamline the cost of 911 services.

SIRCOMM is still in business, but at one time or another just about everything that could go wrong did so. That gives us pause about the Northside regional jail idea.

For starters, where would it be built? Gooding County's jail, renovated four years ago, is better than Jerome County's aging lockup (Camas and Lincoln counties have no jails). But the decision about whether Jerome County or Gooding County should get the proposed facility is sure to expose fault lines that will resonate from Corral to Hazelton.

Lincoln County commissioners, for their part, might want to know why a site in or near Shoshone wouldn't make more sense, since it would be centrally located. And that's not even considering how the counties would ultimately decide how to divvy up the costs of running the jail.

When the 12 county commissioners involved sit down to discuss the issue, they should be realistic. No county is going to get everything it wants out of this deal.

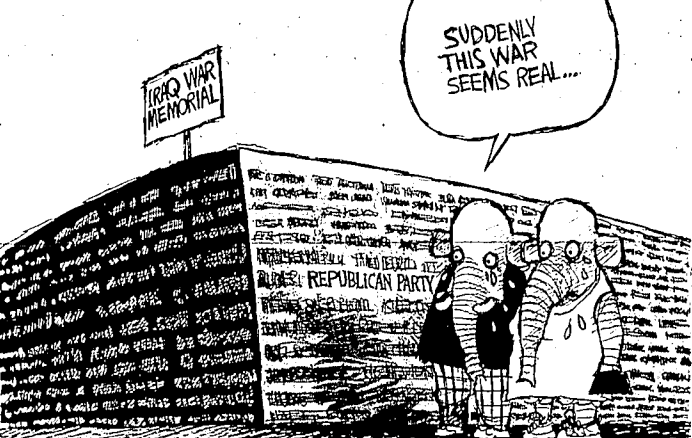
Time-honored practices will have to change. Ancient regional rivalries among and within the four counties will have to be set aside. Nobody can expect to fully control how the facility is run, and there are certain to be operational problems in the early going that will challenge everyone's patience.

But Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough is right when he says that a four-county jail would save money for the taxpayers, and in the long run, make citizens of the four counties safer. In short, it's a good idea. But is it an achievable idea?

Our view: Northside counties must be realistic in weighing the benefit of a four-county jail.

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

MIKE LUCKOVICH
THE NEW YORK CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR 5-11-7



Outsourcing and the customers it ticks off

LINVILLE, N.C. — Globalization seems like a nice idea — if it didn't make people insane. Although there are no such studies that I know of, a graph might show that Americans have been consuming increasing quantities of antidepressants in direct correlation to the growth of corporate call centers overseas.



from our Web connection problems to our American Express payment.

Most people probably assume they're talking to a recent immigrant, only to realize that the person telling them that their charging privileges have been suspended is in Manila. Once this realization sets in, apparently, Americans can become unpleasant.

In India, a television sitcom — "The Call Center" — was created around calling centers and their rude Western customers. Note to world: We weren't always so rude. We weren't always on the verge. Corporate America has made us this way.

If we're not talking to India, we're conversing with ethny robots. Interactive Voice Response (IVR) systems have become so ubiquitous that nearly all Americans have now chatted with that woman you know (the one) who makes freely white she computes our vowel.

"I think you said, 'For you.' Is that right?' Sure, lady,

just for you. It's not that we don't like people in other countries or that accents aren't charming. The problem is that "customer service" is supposed to mean that the person on the other end of the line cares about you. Customer service is supposed to be user-friendly and helpful, not frustrating and enraging.

Deep in our star-spangled hearts, we know that Arjun — good fellow though he may be — doesn't really care about us. It's a safe bet he may not even like us.

Thus, the corporate insult of hiring foreigners is compounded by the pandering of passive-aggressive non-Americans. Between robots and foreign operators — and the powerlessness most consumers feel — American business has robbed its customers of their dignity.

The surprise is that business has gotten away with insulting its customers for this long. Although some individuals have taken steps to ease the alienation — entrepreneur Paul English offers shortcuts to get tech humans by phone at gethuman.com — what's been missing is a national tipping point.

Mine came a few days ago while in the North Carolina mountains trying to get Internet service. After two days on the phone with Charter

Communications operators in three countries (U.S., Canada and the Philippines), trying to solve a local Internet-access problem, I wondered why homicide rates aren't higher.

Finally, the "customer service" operator who said she was in the Philippines determined that I needed an on-site technician — what a concept — but I'd have to wait 36 hours. I noted humorously (I thought that a Charter tech was probably within a few miles of me, yet someone in the Philippines is saying he can't get to me for a day and a half).

Is this a great globe or what? At this precise moment, no kidding, a burly mountain man rapped at the door: "Are you Ms. Parker? I'm from Charter Communications and I'm here to fix your modem."

Well, hallelujah and hit delete. I wanted to hug the guy. Love the accent. Love the all-American, gang-bro, can-do attitude.

"Philippines, we're done," I said to the nice lady on the other end.

Here's the deal, Corporate America: We want our customer service back.

We want it stateside. We want it homegrown, human and yesterday.

Revel, America! Tea to the harbor!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We'll be sad when the bears are all gone

Twelve-year-old kills first bear. I wonder, will this young lady be killing more bears? How many bears, coyotes, mountain lions, bobcats, gray wolves, elephants and tigers will die to celebrate a 12-year-old's ability to kill animals? I would like my young family members to see these animals in the wild, not stuffed in some 12-year-old's living room. I guess you can teach a kid anything. I want to say, teach her to value wildlife; it's getting harder to see these animals in their natural habitats, and in a few years, we won't see them at all if every 12-year-old kills their bear. I don't blame this child. It's just sad. KATHLEEN KATSONER Twin Falls

Freedoms are being eroded by consensus, et al

Freedom-loving Americans visit www.authorityresearch.com to learn how our society is being systematically destroyed by compromising moral absolutes like The Ten Commandments and U.S. Constitutional law with godless, socialist reasoning. Dean Goucher, historical researcher, educator and

founder of the Institute for Authority Research will explain how Ithaca's Rules of Order is being replaced by consensus through the Hegelian (Marxist-Socialist), dialectic. It functions by having a diverse group of people disagreeing to consensus over a social issue, in a facilitated meeting where a facilitator controls the pre-determined outcome.

This process is being used in politics, education, religion and work through programs like multiculturalism, globalism and feminism. Multiculturalism is a tool to eliminate America's Christian heritage. Globalism is used to erase America's borders and surrender America's sovereignty. Feminism is used to emasculate husbands and fathers, destabilize homes and produce selfish, undisciplined children. The destructive result of continual compromise of moral absolutes is that God, family and country (nationalism) are gradually being replaced by earth worship of plants and animals, acceptance of homosexuality and destruction of the traditional family and accepting a United Nations one-world government (internationalism).

We are misled to believe in nothing and to be tolerant of everything! A compromise between good and evil has

always resulted in evil!

Get involved and check the Web site to learn what you can do to expose and stop this evil before our society is completely destroyed. ADRIAN L. ARB, PH.D. Twin Falls

Consider a camera to shoot wildlife, not a gun

Regarding the 12-year-old girl from Rupert who killed a bear: Why? Was it the "thrill of the kill and bragging rights?" The same thing happened at Columbine High School. The thrill of the kill and bragging rights. If you're not going to eat it, why kill it? The next time you want to go hunting for wildlife, why not take a camera instead of a gun? You can still have bragging rights and feel good about it years from now. BUDD ANDREW Shoshone

Here is a different literacy test to try

There are literacy tests for every subject. They are bunk, as most tests are. Someone chooses what questions to ask and what answers are acceptable. The testee is expected to acknowledge the tester's omnipotence. In the case of literacy, the questions tend to be eristic trivia. They might measure recognition, recol-

lection and recitation, but they do not measure understanding, which is the true measure of literacy.

There is nothing precise in being literate. Two literate people will vary likely disagree on any given topic. To the degree that literacy implies wisdom, being literate and having understanding are two ends of the same stick. The middle of the stick is uncertainty. Literacy and understanding require some self-awareness.

To illustrate how to measure literacy by doing an experiment rather than trying to demonstrate literacy by passing a spurious test, I suggest a thought experiment someone might give you a measure of your understanding of God:

Imagine you exist and nothing else does. What is it like? Imagine others exist and you don't. What is it like? Imagine you exist among others. What is it like? How do others affect you? What are the connections between you and others?

Imagine a connection that includes all. Imagine something that includes all others but doesn't absorb, diminish, envelop or subsume them. Imagine that then try to imagine that you are an atheist. TED M. QUIGLEY Buhl

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AROUND THE WEST

MOSCOW

Experts: It's not easy to commit mentally ill

Before unleashing inner demons in a hail of rapid-fire gunshots, Jason Hamilton reportedly told a mental health professional he would take a large number of people with him if he were to commit suicide.

That comment — later recanted — may have raised a red flag, but was not specific enough to allow authorities to have him involuntarily committed to a mental hospital in Idaho and many other states, police and mental health professionals say.

As the bullet-pocked Latah County Courthouse reopened Tuesday after the tragic shootings that left Hamilton and three others dead last weekend, law enforcement officials and mental health experts were left to answer reporters' questions — whether more could have been done after Hamilton's cryptic warning.

Latah County Sheriff Wayne Rausch, whose sergeant was wounded and whose communications office and patrol cars were still riddled with bullet holes Tuesday, called the shootings an aberration.

"We live in a free country," Rausch said. "Any time you live in a society where people have freedoms, it's very difficult to restrict their movements. It's very difficult to take specific actions against them unless they actually break the law," he said Monday.

Because privacy laws prohibit disclosure of mental health records, circumstances surrounding Hamilton's journey through Idaho's mental health system, or whether he has been diagnosed as mentally ill, remained vague.

What is clear is that Hamilton, 36, who had a history of violence against others, was placed in protective custody on a court-ordered 72-hour mental health hold after a failed suicide attempt in February, Assistant Moscow Police Chief David Duke said Monday.

The Joint Finance-Appropriations budget writers, Foltman often found himself the target of lawmakers who said the administration failed to justify moves, including unsuccessful proposals to eliminate the Human Resources and Administration agencies.

MONTANA

Initial brucellosis test negative

BILLINGS, Mont. — Initial

blood tests show no signs of brucellosis in cows from a Paradise Valley ranch that is considered the source of Montana's first outbreak of the disease in more than two decades, a state Department of Livestock spokesman and the operator of the ranch said Tuesday.

Republican state Rep. Bruce Malcolm has acknowledged that seven cows diagnosed with the disease earlier this month in Iowa and in Bridger, Mont., originated from his herd in Emigrant. But Malcolm said blood sam-

ples drawn from his adult female cows in Emigrant came back negative Tuesday, a development confirmed by Department of Livestock spokesman Tom Daubert.

The disease causes pregnant cows to abort their fetuses. Its presence can cause severe economic damage to a state's livestock industry. Results are still pending on a second round of more than 150 samples drawn from Malcolm's year-old heifers and newborn calves. Daubert and Malcolm said.

WASHINGTON

California urges EPA to approve emissions waiver

Backed by numerous environmental groups and about a dozen other states, California officials demanded federal permission Tuesday to impose their own greenhouse gas emission controls on cars and other vehicles.

The only voice of opposition at an Environmental Protection Agency hearing came from an auto industry

lobbyist who deemed California's approach "counterproductive" and said there was no proof it would help deal with global warming.

"This is more important than any issue that EPA's going to have to face," California Attorney General Jerry Brown told regulators who will recommend whether to give California the waiver it needs to implement its emissions law.

At least 11 other states are ready to follow California's lead.

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CALIFORNIA

Decision-making faulted in five firefighter deaths

YUCAIPA, Calif. — Risky decisions to protect structures from a raging arson wildfire last fall, failure to fully scout escape routes and social pressure to work in a hazardous situation apparently led to the deaths of five U.S. Forest Service firefighters who were overrun, an investigative report released Tuesday found.

"The human elements are critical factors in the evaluation of this investigation," said the report on the so-called Esperanza Fire. "A risky decision or a series of risky decisions appear to have contributed to this dangerous situation from which there was no room for error."

Families of the fallen firefighters were shown the report before its release, said U.S. Forest Service spokesman Matt Mathes. The investigation was conducted by the federal agency and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the agency that was in command of the firefighting effort.

The Esperanza Fire was ignited on Oct. 26, 2006, and was spread by fierce Santa Ana winds. The five firefighters and their engine were overrun by flames as they tried to protect a house in a mountain community about 90 miles east of Los Angeles.

BOISE

Foltman resigns as head of Idaho budget office

The architect of Idaho's \$2.6 billion state budget said Tuesday he's retiring to assist his aging 91-year-old mother.

Brad Foltman, 61, Division of Financial Management administrator since 2003 and budget director for three governors before that, now plans to shuttle between Boise and his home near Buffalo, N.Y.

The 2007 Legislature was a rocky transition for the state's administrators of former Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, Interim Gov. Jim Risch and new Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

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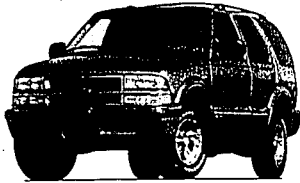
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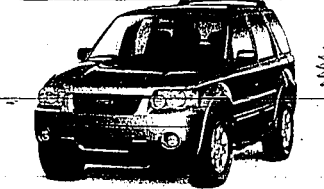


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CSI men sign Texas big man

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — And the rich get richer. The already loaded College of Southern Idaho men's basketball recruiting class for the 2007-08 season recently received another big addition. Tuesday, Golden Eagles assistant coach Jeff Renegar announced that Kevin Anderson, a 6-foot-10, 210-pound center out of Dallas' Goddard Academy Prep signed a national letter of intent to join CSI for the upcoming season.

Anderson averaged more than 13 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks per game in the 2006-07 season, helping his team to a third-place finish in the National Association of Christian Athletes 2007 national tournament. Renegar compares Anderson to former CSI standouts Abdoulaye N'Diaye and Mohamed Kane for his shot-blocking ability and overall athleticism.

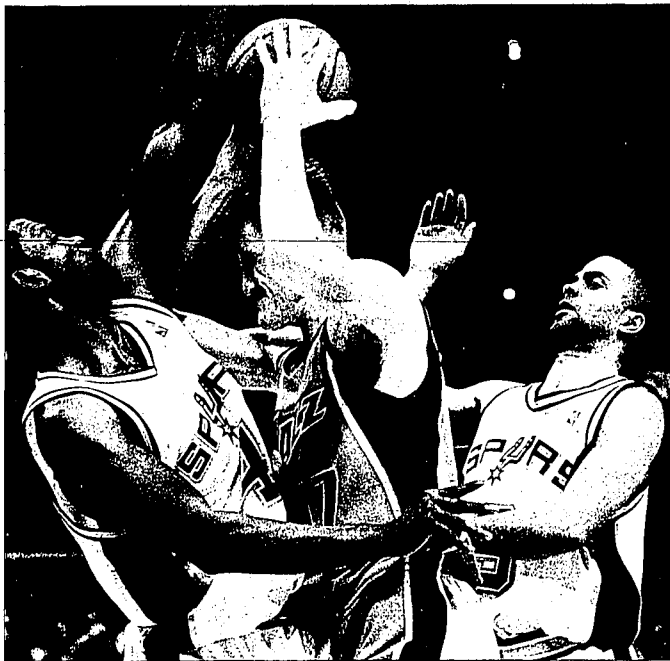
Anderson will be one of the players looking to fill the void left by the graduation of Texas Christian University-bound post Brandon Stores as the Golden Eagles program hopes to improve on last season's 30-7 record—and fourth-place national finish.

"He's long. He blocks everything," Renegar said. "The nice little wrist scoring with his back to the basket, but he's more than able to score."

Anderson played at Goddard Academy with fellow CSI signee Daecunq Montreal. The big man was heavily recruited, with Texas A&M University, the University of Arizona, Indiana University, Baylor University and Syracuse University all in the mix. While the CSI staff expected Anderson to qualify academically for NCAA Division I play, Renegar said that the talented post chose CSI over Midwestern College (Texas) after he found out he would be joining the junior college ranks.

Anderson will join CSI for the June 4 start of summer school in Twin Falls. He is part of a signing class that already includes three NCAA Division I transfers that will join a strong group of returning Golden Eagles for the upcoming season.

NBA PLAYOFFS



San Antonio Spurs guard Michael Finley (4) and guard Tony Parker defend Utah Jazz forward Andrei Kirilenko during the second quarter of Game 2 of the Western Conference finals in San Antonio, Tuesday.

Second verse, same as first

Spurs again build second-quarter cushion, hold off Jazz

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press writer

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan and Tony Parker are making the Western Conference finals look way too easy. Duncan had 26 points and 14 rebounds, and Parker lived up to his pledge of giving the Utah Jazz "no hope" by sinking all six of his first-half shots, helping the San Antonio Spurs build a big halftime lead that turned into a 105-96 victory in Game 2 of the series Tuesday night.

Parker finished with 17 points and 14 assists, his most ever in a playoff game. Manu Ginobili added 17 points as the Spurs took a 2-0 lead, moving halfway to reaching the NBA finals for the third time in five years.

