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Soldier convicted as sexual predator

Guilty plea a milestone for Jerome County's online sting operations

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — When an online sex predator pleaded guilty April 13 to trying to give a young girl her first sexual experience, his conviction gave Jerome County a first of a different sort, too.

From May 2004 until last July, none of 18 men charged with enticing a child over the Internet were convicted. As a result, none are on a sex offender registry list, which tracks offenders their entire lives.

The plea given by Jason McKain, 29, marks the first online enticement conviction in Jerome County. And coming swiftly after a change in prosecutor, it may indicate online crime prosecutions in Jerome County are catching up to the rest of the Magic Valley counties.

"The case was well on its way before I took over," said Jerome County prosecuting Attorney Mike Seib. "It wasn't all me."

Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver arrested McKain, an Army sergeant stationed at Mountain Home Air Force Base. From an online sting operation he conducted in November.

Former Jerome County Sheriff's Detective David Ruggles, followed by Weaver, have arrested men by posing in online Yahoo chat rooms as a teenage girl. Jon Nicholson III stepped down as the county's prosecutor Jan. 31, midway through his four-year term. Seib took over as the county's interim prosecutor, and when commissioners weren't happy with a few candidates who applied for the job, he accepted completing the term.

According to Ruggles, he
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NewsTracker
Last we know: Jerome County had charged 18 men with enticing minors over the Web, and none were convicted.
The latest: The county tabbed its first conviction under a new prosecutor.
What's next: Jason McKain will be sentenced on July 2.

Therapy bottleneck



Christopher Frampton, 2, works with his occupational therapist Ivan Hanchcastle at Primary Therapy Source Thursday. Frampton's mother Amanda Kiger and his sister Zoey Frampton look on.

Medicaid rules limit options for children, but so does a local therapist shortage

By Nate Poppo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Some way, somehow, Stephanie Davis will get her son the help he needs.

Chad Davis, who will be 3 in August, has worked with occupational and speech therapists ever since he was born three months premature. Because of his extremely low birth weight, he's qualified for Supplemental Security Income, a federal program that makes him eligible for the same benefits as Medicaid.

But come August, his parents, who live in Filer, will no longer be able to use that money to cover his sessions — not unless they

switch to a different set of therapists.

Chad Davis will become one of many Idaho children who will be victims of a peculiar state rule: Speech and occupational therapists lose the ability to bill Medicaid and SSI directly for children older than 3 years old. Instead, therapists have to work through hospitals, school districts and similar agencies, adding another level of management.

The rule has long frustrated such therapists, but may stand a chance of being altered in the next session of the Idaho Legislature, said Jan Yngst, owner of Primary Therapy Source in Twin Falls.

Only one option

Though Yngst as a physical therapist is not restricted by the rule, she employs speech pathologists and occupational therapists who are without full caseloads. The rule essentially requires that any work billed through the hospital needs to be perceived as work done by the hospital, she said.

"I would have to sell my practice" to work through a hospital, she said. "I'm sitting here paying (my therapists) and they can't do anything."

Nancy Harris of Valley Therapy
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Stopping pumpers' pumping

State agency would use satellite technology to enforce curtailment order

By Carol Ryan Dumas
For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS — With curtailment breathing down the necks of groundwater pumpers, the question of how the Idaho Department of Water Resources intends to enforce its order begs asking.

The agency can't lock head gates as it could with surface users. Nor can it keep tabs on every pumper or pull fuses on every pump.

What it can do is monitor through technology and promise penalties if pumpers violate the order, said Phil Bassier, deputy attorney general for IDWR.

"Given the large number of rights and manpower available" physical monitoring isn't possible, he said. "Our main way of monitoring is through remote sensing."

Bassier said the agency has access to satellite technology that could zero in on fields and monitor whether crops are being irrigated.

"That would take a lot of effort by the state," he admitted.

"As for stock-water use, such as on dairies, IDWR public information officer Bob McLaughlin said, "Hopefully, the chairmen will submit a mitigation plan and we won't have to branch the subject. But we would do a drive-by or a physical inspection. We have the right to do that in the statute."

If a water user is found to be diverting water without authority, Idaho law gives the water director means to enforce the curtailment order, he added.

First would come official notification to the violator, either in person or by certified mail. If notified the department within 14 days, he would be entitled to a
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Immigration bill crushed in Senate

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush's immigration plan to legalize as many as 12 million border, unlawful immigrants while fortifying the border collapsed in the Senate on Thursday, crushing both parties' hopes of addressing the volatile issue before the 2008 elections.

The Senate vote to drive a

stake through the delicate compromise was a stinging setback for Bush engineered by members of his own party. Bush had made reshaping immigration law a centerpiece of his domestic agenda.

It could carry heavy political consequences for Republicans and Democrats, many of whom were eager to show they could act on a complex issue of great interest to the public.

"Legal immigration is one of the top concerns of the American people and Congress' failure to act on it is a disappointment," a presidential spokesman said after an appearance in Newport, R.I. "A lot of us worked hard to see if we couldn't find common ground. It didn't work."

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., his party's lead negotiator on the bill, called its defeat "enormously disap-

pointing for Congress and for the country." But, he added: "We will be back. This issue is not going away."

The bill's Senate supporters fell 14 votes short of the 60 needed to limit debate and clear the way for final passage of the legislation. The tally was 46 to 53, with three-quarters of the Senate's Republicans voting to derail the bill.
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Idaho senators split



Yes No
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Officials suggest ranch hand pay \$275, not \$25,000, for killing a wolf

The Associated Press
KETCHUM — A central Idaho ranch employee who shot and killed a wolf has been charged with violating the U.S. Endangered Species Act, which carries a maximum penalty of a \$25,000 fine and six months in jail.

However, due to what officials called special circumstances, a fine of \$275 is being recommended for Darlington resident George Gilbert.

Gilbert, who works at a Stanley-area ranch that officials declined

to name, reported to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game that he shot the wolf on June 7.

Scott Bragonier, a special agent with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said an investigation was then launched. The wolf, B313, carried a radio collar and was a member of the Basin Butte wolf pack.

Bragonier declined to discuss the special circumstances of the wolf being shot as the case is ongoing.

"It seemed the appropriate action we take," Bragonier told the

Idaho Mountain Express. "That's the route I choose to take given the circumstances."

He said the shooting of the wolf did not fall under a special management agreement that allows wolves to be shot if they are harassing livestock.

"This shooting did not fall within that exception," he said.

Lynne Stone of the Boulder-White Clouds Council said the remaining pack members spent the night howling after B313 was killed.

"This particular wolf, B313, was

extraordinarily beautiful," said Stone. "Wolves are pack animals. They're family animals. When one goes missing it's tough."

Wolves were reintroduced to Idaho a year ago after being hunted to near-extinction. They now number more than 1,200 in the region, including 673 wolves in 72 packs in Idaho alone.

The wolves are expected to be removed from federal protection next year. Idaho's management plan calls for keeping at least 15 packs, or at least 100 wolves, in the state once that happens.



Photo courtesy of Paul Bassier
According to the U.S. Endangered Species Act, killing a wolf carries a maximum penalty of a \$25,000 fine and six months in jail.



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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS Today Tonight Saturday
Mostly sunny and still very warm
Breezy and mostly clear
Warm and partly cloudy

MINI-CASSIA Today: Mostly sunny skies and very warm. Highs in the upper 80s.
Tonight: Mostly clear skies and mild, breezy conditions. Lows in the middle 50s.
Tomorrow: Milder temperatures and mostly sunny skies. Highs in the lower to middle 80s, lows lower 50s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT Dinner theater "Last Will and Testament," a comedy murder mystery, 6:30 p.m., reservations only dinner and 7:45 p.m. show, Historic Opera Theatre, 208 E. Idaho Ave., Glenns Ferry, \$20 for dinner/show; \$6.50 for adults and \$5 children and senior citizens for show only, 366-7408 or 366-2744.
BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS Hispanic Heritage Pageant garage sale, dinner and car wash, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 2030 Candlewood Circle, 420-0709, 420-6615 or 733-5872 for donations.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS The Moms Offering Moms Support Club of Twin Falls/Lerome monthly business meeting, with Brian from Success Martial Arts on preventing child abduction, 11 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive, visitors welcome, no cost (optional babysitting provided in church nursery for \$2/child), 736-4559 or 539-6470.

EXHIBITS Deadline to enter the Perrine Bridge Festival Juried Art Exhibition, for children, junior high students, high school students, adults and professional artists; presented by the Perrine Bridge Festival, LLC, in cooperation with the Magic Valley Arts Council, proceeds to the Fund for Children with Special Needs, www.perrinebridgefestival.com.

FAMILY "Youth Options," activities (open gym, pool tables, air hockey, video games and more) for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., \$2, 733-8720.

GOVERNMENT Twin Falls School District No. 411 open-session school board meeting, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Administration Board Room, 204 Main Ave. W., 733-6900.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

HEALTH Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hotline: 1-866-592-3198.

MUSEUMS AND PARKS Faulkner Planetarium "More Than Meets the Eye/Live Sky Tour" at 2 p.m.; "The Search for Life in the Universe" at 7 p.m.; and "Pink Floyd: The Wall" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center, CSI, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.
Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities, "Fishhook Hike" at 9:30 a.m.; Salmon, a Gift from the Ocean and Junior Ranger at 1 p.m.; and "The Legend of Redfish Lake and Other Tales" Evening Program at 9 p.m., at the center, Sawtooth National Recreation area, five miles south of Stanley, no cost, 208-774-3376.