"They got this close by outlasting the Phoenix Suns in a tense second-round series many considered the de facto conference finals," if not the NBA finals — and, so far, Utah has done little to dismiss that theory.

The Jazz never led in this game, and haven't led since the seventh minute of the opener. While Carlos Boozer bounced back from a poor game and the club started strong, a second straight second-quarter meltdown left Utah trailing by 17 at halftime and 22 a few minutes into the third quarter. They got within seven in the final period, but were always turned away by big baskets from San Antonio's playoff-tested veterans.

Now the Jazz are headed home trailing 0-2 for the second time this postseason. They fought back in the first round against Houston, but Yao Ming, Tracy McGrady and the Rockets are no comparison to Duncan, Parker and the Spurs, champions in 2005 and '03. Plus there's this bit of history to overcome: Only two of the previous 57 teams to

lose the first two games of a conference finals have advanced.

Utah coach Jerry Sloan has several days to come up with some way to do it. Game 3 isn't until Saturday night and the next two games will be in Salt Lake City, where the Jazz are 6-0 this postseason.

"They're a much better home team," Duncan said. "We're looking for a dog fight."

Boozer led Utah with 33 points and 15 rebounds, and Deron Williams had another strong game with 26 points and 10 assists. Andrei Kirilenko had 15 points and Mehmet Okur scored 11, but the Jazz rarely had two players clicking at the same time.

The Spurs controlled this game almost as easily as the opener, which ended with a deceivably close 108-100 score. The Jazz had a big finish against a tired, disinterested team, which is why Parker said Monday that San Antonio needed to keep Utah from picking up where it left off.

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Blazers, Sonics get top picks in draft

The Associated Press

SECAUCUS, N.J. — The Portland Trail Blazers beat the odds and won the right to settle the Greg Oden-Kevin Durant debate.

With just a 5.3 percent chance of winning the No. 1 pick, the Blazers won the NBA's draft lottery Tuesday night, earning the right to draft a potential franchise player from what's considered to be an excellent class.

Represented by Rookie of the Year Brandon Roy, the Blazers got a head start on building next year's top rookie. They still almost certainly choose between Oden, the Ohio State center, or Durant, Texas' high-scoring forward.

"They're going to help us right away," Roy said. "They can come into the NBA right away and play. I'm just excited about sitting back and knowing our general manager has the choice of drafting either Kevin Durant or Greg Oden. Either one, you can't go wrong. So I'm excited we have the opportunity to choose between the two."

The front office is the likely top pick, because dominant centers are harder to find.

Regardless of who goes No. 1, both players are likely headed to the Northwest, as Seattle also moved up into the second spot. Atlanta got the third pick and needed it. Falling out of the top three would have meant sending the pick to Phoenix.

The lottery determined the top three spots, with the rest of the teams going in reverse order of a team's finish.

Philadelphia and Boston, which had the worst records in the league and the best chance of landing in the top two, slipped to fourth and fifth, respectively.

Milwaukee will go sixth, followed by Minnesota, Charlotte and Chicago, which had the rights to New York's pick through the Eddy Curry trade. Sacramento goes 10th, followed by the Hawks, Philadelphia, New Orleans and the Los Angeles Clippers.

With Oden and Durant high-lighting a draft that includes the core of Florida's consecutive NCAA championship teams, the June 28 draft in New York is expected to be one of the NBA's best in years.

The Daly show remains a big favorite on tour

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

John Daly withdrew from five tournaments and missed the cut in eight others on the PGA Tour. His best finish was third place at the Skins Game, which had only four players. And that didn't really count because it was after the 2006 season, the worst of his career. As a result, Daly lost his card.

But not his appeal. How else to explain why tournaments would trip over themselves to give sponsor exemptions to someone who has missed the cut, withdrawn or been disqualified from 45 percent of his PGA Tour events since his rookie season in 1991?

"I always get three questions," Kym Hougham, tournament director of the prestigious Wachovia Championship, said Tuesday. "Is Tiger coming? Is Fred Couples coming? Is John Daly coming? As strong a field as we had, people still thought it was important to have him."

Wachovia certainly didn't need any help selling tickets. It had 27 of the top 30 players in the world, the fifth-strongest field this year behind The Players Championship, two



John Daly looks at his shot during the second round of Aian Open at Tomson Stanghal Pudong Golf Club in Shanghai, China, on April 20.

World Golf Championships and the Masters.

What did Daly bring to Quail Hollow? Those who joined his circus in the second round could say they watched him hit a milestone with his 50th career round in the 80s on the PGA Tour. He says 1 under-par through seven holes and still managed to shoot 87.

Give him credit. He counted every shot and signed for the correct score. There ought to be FedEx Cup bonus points for that.

"I know he had a tough day here," Hougham said. "I didn't see any of the shots. But I was still glad to have him in the field. John is loved by the people. And we all have a responsibility to put people on the golf course that the paying public wants to see. Does his star remain bright? He's good for the gate, good for the crowd, good for concessions."

There shouldn't be a question whether Daly deserves so many sponsor exemptions. Even though it seems like a fading memory, he did cap-

ture two major championships in unforgettable style. One was the 1991 PGA Championship, when he drove through the night to Crooked Stick as the ninth alternate and introduced golf to his "grip-it-and-rip-it" ways. The other was the British Open, always special when a cleft jug is hoisted at St. Andrews.

His other three PGA Tour titles don't stand out nearly as much as the three divorces, two trips to alcohol rehab, outrageous tales of gambling losses, trashed hotel rooms and suspensions.

He brings flavor to a vanilla sport. And that's not all.

"One thing I know he'll bring — fans," said Larry Peck, golf marketing manager for Buick after announcing that Daly would get an exemption to the Buick Open at the end of June.

"John Daly has been so good to the Buick Open," Peck said. "He's done clinics. He comes to the skyboxes to shake hands with our clients. We feel like we owe it to John to let him in. And it's self-serving. Fans love him. They come out to watch. He asked for an exemption, and we didn't even flinch. Yes, of course."

2011 Super Bowl goes to Cowboys' new stadium

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Seats matter.

The 2011 Super Bowl will be played at the Dallas Cowboys' new stadium in Arlington, Texas, when more than 100,000 fans will be able to watch the NFL's showpiece game.

NFL owners voted Tuesday for the North Texas group, which had Hall of Famer Roger Staubach lobbying on its behalf. The Cowboys' \$1 billion stadium will open in 2009 and will have about 27,000 more seats than those in Indianapolis or Arizona — the other finalists.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said the actual crowd ticketed at the game could reach 120,000, with fans being able to watch video screens at each end zone.

"Everyone has always told me, 'I wish we could get more fans in the Super Bowl. I wish we could do that,'" he said. "I think the fact we can have 100,000 people in the stadium is important because it includes that many more people in our biggest event in the NFL."

During the NFL's one-day spring meeting, commissioner Roger Goodell:

- Met with owners to review medical standards for managing concussions. That means protecting anyone who anonymously reports doctors pressured to clear players or players pressured to play.

- Said the league will work with the players' union, the NFL Retired Players Association, NFL Alumni Association, NFL Charities and the Pro Football Hall of Fame in an alliance to coordinate medical support for former players.

- Briefed owners on paring down the time it takes to complete the first two rounds of the draft. Pittsburgh's Dan Rooney says he doesn't think teams need 15 minutes per pick in the first round.

- Talked about player conduct, including situations involving Tennessee cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones, Chicago defensive tackle Tink Johnson and Atlanta quarterback Michael Vick.

- Indianapolis' bid for the 2011 Super Bowl featured the Colts' domed stadium opening in 2008.

SPORTS

Braves rout Mets, tighten NL East race



Atlanta Braves' Kyle Davies, second from right, celebrates with Braves' Kelly Johnson (2) as he scores after hitting a three-run home run against the New York Mets during the sixth inning Tuesday at Turner Field in Atlanta. Braves players Andrew Jones, left, and Willie Harris, second from left, look on.

ATLANTA — Kyle Davies pitched eight strong innings Tuesday night and turned the game into a rout with a three-run homer over the center-field wall, leading the Atlanta Braves past the New York Mets 8-1 and tightening the race in the NL East.

Davies (2-2) allowed only six hits, but his biggest splash came in the sixth. The .039 career hitter drove a 3-1 fastball from Aaron Seale over the 400-foot sign, clearing the wall with plenty to spare.

The Braves returned home from a 3-6 road trip that dropped them from first to sixth in the Mets, who had surged to the league's best record by winning nine of 12.

Atlanta closed to ½ game of the division lead by knocking around one of its former starters, Jorge Sosa (3-1) surrendered six hits, walked three and charged with five runs during his four-inning stint.

Marlins 5, Phillies 3

MIAMI — Miguel Cabrera's triple paced a sixth-inning rally against Cole Hamels, and Florida extended its winning streak to a season-high four games.

Hamels (6-2) had a 3-1 lead before allowing four runs in the sixth and failed to become the NL's first seven-game winner.

For the third time in the past week, the Phillies sustained a chance to climb above .500 for the first time.

Nationals 8, Reds 4

CINCINNATI — Felipe Lopez hit a grand slam in the eighth inning against his former team, rallying Washington.

Lopez, who was an All-Star shortstop with Cincinnati, connected for his third career grand slam off left-hander Jon Coulthirst's 42-15 sniping 4-0 all tie. His drive to left-center landed in the Reds' bullpen.

Cardinals 9, Pirates 4

ST. LOUIS — Adam Wainwright (4-3) allowed nine hits and two runs in 5 1/3 innings, but hit a two-run double, helping St. Louis end a five-game losing streak.

During the 2½ hours of testimony that ended at the lunch break, attorneys from the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency dredged up

the events revealed by LeMonde's startling testimony last Thursday. On that day, LeMonde testified he'd received a phone call the night before from Landis' manager, Will Geoghegan, who threatened to divulge the three-time Tour champion's secret.

"I would you agree, that as my number used to say, that a person's character is revealed more by their actions than their words," USADA attorney Matthew Barnett asked Landis.

"It sounds like a good saying," Landis said.

Then, it got ugly, as Barnett tried to portray Landis and Geoghegan as planning to

go-ahead run in a four-run fifth inning for Toronto.

Al Burnett (5-3) allowed four runs and six hits in 6-2-3 innings to win his third straight start. He struck out eight and walked two. Jason Phillips homered for the Blue Jays, who have won five of seven — including 4-0 against the Mariners.

Mariners 5, Devil Rays 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Richie Sexson hit a two-run single and Yuniesky Betancourt snipped a six-inning tie with a solo homer for Seattle.

Jarrold Washburn (4-0) settled after a shaky first inning to improve to 10-2 lifetime against the Devil Rays, who have lost four straight. The left-hander allowed two runs and eight hits in 6 1/3 innings.

Seattle's Kenji Johjima hit a solo homer off Gary Glover in the eighth.

J.P. Rice pitched the ninth, earning his 11th save in as many opportunities.

Royals 4, Indians 3

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Mark Teahen drew a bases-loaded walk with two out in the sixth, leading to force in the winning run for Kansas City.

The Royals won for the seventh time in their last nine games, while the Indians — whose 17-4 home record is the best in the majors — fell to 10-12 on the road.

White Sox 10, Athletics 4

CHICAGO — Jim Thome hit a three-run homer and finished with five RBIs for the White Sox.

Jeramie Dyce added a two-run homer for Chicago, which has scored 29 runs in its last three games. John Danks (3-4) took advantage of the run support, going six innings and allowing three runs — one earned — and seven hits.

Blue Jays 6, Orioles 4

BALTIMORE — Alex Rios had three hits and drove in the

Rockets hire Adelman to replace Van Gundy

HOUSTON — The Houston Rockets hired Rick Adelman to replace Jeff Van Gundy, hoping the veteran NBA coach can break the team's recent history of post-season flops.

"I always knew I was going to look for something eventually," Adelman said Tuesday night as he arrived at an airport in Houston, where he was met by team officials. "This is obviously just a great situation with the city, the organization, I'm really excited. This is a team that played so solid last year. You can build on that."

The Rockets will introduce Adelman at a news conference on Wednesday afternoon.

Adelman, 60, brings an up-tempo, high-scoring system to Houston, a stark contrast to Van Gundy's more defense-minded and methodical approach. Van Gundy was fired Friday as coach. He fills Colangelo's locker to add another shot blocker and rebounder.

Sam Mitchell gets new contract with Toronto

TORONTO — NBA coach of the year Sam Mitchell has been rewarded by the Toronto Raptors with a new contract.

Mitchell agreed Tuesday to a three-year deal with a team option for a fourth year. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Mitchell, whose career record is 107-139, was the NBA's lowest-paid coach last season, earning an estimated \$2 million. His contract was set to expire on June 30.

In his third season as coach, Mitchell led the Raptors to a 47-35 record and the team's first Atlantic Division title last season.

Ducks nip Red Wings for spot in Stanley Cup finals

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Jiggs and the Anaheim Ducks held off the Detroit Red Wings to earn a second trip to the Stanley Cup finals.

Jean-Sebastien Giguere shut out Detroit for the first two periods as Anaheim built a 3-0 lead, then with-

stood a three-goal outburst by the Red Wings in the closing period to take a 4-3 victory Tuesday.

Samuel Pahlsson's goal with 14:06 remaining proved to be the difference for Anaheim, which meets Ottawa in the Stanley Cup finals.

Bob Niedermayer, Corey Perry and Ryan Getzlaf also scored against Detroit goalie Dominik Hasek as the Ducks dominated the Red Wings to end the Western Conference finals-2.

The Ducks and Senators, both looking for their first



NHL championship meet in Game 1 Monday in Anaheim. Giguere finished with 26 saves. Hasek had 17.

The Red Wings outshot the Ducks 16-3 in the third period and got one goal from Henrik Zetterberg and two — both on power plays — from Pavel Datsyuk in the last with 3:04 remaining.

The Ducks played in Game 7 of the Stanley Cup in 2003, when New Jersey defeated them in Game 7. Giguere was the MVP of the playoffs.

It is one of only four players remaining from that Anaheim team, which also has front-office of owners, franchise personnel and coaches. Niedermayer, who had a goal and assist in the clincher against Detroit; Andy McDonald; and Mattias Ekland are the only others still with the Ducks.

Landis' testimony centers on fired manager

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Floyd Landis wriggled through an uncomfortable cross-examination Tuesday, carefully answering questions about the color of his tie and the timing of the firing of the manager who threatened to reveal Greg LeMonde's childhood sex abuse if he testified.

It was yet another salacious morning in the Tour de France chairman's arbitration hearing, which has veered wildly between boring, dense science and allegations of witness tampering and who knew what when.

During the 2½ hours of testimony that ended at the lunch break, attorneys from the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency dredged up

the events revealed by LeMonde's startling testimony last Thursday. On that day, LeMonde testified he'd received a phone call the night before from Landis' manager, Will Geoghegan, who threatened to divulge the three-time Tour champion's secret.

"I would you agree, that as my number used to say, that a person's character is revealed more by their actions than their words," USADA attorney Matthew Barnett asked Landis.

"It sounds like a good saying," Landis said.

Then, it got ugly, as Barnett tried to portray Landis and Geoghegan as planning to

intimidate and humiliate LeMonde and not showing remorse until they got caught.

Barnett tried to pin down Landis on when, exactly, he told his attorneys of the call Geoghegan made last Wednesday night, and why he or his legal team waited to fire Geoghegan until after LeMonde revealed details of the call.

LeMonde's testimony didn't come until Thursday afternoon, and Geoghegan was sitting behind the defense table for the hearing Thursday morning.

With his attorneys, Howard Jacobs and Maurice Salk, objecting frequently to Barnett's questions, Landis told his story in

Numerous summer sports camps nearing around Magic Valley

Times-News
TWIN FALLS — Numerous summer sports camps are slated for the coming weeks and months around the Magic Valley. Below are announcements submitted to the Times-News.

CSI volleyball camps approaching

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho head coach Heidi Cartisser and her Golden Eagles will host four summer volleyball camps during the months of July and August. Camps run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for \$55 for basic camp to \$220 for boarding camp, with instruction provided by Cartisser, her players and a number of regional volleyball coaches.

Different camps are available for players in grades 5-12. For more information, pick up a camper at the CSI gymnasium, call 732-6465, or visit <http://athletics.csi.edu/volleyball/camps.asp> for details.

CSI softball camps approach

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho softball program will hold a pair of two-day camps in early June. A camp for players ages 13-18 will be held June 4-5 and a camp for players ages 7-12 will be held June 6-7. The cost for each camp is \$50 per afternoon morning session or \$50 during the month of July and August. Camp sign up for half-hour pitching or hitting sessions on June 12 for \$20 per session.

For more information, visit <http://athletics.csi.edu/womensBasketball/camps.asp> and click on each camp link or call CSI head coach Randy Rogers at 732-6480.

Kimberly volleyball camp scheduled

KIMBERLY — Kimberly High School will host a volleyball camp May 29-31. The camp, which is sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho and Heidi and Jim Cartisser, is for players entering grades 9-12. The cost is \$70. Contact Jan Hall at 734-5724 for more information.

Buhl hosts basketball camp

BOJHL — Buhl High School basketball will host a basketball camp May 26 conducted by Rory Richeson, girls skill development coach from Mesa, Ariz. Shooting and ball handling will be the focus of the camp. Each individual will receive instructions and drills to work on in the offseason. The camp will consist of a four-hour session from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for girls going into grades 8-12 and a second session from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. for boys going into grades 8-12. The cost of the camp is \$30. Registration will be taken by phone or at the door. For more information call 420-0962.

Minico holds girls basketball camp

RUPERT — Minico High School

Girls Basketball Camp will be held on May 29-31 from 9 a.m. to noon each day. The camp is for girls entering grades 5-11. Former Minico players now playing at the college level and current Sparta coaches will provide instruction. The cost is \$50 and includes a T-shirt. The camp will run from 9am to 12pm daily. For more information contact Clint Straatman at 436-4721 or 670-4152.

Burley hosts hoops camp

BURLEY — The Burley High girls basketball team will offer a basketball camp beginning Tuesday, May 29, through Friday, June 1. The camp, conducted by staff and players from the 2007 Class 4A girls state championship team, will run from 8:45 a.m. to noon, with five 1/2-hour sessions. The camp will include the Jerome High School incoming third-graders to eighth-graders are welcome. The cost of the camp is \$45. Forms can be picked up from all Burley elementary schools and Burley High.

Jerome hosts girls hoops camp

JEROME — The Jerome Lady Tigers will hold their annual basketball camp June 4-7. The camp is for girls going into grades 5-10. The staff will include the Jerome High School basketball coaches and players and current college basketball players. The cost is \$50 if you pre-register or \$60

on the first day of camp. More information is available at any Jerome schools or at the Jerome Recreation District office. Contact Will Harbison or Brent Clark at 324-0137 ext. 4225 with any questions.

Bulldog wrestling camp nears

KIMBERLY — Bulldog Wrestling Camp will be held June 4-6 at Kimberly High School. Rulon Gardner, the 2000 Olympic Greco-Roman champion will help provide instruction along with Hillcrest High School head coach Bob Neal. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day with lunch from noon to 1 p.m. The cost is \$100 and includes lunch each day and a camp T-shirt. For more information, contact Troy Palmer at 423-4586 or 423-4170, ext. 3214.

Champions Rodeo Camp scheduled

JEROME — Champions Rodeo Camp will be held at Jerome County Fairgrounds in June. The junior camp for ages 8-13 will be June 10-11, while the senior camp for ages 14-19 will be June 12-14. Camp activities kick off Sunday, June 10, with a 6 p.m. barbecue. A 7 p.m. concert will follow. Cost for the barbecue is \$5 per person. CRC is a non-profit outreach of the Magic Valley Fellowship. For more information about the camp, call 736-0727, or visit www.championsgroup.org.

Market Watch

May 22, 2007

Dow Jones Industrials	13,539.95	-2.93
Nasdaq composite	2,588.02	+9.23
Standard & Poor's 500	1,524.12	-0.98
Russell 2000	839.92	+6.27

Stocks of local interest

Con Agri	25.35	▲ 1.17
Dell Inc.	26.38	▲ 0.46
Iscoorp	39.21	▲ 0.06
Little Motors	26.51	▼ 2.07
Micro	11.38	▼ 0.20
Supervalu	47.05	▲ 6.3

Commodities

June Oil	64.97	▼ 1.30
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Live cattle	92.50	▼ 1.10
June gold	659.9	▼ 3.9

For more, see page B5

Eagle firm has landed

The Land Group finds lots of work in Magic Valley

By Chris Steinbach
Times-News writer

First step for new hospital

TWIN FALLS — Ground will be broken today on a project that helped convince an Eagle firm to expand in the Magic Valley.

The Land Group Inc., which opened an office in July at 140 River Vista Place, completed civil engineering, surveying and master planning for the new St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Ground will be broken for the new hospital at 10:30 a.m. today at Grandview Drive and Pole Line Road.

What: Groundbreaking for new St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Where: Grandview Drive and Pole Line Road. When: 10:30 a.m. today. Other details: • Parking will be available at the Reformed Church of Twin Falls at 1631 Grandview Drive N. • Architects and others involved with the project will be available until 1:30 p.m. to answer questions and show off plans for the new hospital.

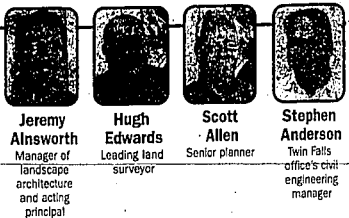
"We had more involvement on that project," said Jeremy Ainsworth, manager of landscape architecture and acting principal of The Land Group's Twin Falls office.

Other projects that helped bring the firm to Twin Falls included work on Auger Falls, Crossroad Point in Jerome, Pillar Falls, and the River Vista office park.

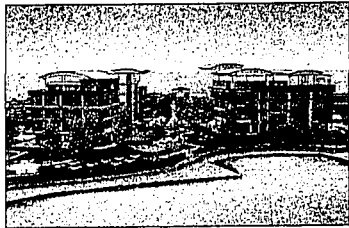
Go to www.magicvalley.com to see an example of the computer graphics done by The Land Group Inc.

Getting the job done

The Land Group has helped make several projects in the Magic Valley a reality. These are just some of the Twin Falls office's staff who have helped with planning and development.



Jeremy Ainsworth, Manager of Landscape Architecture and Principal; Hugh Edwards, Leading Land Surveyor; Scott Allen, Senior Planner; Stephen Anderson, Twin Falls office's civil engineering manager.



The developers of Federation Pointe have used the Land Group Inc. to help with graphics and other visuals used in planning for the two five-story office buildings and public plaza that will be built on the rim of the Snake River Canyon.

McCall out of this office." Business has been so good that the firm has outgrown the office it leased last year and will begin construction on a new 5,000-square-foot office building later this year in the River Vista development.

Stephen Anderson, the Twin Falls office's civil engineering manager, said of the new building: "Anderson, Ainsworth, and Allen comprise the leadership of the office, along with Hugh Edwards, who is the firm's leading land surveyor. They work in an open space."

A novel idea

In marketing weight loss pill, drugmaker touts diet and exercise

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — You won't lose weight in your sleep or shed pounds while eating anything you want — that's the sobering message from the maker of a weight loss pill poised to hit shelves next month.

GlaxoSmithKline on Tuesday opened an educational exhibit in New York City to prepare the country for all the first over-the-counter diet pills approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

While the cautious marketing approach may not trigger stampedes to the counter, analysts say the drug's fate hinges on the pharmaceutical giant's ability to convince people that diet pills aren't a magic bullet.

"People's hopes are ridiculously high when it comes to diet pills. That leads to disappointment and bad word of mouth," said Steven Brozak, an analyst with WBB Securities.

That's just what happened to the prescription version of the drug, Xenical by Roche Holding, which comes twice the dosage. People were let down when it failed to deliver dramatic results and the drug never really caught on, Brozak said.

GlaxoSmithKline has apparently learned the lesson and is counting on all-out to become a star money maker. The company is spending \$150 million on marketing all this year, making it one of the drug maker's biggest campaigns to date.

"We done everything to go out of our way to be honest," said Steve Burton, vice president of the weight control division at GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare.

"We're taking a very different approach than the fat diets people are constantly exposed to."

In clinical trials, the FDA says that people using all lost an additional 2 to 3 pounds for every 5 pounds lost through diet and exercise. The FDA approved all to be sold over the counter in February.

When taken with meals, the drug blocks the absorption of about one-quarter of any fat consumed. That fat — about 150 to 200 calories worth — is passed out of the body, potentially resulting in

Businesses oppose key immigration reform measures

By Alex Velga
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Chicken farmer Luciano Adkins doesn't see how he could stay in business if Congress passes an immigration reform bill that would require his immigrant workers to go home for a year.

"I can't go six months without growing a chicken. We'll be out of business when they come back," said Adkins, who owns one of the biggest chicken farms in Georgia and serves as president of the United Poultry Growers Association.

U.S. businesses reliant on immigrants have long pushed for reforms to address their needs, but many at both ends of the spectrum complain that the proposal endorsed by Senate leaders and President Bush would prove too disruptive and make it too hard for them to find the workers they need.

Across the country, industries such as carpet manufacturing, farming, poultry processing, meatpacking, construction, restaurants and hotels depend heavily on low- or unskilled illegal immigrants. Technology companies, meanwhile, increasingly look outside the U.S. to find engineers, programmers and other highly skilled workers, who are here legally, mostly on



Keith Overton, chief operating officer at the Tradewinds Islands Resorts, speaks to some of his employees Tuesday on St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. Overton said the two beach front resorts he manages on Florida's west coast couldn't stay open without its 100 or so seasonal workers.

temporary work visas. Among other things, the legislation would grant legal status to the estimated 12 million illegal immigrants already in the U.S., allowing them to seek permanent legal residency or citizenship. They would be subject to a \$5,000 fee and fines, and the heads of households would have to return to their country of origin temporarily.

The reforms also call for a guest worker program that would issue some 400,000 visas a year for largely low-skill

immigrants seeking employment for two years.

Sean McHugh, spokesman for the Greeley, Colo.-based meatpacking giant Swift & Co., said he supports many of the reforms but worries that the measure will cause high turnover.

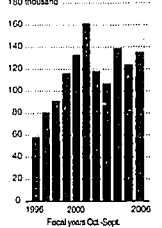
"Our needs are year-round and we do invest substantial amount of time and money in training a new hire, so we obviously prefer to keep them on the payroll rather than lose them," he said.

Swift was hit with big immi-

License to work

Some believe the proposed immigration bill would set back companies already in need of high-tech workers.

Annual skilled worker visas issued (H1B)



SOURCE: Department of Homeland Security

gration raids on Dec. 12 at its plants in six states. In all, authorities arrested nearly 1,300 suspected illegal immigrants.

Many high-tech companies that routinely face shortages of skilled workers said the reform measure could actually make it tougher to find employees with the specific skills and experience they need in the fast-changing high-tech world.

BP cutting production in Prudhoe Bay for a while

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — BP said Tuesday it will shut down 100,000 barrels, or one-quarter, of its Alaska oil production for a few days after discovering a pipeline leak.

Analysts said the temporary loss of output at Prudhoe Bay should not have a dramatic impact on world oil markets, but with supplies already tight and crude futures trading near \$66 a barrel, any snag in the industry tends to make traders jittery.

Light sweet crude for June delivery fell 52 cents to \$65.95 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

London-based BP said the leak was discovered Monday in a 12-inch pipe that collects water separated from the oil and gas it produces.

"We're putting together inspection and repair plans to return the facility to normal operations," BP spokesman Neil Chapman in Houston said.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Hospital, ambulance service follows EMS Week

TWIN FALLS — St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is recognizing Magic Valley Paramedics during National EMS Week, which runs through Saturday.

Magic Valley Paramedics is a full-service, advanced-level ambulance service. It operates three paramedic stations and ambulances 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The service makes 7,000 calls annually, according to the hospital.

INL plans two-day tour of site near Idaho Falls

IDAHO FALLS — Representatives of the Idaho National Laboratory will host a June 6-7 tour of the energy-research facilities, which are on 839 square miles near Idaho Falls.

INL will provide transportation, accommodations at the Shilo Inn in Idaho Falls and all meals for the two days. INL researchers will be available to discuss research in fossil, renewable and nuclear energy technologies, plus advanced energy storage, and national and homeland security.

To register, contact Anna Dovernmuelher at (208) 324-7408 or by e-mail at adove@quest.net.

Grocer uses new devices to ensure food safety

BOISE — Albertson's has begun requiring temperature-monitoring devices on the produce, fresh meat and seafood it receives at its distribution centers, the company said Tuesday.

The preferred monitor is the PakSense TXi Smart Label provided by PakSense Inc.

"We have always monitored the temperatures of our perishable products during shipping," Dave Dean, group vice president of procurement for Albertson's, said in a statement. "But we found that traditional temperature-monitoring devices were bulky and expensive."

A flat two-inch-by-two-inch disk, PakSense labels are sealed in food-grade packaging and are easy to use. Lights on the sensor alert quality

State recruiting doctors to assess disability claims

BOISE — A state agency is recruiting doctors across Idaho to help assess Social Security disability claims.

Idaho's Disability Determinations Service han-

assurance personal if temperature specifications have been breached and all data collected by the label can be downloaded and graphed.

Albertson's, which has a store at 1221 Addison Ave. E., operates under the Albertson's banner in 13 states. The company has warehouses handling fresh product in Denver, Fort Worth, Texas, Phoenix, and Plant City, Fla.

dies more than 17,000 applications annually for Social Security disability benefits.

The agency relies on doctors practicing in communities throughout the state to perform consultative examinations. The examinations help provide additional findings that determine eligibility for benefits. The examinations are paid for by the Social Security disability program.

Doctors interested in becoming part of the Social Security disability determination process can obtain more information, including a copy of the guidelines and fee schedule, from Laura Croft at (208) 327-7333 ext. 313.

MUTUAL FUNDS

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of mutual fund performance with columns for Name, Div, Last Chg, and various performance metrics.

Table of commodity futures prices including Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, and other agricultural products.

Table titled 'CLOSING FUTURES' showing prices for various commodities like Gold, Silver, and Oil.

Table titled 'CHEESE' showing prices for various types of cheese.

Table titled 'POTATOES' showing prices for different potato varieties.

Table titled 'LIVESTOCK' showing prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep.

Table titled 'METALS/MONEY' showing prices for various metals and currencies.

Table titled 'BEANS' showing prices for different types of beans.

Table titled 'GRAINS' showing prices for various grain products.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Large table of New York Stock Exchange data including company names, prices, and volume.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ markets, including most active and gainers/losers.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table of NASDAQ National Market data including company names and prices.

INDEXES

Table of market indices such as Dow Jones Industrial Average and S&P 500.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table of stocks of local interest with columns for Name, Last, and Change.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Text explaining how to read the market report, including symbols and abbreviations.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of American Stock Exchange data including company names and prices.

Advertisement for Perkins, Smart & Boyd, Inc. featuring the slogan 'When You're Serious About Investing...' and contact information.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Temperatures edging upward. High: middle to upper 60s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows low 40s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly cloudy and warmer. Highs low to middle 70s.

BURLEW/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Not as cool, mostly dry and partly cloudy. Highs low 60s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and cool. Lows middle 30s.
Tomorrow: Clouding back up. Little to no rain expected. Highs upper 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Beyond a very thin threat of scattered high terrain showers forming from time to time, the rest of the week is shaping up to be a little cloudy, but terrific otherwise.



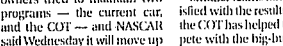
Today Highs 54 to 58. Tonight's Lows 20 to 27.
Most of the active weather will stay north in the panhandle and mountains for the rest of the week.
Locally, temperatures will warm. Clouds will come and go, and precipitation chances are slim.

Today Highs/Lows 65 to 70 / 40 to 45.
Northern Utah: Today's temperatures will warm sharply Thursday and Friday. The chance for precipitation is slim.

Yesterday's State Estimate: 62 at Lewiston. Low: 28. Sky was mostly clear, but scattered clouds. By 9p, the sky was clear. No rain. Windy. Light showers in the panhandle and mountains.

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The real winners in life are the people who look at every situation with an expectation that they can make it work or make it better."



Author: Peter A. Dink

DEI drops appeal of COT penalties

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. dropped its appeal of penalties levied against Dale Earnhardt Jr. and his crew chief for illegal modifications made to the Car of Tomorrow.

The appeal was scheduled to be heard Wednesday, but the team informed NASCAR on Tuesday it will not fight the penalties.

The rules are black and white," says Richie Gilmore, vice president of motorsports at DEI.

"We were clearly in violation of those rules and accept the penalties handed down by NASCAR. Going forward, we've reviewed our internal process.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

Table with 2 columns: Moonrise and Moonset. Includes moon phase icons.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Friday. Lists cities and their weather forecasts.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Friday. Lists Canadian cities and their weather forecasts.

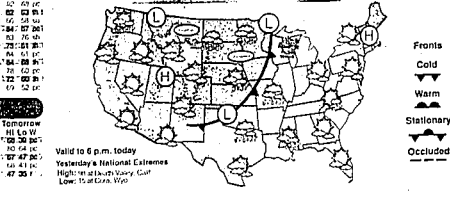
Yesterday's Weather

Table with 4 columns: City, High, Low, Precip. Lists various cities and their weather data.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Friday. Lists international cities and their weather forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Ahead of schedule: NASCAR to use COT exclusively in 2008

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR will use the Car of Tomorrow exclusively in 2008, a year earlier than planned.

The COT was scheduled to run in 2007 and was phased-in to competition during the next two years. But costs skyrocketed while car owners tried to maintain two programs — the current car, and the COT — and NASCAR said Wednesday it will move up the date it teams agreed.

The majority of car owners actually came to us and said 'Now that we are up and running the car, it doesn't make sense to have two parallel programs moving forward.' competition director Robin Pemberton said. 'It seems to us that everyone is working on the Car of Tomorrow now and ready to use it exclusively.'