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

COMING TOMORROW

WATER OF LIFE

Even in the modern Roman Catholic Church, holy water maintains its mystique. SATURDAY IN RELIGION



WEB REACTION

On the letter, 'Someone needs to protect Idaho from nuclear plant' ... GRANT UPTAIN: "Let Virginia businessman Dan Gillespie build his promised cheap and harmless nuclear plant in Virginia, or if his home state will not have it, let him build it there that bootlegging in Nevada. By now, the workers have surely dug their way down north to communist China. Can Idahoans really want to have a nuclear plant in their state?"

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MAGIC VALLEY



Oregon's Crater Lake is true mountain gem
Mt. Mazama, in southwest Oregon, erupted nearly 8,000 years ago. The result was Crater Lake. Receiving well-deserved recognition shortly after western white settlement, this unique mountain gem was designated the country's sixth national park in 1902. A present-day glance at the striking blue water burns that vision forever into one's memory. The color is a combination of purity, clarity, and the manner in which light penetrates what is the seventh deepest lake in the world. SEE PAGE D1

Water agency seeks ways to enforce order

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Medicaid change causes concern at care home

TWIN FALLS — Sandy Dobbs knew her parents' money wouldn't hold out forever. So when she and her sisters were searching for an assisted living care facility for their parents, they made sure to pick one that would also accept Medicaid, Dobbs said. Now, Dobbs said she was forced to move her parents after Assisted Living Concepts Inc., which owns Chaparrille House and eight other assisted living homes in Idaho, decided not to accept any new residents who use Medicaid to pay part of their expenses. SEE PAGE C1

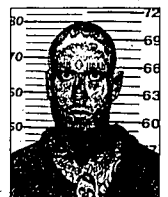
CSI seeking more bucks for their bangs this year

TWIN FALLS — The fire works show at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday night will be louder, brighter and have about 1,000 more eruptions than last year. But it will also cost about \$10,000 more. With the extra cost comes a final push from the organizers to raise between \$5,000 and \$7,000. SEE PAGE C1

OBITUARIES

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IDAHO/WEST



Accused guard killer could get death
SALT LAKE CITY — Authorities filed a murder charge Thursday against a Utah prisoner accused of shooting a guard in the head as he escaped from a medical clinic, a case that could lead to the death penalty. SEE PAGE C4

Idaho lawmakers at odds over immigration

WASHINGTON — Four of six senators in the Northwest — including Republican Sen. Larry Craig of Idaho — voted in favor of President Bush's plan to legalize as many as 12 million unlawful immigrants while fortifying the border. Democratic Sen. Ron Wyden of Oregon and Party Murray and Maria Cantwell of Washington state joined Craig to vote in favor of the bill, but supporters fell 14 votes short of the 60 needed to keep the measure alive. SEE PAGE C4

\$225 million loss puts Micron jobs in jeopardy

BOISE — Micron Technology Inc., a maker of computer memory chips, said Thursday it will cut its work force after posting its second consecutive quarterly loss. SEE PAGE C4

Dems suspect Cheney role in salmon die-off

WASHINGTON — The chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee said Thursday his panel will hold a hearing into the role Vice President Dick Cheney may have played in the 2002 die-off of about 70,000 salmon near the California-Oregon border. SEE PAGE C4

Castle Rocks to host RanchFest 2007

ALAMO — The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation will host RanchFest 2007 at the Castles, a one-day event celebrating Idaho's ranching heritage on Saturday, July 14, at Castle Rocks State Park. SEE PAGE C4

IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING ...

Readers can contact injured soldier The Associated Press has received many phone calls and e-mails from readers and editors asking how they can contact the family of Joseph "Jay" Briseno Jr., whose plight was reported in Monday's Times-News as part of the AP series Coming Home Wounded, about troops returning from Iraq, unable to talk, and paralyzed from the neck down. Briseno is believed to be the war's worst wounded soldier. His father, Joseph Briseno Sr., said the family can be reached via e-mail, brisenoseph@hotmail.com, or by writing them at 9304 Jan St., Manassas Park, Va. 20111.

NATION/WORLD



Military makes little effort to find deserters
FORT BRAGG, N.C. — There is no crack team of bounty hunters, no elite military unit whose job is to track them down and bring them in. Despite a rise in desertions from the Army as the Iraq war drags on into a fifth year, the U.S. military does almost nothing to find those who flee and rarely prosecutes those it gets its hands on. SEE PAGE C5

Supreme Court rejects race-based integration

WASHINGTON — A half-century after the Supreme Court outlawed segregated schools, sharply divided justices clamped new limits Thursday on local school efforts to make sure children of different races share classrooms. The court voted 5-4 to strike down school integration plans in Louisville, Ky., and Seattle, a decision that imperiled similar plans that hundreds of cities and counties use voluntarily to integrate their schools. SEE PAGE A5

Bush, Congress clash over subpoenas

WASHINGTON — President Bush, in a constitutional showdown with Congress, claimed executive privilege Thursday and rejected demands for White House documents and testimony about the firing of U.S. attorneys. His decision was denounced as "Nixonian stonewalling" by the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. SEE PAGE A4

Car bombing kills 22 at Baghdad bus station

BAGHDAD — A car bomb exploded Thursday at a bus station in a mostly Shiite west Baghdad neighborhood, killing 22 people. Officials received word that 20 decapitated bodies had been found near the capital but were unable to confirm the report because of fighting. In addition to the dead, more than 50 people were wounded in the rush-hour blast in the Bahaya neighborhood, police said. SEE PAGE D6

Portland Trail Blazers take Oden in draft

NEW YORK -- The Portland Trail Blazers got Greg Oden and felt like they won a championship. The Seattle SuperSonics settled for Kevin Durant, thrilling fans disappointed by the trade of All-Star Ray Allen to Boston. The Trail Blazers ended months of debate Thursday night when they chose Oden over fellow college freshman Durant with the No. 1 pick in a highly anticipated NBA draft. SEE PAGE B1

SPORTS



Rough start for hosts at Cowboy Classic
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cowboys' 11-1 loss to the Boise Gems Thursday in the Cowboy Classic opener was every bit's fault. It was the fault of Boise pitcher Brandon Tullis, the Cowboys lineup and the defense's performance during the fifth inning. SEE PAGE B1



Toliver Latham leads golf youth movement

TWIN FALLS — Nineteen marks the number of years the Latham Motors Match Play Championships have been held. It may also mark the median age of this year's championship-eight players making the loops around the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Golf's youth movement was on full display during Friday's opening-round action as a heavy contingent of high school and college-age golfers advanced to today's men's quarterfinal and women's semifinal rounds. Toliver Latham made a big initial step in trying to win the tournament named after his grandfather, Bob Latham Sr., defeating Bob Black seven holes up with six to go. SEE PAGE B1

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Therapy

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has the opposite problem. Her partnership with St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome makes Valley Therapy the only Magic Valley provider able to bill through a hospital. The clinic was swamped with work after St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center closed its pediatric therapy program in 2003. Her practice acts both as an independent provider and as the medical center's outpatient clinic, with all satellite offices owned or leased by St. Benedict's.

Valley Therapy currently has between 150 and 200 patients spread out among 11 speech therapists, one occupational therapist and a certified occupational therapy assistant. Its waiting list has at least 40 children and a six- to nine-month wait.

"We don't have the therapists to manage these caseloads," Harris said. "That's really quite sad to see so many people go without services."

An educational setting

Harris said many of those she turns away are referred to school districts for help. J.C. Burdick, director of support services for the Twin Falls School District, said she hires her own therapists and contracts with others to make sure every child who needs help gets it during regular school hours. But it's not quite the same thing as a private provider.

"We're extremely capable," Burdick said. "Remember, we're a school district and not a private agency... We base our services on the needs of students here in the educational setting."

Harris said she contracts with school districts all over the valley, and is impressed with their abilities. But Yingsi, who also contracts, said she's concerned about how much districts can do, especially when they're tight financially.

"We don't expect the schools to provide all of the therapy a child needs in a school district," she said. "We should not expect schools to provide everything."

Burdick said the Twin Falls district has to be careful about money, but has a mandate to serve all eligible students and meets that mandate. "We can use Medicaid funds to cover that cost, and other funding sources," she said. "We always have to be careful about that."

Solution, problem

Allowing private providers to bill Medicaid only requires changing a rule, said Ross Mason, a spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. But it will require approval by the legislature, so something the department is preparing to push for with state speech and occupational therapist associations.

Even if the change is approved, it may not make life easier for parents, Mason said. That's because the state just can't find enough therapists in the first place — the same reason St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's pediatric unit closed.

Harris agreed, saying it's hard to get therapists to come to the Magic Valley area in particular.

"We've just had a very difficult time drawing people to this area," she said. "I do not know why... We find people interested in coming here, usually have families here. If they don't, they don't seem to see it as big of a draw."

The change would make a difference in Chad Davis' life. Though her son's assistance comes from a federal program, Stephanie Davis said the rule change would allow her to keep her son at Primary Therapy Source, where he's had all of his therapy, because SSI follows state Medicaid rules. Without the SSI help, her Blue Cross of Idaho insurance won't cover occupational therapy.

"When he got to school age, he's going to really fall behind (without the therapy)," she said. "It's not about the money. It's just knowing that I don't have to be concerned about where the money's coming from."

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Water

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compliance conference to explain the circumstances or present a proposal for remedying the damage and assuring future compliance.

If the irrigator decided not to take that route, the director could bring civil enforcement actions. If the irrigator were found in court to be in violation, he would get a penalty fine.