The COT was a seven-year project by NASCAR to design a universal car that is safer, less expensive and better for racing. It's been used in five events this season, all won by drivers for Hendrick Motorsports. The next COT race is June 3 in Dover, Del.

Most drivers have been critical of the COT, complaining about its handling and calling it difficult to drive, but they preferred going to one program.

"I don't like doing two different cars — it's one or the other," Dale Earnhardt Jr. said this month. "I'd go full time to the COT right now. Why not? We're all struggling with it. We might as well get all the time we can with it we can and we can, even if it drives us all crazy."

Smaller teams have been satisfied with the results and think the COT has helped them compete with the big-budget operations.

The rules are black and white," says Richie Gilmore, vice president of motorsports at DEI.

"We were clearly in violation of those rules and accept the penalties handed down by NASCAR. Going forward, we've reviewed our internal process.

Earnhardt was docked 100 points and crew chief Tony Eury Jr. was fined \$100,000 and suspended six races after NASCAR discovered illegal brackets on the rear wing of the No. 8 Chevrolet at Darlington Raceway.

The Associated Press

Large advertisement for Fort Hall Casino 17th Anniversary Celebration. Includes details about the 15th annual Shoshone Bannock Hand Game Tournament, Saturday, May 19th, and a barbeque on Saturday, May 26th. Also features a 'Fun Run' event and a 'Live Entertainment' schedule.

Just north of Pocatello • Exit 80 off I-15 • 800-497-4231. The Fort Hall Casino reserves the right to cancel and/or alter any of their promotions at any time with or without notice.

INSIDE: Mixing and matching old and new furniture, C4



INSIDE: No need to wait to boil eggs, C3 | Cutting hot peppers, C5 | Mega portions, C7 | The secret to good fried rice, C3

Energy Star is still a bright idea

By Gary Dymski
Newsday

Are Energy Star appliances really a better buy? Do they really use less energy and save money in the long run?

Absolutely, says the Environmental Protection Agency's Maria Vargas, a spokeswoman for the Energy Star program. Despite some negative press, Energy Star is reliable and effective, she says. "Energy Star is a government program, and our goal is to make it as easy as possible for consumers and businesses to be as energy-efficient as possible," Vargas says. "The idea is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency."

Last year, Americans saved \$14 billion — that's billion with a 'B' — on their energy bills and reduced greenhouse gases to the equivalent of 25 million cars.

Those numbers, she says, speak volumes on the success of the Energy Star program, established in 1992 by the EPA and joined in 1996 by the U.S. Department of Energy. A huge success with consumers, the program got some bad press last April in a Smart Money magazine article titled "Energy Star Unplugged." In which the program's testing of appliances and electrical devices was criticized.

The same article was reprinted on several Web sites, and CBS' "Early Show" followed up on the piece with a segment in which it described Energy Star's testing as "flawed."

Not true, counters Vargas, who says the Smart Money article "got a lot of things wrong." First, she says the method for testing products, from appliances to personal computers, is established through congressional regulations. "If they have a problem with the testing," she says, "they should talk to the Department of Energy."

"And, the standards for Please see ENERGY, Page C6

Check Web site for energy tips

Want to be sure an Energy Star product meets the program's most recent standards? You can by visiting www.energy.gov.

"Everything that qualifies is listed there," says Maria Vargas, a spokeswoman for the Environmental Protection Agency.

Clicking on the home page link "Explore Products" sends users to a list of items, including appliances.

If you're looking for the most efficient clothes washer, for example, you can find links for calculating savings in dollars or determining the unit's "modified energy factor," which measures the energy used during the washing process, including machine energy, water heating energy and dryer energy. The higher the modified energy factor, the more efficient the washer.

Another link lists more than 200 Energy Star washers, including manufacturer, model number and the date the item was certified.

— Gary Dymski, Newsday

By Amy Scattergood
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — In revolutionary France, the newspaper *Le Monde* offered a reward for anyone who invented a method of preserving food for the hungry and impatient armies. If they were to offer a reward today for the person who figured out what to do with all those cans and bags the inventors came up with, Nancy Silverton would surely win it.

In her seventh cookbook, "A Twist of the Wrist: Quick Flavorful Meals With Ingredients From Jars, Cans, Bags and Boxes," Silverton offers a primer for people with little time but a large pantry.

It's a radical change of pace for Silverton, whose previous books were filled with recipes that required three-day-long dough risings or overnight resting time. But it's one that's more reflective of the pace of most people's lives — and maybe even Silverton's own. Between working the pizza station at Pizzeria Mozza most nights and getting ready to open Osteria Mozza this summer, restaurateur Silverton probably is finding her can opener pretty useful these days.

Silverton's smart cookbook contains page after page of mostly wonderful, often ingenious recipes. They're easy and fast — a must-lock in at about half an hour — and enormously compelling. But the book hinges on a kind of built-in Catch-22.

As California chefs have been saying for years, you're only as good as your ingredients. And that's especially true when they're in a can. Liberating dinner by depending upon the often-mysterious ingredients inside a container of prepared food can be a profound success, or an enormous disappointment.

Although Silverton provides a list of sources, advising the use of top-quality ingredients, both she and her readers are left ultimately at the mercy of what's inside all those cans, jars, boxes and bags.

In a discussion of "Twist Essentials" at the back of the book, she mentions preferred brands for some of the ingredients (Nisnes's bacon, Aunt Nellie's whole nut butter), but they're not always easy to find. Although you can shop for names you trust and check the labels for additives, most jars of fruit add sugar and most cans of beans come with salt. How much is actually inside and how it will affect the outcome of your dish is anyone's guess.

Find a delicious ready-made tapenade or can of perfectly cooked "gigante" beans, and your dish will translate perfectly from pantry to plate. But use a jar of anemic peas or a can of over-salted lentils and you'll wonder why you went to the trouble of dressing up the disappointing ingredients.

That said, many of Silverton's recipes are quite good, as in a quick spinach and canned lentil salad paired with pan-fried goat cheese, or a one-pan dish of Italian sausage and wilted radicchio that relies on a can of white beans and a jar of onions.



Nancy Silverton's book comes with a Catch-22. In her seventh cookbook, "A Twist of the Wrist: Quick Flavorful Meals With Ingredients From Jars, Cans, Bags and Boxes," Silverton offers a primer for people with little time but a very large pantry.

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Silverton's gift is in knowing just what to do with those beans or onions. Most of us probably have a jar of artichoke hearts lurking in our pantry; it takes someone with Silverton's terrific palate and imagination to know they will be wonderful atop crostini spread with fresh ricotta and accented with a currant and

toasted pine nut relish. A recipe for peppered balsamic vinegar ice cream with strawberries, which comes from Judy Adams of the Cambridge, Mass., restaurant Rialto — one of the guest chefs Silverton asked to contribute recipes — is brilliant for its flavor and its utter simplicity (although 10 minutes

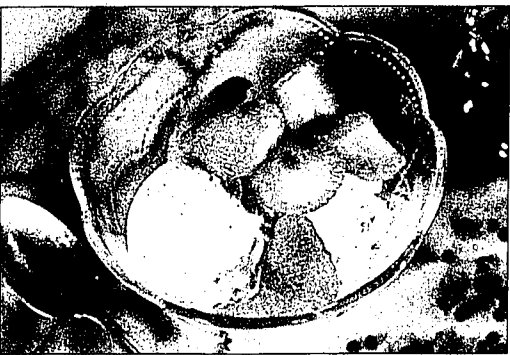
of mixing time is way too long). Just take a pint of high-quality vanilla ice cream and mix it in aged balsamic vinegar and freshly ground black pepper. Mix it, freeze and pair with the freshest sweet strawberries, gently macerated in some sugar. It's astonishingly simple, and the dessert is aromatic and beautifully nuanced — and it takes all of about five minutes (plus chilling/macerating time). The brilliance is in the conception but also in the fact that aged balsamic vinegars and high-quality ice creams are so readily available. (Silverton likes McConnell's and Graeter's; I used Haagen-Dazs to marvelous effect.)

Silverton's dishes can elevate packaged ingredients to surprising heights, but they're also susceptible to failure if those ingredients don't measure up.

A Tuscan bean soup with cabbage, prosciutto and Parmesan turned out far too salty. Silverton says not to rinse the beans, and those I used were pretty salty. The beans added too much salt to the 3 tablespoons called for in the recipe, which also calls for prosciutto and Parmesan, both salty in their own right.

Using canned beans, which Silverton rightly notes are often better in texture and flavor than many dried, is a glorious idea, but, again, the success of the dish is dangerously contingent on the contents of the can. When made with rinsed beans the bean liquid replaced by a little water, the recipe was phenomenal: smooth and rich, the creamy soup driven to a new level by the ingenious addition of fresh nappa cabbage.

Other recipes were hit-or-miss, again, depending on the packaged ingredients. A recipe for caramelized pears with mascarpone cream, brandy-brandy brown butter and biscuit was fantastic, made with one brand of



Peppered balsamic ice cream with fresh strawberries.

PEPPERED BALSAMIC ICE CREAM WITH FRESH STRAWBERRIES

Servings: 4

You will have leftover ice cream. Total time: 30 minutes, plus 45 minutes freezing time.

- 1 pint premium vanilla ice cream
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons aged balsamic vinegar, plus extra for drizzling
- 1 quart ripe strawberries
- 1/2 cup sugar

Scoop the ice cream out of the carton and into the bowl of a standing electric mixer, keeping the carton to refreeze the ice cream. Use the paddle attachment of the mixer to beat the ice cream for about 30 seconds to soften it, mixing slowly at first so the ice cream does not fly out of the bowl.

With the mixer on, add the freshly ground black pepper, then the balsamic vinegar in a thin, steady stream, taking care not to let it splatter. Continue to mix to incorporate the ingredients. (It's OK if the vinegar appears slightly streaky in the ice cream.)

Spoon the ice cream back into the carton and return it to the freezer for 45 minutes to 1 hour to refreeze it.

About 20 minutes before serving, remove the stems and hulls from the strawberries and cut them in half. Toss the berries in a bowl with the sugar and set them aside until the sugar dissolves, about 15 minutes.

Scoop one or two scoops of ice cream into each of four small dessert dishes. Divide the berries evenly among the servings and drizzle each serving with balsamic vinegar. Serve immediately.

NUTRITION — Each serving of one-half cup ice cream with strawberries: 368 calories; 4 grams protein; 55 grams carbohydrates; 3 grams fiber; 15 grams fat; 10 grams saturated fat; 65 mg cholesterol; 53 mg sodium.

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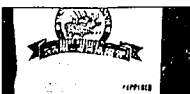
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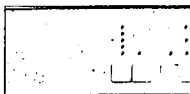
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Landscaping with trees saves energy

DEAR JIM: We are planning to landscape our new house. We like a wooded yard for cooling shade and also the idea of helping to reduce greenhouse gases. Where do we locate the trees and which are best?

—Mark G.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dulley

Dear Mark: Wise landscaping can do more than just create a pretty yard. It can also lower your utility bills, summer and winter, and improve your family's comfort year-round. Trees, being one of the key components of any residential landscaping design, can have the greatest impact. You mentioned greenhouse gases which come from burning fossil fuels. By having to run your air-condition less because your house is shaded with trees during summer, less coal, oil or gas has to be used to generate electricity. Also, the evaporation of moisture from the tree leaves actually cools the air around your home — similar to how perspiration cools your skin.

By taking advantage of passive solar heating during winter, with the proper placement and selection of trees, less natural gas, oil or electricity is

which prefer a climate more than one or two zones outside your range, they may not do well and require excessive care.

In an average temperate climate, a typical efficient tree-landscaping plan has deciduous trees to the south, southeast and southwest. The leaves block the sun during summer, but when the leaves fall during winter, the sun shines through to heat your home. Leave a small gap to the southwest allowing cooler evening breezes to reach your home.

Plant dense evergreens along the north, northeast and northwest sides. These block the cold winter winds. With the shorter days and the sun being lower in the sky during winter, not much solar heat comes from these directions.

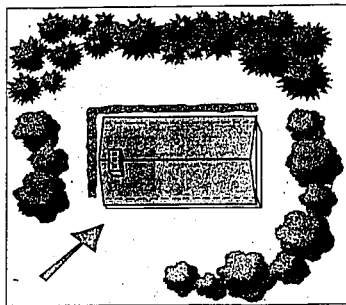
In hot, humid climates, shading during summer is most important. Tall trees should be planted closer to your home to block the sun which is higher in the sky. Leaving a gap for breezes is not as important. Avoid planting too many low heavy foliage plants near the house because they may increase the humidity level.

Landscaping for hot, dry climates is somewhat similar, except it is good to plant near your home. With the dry air, this creates evaporative cooling from the leaves.

DEAR JIM: I need to install some type of sump pump backup system for when the power goes off. We seem to lose electric power often when there are severe thunderstorms. Is a battery or water pressure system best? —Richard S.

Dear Richard: Your problem is common. The worst rain storms are when you need the sump pump the most and then the electricity goes off. A battery backup system is most reliable because it is not dependent upon anything external from your home. In order to keep batteries charged, connect them to a solar panel. This uses the sun's energy to charge them for free. The best systems automatically switch to trickle charge when the batteries are charged.

Send inquiries to James Dulley, 6906 Boyalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.



Typical efficient tree landscaping plan for a temperate climate with concerns for summer cooling plus winter heating. Notice the evergreen windbreak to the north and northwest sides.

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Small home changes can have a big impact

By Shawna Vanness Newsday

NIHILILLE, N.Y. — Lighting, hardware, vases, pillows ... they're often just the chorus line in the grand production of a room's decor, but sometimes the details can steal the show. All it takes, interior designers say, is a single piece with a distinguishable texture, color or aura. Here are a few ideas:

Contemporary chandeliers: Elaborate crystal chandeliers have long been the staple sparkling centerpiece of dining rooms, foyers and living areas. While beautiful, they're not necessarily works of art, says Jennifer Mabley and Austen Handler, who own

Mabley Handler Interior Design in Water Mill. Modern chandeliers are being crafted in abstract shapes with silk drum shades. The colors can be dramatic, the styles whimsical. "It creates a focal point instead of a light source," says Mabley. And a memorable one, too.

Faux stone ... Inside: People who favor transitional decorating — pairing traditional furnishings with contemporary accessories — are looking for updated ways to create texture. Some, Handler says, are finding creative uses for cultured faux stone panels designed to mimic river rock or fieldstone. When the veneer-weight panels are used

around a fireplace or as a backdrop along a long wall, "they almost look like a Frank Lloyd Wright house," says Handler.

Exotic accents: Indian-inspired fabrics and glassware accessories are being paired with monochromatic furniture to create a space that feels global, unique and contemporary, Mabley says. Vibrant, jewel-toned fabrics with Moroccan embroidery are showing up in bedding, draperies and pillows. Area rugs with similar patterns, such as Madeline Weinrib's collection at ABC Carpet & Home, can create visual interest in even the most traditional, sophisticated rooms.

Boutique luxuries: Some homeowners are detailing their kitchens with oversized brick pizza ovens or built-in coffee stations, says Peter Collins, a kitchen and bath designer for Alure Home Improvements in East Meadow. Hand-painted mosaic murals — often commissioned from local artists — are a creative way to liven any space. In the bathroom, "luxury shower treatments are taking the piece of whirlpool tubs," Collins says. The newest models feature multiple heads with an array of water sensations. Some, such as Kohler's WaterTile, are extra-stim to free up valuable shower space.

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When customers approach Early Morning Elk Ranch's booth at the Twin Falls Farmers' Market, a few think the idea of eating elk is a little outting.

"Some people are under the misguiding perception that elk meat is wild and gamey," said Molly Rea, owner of the farm. "Since ours are all farm raised and we control what they eat, that's not an issue."

She compares the flavor to venison, but with a sweetness. And, she said, it's very healthy.

"There's no hormones, antibiotics, or steroids in it at all. It's very heart-healthy, very low fat," she said. "A lot of people with heart disease and health concerns do like the elk meat because of the low cholesterol aspect of that meat, compared to beef."

Her most popular cuts are hamburger — which is 100 percent elk, no fillers — and steaks, from ribeye to New York to round. Dried elk jerky, with no preservatives, is also popular, although Rea buys it from a fellow elk rancher rather than make it herself. She reassures her customers that the jerky is made to Early Morning's high standards.

Rea's tip to customers? Don't cook the elk meat as long as you would cook beef. Because it's low in fat, the meat will dry out more quickly and become tough if cooked too long. She recommends trying elk meat by starting with the hamburger. At \$5 a pound, it's an inexpensive way to see if the taste appeals.

— Ariel Hansen



Early Morning Elk Ranch meats range from \$5 a pound for hamburger to \$21.95 for a whole tenderloin (2 to 3 pounds). Although more expensive than beef, ranch owner Molly Rea says customers are willing to pay a premium for the low-fat, low-cholesterol meat.

For the prices of all cuts of elk meat sold by Early Morning Elk Ranch, visit www.earlymorningelk.com.