"For irrigation, it's a maximum of \$300 an acre per year," Rassier said. "It might be worth that fine to a grower to get his crop harvested? If they have a high-value crop, it might," Rassier said. But the law also gives the director authority to order the violator to cease and desist, and that could bring a \$100 fine each day he continues to illegally divert water. The curtailment on ground-water pumpers stems from a water call by senior surface water right holders Blue Lakes Trout Farm and Clear Springs Foods in 2005. The June 15 order from IDWR Director David Tullihill covers 591 center rights and more than 16,638 acres in the Thousand Springs area, fewer than the 771 water rights on 33,000 acres discussed when Tullihill announced a proposed curtailment in April.

The order goes into effect July 6. McLaughlin on Thursday afternoon said the agency had not yet received mitigation

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— Phil Rassier of IDWR on fines pumpers could face.

plans to avoid curtailment by two groups proposing such

agreements. The Idaho Dairymen's Association has until Tuesday to submit a plan, and the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators have until Friday.

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Immigration

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Lawmakers in both parties said further action was unlikely this year, dooming its prospects as the political strains of a crowded presidential contest get louder.

Only 13 percent of those in a CBS News Survey taken earlier this week said they supported passing the bill. Almost three times that number, 35 percent, opposed it. Even more, 51 percent, said they did not know enough about the immigration legislation to say whether they supported passage.

"I believe that until another election occurs, or until something happens in the body politic, that what occurred today was fairly final," said Sen. Mel Martinez, R-Fla., the GOP chairman.

"I don't see where the political will is there for this issue to be dealt with," said Martinez, who helped develop the bill.

House Democratic leaders signaled they have no appetite for taking up an issue that bitterly divides both parties and has tied up the

Senate for weeks. Rep. Zoe Lofgren, who heads the House Judiciary subcommittee that was to write a version of the bill, said the Senate's inability to move forward "effectively ends comprehensive immigration reform efforts" for the next year and a half.

"The Senate voted for the status quo," the California Democrat said in a statement.

The vote already had led to partisan finger-pointing.

Howard Dean, the Democratic Party chairman, said it was "a reminder of why the American people voted Republicans out in 2006 and why they'll vote against them in 2008."

The measure was the product of a liberal-to-conservative alliance led by Kennedy and Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., that forged an immigration compromise intended to withstand challenges from the left and right.

They advocated the resulting

measure as an imperfect but necessary fix to the current system, in which millions of illegal immigrants use forged documents or lapsed visas to live and work in the U.S.

The proposal would have made those millions eligible for lawful status while tightening border security and creating an employee verification system to weed out illegal workers from U.S. jobs.

"The bill also would have set up a temporary worker program and a system to base future legal-immigration more heavily on employment criteria, rather than family ties.

Ultimately, though, what came to be known as their grand bargain "commanded only lukewarm support among important constituencies in both parties. That was no match for the vehement and vocal opposition of Republican conservatives, who denied it as amnesty."

"The end result was a blanket that was too small to cover

everyone," said Tamar Jacoby, an analyst at the conservative Manhattan Institute who was a strong supporter. "By its nature, because it was a compromise, it was hard to be a more intense supporter. But the opposition was very intense."

Conservative foes were among the loudest voices during the debate, led by Sens. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., Jim DeMint, R-S.C., and David Vitter, R-La. Their views were amplified by talk radio and television hosts who attacked the bill and urged listeners to flood Congress with calls, faxes and e-mails.

The conservatives hailed the demise of the bill as a fitting death of an effort that had thwarted the public's will.

Guilty

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arrested suspects but "was always told Nicholson was going to plead them down."

At least one defendant who "pleaded down" broke his probation and allegedly committed a sex crime, Weaver said.

If that was policy, that policy has now apparently ended.

Mckain is scheduled to be sentenced at 9 a.m. on July 2.

"I am very pleased that we have taken a bad guy off the streets who is going to not have to answer to a higher power for his actions," Weaver said.

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Bush moves toward showdown with Congress over subpoenas

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press writer

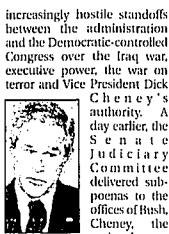
WASHINGTON — President Bush, in a constitutional showdown with Congress, claimed executive privilege Thursday and rejected demands for White House documents and testimony about the firing of U.S. attorneys.

His decision was denounced as "Nixonian stonewalling" by the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Bush rejected subpoenas for documents from former presidential counsel Harriet Miers and former political director Sam Taylor. The White House made clear neither one would testify next month, as directed by the subpoenas.

Presidential counsel Fred Fielding said Bush had made a reasonable attempt at compromise but Congress forced the confrontation by issuing subpoenas. "With respect, it is with much regret that we are forced down this unfortunate path which we sought to avoid by finding grounds for mutual accommodation."

The assertion of executive privilege was the latest turn in



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increasingly hostile standoffs between the administration and the Democratic-controlled Congress over the Iraq war, executive power, the war on terror and Vice President Dick Cheney's authority. A day earlier, the Senate Judiciary Committee delivered subpoenas to the offices of Bush, Cheney, the national security adviser and the Justice Department about the administration's warrantless wiretapping program.

While weakened by the Iraq war and poor approval ratings in the polls, Bush has been adamant not to cede ground to Congress.

"Increasingly, the president and vice president feel they are above the law," said Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, said Bush's assertion of executive privilege was "unprecedented

in its breadth and scope" and displayed "an appalling disregard for the right of the people to know what is going on in their government."

White House press secretary Tony Snow weighed in with unusually sharp criticism of Congress. He accused Democrats of trying "to make life difficult for the White House. It also may explain why this is the least popular Congress in decades, because you do have what appears to be a strategy of destruction, rather than cooperation."

Over the years, Congress and the White House have avoided a full-blown court test about the constitutional balance of power and whether the president can refuse demands from

Congress. Lawmakers could vote to cite witnesses for contempt and refer the matter to the local U.S. attorney to bring before a grand jury. Since 1975, 10 senior administration officials have been cited but the disputes were all resolved before getting to court.

Congressional committees sought the documents and testimony in their investigations of Attorney General Alberto Gonzales' stewardship of the Justice Department and the firing of eight federal attorneys over the winter. Democrats say the firings were an example of improper political influence. The White House contends that U.S. attorneys are political appointees who can be hired and fired for almost any reason.

Scientists successfully move microbial DNA

By Rick Weiss
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Scientists said Thursday they had transplanted a microbe's entire, tangled mass of DNA into a closely related organism, a delicate operation that cleanly transferred the recipient from one species into the other.

After the operations, the "patients" — single-celled organisms resembling bacteria — dutifully obeyed their new genomes and by every measure exhibited the biological personas of the donors.

"This is equivalent to changing a Macintosh computer into a PC by inserting a new piece of (PC) software," said study leader J. Craig Venter, chief executive of Synthetic Genomics, a Rockville, Md., company racing to be the first to create fully synthetic, replicating cells.

The success confirms that chromosomes can carry hereditary information and literally rewrite the identity and occupation of the cells they move into. That is a crucial finding for scientists who hope to make novel life forms by packing synthetic chromosomes into hollow, laboratory-grown cells.

Venter's goal is to create hand-crafted chromosomes with genes that will instruct cells to secrete biofuels that are cheaper and cleaner than oil or coal, but until now, he said, it has not been clear if chromosomes could spur the machinery of life into action after landing in the innards of an unfamiliar cell.

"This proves we can boot up a cell with another chromosome," Venter said.

The total identity makeover, described in Thursday's online edition of the journal *Science*, is a modern version of work done in the 1940s, when Rockefeller University scientists moved DNA from one strain of a bacterial species to another, causing a change that was passed to its offspring. That work is enshrined in history books as the first proof that DNA is the chemical carrier of genetic information.

Similarly, scientists at Harvard University last month reported they had performed "whole genome" transplants from mouse cells into fertilized mouse eggs, a move that reprogrammed those eggs to behave differently.

But the new work is the first in which the entire genetic load from one species has been

transferred to another species "naked" — without the cumbersome protein coatings that usually envelop DNA and can get in scientists' way.

Moreover, the size of the transplanted genome, about 1 million genetic letters, or "bases," is large.

That offers hope that complicated genetic programs requiring lots of DNA code will be transplantable.

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NBC 'Catch a Predator' sting shakes up Texas town

MURPHY, Texas (AP) — A sting in which police teamed up with "Dateline NBC" to catch online pedophiles was supposed to send a flinty-eyed, Texas-style warning about this Dallas suburb: Don't mess with Murphy.

Instead, it has turned into a fiasco.

One of the 25 men caught in the sting — a prosecutor from a neighboring county — committed suicide when police came to arrest him. The Murphy city manager who approved the operation lost his job in the ensuing furor.

And the district attorney is refusing to prosecute any of the men, saying many of the

cases were tainted by the involvement of amateurs.

It is the first time in nine years that "Dateline NBC's" "Catch a Predator" stings across the country that prosecutors did not pursue charges.

"Dateline" has made entertainment out of contacting would-be child molesters over the Internet, luring them to a meeting place, and videotaping their humiliating confrontations with reporter Chris Hansen.

"Dateline" works with an activist group called Perverted Justice, which supplies adults who troll Internet chat rooms posing as underage boys and girls.

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Supreme Court rejects school diversity plans that take race into account

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A half-century after the Supreme Court outlawed segregated schools, sharply divided justices clamped new limits Thursday on local school efforts to make sure children of different races share classrooms.

The court voted 5-4 to strike down school integration plans in Louisville, Ky., and Seattle, a decision that imperiled similar plans that hundreds of cities and counties use voluntarily to integrate their schools.

The ruling does not affect several hundred other public school districts that remain under federal court order to desegregate.

Justices disagreed bluntly with each other in 169 pages of written opinions on whether the decision supports or betrays the landmark Brown v. Board of Education ruling that led to the end of state-sponsored school segregation in the United States.

The 5-4 decision, the 24th such split this term, displayed the new dominance of the court's aggressive conservative majority. The four liberal justices dissented.

Chief Justice John Roberts asserted in his majority opinion that by classifying students by race, the school districts are perpetuating the unequal treatment the Brown decision outlawed. "The way to stop discrimination on the basis of race is to stop discriminating on the basis of race," Roberts said.

Clint Brown to file against integration was "a cruel irony," responded Justice John Paul Stevens in his dissent.

Cruelly for school districts seeking guidance, Justice Anthony Kennedy went along with the court's four most conservative members in rejecting the Louisville and Seattle plans, but also said race may sometimes be a component of school efforts to achieve diversity.

To the extent that Roberts' opinion could be interpreted to foreclose the use of race in any circumstance, Kennedy said, "I disagree with that reasoning."

"A district may consider it a compelling interest to achieve a diverse student population," Kennedy said. "Race may be one component of that diversity."

Kennedy seemed to suggest that race could be a factor in deciding where to build a new school or how to draw school attendance boundaries.

Justice Stephen Breyer, in a pointed dissent he read in the courtroom, said those measures have had only limited success in promoting integration.

Breyer was more expressive than usual in the elegant courtroom, grimacing a time or two, shaking his head and rolling his eyes as Roberts read from his opinion.

Joined by the other liberals on the court, Breyer said Roberts' opinion undermined the promise of integrated schools that the court laid out 53 years ago in the Brown decision. "To invalidate the plans under review is to threaten the promise of Brown," he said.

On the other side, Justice Clarence Thomas, the court's only black member, wrote a separate opinion endorsing the ruling and taking issue with the dissenters' view of the Brown case.

"What was wrong in 1954 cannot be right today," he said. "The plans before us base school assignment decisions on students' race. Because our Constitution is colorblind and neither knows nor tolerates classes among citizens, such race-based decisionmaking is unconstitutional."

Civil rights leaders, trying to make the best of the decision, said Kennedy's opinion, when combined with the four dissenters, showed that a majority of the justices support the continuing use of race-conscious measures to integrate public schools.

"We got rained on today, but there's a silver lining," said Theodore Shaw, president of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund.

Dennis Parker, director of the American Civil Liberties Union's National Justice Program, said, "Even so, the rejection of

New swing vote

Justice Anthony Kennedy has assumed the role of swing vote by ruling with the majority in all split decisions this term.

Percentage of voting in majority, high-profile cases	Percentage
Kennedy	100%
Samuel Alito	89
John Roberts	88
Antonin Scalia	75
Stephen Thomas	75
Stephen Breyer	63
David Souter	63
Ruth Ginsburg	25
John Stevens	25

SOURCE: Supreme Court Justice Georgetown University Law Center

nificant step backwards in a nation where schools are becoming increasingly segregated by race and ethnicity."

School districts that have plans that resemble the ones struck down by the court are expected to look for other ways to make their schools racially balanced without specifically relying on race. One possibility is using family income since blacks are more likely than whites to be poor.

The ruling also could unsettle the more than 2,000 magnet schools that educate 2 million children since many were created under desegregation plans, said UCLA education expert Gary Orfield.

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EDITORIAL

Don't look for cooling towers anytime soon

Three and a half billion dollars. The company that wants to build a nuclear power plant in Owyhee County says it has financial commitments for that much, the approximate price tag of the proposed facility near Bruneau.

How much is \$3.5 billion? Well, the Idaho General Fund budget approved by the Legislature for fiscal year 2008 is \$2.8 billion.

Serious money, but then again it costs \$100 million just to apply to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to build a nuclear power plant these days.

Alternate Energy Holdings says it could break ground as early as 2008. We're skeptical.

For regardless of the merits, the odds are against the plant getting built.

Why? Since the Three Mile Island accident in 1979, it takes everything short of written permission from God to build a nuclear power plant in the U.S.

Most of the country's 103 nuclear power plants were licensed during the 1960s and '70s. Plants were issued construction permits based on preliminary designs, and safety issues weren't fully resolved until the plant was essentially complete.

Now, according to the Nuclear Energy Institute—a trade group—here's what's required:

The NRC in 1989 established a new licensing procedure, moving the licensing and safety issues to the front of three processes: approval of standard designs, early site permits and combined construction permits and operating licenses.

The design certification process allows plant designers to get advance NRC approval of standard plant designs. Later, these plant designs can be ordered, licensed for a particular site and built.

Once a design certification application has been submitted, the NRC takes between 36 and 60-plus months to complete the review and rulemaking, depending on whether the agency previously OK'd the technology.

The early site permit process enables companies to get approval from the NRC for a site before deciding to build a nuclear power plant. It resolves any site suitability issues before companies commit funds to a project. Companies can "bank" sites approved by the NRC for up to 20 years and build when the time is right.

Early site approval applications consist of three components: a site safety analysis, an environmental report and emergency planning information. Federal, state and local government officials and the public can participate in each of these at various stages during the NRC review process.

It takes 24 months to develop an ESP application if it's a "greenfield" site, or a site not attached to an existing nuclear power facility. Once the applicant submits the application, the process of NRC review and approval—including the public hearing—takes roughly 33 months.

If the project clears all those hurdles, it's issued a combined construction permit/operating license. Granting a COL means that all safety concerns are considered resolved.

The one issue that can't be addressed upfront is whether the plant meets the requirements of the license and is ready to operate. So these elements are agreed upon during the design certification process and in the combined license.

No applicant has yet been through the whole COL process. The NRC estimates that review and approval of the first set of COLs could take as long as 42 months.

Do the math: Assuming that Alternate Energy Holdings chooses a previously approved plant design, the approval process will take a minimum of eight years.

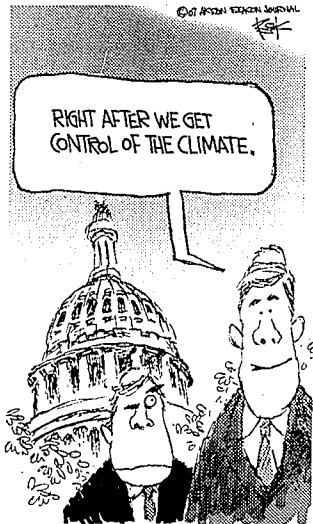
That doesn't mean nothing can happen at the site until the whole process is finished, but it does mean that \$3.5 billion price tag is likely to be substantially higher by the time those familiar cooling towers rise in the desert.

Eight years is a long time to keep that magnitude of financing in place with no actual guarantee of return on investment.

So by all means, let Idahoans debate the merits and perils of the Bruneau nuclear power project. But let's be realistic about whether it will happen.

Our view:
Should a nuclear power plant be built in Owyhee County? Maybe, or maybe not. But the odds are pretty good that the project won't survive the tortuous regulatory process.

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



W. learns from students

A group of high school Presidential Scholars visiting the White House on Monday surprised President Bush by slipping him a handwritten letter pleading with him not to let America become known for torture and urging him to stick to the Geneva Conventions with terror detainees.

The president reassured the teenagers that the United States does not torture. Then the vice president unleashed a pack of large dogs on the kids, running them off the White House lawn, before he shut down the Presidential Scholars program and abolished high schools.

Since it's rare that Bush ever sees groups that have not been preselected to be nice to him, he made the mistake of opening the letter in front of the students and was surprised to learn that he has made many Americans ashamed by subverting values that the country has always held dear, like abiding by the Constitution and respecting human dignity.

Mari Oye from Wellesley, Mass., who is headed to Yale in the fall, handed W. the letter signed by 50 students as they posed for a group picture. She told John Roberts on CNN that her mother had been a Presidential Scholar back in 1968 and always regretted not saying something to Lyndon Johnson about the Vietnam War. She also said her grandparents were Japanese-Americans who were interned during World War II, so she has compassion for those "in a similar situation."

"We asked him to remove the signing statement," attached to the anti-torture



MAUREEN DOWD

bill, which would have allowed presidential power to make exemptions to the ban on torture," she said. "I really feel strongly about this issue and also about the treatment of some Arab—and Muslim—Americans after Sept. 11th."

The president was trying to talk to the students about No Child Left Behind. Maybe that program's working better than we thought, if these kids are able to pull off such a knowing move left behind.

The White House got another unpleasant surprise Monday night when the ordinarily compliant Dick Lugar, the ranking Republican on the Foreign Relations Committee who has gone along with the Bush administration on every Iraq vote, came to the floor of the Senate to sharply upbraid the

president on his Iraq policy in a 50-minute speech.

"Those who offer constructive criticism of the surge strategy are not defeatists, any more than those who warn against a precipitous withdrawal are militarists," the 75-year-old senator told the deserted chamber.

Another Republican on the committee, George Voinovich, sent a letter to the president Tuesday, suggesting it's time to start pulling troops out. "My heart has been heavy for a long time," he told Jeff Zeleny of *The New York Times*.

"We're talking \$60 billion. We're talking over 3,500 people killed." He said he keeps a photo of an Ohio Marine who was killed in Iraq on his desk "so I don't forget, OK?"

Lugar said that because the '08 race has started, time is running out for a bipartisan solution.

Dick Cheney, the president of the Senate, immediately expelled Lugar and appointed himself the new Senator from Indiana. It was a busy day of Constitutional slope-sluffing for the vice president, who had earlier nominated and confirmed himself to the

Supreme Court, so that he could roll back judicial decisions tempering his desire for torture gloire, and then morphed back into his executive branch role to bar the door to the Oval Office sandbox and prevent Condi and Bob Gates from giving W. the plan he wanted to close down Gitmo.