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The Reas also sell their elk products at Twin Falls Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, on North College Road, north of the College of Southern Idaho.

This feature will appear weekly in Food & Home this summer. To nominate an individual who produces food in Magic Valley for sale to local consumers, send an e-mail to ariel.hansen@tee.net with "Local foods" in the subject line. Or call 735-3376.

Here's the secret to good fried rice

By Julie Rothman
Special to The Baltimore Sun

Melissa Robinson of Hastings, Fla., was trying to find a good recipe for Shrimp Fried Rice. Paula Baranowski sent in a favorite recipe. She says the secret to good fried rice is to cook the rice ahead of time and allow it to cool completely.

I tested her recipe using cooked and cooled basmati rice and medium shrimp. Pork, beef or chicken could easily be substituted for the shrimp, depending on what you have on hand.

If you cook the rice ahead of time, this dish makes a terrific weeknight supper that can be made in under 30 minutes.

SHRIMP FRIED RICE

Serves 4 as a main dish.

- 4 cups cooked rice (do not use instant rice)
- 2 eggs
- 1 to 2 pounds peeled raw shrimp
- 6 tablespoons vegetable or peanut oil (divided use)
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 1/2 cup diced onion
- 1 cup diced carrots, partially cooked in the microwave
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon (or more to taste) finely diced ginger root
- 1 cup frozen peas
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup diced green onions

Cook rice and allow to cool. Scramble eggs in a nonstick pan; mix in with the cooled rice.

If using large shrimp, cut in half. Heat 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil in wok or large deep

skillet. Cook shrimp on medium-high heat in small batches for 2 to 3 minutes until pink. Add a little more oil if needed. Set shrimp aside.

Reduce the heat to medium. Add another tablespoon of vegetable oil and the sesame oil and cook the onion, carrots, garlic and ginger root until the onion is translucent. Add the peas and continue to cook a few more minutes. Add remaining oil, rice and salt and pepper to taste; mix well and heat through. Add cooked shrimp and green onions and cook 1 or 2 minutes more.

LOCAL FOODS

No need to wait to boil eggs

By Robert L. Wolfe
Special to The Washington Post

Q: This summer I bought a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) share in which, in exchange for a modest annual fee, members receive fresh organic fruits and vegetables once a week from a local farm. A few weeks ago, I also received a dozen eggs — so fresh, according to the accompanying newsletter, that they couldn't be hard-boiled for days. Why does freshness have anything to do with how they may be cooked?

A: It doesn't, really. You can cook them at any time from the moment they leave the hen.

In very fresh eggs, the albumen (egg white) is thick tightly to that thin membrane just inside the shell. After you hard-cook such an egg, it may be difficult to peel away the shell without removing chunks of adhering white, leaving your egg as cratered as the surface of the moon.

As the egg ages and the albumen becomes more alkaline when carbon dioxide gas is lost through the porous shell, the white's grip on the membrane loosens and peeling becomes easier. Also, albumen coagu-

lates more readily at higher alkalinities, so fresh eggs may take a little longer to cook.

But don't let those minor inconveniences stop you. There's no flavor like that of a freshly laid egg, so eat 'em without delay.



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Laundry rooms aren't just for clothes anymore

By Shawna Vanless
Newsday

MEVILLE, N.Y. — It's not that Christopher Dub's actually likes doing laundry. But now that it can be accomplished in a wide-open, perfectly functional room that doubles as a play area for his son, the old family chore is hardly what it used to be.

"Being a single father, I realized I spent a lot of time with my child and in the laundry room," says Dub's, an architectural designer who lives in Amagansett. So this winter, he transformed his built-in garage-into-an-all-in-one space to work, play and relax with his 5-year-old son, Chase.

To relieve the backache in folding and ironing, there's a built-in counter-top over a new pair of front-loading machines. For organizing tools, cleaning supplies, light bulbs and pet accessories, there are space-saving, built-in cabinets. To keep toys and playthings in their place, a pair of built-in bookcases flank a bay window with bench seating.

When it's laundry time, Dub's sets out art supplies for Chase on the low wood coffee table or pulls a stool up to

the counter so they can work together.

"You try to fit all these things in your life and still spend quality time with your kids," says Dub's, 44, whose laundry room upgrade cost about \$30,000. "Now, I can multitask with him."

Big, beautiful laundry rooms are cropping up in homes across the country.

"We're seeing a huge amount of renovations," says Rita Williams, a Jacksonville, Fla.-based expert in national housing design trends. "We all have laundry and we all have to deal with it."

Washers and dryers slowly began migrating north from the basement to the first or second floors in the mid-1990s, says Pam Rogers, director of Whirlpool brand laundry machines. The trend escalated as more people realized the convenience of not having to carry load after load up and down multiple flights of stairs.

Smaller, stackable machines were hidden in closets off master bedrooms and bathrooms, or traditional side-by-side machines were tucked into ground-floor utility areas.

After Whirlpool's first pair of energy-efficient front-loaders, Duet, debuted in 2001, washers and dryers were suddenly

thrust into plain sight, out of the crowded mudrooms and dark basements, Rogers says.

"People want them to look nice," Rogers says, because they're in high-traffic areas of the house. Consumer demand for quieter machines and complementary storage solutions soon followed.

Now, Williams says, oversized laundry rooms are practically standard fare in new-home construction. Some are designed as all-in-one spaces for crafting, bill-paying and children's activities. Such was the case at the 2006 Hamptons Cottages and Gardens Idea House in Water Mill, which featured a lower-level laundry room complete with a gift-wrapping station, potting bench, a built-in ironing cupboard and a flat-screen TV.

"Whatever your need is, you can make this room work for you," says Susanne Kelley of Hampton Design Kitchens Baths, the company that teamed up this room and sold Dub's cabinets for his, too.

She's seen laundry rooms with built-in dog washing stalls, computer workstations, recycling centers and extensive linen storage.

"People are trying to

accommodate their needs," says Tandi Puccio, an interior decorator with LRS Design in Huntington who helped the Waxes with their renovation. She says some Long Islanders are starting to incorporate multiple laundry areas in their home, especially if they have children.

That's what Joe and Kim Willen did last year — though purely by accident.

Their Northport home had a first-floor laundry area off the family room, but Kim says it was too small for sorting and folding. While the space was being enlarged and remodeled to add a sink, storage cabinets and a counter-top set over a pair of new front-loaders, the Willens set up a temporary laundry space in the basement with their original machines, and it stuck.

"We just decided to keep them down there," says Kim Willen, 43, who has three daughters, Rachel, 13, Hannah, 11, and Grace, 6. It's become a handy place to wash excess loads of post-vacation laundry and piles of beach towels in the summer.

Upstairs, the laundry room doubles as an overflow storage area for kitchen platters

and keeps cleaning supplies handy, yet out of sight.

Homeowners considering a laundry-room makeover should draft a list of all the things they'd like to be able to do in the space, says Puccio.

"You want to design it in a fashion so that it's an appealing and pleasant place to be in," she says.

As for storage, Rogers says consumer demand has prompted Whirlpool to launch a new line of accessory towers, pedestals and work surfaces designed to streamline the routine.

In the end, the effort will have a significant payoff. "The task doesn't become as tedious," Puccio says.

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Something old, something new

By Carolyn Pearce
The Baltimore Sun

The furniture she inherited from her in-laws was classic, antique and dark, heavy wood — not at all her style. But Hope Chubb of Chevy Chase, Md., treasured those pieces and wanted a way to make them her own.

"We didn't want to discard the furniture, but the heavy, dark wood just didn't feel like it went with the house," she says. Her solution was a popular design scheme that pulls together pieces of different styles and prices into an eclectic space with personality.

The design trend is a great way of breaking free from one confining theme. By mixing old with new and high-end with low-end, homeowners can build on what they already have, says Heather Jackson, assistant editor of Home & Design magazine.

There's a lot of different design styles, but people are more comfortable with mixing because they aren't committing to one particular design trend and they can use their own things," Jackson says.

Gleicher used several tricks to incorporate the antiques into her personal style. She gave a dark antique dresser a simple paint job to modernize its look.

When accessorizing the space, Gleicher was thrifty and creative. To balance the heavy high-end furniture, she bought wrought-iron pieces from a garden store, which were less expensive and more playful.

By combining pieces that normally wouldn't go together, Gleicher gave her home a

design that was trendy but personal.

But figuring out how to combine Grandma's china cabinet with your contemporary dining table isn't always easy. No design dossier mentions it. "Put it off" is the diverse design is a balancing act," says Debbie Wiener, an interior decorator for Designing Solutions in Silver Spring, Md.

Decorating anxieties may keep you from trying something new and getting it right, so Wiener offers several tips for the do-it-yourself decorator:

- Examine your lifestyle: When pulling together an eclectic space, make sure the furniture fits you. It makes no sense to keep an heirloom if it doesn't fit in your home or your lifestyle, Wiener says. If you're on the go a lot and don't have time for regular cleaning, choose fabrics and furniture that are low-maintenance. Avoid delicate silks or pieces that show dust and dirt. The room has to be functional.
- Match your personality:

Your home should fit your taste, Wiener says. Nothing's worse than seeing a home with three kids, two dogs and a cat running past ornate, carved analogies baseboards, she says. For the busy family, keep it casual but refined with classics like old Shaker or American Country pieces. If you're looking for trendy, one-of-a-kind pieces, custom furniture might be your splurge.

Color: Open your closet and take inspiration from the colors you see in your wardrobe, Wiener recommends. Ask yourself, are you a hot or cold person? Do you like open, airy spaces or warm and cozy rooms? Incorporating the colors you are naturally drawn to will give your home a personal touch. It's not about matching colors, just finding what is right for you, she says.

If you have a warden country-style table, add a pop of color with a contemporary rug.

- Size: There is no point in putting an oversized sofa with big, rolling arms in a small

space with no room for a chair or side table, Wiener says. The furniture has to fit the space for practicality and balance.

- Accessorize with passion: To heck with fashion or what is in all the magazines, Wiener says. Accessorize with whatever is meaningful to you. She recommends old baseball cards, your kids' artwork or souvenirs from your favorite trip. Don't fill the walls with art you don't love; instead give the room character with sentimental touches.



BOOTS, CHAPS & COWBOY HATS ...NOTHIN' ELSE MATTERS!

The Twin Falls Western Days parade will be held June 2, 2007.

This year's theme is "BOOTS, CHAPS & COWBOY HATS...NOTHIN' ELSE MATTERS!"

- All entries must be pre-registered. Your entry must be postmarked by no later than May 30, 2007. We will accept no entries after this date, there will be no exceptions.
- When you arrive that morning, please come to the sign-up table which will be located on the corner of Falls and Frontier, (lawn of Fire Station) to pick up your entry number. All entries must be in place and decorated by 8:30a.m. The parade will start promptly at 10:00a.m.

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Pantry

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 canned pears and bag of biscotti, but it disappeared almost made with others. It was easy to trade the tasteless biscotti I got at one store for a better brand from another. But the pears from one can were anemic in flavor and didn't caramelize well, as their syrup turned out to be particularly watery and diluted the juices in the pan. Another can of pears, with a higher sugar content, caramelized much better and thus completely changed the character of the dish.

(This prompts the question: Did whoever tested these recipes use only

Silverton's preferred ingredients, ignoring what real-world home cooks would find at the supermarket, even a good one?)

A chicken salad made from a whole roast chicken, purchased at Pollo a la Brasa, a takeout place Silverton likes, where the birds are roasted over a wood fire, was brilliant. Shredded and mixed with a chipotle mayonnaise made from a jar of Best Food's mayo, canned chipotle peppers in adobo and a generous amount of fresh cilantro and garlic, the salad was spooned atop a bed of watercress.

It's a blissful marriage of

fresh ingredients and pre-made, and one emblematic of how fantastic Silverton's recipes can be when the prepared foods measure up to her vision. But most readers don't live near Pollo a la Brasa, so how is the recipe made from a roast chicken from a supermarket? Not nearly as good.

And some recipes needed more than the right jars: The picture on the cover photo — "pappardelle" with "bagna cauda," radicchio and olive-oil fried egg — was saddled with far too much butter and oil. The bagna cauda component (Silverton writes that only one, from Ritrovo, is

an OK substitute for the real thing) calls for one-quarter cup of olive oil and a whole stick of butter for a dish that serves four, and the fat overwhelms it.

Still, there are enough winners to make the book a boon for time-challenged cooks — and anyone with a secret siege mentality.

A dish of Italian sausage, canned white beans, jarred onions and radicchio was easy, rustic and wonderfully flavorful. Made all in one pan, the tart bite of the wilted radicchio provided a terrific backdrop for the spicy sausage and the creamy canned beans. And the

onions, once caramelized, were a zippy, unexpected pleasure — all the more enjoyable because they didn't have to be peeled first but emerged precooked from a jar.

Silverton's guest chefs bring a fun element too, making her point anew that all of us need shortcuts in the kitchen — even luminaries such as Gourmet editor Ruth Reichl (a blueberry pie made from frozen berries and a premade crust) and Seattle star chef Tom Douglas (a stir-fry using

a bag of frozen pot stickers). If, however, you're the kind of person who haunts the aisles of specialty food stores, lust after jars of piquillo peppers or tins of anchovies, this book was written for you. Buy and taste, then stock up on the brands you like. It's easy to do this too online, with Web sites such as www.kalistvans.com and make the most of Silverton's book. And unlike the French soldiers, you won't need a bayonet to open the cans.

RECIPES FROM SILVERTON

ITALIAN SAUSAGE WITH GIANT WHITE BEANS, RADICCHIO AND ROASTED ONIONS

Servings: 4

When buying the jarred onions, be careful not to buy cocktail onions, onions packed in vinegar or pickled onions. Choose onions packed primarily in water. Cannellini beans may be substituted for giant white beans. Total time: About 45 minutes.

- 1/4 cup olive oil, plus extra as needed
- 4 sweet or spicy Italian pork sausages (preferably flavored with fennel; about 3/4 pound)
- 16 large whole radicchio leaves
- 16 small jarred onions, quartered (about 1 cup)
- 2 large garlic cloves, grated or minced
- Kosher salt
- 2 (15-ounce) cans giant white beans, rinsed and drained (about 3 cups)
- 1 cup vegetable or chicken broth
- 1 heaping tablespoon finely chopped fresh oregano leaves
- High-quality olive oil, for drizzling

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat for 2 to 3 minutes, until the oil is almost smoking (you will begin to smell the oil at that point). Reduce the heat to medium, add the sausages and cook, turning them often for even browning, for about 7 minutes, until they're golden all over but not cooked through. Move the sausages to the side of the skillet to continue to cook while you sear the radicchio.

Put a couple of radicchio leaves in the skillet in a single layer and cook them for about 45 seconds on each side, until they're seared and wilted slightly. Remove the remaining leaves in the same way,

adding a bit more oil to the pan if it's dry. While you sear the radicchio leaves, continue to cook and turn the sausages for 10 more minutes, until they're cooked through, and transfer them to a plate when they're done.

Add a bit more olive oil if necessary to coat the skillet. Add the onions, garlic and a pinch of kosher salt and saute for about 1 1/2 minutes, until the onions are soft and the garlic is soft and fragrant, stirring constantly so the garlic doesn't brown.

Reduce the heat to medium, add the beans and broth, and simmer them until the liquid is reduced by half, about 5 minutes. Stir in the oregano and season with kosher salt.

Arrange four radicchio leaves in a clove pattern on each of four plates. Spoon the beans over the radicchio, dividing them evenly, and drizzle them with the sauce left in the skillet.

Cut the sausages in half at an angle and place the two pieces of each sausage side by side on each plate. Drizzle the sausage and beans with the high-quality olive oil.

NUTRITION — Each serving: 528 calories; 22 grams protein; 53 grams carbohydrates; 11 grams fiber; 27 grams fat; 6 grams saturated fat; 25 mg cholesterol; 1,518 mg sodium.

CHICKEN SALAD WITH CHIPOTLE MAYONNAISE, AVOCADO AND WATERCRESS

Servings: 4

Whole roast chicken can be purchased at most major supermarkets. Cookbook author Silverton suggests using Best Foods or Hellmann's mayonnaise. To save the chipotle peppers, dump the entire can, including adobo sauce, into a blender.

Chipotle mayonnaise

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons fresh tomato juice
- 4 large garlic cloves, grated or minced (about 1 tablespoon)
- 1 1/2 teaspoons pureed chipotle peppers in adobo
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt

Stir the mayonnaise, cilantro, olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, chipotle peppers and kosher salt together in a small bowl. Season with more lemon juice, chipotle peppers, garlic or salt to taste.

Chicken salad

- 1 (1- to 1 1/2-pound) roast chicken, meat shredded and skin and bones discarded (3 to 4 cups)
- 1 cup chipotle mayonnaise
- 10 cups loosely packed watercress or pepper cress, roots trimmed and discarded
- Sea salt
- 1 ripe Hass avocado
- 4 lemon-infused olive oil (or high-quality extra virgin olive oil combined with a pinch of fresh

- grated lemon zest), for drizzling
- 1 lime, for squeezing over the avocado
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 4 long cilantro sprigs, for garnish

Place the shredded chicken in a large bowl. Add three-fourths cup of the mayonnaise and toss to coat. Add more mayonnaise if necessary to coat the chicken thoroughly.

Divide the watercress evenly among 4 plates and sprinkle each with a pinch of sea salt. Mound the chicken salad on top of the watercress.

Halve the avocado, remove the pit, and cut each half crosswise into quarters. Remove and discard the peel and place one quarter on top of each mound of chicken.

Drizzle lemon-infused oil and squeeze a few drops of lime juice over each avocado. Sprinkle each with a pinch of sea salt and freshly ground black pepper, and top each salad with a sprig of fresh cilantro. Serve immediately.

NUTRITION — Each serving: 537 calories; 34 grams protein; 7 grams carbohydrates; 3 grams fiber; 42 grams fat; 6 grams saturated fat; 108 mg cholesterol; 1,066 mg sodium.

Gloves not necessary when cutting hot peppers

By Robert L. Wolke
 Special to The Washington Post

Q Can you guide me as to whether I need latex gloves to slice and dice hot peppers? Emeril does not use them, but Jacques Pepin says his hands are calloused from burns.

A Pain is undoubtedly referring to heat burns, not pepper burns. The "burning" sensation in our mouths from hot chili peppers is caused by a family of closely related chemicals called capsaicinoids, or more simply, capsaicin. Capsaicin irritates the same nerves that transmit heat messages from the mouth and tongue to the brain, and the brain is fooled into thinking

"Hot!" It may even order up defenses against real heat, such as sweating.

Capsaicin irritates our mucous membranes — the linings of all our externally accessible body cavities, including the breathing path to the lungs and both ends of the digestive tract. Our outer skin is much less susceptible to capsaicin irritation, although some over-the-counter liniments for sore muscles are based on capsaicin's ability to inflame the skin, thereby stimulating blood flow, at least at the surface.

Hot peppers will not hurt intact skin, but they may sting any cuts on your hands. The only other hazard is that you

may touch your eyes or nose with a capsaicin-tainted hand — or a capsaicin-tainted glove, for that matter. Capsaicin is oily and persistent, and only a thorough washing with soap and hot water will remove pepper oil from your hands.

If Emeril's eyes ever tear after he handles hot peppers, you can bet he cries out camera.

Robert L. Wolke (www.robertwolke.com) is professor emeritus of chemistry at the University of Pittsburgh.

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FOOD & HOME

Trying on a cooler vibe

By Terri Sapienza
The Washington Post

Is Urban Outfitters growing up? This spring, the Philadelphia-based chain, known for its retro-bohemian clothing and home furnishings designed with dorm dwellers in mind (think "Frankie Says Relax" T-shirts and garden gnome lamps), introduced furniture and accessories that resemble pieces from its more adult (and pricier) sister store, Anthropologie.

Upholstered velvet headboard (starting at \$270), pillow-top settees (\$550), over-size vinyl chairs (\$200), floral-flocked lampshades (\$20) and small-scale fainting sofas (\$550), in colors and prints that go way beyond beige, are fresh and fun and have the just-graduated-from-college shapper — and puckerbook — in mind.

No matter the demographic, Christine Doobinin, senior home buyer for the company, wrote in an e-mail that "we will continue to offer furniture with a unique point of view."

The new items are available in stores and online, with more styles offered online. Swatches for most upholstered pieces can be viewed available through the Web site, www.urbanoutfitters.com.

Energy

Continued from page 61 devices, including appliances, are subject to frequent change."

According to Smart Money, Energy Star's testing of refrigerators is extremely thorough. That's good news, because refrigerators are among the largest household users of energy. But the magazine piece criticized the testing of air-conditioning systems, among other appliances. According to the article, the AC test isn't tough enough because it simply measures energy used during cooling a room from 80 degrees to 75 degrees. Only 20 percent of the units tested met the standard. And the article states that testing in a humid environment, such as Florida, would deliver different results than testing in a desert environment, such as Arizona. (Most of the energy used by an air conditioner goes to dehumidification.)

Vargas says that a single humidity level is a testing requirement established by federal guidelines. She says the Department of Energy is aware of the issue and could make adjustments. "Energy Star is a voluntary program that keeps pace with the marketplace," Vargas says. "New testing protocols are always being implemented and specifications for different products are always going into effect."

For example, 85 percent of dishwashers and 98 percent of desktop computers were awarded Energy Star certification last year, an issue with Smart Money. Originally, only the top 25 percent of products in one classification were supposed to receive the Energy Star label.

Vargas says that such criticism is unfair because as technology improves the standards are raised. "The new specifications for dishwashers were effective Jan. 1 of 2007," she says, and fewer units are likely

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— Maria Vargas, Energy Star program spokeswoman

to get the Energy Star label.

Consumers should be aware that as the standards are revised, older Energy Star products are not simply eliminated. Although manufacturers can't make products that fall below minimum standards, Energy Star products manufactured before the effective date of a new standard still can be sold.

EnergyStar.gov lists electronic devices and appliances that meet current and previous standards and also reports deadlines for selling labeled units under expired standards.

The article also stated that the testing is largely left up to the manufacturers. Vargas says verification by Energy Star is a process that is taken very seriously. While manufacturers do

test their own products and submit results to the program, random testing is done "all the time," she says.

Vargas says one procedure, called "mystery shopping," allows an unidentified representative of Energy Star to purchase an item at random; it's then tested by the program. Vargas suggests the best policing, however, is done by rival manufacturers. "Believe me, if there is a product in the marketplace that should not be Energy Star-rated, a competing manufacturer lets us know at lightning speed," she says. "The policing by the competition is amazing."

Smart Money said its investigation found "outdated testing" and "tax enforcement." The

magazine also said an Energy Star label may amount to "little more than a marketing gimmick." For instance, the story said one retailer, a Best Buy store in Manhattan, was selling clothes dryers with Energy Star labels. Because virtually all clothes dryers use about the same amount of energy, Energy Star does not rate them.

Vargas said the store was a new partner and that the situation was quickly corrected. "We don't tolerate product mislabeling," she says. "We can't be in every retail store every minute of the day, but we see very little misuse of labels."

One reason is that more than 30 states and 450 utility companies have adopted Energy Star as a platform. The testing and "poling" are not perfect, Vargas says, but they are consistent and thorough. Plus, the inclusion of state and federal agencies as partners with retailers should provide consumers a solid measure of confidence.

Book examines modular homes

By Gary Dymshi
Newsday

Americans build about 40,000 modular homes a year. Imagine if new home buyers and builders realized all the advantages of building a home in a factory setting. No exposure to the elements. No work days lost to bad weather. The ability for more precise measurements.

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- 9:30 AM - 11 AM 3 on 3 Basketball @ High School
- 10 AM - 10 PM Vendors & Carnival
- 11 AM PARADE
- 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM Parade Winners Presentation
- 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM Old Time Fiddlers
- 2:30 - 3:00 PM Hagerman Dancing - Starz
- 3 PM Fish Scramble - 12 & under
- 6 PM - 10 PM Third Take - Classic Rock
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May 26 & 27 Fossil Days

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- June 30 Airport Open House & Fly in breakfast

June 30 Gooding Fireman's BBQ

Wendell

- June 16 Wendell Dairy Days Celebration (parade, vendors, demonstrations, family fun)

July Community Events

Gooding

- July 4 City of Gooding picnic
- July 15 Basque Picnic (music, food, vendors, family fun)

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Gooding

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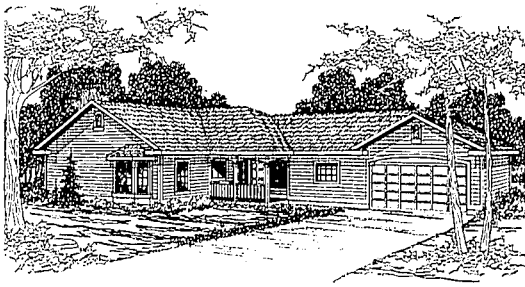
Ranch-style Corinth has wide open spaces

The Corinth's rambling array of comfortable gathering spaces offers plenty of room for family and friends to congregate or spread out. Its single level floor plan is easily adaptable for wheelchair accessibility.

You enter this contemporary ranch-style home by passing through a charming raised porch, large enough to accommodate a couple pieces of wicker furniture. Inside, a wide coat closet fills the wall opposite the door, and a shelved display niche angles toward the dining room and kitchen.

Great room and dining room flow together, in a large, naturally bright space. Wide sliding glass doors in the dining area offer access to a partially covered patio at the rear. Windows flank another set of sliders on the side, which open onto a portion of the patio that wraps around the left rear corner. Slender windows fill most of the wall on both sides of the gas fireplace as well.

A pocket door slides open to link the kitchen and great room, or closed, to provide



separation. The kitchen, in turn, is completely open to a sunny nook expanded by a bay window. Potted plants thrive in the light that spills in here, and family members find it an uplifting environment for beginning their days. An eating bar rims one side of the cook top peninsula.

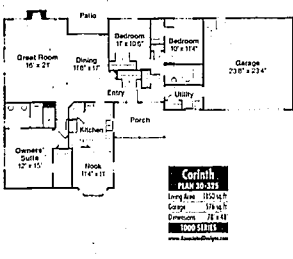
The owners' suite is well sound-buffered from the hustle and bustle of the gathering

spaces, and well isolated from the Corinth's secondary bedrooms. In addition to its large walk-in closet, it has a private, two-section bathroom with a dual vanity and oversized shower. Two more bedrooms at the opposite end of the house are next to a pass-through utility room that links with the two-car garage.

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Waist not, want not

By Janet K. Keeler
St. Petersburg Times

Okay, you've heard the bad news. Again.

Many Americans are overweight, in part, because we eat King Kong portions of restaurant food due to the fact we are either (1) too busy to cook, or (2) don't know how. The federal government, which wants us to keep working hard and refuses to ferry our kids to soccer practice, may soon ask restaurants to serve us smaller portions in an effort to make us look more like Kate Moss than Kate Smith.

Restaurants serve large portions because it's inexpensive to do so and customers feel like they're getting good value for their money. All good for business, but apparently not for our figures.

Before our diets become more legislated than they already are, consider these tips to make restaurant dining more healthful from Georgia State University nutritionist Chris Rosenbloom, who writes a column for the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*.

On the side

Unless you're having a Caesar salad, most restaurants these days serve dressing on the side. Ask when you order. Choose vinaigrettes over creamy dressings, and when you get the dressing on the side, use it sparingly. It doesn't do much good if you dump it all on your salad.

Think small plates

Order an appetizer as your main course or split an entree and a salad with your dining companion. Consider a cup of broth-based soup to take the edge off your hunger. Resist multiple trips to the bread basket (and never ask for a refill).

No fried food

When you have a choice, select grilled, broiled or baked chicken or fish instead of fried. No matter what type of oil is used, it's all 14 grams of fat per tablespoon.

Ask questions

Don't be shy about asking how food is prepared. Even a grilled piece of fish or beef is often draped with butter to add flavor or make it glisten. Ask for food to be grilled "dry."

Plan on leftovers

To make portions more manageable, ask for a to-go container to be brought with the meal. Put some of the meal, half if you are feeling strong, in the container before you begin to eat. Lunch for the next day.

Choose wisely

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To create a healthy vegetable or flower garden year after year, you need soil that's full of organic matter. While this type of soil is hard to come by naturally, the Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss Association (CSPMA) advises that there are a few things you can do each year to improve your soil's condition.

- 1. First analyze your soil's texture.** If it runs through your fingers, it's too sandy, which will allow water and nutrients to drain off too quickly. If the soil is thick, lumpy and clinging, you probably have a high clay content. Plant roots will have a hard time penetrating this and may starve from lack of air and water. You can give your garden a fighting chance by improving the texture of the soil.
- 2. Next dig an inch of organic material such as peat moss, along with some compost, into the top six inches of your garden soil** in the spring before planting, and again in the fall after harvesting. Peat moss has the unique ability to bind sandy soil and loosen clay soil. Its unique cell structure helps regulate moisture and air around plant roots, creating ideal growing conditions. The improved soil texture not only creates a healthy environment for all

of your plants, but also will make weeding less of a hassle.
3. Once your soil is in shape, it is time to choose the types of plants and vegetables you want to use. If you are an inexperienced gardener, you may want to consult your local extension agent or garden center on which varieties are best for the zone you live in.

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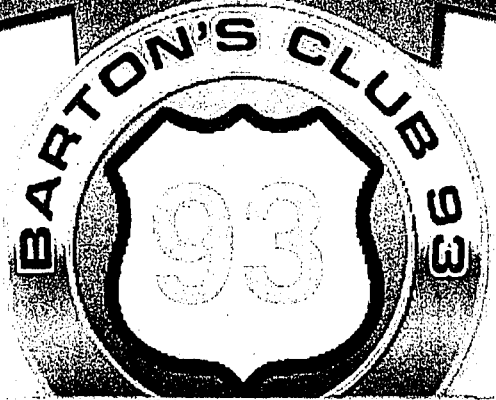
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High crimes and misdemeanors at the cemetery

I used to have an editor who was fascinated — obsessed would be a better word — with the phenomenon of folks stealing flowers from headstones on Memorial Day and presumably placing the pilfered posies on other graves at no cost whatever to themselves.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

He even threatened to send a reporter out to the cemetery to hide in the bushes and leap out when the writer witnessed illicit larceny.

No reporter ever volunteered to do so, but you must admit it's an intriguing idea to root out people who care enough to drive many miles to visit Aunt Martha's final resting place but can't bring themselves to spend \$4 for a potted chrysanthemum at Fred Meyer.

I have some knowledge of such light-fingered mourners because I come from a family of grave-visitors.

Grave-visiting has its origins in Utah — most of my forbears were Mormon — and involves going to the tombs of as many relatives as you possibly can on Memorial Day.

I always assumed that nostalgia for the departed was the reason, but I'm not sure that was the case in my family. My aunts, uncles and cousins would each take a sandwich and make a day of it.

At every stop — and we're talking about cemeteries dozens and sometimes hundreds of miles from home — the ritual was to swap stories about the person whose remains lay beneath the sod. And such tales didn't necessarily have to be complimentary.

I've heard yarns about relatives' horse thievery, drinking, philandering, land swindling, lamentable personal hygiene, dandruff and overall bad character, up to and including absconding with flowers from tombstones.

The latter crime was considered especially heinous — right up there with choosing a spouse who came with obnoxious in-laws.

The reason, my aunt explained to me, was that the first graveyards were planted in the desert because that's pretty much all you could find in Utah and Idaho. In the old days, headstones came with a metal vase attached.

Under the vase there was a reliquary in which the vase could be stowed, and then raised and turned right-side up when it was time to festoon the sepulcher with flowers that would survive.

There were no wells — much less irrigation systems — in those old graveyards. The only water was what you brought with you, and poured into the vase to keep the flowers alive.

It was pointless to leave flowers on crypts in any other fashion; they'd dry up and blow away within minutes. So most visitors to cemeteries left the blooms growing in their yards back home.

But when they'd arrive at the gravesites, the mourners would feel guilty about having no floral tributes to offer their dead relatives. They'd check to see that no one was watching, swipe the peonies off Mrs. Duncanson's gravestone

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Parents worried about alcohol use by Twin Falls High students

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Students at Twin Falls High School are becoming more tolerant of alcohol use on campus, according to a recent survey.

Now the question is: Who will do something about it before it's too late?

About 30 parents voiced their concerns Monday afternoon about the pervasiveness of drugs and alcohol at the high school. Several parents asked the district to do more to fight the growing problem, while others offered their support.

Principal Ben Allen said he welcomed the meeting as well as the support.

"It takes parents, staff and students to create a culture where this (substance abuse) is not acceptable," Allen said. "And based on our survey, the problem is that it's becoming more acceptable by students who do not normally participate in it."

"The high school conducted the survey as part of an eligibility requirement for grant money.

Sherry Molina, the district's coordinator of the Safe and Drug Free Schools program, said students are reluctant to speak out against alcohol and drug use on campus because they fear repercussions from other students.

And students are not the only people who are afraid to speak out.

Parents who attended the meeting on Monday asked not to be identified by the *Times-News* because they feared that their kids would be singled out in school.

"That's kind of the problem because we have parents and students who want something to be done, but nobody is willing to step up and do something," Molina said. "I think there is a lot of frustration and I understand that, but sometimes it's not very easy for schools to prove that a student is intoxicated."

She said the school can only require random drug testing of students who are involved in athletics or other school-sponsored activities. Federal law prohibits schools from testing students who do not participate in school activities unless a parent authorizes the drug test.

But confusion and disagreement also appear to be factors in the way the school district is approaching substance abuse.

Many parents are asking for a zero-tolerance policy on school campuses, while others say intervention programs would be more effective.

Even the types of drugs that are prevalent on school campuses are being debated.

Allen said that while alcohol use among students was increasing, other drugs appeared to be declining.

But Molina said that wasn't true because the use of drugs such as cocaine and painkillers also is rising.

However, everyone seemed to agree that somebody needs to do something.

Times-News writer Joshua Palmer can be reached at jpalmer@magicvalley.com or at (208) 420-0526.