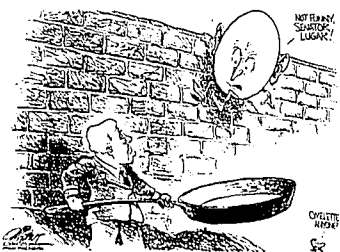
Once his 11th Rummy was pushed out, Vice mentally absorbed the role of Defense Secretary into his own portfolio. He allows Gates—that pragmatic meddler from the skeptical world of Daddy Bush—to keep Rummy's chair warm, but the new Pentagon chief is certainly not included in the super-secret paper flow Vice created to always get his own way.

And Cheney never acknowledges the power of any secretary of state, be it Colin or Condi. Diplomacy is for swine.

The Black Adder, David Addington, the Vice's enforcer of all things evil, sent a snippy reply to a letter from Sen. John Kerry, asking why Vice says his dual role in the legislative and executive branches means he doesn't have to catalog any classified papers. What could they be? Cooked intelligence on invading Iraq? Ill-gotten profits for Halliburton? More chicanery about Scooter Libby? Gitmo and Abu Ghraib torture memos? So many embarrassing options, so little oversight.

In essence, the bizarre response is that nothing applies to the vice president because the vice president is everything. Because he is everything, he reattached the swift boias against John Kerry.

Maureen Dowd is a columnist with *The New York Times*.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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YMCA will have a hard time replacing staff

This letter is to thank two very hard-working people for all the sacrifices they made in order to make the Y a better place for the parents and kids of the valley.

Sadly, they both chose to resign their positions because they were not willing to go against the YMCA values as far as their jobs where concerned to bow down to the Y chief executive officer when she made a poor decision and was not willing to admit it or change it for the good of the YMCA. The first to resign was the manager of the Y city pool, the second was the office manager of the canyon rim facility (which the Y just took over).

I hope the board will take a long, hard look at the CEO

before the Y suffers the losses of any more good people. This matter has really upset me as my family has been involved in helping the kids of this valley though Scouting for more than 50 years and hates to see a great thing like the YMCA suffer from poor management.

There are good people in this valley that give large sums of money to the Y because they believe in what the YMCA stands for and, frankly, they deserve better as far as the management of their money is concerned. The employees of the Y are not happy. A lot of the members of the Y are not happy—could it be poor management from the top position? Let's hope the board has the drive to see it though.

Bottom line is if you know a Y board member, ask them what's going on with the loss of these great people whose dedication to the Y will be

hard to replace and what's being done to fix the problem. They are the ones that enjoy all the YMCA has to offer need your help.

TODD JENSEN
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So, what do you think about Iran?

Homosexuality is not a choice, nor do homosexuals push their lifestyles onto others. (The latter would be a helpful trait in heterosexuals.) All cultures throughout history have had a certain percentage of homosexuals. Even animals have individuals that display this behavior.

Writers to the editor often suggest to people with different views that they should research it another country.

How's this: If you want a nation ruled by religion, move to Iran.
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What are schools for? For the last decade, I've taught a history course with that title at New York University. My students and I examine the different purposes that Americans have assigned to public schools, including:

- A. to teach the great humanistic traditions of the West;
- B. to develop the individual interests of the child;
- C. to promote social justice;
- D. to prepare efficient workers.

Over the past four centuries, Americans have struggled to balance these goals — and many others — in their schools. To Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, however, there's only one right answer:

E. to instill discipline and obedience.

That's what Thomas wrote this week in his strange concurring opinion in *Morse v. Frederick*, better known as the "Bong Hits 4 Jesus" case. A banner with those words was unfurled by senior Joseph Frederick outside his Alaska high school, and he was suspended.

Ruling 5 to 4 in favor of the principal who censored the

JONATHAN ZIMMERMAN

banner, the court decided that the school's interest in discouraging drug use outweighed the student's free-speech rights. But the student had no right to free speech in the first place and that the history of American education proves it.

He's wrong. Simply put, the accurate history of Thomas' opinion is not relevant. And the relevant history that he recounts is not accurate.

Let's start with what he got right. As he correctly asserts, America's first schools primarily promoted discipline. "Early public schools were not places for free-wheeling debates or exploration of competing ideas," Thomas wrote. The mostly male teaching force in the early 1800s brooked little or no dissent, often whipping children who challenged adult authority.

True enough. But so what? Here's the part that Thomas leaves out. From the very birth of the common school system in the 1830s, the strict discipline that he celebrates came



under fire from a host of different Americans. The most prominent champion of common schools, Horace Mann, warned teachers against excessive force and the suppression of students' natural inclinations.

That's one reason Mann and his generation backed the hiring of female teachers, who were seen as more kind, tolerant and nurturing. (The other reason was that schools could pay them less.) By 1900, roughly three-quarters of American teachers were women.

The early 20th century

would bring another burst of change to American schools, centered on the question of democracy. To reformers such as John Dewey, schools based on strict discipline — and its pedagogical companion, rote memorization — could never give citizens the skills they needed to govern themselves. Instead of fostering mindless obedience, then, schools needed to teach children how to make up their own minds — that is, how to reason, deliberate and rule on complex political questions.

To be sure, plenty of Americans still wanted teach-

ers to bring the kids to heel. And it's fair to ask whether schools today promote the kind of inquiry that Dewey envisioned.

The point is not that Dewey was "right" or that everyone agreed with him. Rather, history teaches us that Americans have always disagreed on the proper goal for schools.

None of this debate appears in Thomas' opinion, which gets cut off just when things get interesting. To Thomas, American educational history seems to end at the start. Our first schools aimed to instill discipline, he wrote, so that's what schools should do.

Worse, Thomas assumes that the schools succeeded in this task. "Teachers commanded," he wrote, "and students obeyed." But this command melted away in recent years, Thomas claims, when courts invented spurious student rights — and "under the influence of the traditional authority of teachers to maintain order in the public schools."

Here's the part of Thomas' opinion that would be interesting if it were true. But it's not. Because they tried to establish strict order and discipline in early American schools. As often as not,

to the bring the kids to heel. And it's fair to ask whether schools today promote the kind of inquiry that Dewey envisioned.

because they failed.

Consider the 1833 memoir of Warren Burton, a New Hampshire minister. When faced with a particularly cruel teacher, Burton writes, his classmate was revolted. They tackled the teacher, carried him outside and threw him down an icy hillside.

The theme appears in other memoirs and especially in fiction from the 19th century, which depicts unruly students — usually boys — challenging or mocking teacher authority. Think of Tom Sawyer lowering a cat by a string to snatch his bald teacher's wig. Such stories resonated with Americans because they understood — in ways Thomas does not — the chaos and violence that pervaded so many public schools.

So Thomas can spare us the nostalgia. Our schools were never the paragons of discipline he imagines. And pretending otherwise simply diverts us from the big question, which will never have a single answer:

What are schools for?

Jonathan Zimmerman wrote "Innocents Abroad: American Teachers in the American Century."

Olmert trying to show goodwill, but all he'll get is good grief

Sometimes, for those who pay attention, the stars align and produce spectacular effects in the cosmos and on earth. A similar effect can occasionally be produced through journalism.

On June 26, the *Washington Post* featured three stories on its World News page that should teach a lesson to anyone who wishes to pay attention. The top story was headlined, "Olmert Makes Gesture of Goodwill: At Summit in Egypt, Israeli Leader Pledges to Seek Release of 250 Palestinian Prisoners."

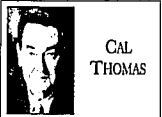
The story just below featured this headline: "Israeli Soldier, on Tape, Pleads for Prisoner Swap: A Year After Capture, (Gilad) Shalit Says He Needs To Be Hospitalized."

The third story's headline was "Dime Drops For Imminent Release of BBC Reporter."

Is Olmert self-deluded, or merely dumb, when he promises to engage in one more in a long list of "goodwill gestures" that have produced no reciprocity from Israel's enemies? I'm leaning toward the latter.

When Israel has previously released prisoners who were captured because many of them had killed, or tried to kill, Israeli, many returned to the company of their Israeli brothers and plotted to kill again. On occasion, Israel might have received one kidnapped Israeli soldier or civilian hostage in return for freeing hundreds of prisoners, but mostly I go nooning.

During Olmert's visit to Washington last week, I asked a "senior Israeli official" if he had tried to persuade Palestinian Authority Chairman Mahmoud Abbas to eliminate the outrageous pro-



gramming on Palestinian TV, which regularly glorifies suicide bombings and calls for the killing of Jews and the elimination of Israel. The official, who requested anonymity as a condition for speaking, said, "I have made the request before but without result. If Abbas will not order the cessation of anti-Semitic programming on the TV station he controls, what makes Olmert think the release of 250 Palestinian prisoners will make him more agreeable to anything intended to ensure Israel's survival?"

In a telephone interview, former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told me, "Abbas doesn't have what it takes by himself" to stabilize the West Bank and that Jordan,

along with Egypt, must serve as part of an "external scaffolding" in partnership with Israel to counter Hamas in the West Bank. Netanyahu opposes Olmert's prisoner release idea, saying, "This is a wrong, harmful message that will not strengthen the Palestinian Authority. It will only weaken it."

In Washington meetings with Vice President Dick Cheney and Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NV), Netanyahu said a division of the Jordanian military should be deployed in the West Bank in order to bring law and order to the area. Netanyahu described Palestinian society to me as "dysfunctional" and said something must be done to "control the mobs."