Local law enforcement leadership honored

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County sheriff and Gooding city police chief have won the highest certificate awarded to peace officers in Idaho for ensuring their staffs receive proper training.



Tousley



Perry

Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousley and Gooding Police Chief Jeffery Perry recognized for their training efforts.

They were honored by the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training executive committee Monday morning in the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

Chief Jeffery Perry was presented his award May 7.

POST Director Jeff Black said Tousley is willing "to bet-

ter serve the citizens of Idaho by continuing his criminal justice education and training."

Tousley entered law enforcement in 1975 with the Bull Police Department, getting promoted to assistant police chief. In 1979, Tousley joined the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office, becoming a deputy, a jail administrator, chief of court security and was elected sheriff in 1992.

Of Perry, Black said, "He has strived to better serve the citizens of Gooding through continued training and education."

Perry, a decorated former Marine, entered the Wilder Police Department in 1993 and was selected to become police chief. In 2004, he was selected as the Gooding city police chief.

IT'S RAINING



Rain drops rest on a vehicle's windshield Tuesday during a short rain shower in Twin Falls.

Former cemetery board member sentenced

Times-News

BUIH — A 75-year-old veteran clerk and board member of the West End Cemetery District was sentenced for embezzling several thousand dollars from the cemetery over the past two years.

Colleen Brewer had already paid \$23,000 back to the cemetery district when she was sentenced at 1 p.m. Monday. The Twin Falls County Prosecutor did not argue for prison time, as promised through an earlier agreement with the defense. The judge sentenced Brewer to probation.

Brewer worked at least 25 years for the district.

Curtis Darrow, a fellow cemetery board member, said the amount Brewer took was closer to \$31,000.

City looks to create new zoning district for 'medium' lots

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If the housing boom appears to be stalled, planning for any potential building will hammer on.

Despite a growth rate that has generally subsided and an expected future city water shortage, the city of Twin Falls hopes to create a new residential zoning district to assist developers and make

planning purposes more efficient.

The Twin Falls City Council voted Monday to prepare measures for the city to create a medium-sized residential lot district, giving city staff the go-ahead to schedule a public hearing for an issue the council has expressed interest in for the past year.

Home developers generally work with five kinds of residential zones, but the minimum size in an R-1 variable

district is 8,000 square feet up to an acre.

Problems arise when developers want to build 10,000 or 12,500 square foot lots and don't want to deal with R-1 regulations, and instead choose R-2 zoning with minimum 6,000 square foot lots and simply plat larger plots.

"If doesn't, in my mind, get you truly medium sized lots," said Community Development Director Mitch Imluble.

Another proposal by the city to make single family districts for single families only, was met with mixed results.

Currently, duplexes can be built in R-2 districts and triplexes and fourplexes in R-4 districts, and city staff said it is not uncommon for new homeowners to find a vacant lot to be developed into more complex housing.

For most of us, our biggest investment in life is our home and (the city does often) see a rental property next door or

right across our street, and that is a problem with the single families that we have," Imluble told the council Monday.

But some council members, including Shawn Barigar and Glenda Dvight, said that proposal could hinder the "blending" of different kinds of housing and could create "chinks" in the same zones.

A public hearing is expected sometime within the next several months.

Judge Varin to be honored for service

Fee increases approved; city plans comment

Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County commissioners approved increases Monday to most zoning permit fees, citing a need to keep taxpayers' money from funding projects that are unlikely to reap benefits.

The county's planning and zoning departments last month proposed increases to 16 kinds of zoning permits for all properties, whether commercial or residential.

One of the longtime goals is to make the county zoning

department self-sufficient and less reliant on tax money, commissioners said. The last fee increase came in 2003.

The increases range from about 20 percent to more than 300 percent, primarily a reflection of a growing community. For example, rezoning applications currently cost \$35 and would rise to \$625 and \$50 per acre.

The proposed fees would still fall far short of the actual cost for processing the permit. A conditional-use permit, for example, will increase from \$250 to \$450, with an actual

cost of \$1,275. The difference is made up through general funds and building permit fees.

Building fees have generated \$242,000, while zoning fees generated \$32,000 this fiscal year through April, according to the county.

Twin Falls wants your vision of the future

Comprehensive plans are updated about every 10 years for planning and zoning purposes.

The meetings: Neighborhoods surrounding downtown: today at 6:30 p.m. at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Downtown: Thursday at 8 a.m. at Crowley's, 144 Main Ave.
Outlying areas: Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the library.
The city last month mailed 5,000 annual city service surveys — about 2,000 more than usual — to gather public comment.

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The public is invited to an open house honoring Camas County Magistrate Judge John Varin.

He will step down May 31 after more than 22 years of service. Jason Walker, Mindoka's prosecuting attorney since 2003, has been appointed to succeed him as Camas County's magistrate.

The event will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday at the Theron Ward Judicial Building.

OBITUARIES

Dollie M. Ferrenburg

JEROME — Dollie M. Ferrenburg, 83, of Jerome, passed away May 21, 2007, in Twin Falls.

She was born Oct. 19, 1923, in Royal Springs, Wyo., the daughter of Clarence Duvall and Katherine Duvall. She married Loyal Ferrenburg on Sept. 19, 1940, in Mountain Home, Idaho. They made their home in Nampa and settled in Jerome in 1948, where they raised six children. Dollie loved camping and fishing and she especially loved to embroider. She will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Dollie is survived by her children, Gary (Donna)

Ferrenburg of Kimberly, Linda (Pete) Stove of Buhl, Jack (Suzi) Ferrenburg of Fallon, Nev., Judy (Russell) Meyers of Salome, Ariz., Sam (Karen) Ferrenburg of Jerome and James (Alice) Ferrenburg of Hazelton. She is also survived by three sisters, Maxine, Iris and Marie; one brother, Albert; 24 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many extended family members and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sweetheart of 57 years, Loyal Ferrenburg; and five sisters.

A memorial graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, May 25, at the Jerome Cemetery, 306 W. Ave. 1 in Jerome. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83336.



Margery Josephine (Sprecker) Priest

JEROME — Margery Josephine (Sprecker) Priest, a citizen of Jerome for 43 years, passed away on May 21, 2007, at her home in Garden City, Idaho. She died at the age of 87.

"Margie" was the daughter of Robert Christian Sprecker and Charlotte Astoria (Heiser) Sprecker. She was born Oct. 20, 1919, in Elgin, Grant County, N.D. She was the third of 11 children. When she was 4, the family moved to Crookston, Minn., near their maternal grandparents in Lengby, Minn. She liked going to Grandma Heiser's home and watching her hamsters and the nice beds she had to sleep in.

When she was about 7, the family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho. At recess time, she liked to play jacks, marbles and jumping rope. She was left-handed, but in those days her teachers made her write with her right hand. Her older brother, Bob, shot rock chickens and rabbits, so they had quite a few of those to eat. They burned sagebrush in the stoves; it made a pretty good fire when she was 11 old, the family moved to Troy, Idaho. They had a timber ranch. She worked with her older brother, sister and father. They had crock saws, pop saws, buzz saws, axes, sledge hammers, wedges and cant hooks to work with. They also had horses to pull the logs. It was hard work, but Margie really liked it and remembered it as a good time in her life.

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John 'Jack' Marvin Holmes

KIMBERLY — John "Jack" Marvin Holmes, 70, of Kimberly, passed peacefully at his home on Wednesday, May 16, 2007. He had battled cancer and associated problems for the last several years.

He was born on Aug. 6, 1936, in Polson, Mont., the first child of Ralph and Isabelle Holmes. Recalling him in death are his daughter, Sherry; his parents, Ralph and Isabelle Holmes; and his younger brother, Edward. He is survived by his son, Brian of Chester, Va.; two grandchildren, Zachary and Caleb of Louisville, Ky.; his brothers, Jimmy of San Jose, Calif., and Jerry of Centennial, Colo.; and sisters, Eva of Jerome, Idaho, and Ann of Chico, Calif.

John grew up in Twin Falls. Upon graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1954, he joined the Air Force and served in Germany. There he participated in the Kinder Life, ferrying children out of Berlin during the early Berlin Wall Cold War. He returned to Twin Falls



in 1958 and worked at Farnsworth in Kimberly, and later Simplot in Twin Falls. Of late, he worked for Twin Falls School District. There, he enjoyed spring and summer days moving the lawns at all of the Twin Falls schools.

John was an outdoor person all his life — in younger years hunting ducks on the Snake River, pheasants on the farms around Twin and deer in the South Hills. One of his greatest pleasures was motorcycle riding with his son and friends on the Snake River. Later, he and his friends switched to snow-mobiles, riding in the South Hills and West Yellowstone and anywhere there was enough snow.

We can truly say John's best friends were his family. For the 7-ish decades of his life, you have lost an old coffee and breakfast warrior and a true friend. There was only one John — and he will be missed by all.

A memorial service for John will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 26, at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls.

Fae Nichols

TWIN FALLS — Fae Nichols, 60, of Twin Falls, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, passed away Friday, May 18, 2007, leaving a long illness.

She was born Nov. 14, 1946, in Grood in G. Idaho. She lived in the Magic Valley her entire life. She has three daughters, Pam (Clint) Smith of Winslow, Ariz., and Kelly Eckart and Meichle (Marty) Koepnick.



both of Twin Falls; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lisa Oliver and Kay Brown; and two brothers, Joe and Larry Brown. She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Brown, mother, Layvon Young and sister, Jean Brantton.

She will be missed by all of her family and all the people she touched throughout her life.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 24, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary.

Beth Rott

FILER — Beth Rott, 84, of Filer, passed away Sunday, May 20, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Beth was born Sept. 5, 1922, in southern Utah, the daughter of Frank and Lena Mickel Belston. Beth moved from Utah to Richfield, Idaho. After graduating from high school, she moved to Twin Falls, where she met James Rott. They were married Nov. 22, 1951. She resided in Filer until her death.

Beth's life spanned from the horse and buggy through the jet age. Her memories were many and stories of the past were quite vivid. She was a 45-year member of the Order of Eastern Star. Beth truly lived all its members and activities. Of all her virtues, her finest was in the kitchen, and anyone who ever tasted her apple pies knows what we mean. She would give you her coat on a



winter day and never complain. She loved animals and she made sure none ever went hungry. Whatever the next day brought, she always had time to put a Band-Aid on a finger or sew a button on a shirt. But through it all, she was always "Mom."

Beth is survived by her two children, Sherrie Norris of Bullhead City, Ariz., and Jim Rott Jr. of Filer, Idaho; and one sister, Hazel Roepke of Toledo, Mo. She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Lena Belston; a brother, George Belston; and her husband, James Rott.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the doctors and staff of St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Their concern and care was truly outstanding. The family's gratitude could never be measured. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Filer Cemetery, with the Rev. Noel Morfin officiating. A viewing will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 24, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

SERVICES

Maxine May Weber of Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Butley.

Edith L. Wilson of Buhl, graveside interment service at 1 p.m. today at the Holy City Cemetery (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Lore Irene Bush of Jerome, graveside committal service at 2 p.m. today at Olivewood Memorial Park, 3300 Central Ave. in Riverside, Calif. (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

JoAnn Bringham Johnson of Butley, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Springdale LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Church, 517 E. 200 S. in Butley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Butley; and from 10 to 10:40 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Betty Irene (Ragsdale) Baughman of Buhl, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Communion of Christ Church, 2024 Highway 30 in Buhl; reception follows at the Moongo Village Clubhouse, 910 Moongo Road in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Marvin Thomason of Hines, Ore., and formerly of Shoshone, graveside service at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, Ore. (LaFollette's

Chapel in Burns, Ore.). Edna Mary Winn of Butley and formerly of Paul, funeral at 11 a.m. May 30 at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Butley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. May 29 and one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Albert W. Henry Huber of Jackpot, Nev., celebration of life at 2 p.m. May 30 at the Jackpot High School (Keynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

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DEATH NOTICES

Lois Nichols

RUPERT — Lois Nichols, 95, formerly of Rupert, died Monday, March 26, 2007, in Everett, Wash., following a brief illness caused by a stroke.

A graveside committal service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 24, at the Rupert Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Prostate Hospice and Care of Snohomish County, 2731 Wetmore Ave., Suite 500, Everett, WA 98201-3585.

Artense L. Selman

ALBION — Artense Leona Campbell Mills Selman, 79, formerly of Albion and Stone, Idaho, died Sunday May 20, 2007, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday, May 25, at the Malia LDS Ward building, with Bishop Max Jones officiating. Viewing for family and friends will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 24, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert

Chapel, 710 5th St., and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.
Burial will be in the Clear Creek Cemetery in Clear Creek, Utah.

Marlene M. Judd-Lance

HOLLISTER — Marlene M. Judd-Lance, 60, of Hollister, died Saturday, May 19, 2007, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls.

No public service is planned. Friends and family may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 25, at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Anna L. Carter

TWIN FALLS — Anna L. Carter, 87, of Twin Falls, died Monday, May 21, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

FOUR-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

May 24 — The Rocky Top Diggers Spring Show, including a 6:30 p.m. pre-show with bluegrass music and cowboy poetry by the Big Rigs, 7 p.m., Twin Falls City Park bandshell, free. Admission: dinner available for purchase as fundraiser for costumes and travel expenses; bring lawnchairs, 404-1217.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

May 25 — "SPARE us the Pain, STRIKE out Cancer" hosted by the Malta Relay for Life team and Snake River Bowl in Burley, noon to 8 p.m., at Snake River Bowl, 50 percent of bowling proceeds to the American Cancer Society, 679-2695.
May 26, 27 — The Burley Care Center Relay for Life team fundraising yard sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., including a raffle for hand-crocheted bed spread, at the center, 1610 Miller Ave., Burley, raffle tickets: \$1 each or six for \$5, 678-9474.

GOVERNMENT

May 24 — Workshop 2: Downtown, part of the Twin Falls comprehensive General Plan Update, 8 to 9 a.m., Crowleys, 144 Main Ave. S., and 1 to 2 p.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone St. N., 735-7276 or awestenskow@tfd.org.

May 24 — Workshop 3: Outlying Areas, part of the Twin Falls comprehensive General Plan Update with activities for children and a door prize, 6 p.m., Twin Falls Library, lower level, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 735-7276 or awestenskow@tfd.org.

CLUB MEETING

May 24 — Preceptor Alpha Kappa Sorority end-of-year potluck, 6:30 p.m., home of Carol Quaintance, 733-6810.

EDUCATION

May 25 — Final Brown Bag Lecture, with Dr. Robert Sims presenting "Mindoka: A Japanese American Prison Camp," noon to 1 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, bring lunch or pre-order box lunch by May 24, 734-2787.

FESTIVALS

May 25, 26 — Hagerman Fossil Days, celebrate Memorial Day weekend with fundraiser breakfast and parade, Hagerman City Park, 837-9131.

HEALTH

May 25 — Weight Loss Surgery Support Group, for those who are preparing for surgery, have had the surgery or who have questions about it, 7 p.m., Sally's Office Solutions, 338 Main St., Gooding, no cost, 934-4412.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

May 28 — The Classic Cobblers Barbecue, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and "show and shine," 3 p.m., at the rest area one mile west of Filer, 326-4541.

OPEN HOUSE

May 24 — Open House for Community Support Center Inc., with fun activities, question/answer opportunities and hotdogs, 4 to 8 p.m., 1409 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 737-0777.

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Continued from page D1 and put them on Uncle Harry's. Such scofflaws were rarely caught, but when they were there was hell to pay. Most were ostracized in the farming communities where they lived, banished forever from church suppers. Saturday night bingo games and any job more prestigious than bilge-pumping. So, they'd move to town where, presumably after a suitable period of reflection, they began to steal flowers

all over again. These tragically conflicted souls went on to become longtime residents of Pocatello, which I suppose was punishment enough. But very few people went to their funerals, and when they did, they always came home with flowers.

Times-News columnist Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@magicvalley.com.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

May 21 arraignments

Penni L. Andoe, 38, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for June 12; \$1,000 bond.
Johnny Naranjo, 20, Twin Falls; provided false information to an officer, possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for June 12; \$1,000 bond.
Jorge Ramirez, 16, Hansen; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for June 12; \$100 bond.
Donald R. Schulz, 40, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; no plea entered; pub-

lic defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 1; \$5,000 bond.

Shives to represent Hagerman at Girls State conference in June

HAGERMAN — Tabitha Shives, daughter of Judy and Loren Miller, will be representing Hagerman at the annual Sprynga Girls State conference at Northwest Nazarene University to be held in Nampa, June 10-16. Her sponsor is Lea Onvley Post No. 31 American Legion Auxiliary. Shives is a leader in her



Shives

church nursery and president of Acteens. She has participated in school athletics, plays the flute and has volunteered at the elementary school. She also participates in community clean-up projects. After high school graduation she plans to get her associate degree at the College of Southern Idaho and then attend Idaho State University to earn her bachelor degree in nursing or social work. Due to unforeseen circumstances, Shyla Campbell will not be able to attend Girls State and Shives will be taking her place.

GEOGRAPHY BEE WINNER



Courtesy photo

Kendrik Schatz, a seventh-grader at East Minico Middle School in Rupert, was the winner of the school geography bee. The contest, sponsored by National Geographic, is conducted each year at East Minico to determine the top geography student in grades six through eight. Following the school competition, Kendrik took a written test and was chosen as one of 100 students in Idaho to participate in the state competition in Boise. The state winner then goes on to the national competition in Washington D.C.

Preschool screening today

WENDELL — Preschool screening for the Wendell Elementary School 2007-08 school year will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. today. Children who will be 3 years old on or before Sept. 1 as well as children who have developmental delays will be evaluated.

Documents required for the screening include a state issued birth certificate, immunization records, child's social security card, and child's medical card if applicable. Appointments are for the parent and the child. Appointments will take about one hour. There will be paperwork that will need to be filled out prior to the appointment. Only parents and the child being screened should attend. There will be no general screenings for preschool in the fall. Those who can't be screened today will be scheduled on Fridays after school starts as time allows. Call the school office at 536-6011 to make an appointment.

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THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1:00PM
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COMICS

B.C. By Johnny Hart

AS NEAR AS I CAN DETERMINE, HE WAS MAKING SOME SORT OF MUSHROOM CHART.

OK.

OK.

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

IS THAT HOW YOU SHOW APPRECIATION TO YOUR MOTIVES?

SHE'S BEEN IN THE KITCHEN ALL AFTERNOON MAKING THIS... OH, SHE'S BEEN FIRED MEAT.

GAAH! MOTIVE! FRESH! SOAK, FREE-FILLED MEAT??

Baldo By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

ONE RIZZY DICE.

IT'S A BIRTHDAY PRESENT FOR MY GOLFER.

I'M PUTTING THEM IN A BOX SO SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT SHE'S GETTING!

A SURPRISE!

ALL SHE SAYS EXPECTING A DANCING KING!

Brevity By Guy & Rodd

DUN! DUN!

SWAT!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

I HAD A PRODUCTIVE TIME AT THE MANAGEMENT RETREAT.

WE GOLFER AS HARD AS WE COULD UNTIL WE CAME UP WITH A NEW VISION FOR THE COMPANY!!!

BUT NO ONE WROTE IT DOWN, SO WE'RE GOING TO TRY AGAIN NEXT MONTH.

Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau

YES!

MICHAEL BOOHERS BEATLE POLICE.

I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO GO TO THE BEATLE POLICE.

WELL, TO BE HONEST, I WASN'T SURE YOU WOULD CHOOSE THIS.

CRIME SCENE? WHAT ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT MY MATH? I JUST WANTED TO GET TO THE STORE.

YOU TOLD ME YOU WERE GOING TO BE THERE AT 10:00.

WELL, I WASN'T SURE YOU WOULD CHOOSE THIS.

EVERYBODY'S GOING TO BE THERE AT 10:00.

OUTSIDE'S OUTLINE.

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Testa

Was this the first Caddy you ever bought?

Yeah, no! That first was a '68 Coupe!

What happened to it?

I left it with my brother-in-law, and he left it with a cattle dip.

I told him a secret for life, and now his wife won't let me see him.

Did he?

The cure did! We sold it and kept it cash here himself.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

EVERYBODY'S GOING TO BE THERE AT 10:00.

I BOUGHT THIS PLACE FOR YOU.

THINGS LIKE THIS HAPPEN ALL THE TIME. I'LL DEAL WITH IT.

WELL, I WASN'T SURE YOU WOULD CHOOSE THIS.

EVERYBODY'S GOING TO BE THERE AT 10:00.

OUTSIDE'S OUTLINE.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

NEWS AND MAGAZINES

WE STILL HAVE A RUBBER STAMP CONGRESS -- ONLY NOW IT SAYS "RETURN TO SENDER."

PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS CLASH

Luann By Greg Evans

ARE YOU STILL AND THAT BEAN AND I EXCHANGED SOME E-MAILS?

WE'S MY LENS-LOST BROTHER, LUANN. THAT'S A LOT FOR ME TO DEAL WITH. I DON'T NEED YOU FELLAS FOR HIM.

I'M NOT FALLING FOR HIM BECAUSE YOU THINK I COULD ON EVERY GUY THAT COMES ALONG?

ASIAN. ANGEL. STUDENT. GUNNER. CLAY ANK?

YOU'RE A SERIOUS CRUISER, LUANN.

Mallard Fillmore By Bruce Tinsley

LOOK, BOB, IT'S NOT THAT THE THING DOESN'T RESPECT YOUR CHOICE NOT TO WEAR ANIMAL PRODUCTS.

WE'D JUST PREFER THAT YOU DO IT AFTER MAN INVENTS AN ALTERNATIVE TO ANIMAL PRODUCTS...

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

WE NEED MONEY. GO INVENT SOMETHING.

CHEESE SNEAKERS. FOR THE ATHLETE WHO NEEDS A LITTLE SNACK.

OH, IF MY HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR COULD SEE ME NOW.

Pickles By Brian Crane

OPAL HAS BOUGHT EARL SOME CLOTHES FOR THE HAWAII TRIP. HOW DOO LOOK?

WHY ARE YOU WEARING BLACK SOCKS WITH YOUR SANDALS? AND WHY DID YOU PICK IN YOUR HAWAIIAN SHIRT?

WHEN YOU GO TO HAWAII YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO RELAX AND "HANG LOOSE."

AT MY AGE, IF I LET THINGS HANG LOOSE, IT FEELS LIKE THEY'RE GOING TO FALL OFF.

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

ROSE, YOU ARE NOW AN OFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE OUT ON A LIMB ROMANCE SOCIETY!

I HAD THIS NOTION FOR A FEELING ESTIMATE WERE BE ROMANTICALLY INVOLVED. YOU CAN RELAX AND ENJOY EACH OTHER'S COMPANY!

HOW DID YOU COME UP WITH THIS?

WELL, I WASN'T SURE YOU WOULD CHOOSE THIS.

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

YERENH!

ARE YOU DOWNSTAIRS?

YEAH.

WELL, GUY DOWN THERE!

THERE AREN'T ANY THINGS IN THERE, SO I'M GOING TO PEEK OVER TO THE LINEN CLOSET TO GET ONE!

YOU KNOW THIS IS EMBARRASSING ENOUGH WITHOUT THE RECORDING SOOPER!

Non Sequitur By Wiley

WAY CONTEXT MATTERS AS THE STEPHEN KING DINER...

TODAY'S SPECIAL: SIZZLED PEE!

Strange Brew By John Deering

UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED

Benefit through good humor, Virgo

IF MAY 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Life offers you the experience you need to achieve your ambitions in the year ahead. A transit from Saturn may point out weaknesses in your life next September and November, so it is a good idea to build strong ties with others and prepare to handle extra responsibilities. During December, remain alert for a unique opportunity or help from a kindhearted acquaintance. You may have a brief chance to make major improvements that solve some longstanding problems.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The door of peace and tolerance, generosity and a friendly pat on the back might be in your stars. Don't forget that the more you give to others, the more you are likely to receive.

TALIES (April 20-May 20): Encouragement, tolerance, generosity and a friendly pat on the back might be in your stars. Don't forget that the more you give to others, the more you are likely to receive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Angelic wings might flutter near you or a companion as you agree to a respectful agreement. Alter a relationship

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

for the better under these stars.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Let the world do its own thing while you do yours in a delightfully pleasant way. You can keep up with the Joneses in your own unique way without compromising principles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be the power behind the throne. Your network of friends or business acquaintances can keep you amused and in the know. You may be in a position to help a partner make some money.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Benefit through benevolent good humor. Information that seems like a joke might be true and could fatten your wallet. Keep your ears open for ingenious methods or recent changes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Mend fences. By making a sincere peace offering, you may open the door to exciting new contacts or experiences. Brush shoulders with the rich and famous in the job or in public places.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): New friends might brighten your day. A passing conversation could improve your net worth or provide a lucrative lead. The sky is the limit, so let your genius wander where it wishes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do more than you promised. You may be given an opportunity to improve your reputation. Go the extra mile to fulfill a pledge or find ways to be a great generous.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): I hum a few bars of that old tune - "Thanks for the Memories." Memorable kindnesses and gallant gestures may create a treasure trove of fine reminiscences. Be good to strangers.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are in a win-win situation. People who like you are an opportunity to improve your reputation. Go the extra mile to fulfill a pledge or find ways to be a great generous.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Get advice from trusted advisors or well-respected professionals. You can follow through and make a commitment to set in motion a beneficial change.

COMICS

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom, & Chlo



Garfield

By Jim Davis



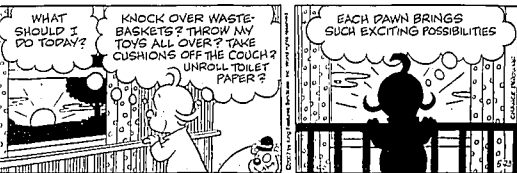
Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



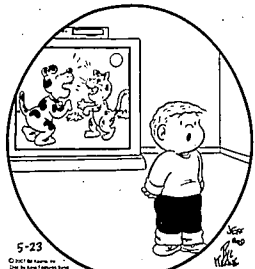
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchum



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



Surgeon General calls public to combat under-age drinking

DEAR ABBY: As acting surgeon general of the United States, I would like to thank you for your recent reply on March 4 to a question regarding under-age drinking. You advised your readers that "when children drink alcohol, they can more easily become dependent than adults."



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

Letting parents know that under-age drinking is not a "harmless rite of passage" as many still believe, is one reason why I recently issued "The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Prevent and Reduce Under-age Drinking." With this call to action, I am asking every American to join in a nationwide effort to change attitudes and behaviors regarding under-age alcohol use. Our children deserve nothing less.

We can no longer ignore what alcohol is doing to our children. Despite recent declines in their use of tobacco and illegal drugs, alcohol remains the most heavily abused substance by America's youth. There are 11 million under-age drinkers in this country. Their alcohol use is associated with a long list of tragic consequences, including death from injury, risky sexual behavior, the use of other drugs and academic failure.

Abby, please urge your readers to request a copy of "The Surgeon General's Call to Action to Prevent and Reduce

Under-age Drinking" and other free materials about youth and alcohol from www.surgeongeneral.gov, or by calling the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information, The toll-free number is: (800) 729-6686.

The good news is that under-age drinking is not inevitable, and society is not helpless to prevent it. Under-age drinking is everybody's problem — and its solution is everyone's responsibility. Thank you again, Abby, for being a powerful part of that solution.

— DEAR ADM. KENNETH MORITZ, MD, MPH
DEAR REAR ADM. MORITZ: I'm sure your offer will be appreciated and acted upon by parents nationwide. There is still a common misunderstanding about under-age alcohol use.

My experts tell me that young people who start drinking before age 15 are five times more likely to have alcohol problems later in life. Also, new research indicates that alcohol may harm the

developing adolescent brain. Parents and other adults who are not sure why — or how — to help young people avoid alcohol should ask the National Clearinghouse for "Start Talking Before They Start Drinking: A Family Guide." It's a booklet developed in conjunction with an Ad Council public education campaign hearing that title.

DEAR ABBY: A couple of weeks ago, some friends and I visited a family friend's niece who had recently had a baby girl. While we were visiting, we noticed that the baby was hungry.

Being a good mom, the new mother unbuttoned her shirt, took off her bra, and breast-fed the baby right in front of us. Abby, was it right or wrong of her to expose her breasts in front of visitors when breast-feeding the child?

— RACHEL IN PHILADELPHIA
DEAR RACHEL: Breast-feeding a baby is normal and natural. However, removing one's bra to do it should not have been necessary. There are special nursing bras that allow the mother to uncover one breast at a time for the baby to nurse.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

- Actress Betty Garrett is 88.
- Pianist Alicia de Larrocha is 84.
- Blues singer Mac Wiseman is 82.
- Actor Nigel Davenport is 79.
- Actress Joan Collins is 74.
- Rhythm-and-blues singer General Johnson (Chairman of the Board) is 64.
- Actress Lauren Chapin is 62.
- Country singer Misty Morgan is 62.
- Country singer Judy Rodman is 56.
- Singer Luka Bloom is 52.
- Actor-comedian Drew Carey is 49.
- Country singer Shelly West is 49.
- Actor Linden Ashby is 47.
- Actress-model Karen Duffy is 46.
- Rock musician Phil Spector (radiohead) is 40.
- Belgian musician Matt Flynn (Maroon 5) is 37.
- Singer Singer Jewel is 33.

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WORLD

Britain to seek murder charge in ex-spy's death

By Kim Murphy
Los Angeles Times

LONDON — British prosecutors said Tuesday that they had sufficient evidence to charge a former Russian KGB agent with murder in the case of Russian dissident Alexander Litvinenko, who was poisoned with a radioactive isotope apparently ingested with a cup of tea.

Eriding months of investigation and beginning a new diplomatic chapter in the complex case, the Crown Prosecution Service announced that it would seek the immediate extradition of Andrei Lugovoy, a private security consultant in Moscow who met with Litvinenko in the hours before he fell ill.

"I have concluded that the evidence sent to us by the

police is sufficient to charge Andrei Lugovoy with the murder of Mr. Litvinenko by deliberate poisoning," said Ken Macdonald, head of public prosecutions.

He said the government would apply for Lugovoy to "be brought swiftly before a court in London to be prosecuted for this extraordinarily grave crime."



Andrei Lugovoy

Russia's constitution does not allow the extradition of its citizens, and the case is expected to insert a contentious new diplomatic roadblock in relations between Britain and Russia, already marred with Russia's unsuccessful attempts to extradite two other Russian dissidents who have obtained political asylum in Britain.

"This was a serious crime. We are seeking and expect full cooperation from the Russian authorities in bringing the perpetrator to face British justice," British Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett said. She said that message was "made strongly" to the Russian ambassador, who was summoned to the Foreign Office on Tuesday morning.

A Foreign Office spokeswoman said the government "will not speculate" on what would happen if, as expected, Russia denied the extradition request.

Litvinenko, a former organized crime investigator for the Russian secret services, died Nov. 23, about three weeks

after meeting Lugovoy and other Russians in a bar at an exclusive Mayfair hotel, which remains closed off, as does Litvinenko's home.

He fell ill almost immediately after the meeting and lay for weeks in a London hospital bed. British authorities later found significant traces of radioactive polonium-210, the agent used to kill Litvinenko, on the plane in which Lugovoy traveled, as well as his hotel room.

The vast majority of the world's supply of polonium-210 is manufactured at a state-owned Russian laboratory near Samara.

Lugovoy, a former KGB agent who runs a private security consulting company in Moscow, has denied involvement in the poisoning and suggests that he was exposed

to polonium during an earlier meeting with Litvinenko. He says he was meeting the Russian dissident to discuss a possible business arrangement. In Moscow, prosecutors said they did not rule out the possibility that Lugovoy could stand trial in a Russian court.

"A Russian citizen who has committed a crime on the ter-

ritory of a foreign state should be prosecuted in Russia with evidence provided by the foreign state," prosecutor's spokeswoman Marina Gridneva told reporters.

She said Russian authorities would study "in detail" the charges in connection with their own investigation of Litvinenko's death.

Thousands flee Palestinian refugee camp amid fierce fighting

By Scheherazade Faramarzi
Associated Press writer

TRIPOLI, Lebanon — People fled out of a besieged Palestinian refugee camp Tuesday night, waving white flags and telling of bodies lying in the streets and inside wrecked houses after three days of fighting between Lebanese troops and Islamic militants.

Earlier in the day, a relief convoy came under fire when a cease-fire abruptly shattered as U.N. workers tried to deliver food and water to residents. A U.N. official said some who approached the convoy seeking supplies were wounded or killed, but he did not have exact figures. The nighttime full that allowed the escape did not appear to be part of an organized truce — and there was no sign the battle was over. The government of Prime Minister Fouad Siniora said it was determined to uphold Fatah Islam, which took up residence in the camp late last year.

There was no immediate indication of whether the flight of civilians would give the government a free hand in bombarding militants holed up in the camp. The army has said



Palestinians flee the Palestinian refugee camp of Nahr el-Bared in the northern city of Tripoli, Lebanon.

Many waved white towels or white plastic bags from the windows as they passed Lebanese soldiers encircling the camp.

"The smell of corpses was everywhere. There was no food, water or electricity and they were shooting at us," Dania Mahmood Kassem, a 21-year-old university student, said of the past three days in the camp, which is on the outskirts of the northern port city of Tripoli. Another refugee, Ibrahim Issa Dawoud, said he, his wife and six children — ages 3 to 13 — had taken refuge in a mosque for three

days, living off potato chips while Lebanese army tanks and artillery fired at militants armed with mortars and automatic weapons.

"Even the cemetery was bombarded and the skeletons were uprooted," the 42-year-old said as the left with his family. "We thought this was our last chance because they will bulldoze the camp."

The camp is home to some 31,000 Palestinians who live crowded along narrow streets. AP Television News video taken in the camp showed streets littered with damaged vehicles, shards of glass and rubble from wrecked buildings, some in flames from shelling.

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