Israel has made many goodwill gestures, and after each one Israel has become more vulnerable. How about a goodwill gesture from the Palestinian side, such as foregoing violence and living up to their promises?

What is wrong with Israel's leadership, and much of the

Parliament Liaison Committee. Though he was speaking of Iraq, his remarks could apply to the threat to Israel. Blair argued that the West needs to free itself of the habit of mind that believes the violence we see in Iraq and elsewhere is created by the United States, Great Britain, and Coalition forces. He said, "We think we are creating this problem; we are not creating it, it is being created for us."

Perhaps Blair should move to Israel and run for prime minister there. It gets it; Olmert doesn't.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

What has happened to Max Hatfield?

I miss Max Hatfield, the Texas resident. I's he left the third rock? I hope not. DENNIS MOORE Jerome

(Editor's note: Max Hatfield is alive and well and in regular communication with the Times-News.)

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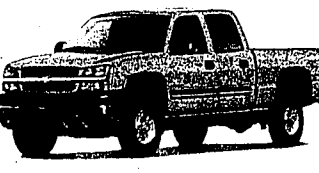
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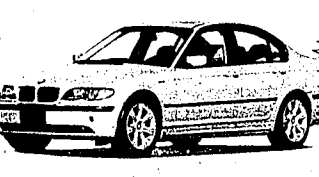
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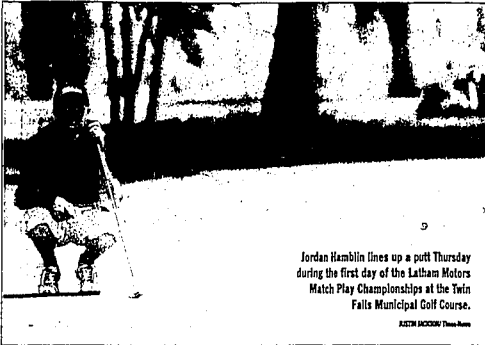
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LATHAM MOTORS MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Latham leads youth movement



Jordan Hamblin lines up a putt Thursday during the first day of the Latham Motors Match Play Championships at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Darrington, McNeley to meet in women's semis

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Nineteen marks the number of years the Latham Motors Match Play Championships have been held. It may also mark the median age of this year's championship-flight players making the loops around the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Golf's youth movement was on full display during Friday's opening-round action as a heavy contingent of high school and college-age golfers advanced to today's men's quarterfinal and

women's semifinal rounds. Toller Latham made a brilliant step in trying to win the tournament named after his grandfather, Bob Latham Sr., defeating Bob Black seven holes up with six to go. The 20-year-old Scentsdale Community College (Ariz.) golfer is looking for his first Latham Match Play win in five tries.

"I try every year to win this one," he said. "It'd be real fun and awesome to win this one."

Latham will face Casey Faught in today's 9:40 a.m. quarterfinal pairing. Faught, who will be a Twin Falls High School junior

this fall, defeated Jake Harr 5 and 4 while Bruins teammate Jordan Hamblin topped Mike "Turbo" Magallon 2 and 1. Both Faught and Hamblin were making their first championship flight appearances.

"It was pretty nerve-wracking, actually," Faught said. "Teeing off on the first tee, I was shaking."

Defending men's champion Aaron Curtis was also among the golfers to advance. Curtis topped David Seppi 3 and 2.

Alby McNeley, a 2007 TFHS graduate topped former Bruin Jennifer Heitola 4 and 3 to advance to today's 11:10 a.m.

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COWBOY CLASSIC

Cowboys collapse

Boise pitcher picks apart T.F.'s lineup

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cowboys' 11-1 loss to the Boise Gems Thursday in the Cowboy Classic opener was everyone's fault. It was the fault of Boise pitcher Brandon Halls, the Cowboys lineup and the defense's performance during the fifth inning.

"We compete to the very end, but we lost some of that," Twin Falls head coach Tim Stadelmeir said of the collapse.

The game started off quietly enough with the Cowboys taking a 1-0 lead as Braden Box batted in leadoff hitter Tyler Anderson during the bottom of the third inning. But as Boise kept the ship steady, Twin Falls started to sink during the top of the fifth.

It started when Nate Roberson fielded a Boise base hit to shallow right and then froze with a runner rounding third. Roberson eventually threw it as the crowd rumbled as Boise's Tyler Knight held his position at third to keep runners at the corner. During the next at bat, catcher Layne Reeves tried to catch Zach Anderson stealing second but the ball slipped out of his hand and rolled harmlessly into the infield. The Cowboys caught a break as Luke Blumberg grounded to Nick Yargusson, who smartly stepped on third to tag out the retreating Knight to preserve the lead.

Cowboys first baseman Bo Folklinga fumbled a throw from Mitchell Dame off a bunt on the next play, allowing the Gems to load the bases with one out.

Unfortunately, things got even worse from there on out. Dame suddenly lost the strike zone and walked in two runs before the Gems could bat in another three. Judd Olmstead came in for relief only to walk in two runs, then allow another two-run hit in Kevin Hawk as Boise went up 9-1.

"Through it all, the Gems came four batters shy from batting around the lineup twice as eight of 11 batters reached the plate at least once.

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Twin Falls Cowboys pitcher Mitchell Dame delivers a pitch during the first inning of play against the Boise Gems Thursday evening at Skip Walker Field.

2007 Cowboy Classic

At Skip Walker Field, CSI
Pool A
Twin Falls Cowboys (0-1)
Lethbridge Spitz Elks (1-0)
Boise Gems (1-0)
Canby Cougars (0-1)
Pool B
Colorado Khaos (0-1)
Nampa Chiefs (1-0)
Walla Walla Bears (0-1)
West Jordan Black Sox (1-0)
Thursday's results
Lethbridge 9, Canby 4

West Jordan 4, Colorado 2
Nampa 4, Walla Walla 3
Boise 11, Twin Falls 1
Friday's games
West Jordan vs. Walla Walla, 11 a.m.
Canby vs. Boise, 4 p.m.
Nampa vs. Colorado, 4 p.m.
Big Slick Home Run Derby, 6:30 p.m.
Lethbridge vs. Twin Falls, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
West Jordan vs. Nampa, 12 a.m.
Colorado vs. Walla Walla, 2 p.m.
Boise vs. Lethbridge, 5 p.m.

Canby vs. Twin Falls, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
At Bill Ingram Field, TFHS
Pool A No. 4 vs. Pool B No. 4, 10 a.m.
Pool A No. 3 vs. Pool B No. 3, 12:30 p.m.
At Skip Walker Field, CSI
Pool A No. 2 vs. Pool B No. 2, 10 a.m.
Pool A No. 1 vs. Pool B No. 1, 12:30 p.m.
• If Twin Falls plays as No. 3 or 4 seed, game will be at Skip Walker Field

It's a knockout

Amateur mixed martial arts event coming to CSI

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Mixed martial arts isn't what most people think. Sure, there's a fine line between padded gloves, maybe a championship belt at the professional level. But this is the real deal.

Lee Anderson's USA Grappling will present a night of amateur mixed martial arts fights Saturday at the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center. The card boasts 14 bouts in a professional-sized octagonal cage (similar to a boxing ring, but with eight sides and a fence rather than ring ropes). With mixed martial arts, any fighting style could be the right style. From sparring to kickboxing to grappling to freestyle wrestling, no two fighters are the same, and the eclectic combination of fighting styles makes for a thrilling show.

"The interest worldwide is peaking right now," Anderson, the event promoter, said of the decision to bring the fights to Twin Falls. "Spike (TV), Showtime, Versus, pay-per-view ... it's the most popular sport on the planet right now and the timing is perfect."

Many fighters are from the Magic Valley and Sun Valley areas, but many will come from other parts of Idaho, Utah and Montana. Fighters like Ryan Henstock, Matt Rivera, Johnny Trujillo and Kyle Scoway — better known as Team Anarchy — are among some of the local participants.

The fights will closely follow the uniform rules of nearly all mixed martial arts promotions — namely the World Combat Sanctioning Federation — though the rules will be a little tighter because of the fighters' amateur status. It's just part of the reason that mixed martial arts fighting has become more mainstream from the early days when there were very few restrictions on body blows.

With amateur fights, there are three three-minute rounds with a one-minute rest period between rounds. It's different from the pros, who fight three five-minute rounds. Championships are decided by five five-minute rounds.

"There will be some variations to protect fighters while they gain more experience," Anderson said. "Safety comes first."

Just as with fights put on by Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) or other promotions, fights can end by knock out, submission, the sanctioned referee can stop the fight or a fighter's corner can throw in the towel.

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Trail Blazers go for Oden with No. 1 pick

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The Portland Trail Blazers got Greg Oden and felt like they won a championship.

The Seattle SuperSonics settled for Kevin Durant, thrilling fans disappointed by the trade of All-Star Ray Allen to Boston.

The Trail Blazers ended months of debate Thursday night when they chose Oden over fellow college freshman Durant with the No. 1 pick in a highly anticipated NBA draft.

Portland opted for the 7-footer who can dominate a game with his defense over the sensational scoring of Durant, who would have been the No. 1 pick in many other years after

one of the most outstanding freshman seasons in NCAA history. But franchise centers are hard to find, and most believe the Blazers got one.

"I was on the phone with the radio station back in Portland," Oden said. "They said they stomped the floor like they won the NBA championship once they called my name."

Fans rushed the court at the Rose Garden, where a perennial playoff team has fallen on hard times after some good behavior. But the Blazers got Rookie of the Year Brandon Roy last year and got an early start on having next season's winner when they grabbed Oden to

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Texas forward Kevin Durant, left, and Ohio State center Greg Oden, right, pose before the draft Thursday in New York.

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SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

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BOXING
ESPRIZ - Cruiserweights,
 Emmanuel Nwilo (20-0) vs.
 Daniel Nwilo (21-3) vs.
 7:30 a.m.
TCG - American PGA Tour,
 Open de France, 12 a.m.
TCG - Champions Tour,
 Commerce Bank
 Championship, 12 a.m.
ESPN - USAU, U.S. Women's
 Open Championship, Second
 round, at Southern Plains, N.C.
 5:30 p.m.
TCG - PGA Tour, Buckle Up,
 second round, 4:30 p.m.
TCG - Nationwide Tour, Peak 'N'
 Peak Classic, second round
 12:00 p.m.
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
WGN - Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs
 7:05 p.m.
VERBUSH - American Cup, round 5,
 at Valencia, Spain
 6 a.m.
ESPRIZ - Wimbledon
 Championships, early round

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ARENA FOOTBALL
ESPN - Raptors, wild card
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New Mexico State hires Louisville assistant to replace Theis

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Louisville assistant men's basketball coach Marvin Menzies has been named head coach at New Mexico State. NMSU president Michael Martin said Thursday that Menzies, an assistant for the past two years under Rich Pitino, will be introduced today in Las Cruces at 3 p.m. news conference. The hiring was first reported by the Las Cruces Sun-News.

Before going to Louisville, Menzies spent a year under former Atlanta Hawks coach Hank Kruger at UNLV, one year as an assistant at USC and four seasons at San Diego State. His only head coaching experience was at Santa Monica College from 1994-99.

Menzies takes over for Reggie Tines, another former Pitino assistant, who turned around the Aggies during a historic two-year run. New Mexico State finished 25-9 last season, capping the NCAA's biggest turnaround in the past two seasons by winning the WAC tournament and playing in the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1995.

"This was named the head coach of the Sacramento Kings earlier this month.

"I have a lot of respect for all the guys who were inducted this year," Messier said after the announcement Thursday. "I think their status and what they've done speak for themselves."

It is the Hall's first group of players since 2001 when Mike Krzyzewski, Jarrett Kuller, Steve Feltus and Dale Haverstick also pushed the selection to the maximum.

"There was a number of players eligible this year beyond the number that we could put in," said former Toronto coach Pat Quinn, a member of the 18-player selection committee. "The deliberations were strong."

Igor Larionov, the former Russian guard who excelled on both sides of the ocean, didn't make it. Adam Oates and Claude Lemieux were other first-year eligibles who were passed over, while Glenn Anderson, Doug Gilmour, Kevin Lowe, Steve Lamer and Pavel Bure were again left out again.

It was hard to argue with the four selected. "The players exceeded the epitome of hockey excellence," NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement. "Their careers were distinguished by their skill, by their drive, by their refusal to accept anything less than the best."

breakaway roping will be June 30 and July 1 at Shu-Fly area in Gooding. Open, youth and senior divisions will begin time-only runs at 8:30 a.m. and are rescheduled for 11:30 a.m. both days.

There will be \$500 in awards both days. For more information, Carol Short or Jackie Buckley at 536-6278 or 731-3272.

Kimberly fun run/walk news

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Good Neighbor Day Fun/Walk will be held Saturday, July 7 at the Kimberly City Park. A 5K run and a 1-mile run will be held and multiple age group divisions will be offered. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. with the race slated for 7 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person and each participant receives a T-shirt. Proceeds benefit the Kimberly Sports Center.

Call 423-4234 or 423-4369 for more information.

Water ski clinic in Burley news

BURLEY — Professional water skier Jill Kramer will hold a clinic on Saturday, June 30 in Burley.

The clinic is limited to 10 skiers. The cost is \$125 per person and includes two sets and prepay. Participants must pre-register and prepay. Registration can be done at Idaho Watersports in Burley.

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PBR coming to Rupert

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SPORTS

Federer makes it 50 straight on grass; Safin up next

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — "GOD MADE ROGER FEDERER."

That sign, white block letters on a dark background, stands in front of a church in Wimbledon village, about a 20-minute walk from the All England Club. Told about it, Federer appreciated the sentiment.

"I didn't see it," he said. "Maybe now I'll go have a look around."

Federer had plenty of time for sight-seeing Thursday, when he competed for all of 11 minutes. That was enough to finish off Juan Martin del Potro of Argentina 6-4, 7-5, 6-1 for the Swiss star's 50th consecutive victory on grass, in a match suspended overnight.

"It's a great number to achieve," Federer said. "I'm delighted about that, but I haven't won the tournament."

His bid to win a fifth consecutive Wimbledon title, something only Bjorn Borg has done, ended in a 100-year new mix into a tougher test: a third-round marathon Friday against former No. 1 Marat Safin, who beat qualifier Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi of Pakistan 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (4).

The 26th-seeded Russian is only 2-7 against Federer over the career, but had beat him in the 2005 Australian



Switzerland's Roger Federer returns the ball to Argentina's Juan Martin del Potro in a men's singles tennis match at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships on Thursday.

Open semifinals en route to one of his two major titles.

"He's obviously a player who can always upset anybody on any day. I hope he's not going to have one of those crazy good days against me," said Federer, who has a seven-throw, "but I think I can pretty much control also how things are being played on grass."

The upsets have been kept to a minimum through the tournament's first four days, and the four seeded men who bowed out Thursday aren't exactly known for their prowess on grass: No. 11 Tommy Robredo, No. 17 David Ferrer, No. 24 Juan Ignacio Chela and No. 29 Agustín Calleri have made a total of two visits to Wimbledon's third round.

Winners included No. 2 Rafael Nadal, No. 4 Novak Djokovic, No. 9 James Blake, 2002 champion Lleyton Hewitt and unseeded Wayne Arthurs, who at 36 is the oldest competitor.

Djokovic beat Amer Delic of the United States 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (4), leaving Blake and No. 3 Andy Roddick as the only American men still around of the 14 who began the tournament. That matches the fewest U.S. men in Wimbledon's third round over the past 40 years; there also were two in 1998. That's more than the locals can cheer for the rest of the way. Four-time semifinalist Tim Henman, the last Brit playing singles, departed with a 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5), 3-6, 2-6, 6-1 loss to Feliciano Lopez of Spain. That came a few hours after Katie O'Brien, the final British woman, lost 6-0, 6-1 to No. 31 Michaela Krajicek, younger sister of 1996 Wimbledon champion Richard.

On the way out, American took a shot at the state of tennis in his country.

"It's depressing. But, you know, it's really. That's what we're at," he said. "I think for years, we've been far too accepting of mediocrity."

Every so often, a tennis player comes along with a connection to Britain — one newspaper reported

this week that Federer's great-great-grandmother was born in England — and hope arises of a citizenship change, a la Greg Rusedzki.

Well, Blake's mother is English. "I guess I'm the closest thing to a Brit left in this tournament," Blake said after beating Andrew Pavl of Romania 6-4, 6-3, 6-3, "so hopefully I'll have a few fans."

The women's tournament has been even more devoid of surprises, and the biggest ones Thursday were losses by No. 13 Dinara Safina and No. 17 Tatiana Golovin. Defending champion Amelie Mauresmo, 2004 champion Maria Sharapova and three-time champion Venus Williams all won in straight sets.

Williams, two points from losing in the first round, had no such trouble in a 6-2, 6-2 victory over Hana Sromova of the Czech Republic, then went out and paired with younger sister Serena for their first doubles match since 2003. The Williams sisters, who have won six Grand Slam doubles titles together, eliminated Claire Curran and Anne Keothavong of Britain 6-1, 6-3.

Against Sromova, Williams smacked nine aces and won every first-set point when she got her first serve in.

GOLF

Miserable day for Wie, Webb

Rookie Park leads

SOUTHERN PINES, N.C. (AP) — In a U.S. Women's Open dominated by talk of teenagers, one of them wound up atop the leaderboard.

And hardly anyone noticed. As 17-year-old Michelle Wie continued her free fall and 12-year-old Alexis Thompson played end-of-year until it was too dark to continue, LPGA Tour rookie Angela Park, 18, birdied her first three holes and hung on for a 3-under 68, leaving her in the lead in the first round for the second straight major.

No rain ruined the start at Pine Needles, but play was suspended for 3½ hours because of lightning in the area, allowing only the morning batch of 78 players to finish the round.

Thompson, the youngest qualifier in U.S. Women's Open history, three-putted the 18th green for a bogey that put her in at 3 over par after nine holes, a respectable start considering she played the tougher back nine first. Wie went off early, and fell off the map quickly. She hit only four fairways, matched her highest score in a Women's Open with an 82, and offered an assessment that was hard to grasp.

"It's just a very fine line between overnight rain and the wind hadn't begun to rattle the pines, and she quickly fired off three straight birdies. Park was at 4 under most of the round until hitting a tee shot into the trees on the 17th, pitching out



Michelle Wie hits from a sand trap on the first hole at the 2007 Women's U.S. Open golf championship in Southern Pines, N.C., Thursday.

my career." Three players were at 2 under at various points on Pine Needles — In-Bee Park (16 holes), Lee Young Lee (12) and Karine Leher (10).

Defending champion Annika Sorenstam was at even par through 13 holes. Park also was tied for the lead at the LPGA Championship after one round, eventually finishing fifth.

"Maybe this week will be different," said Park, who was born in Brazil to South Korean parents and grew up in California.

She played in the morning, when Pine Needles was soft from overnight rain and the wind hadn't begun to rattle the pines, and she quickly fired off three straight birdies. Park was at 4 under most of the round until hitting a tee shot into the trees on the 17th, pitching out

and missing a 25-foot par putt. Park played before hardly any gallery, most of them watching Wie self-destruct again. Time and again, the Hawaii teenager posed on a shot, only to have the club slide through her hands as she realized the know it was off its mark.

"I shot a 10, a better player than this," Wie said. Par became a premonition, but it was hardly a dull day. Lorena Ochoa, the No. 1 player seeking her first major, holed out for a bunker from 195 yards in a single, only to have luck turn against her when a shot over the green bounced through two grandstands, across the road and out-of-bounds, leading to double bogey.

She was at even-par 71, along with Brittany Lincicome. Laura Davies holed out for eagle on the eighth hole, but was 1 over through 14.

Mediate's 64 leads Buick

GRAND BLANC, Mich. (AP) — Rocco Mediate's back is healthy and so is his game.

Mediate shot his lowest score on the PGA Tour in four years, opening the Buick Open on Thursday with an 8-under 64 for a one-stroke lead.

"This has been one of the best years of my life coming out of this injury," he said. "I'm ecstatic." Brett Quigley, Woody Austin and Brian Bateman shot 65 and Jim Furyk was among a group of four another stroke back, in a tournament up for grabs without Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh in the field for the first time since the 2001. The stars have combined to win four of the previous five Buick Opens, reaching 24 under to win the previous two.

"It doesn't matter if Tiger or Vijay are here," Austin said. "Each of the years they won, they didn't blow the field away. I don't believe either one of them has broken Robert Wrenn's record (26 under). Somebody should shoot low every year."

Mediate likes his chances because his right hip joint is not making his back miserable anymore. "I can move again," he said. Mediate credited Cindi Hillman, a physical therapist in Los Angeles, for turning his life and career around since they connected in February.

"Since I had back surgery in '94, it's been on and off again," he said. "The last three years I was dead."

Simply breathing was painful for him and walking was impossible at times. The five-year-old PGA Tour winner had only one top-10 finish last year, ending the season a career-low 206th on the money list. Mediate was ranked 176 and 114 the previous two years after finishing between 22nd and 37 from 1999-2003.

"My game didn't go away because my ability went away," he said. "It's because my body went by-laws."

Mediate wasn't the only one to dominate one of the easiest courses on the Tour. The day after a downpour, Warwick Hills was even more vulnerable especially with temperatures in the low 70s and only moderate wind.

He missed just two greens — despite hitting just nine of 14 fairways — and made 27 putts in a bogey-free day.

It was his best effort since opening 2003 at the Mercedes Championship with a final-round 63. Mediate started strong at the Buick Open after closing the Memorial with a 65 to help him finish tied for 11th as his pedicars tournament. He was second at the Arnold Palmer



Rocco Mediate throws the ball back to his caddy on the No. 17 hole during the first round of the PGA Buick Open golf tournament at Warwick Hills in Grand Blanc, Mich., Thursday. Mediate leads after the first round with an 8-under 64.

Involuntarily in March and tied for ninth in mid-February at the Nissan Open, when a friend introduced him to a new physical therapist.

"No one had ever unlocked (my hip) before," he said. "She's brilliant — period."

He has at least shared the lead after the first round in three previous tournaments, and hopes to hold on for the win as he did in the 1991 Donald Ryder Open. He won the Buick Open in 2005. Austin (1995) and Furyk (2003) are also previous winners.

The absence of last year's champion made a noticeable difference in the size of the galleries. Woods isn't defending his title because he is spending time with his wife and their week-old baby.

Mediate didn't blame the fans for staying away.

"I'd had a chance to watch Tiger. I'm watching him. I'm not watching me," Mediate said. Singh ended his five-year string of appearances at the Buick Open because of an elbow injury.

Furyk is the only player other than Woods or Singh who has won at Warwick Hills since 2002 and he put himself in contention with his 34th consecutive under-par round at the tournament.

Perhaps pro wrestling has lost control of the script

Hucksters make their living ahead of the curve, or at the very least, by selling that illusion. So there was something satisfying about watching pro wrestling czar Vince McMahon being forced to come clean, if only this once.

"Steroids may or may not have had anything to do with this," he acknowledged Thursday during an interview on the "Today" show concerning the murder-suicide of one-time WWE star Chris Benoit, his wife and son. "It's all speculation until the toxicology reports come back."

McMahon is right about that last part, though just two days earlier, his World Wrestling Entertainment issued a statement insisting that the use of anabolic steroids were "never in Benoit's home, they were not, and could not be related" to the deaths.

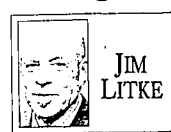
The statement went on to deny "sensationalist reporting," then suggested the way Benoit went about the business of murdering his wife and son, placing bibles next to their bodies before banging himself on a weight machine "indicate deliberation, not rage."

McMahon repeated that assertion in the interview, and he might be right about that, too. The shame is he didn't stop there.

"There's a rush to judgment," McMahon said. "There's almost a hysteria around us."

In case anybody is still wondering why that is, tragedy seems to find its way into pro wrestling more often than called for in McMahon's feverish scripts.

In 2005, Eddie Guerrero was found dead in his Minneapolis hotel room, the victim of heat



stroke linked to steroid use. Two years earlier, the deaths of Curt "Mr. Perfect" Hennig and Miss Elizabeth, the girlfriend of former champion Lex Luger, were tied to drug and alcohol abuse. A year earlier, heart failure linked to steroid abuse was blamed in the death of Davey Boy Smith, the "British Bulldog."

In 1999, real life intruded on wrestling's art when Owen Hart was killed trying to perform a stunt during a pay-per-view event. The audience had no idea Hart's death was real — not just a stunt — in large

part because the show continued.

Even Benoit's nickname, "The Canadian Crippler," was a mocking reference to the very real havoc the sport occasionally wreaks on its cast; he acquired the moniker, according to SLAMI magazine, because he broke a opponent's neck a dozen years ago by accidentally dropping him on his head.

Wrestling is hardly our only diversion that destroys bodies at an alarming rate, as the testimony of a handful of former NFL players before Congress this week reminds us. It's not the only one, either, pressuring its participants to pop pills — and worse — in pursuit of ever-bigger and more spectacular performances. Just think of all the witnesses from baseball, hounded by the odd couple of commissioner Bud Selig and superstar-turned-

informant Jose Canseco, who have made appearances before lawmakers over the last few years. And stories about well-off celebrities who have trouble handling fame and fortune are so numerous they've become a cottage industry.

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cists tried to pass off the spectacular fake as a real assassination and pretended the FBI was investigating. McMahon has had a bad sidekick, if not for the grisly scene at Benoit's house and the attacks it prompted on McMahon's empire.

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Jazz take Rice guard Almond in first round

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Utah Jazz took Rice shooting guard Morris Almond in the opening round of the NBA draft Thursday, hoping they finally got the shooter they've been missing. Jazz officials appeared thrilled to see that Almond was still available when Utah was able to make the 25th overall pick.

After Phoenix drafted Spanish guard Rudy Fernandez with the No. 24 pick, Jazz owner Larry Miller playfully punched vice president of basketball operations Kevin O'Connor's arm in

congratulations. A few minutes later, O'Connor went to the podium at EnergySolutions Arena and announced that the Jazz were taking Almond — much to the delight of fans who had been chanting things like "Almond Jay" as Utah got closer to picking.

Coach Jerry Sloan, who is known for being especially tough on rookies, was even smiling when the Jazz were about to make the pick.

"It's a guy that looks like can really shoot the basketball and

we felt like that's something our team needs," Sloan said.

Sloan liked the idea of having a 6-foot-6 player who can shoot or post-up inside. If Almond follows Sloan's orders and works hard enough, he could be getting a chance to play as a rookie.

"The offense is not the part I'm worried about. It's really playing to Coach Sloan's liking and the specifications of the offense and the team structure," Almond said during a conference call after he was picked. "I feel comfortable that I can come in, I think it's a

good fit."

Almond played all four years of college, returning for his senior year after declaring early last summer but backing out when no teams promised to pick him in the first round. He led twice in scoring and was third nationally as a senior with a 26.4-point scoring average. He shot 48 percent last season, making 263 of 544 from the field and was 77-for-169 (46 percent) from 3-point range.

With their second-round pick, No. 55, the Jazz selected Providence forward Herbert Hill.

Patrick: 'It's time' for that first win

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Danica Patrick is in her third season as the most talked-about driver in the IndyCar Series.

And the still-winnable Patrick doesn't know how much "Danica-mania" will intensify when she takes her first checkered flag.

She's sure of one thing, though — it's a matter of when, not if.

"It's going to be nice to do it. It's probably going to come when everyone least expects it, including myself, but it's time," she said. "It's time to just do it and get it over with, and I can't tell you that I'm going to be over-the-moon."

"I'm going to be relieved."

The attention a victory by Patrick would bring, the series would also be huge, but that doesn't mean that other drivers are necessarily rooting for history to be made.

Dan Wheldon, 2005 series champion, openly admits he is attracted by the races because that NASCAR draws for its races. But he said he doesn't want Patrick, or anyone else who could boost ratings, to win for any reason other than that she's earned it.

"You want to see her win because she's warranted of winning," Wheldon said Thursday. "And I'm sure she will win eventually. At the end of the day, I like to go to each individual race and see the person who performs the best win."

Since arriving in the series in 2005 and surging to the top in popularity by being accommodating and leading the Indianapolis 500 for 19 laps and finishing fourth, Patrick feels like she has moved closer to becoming the first woman to win a race.

She's had her best race her best third earlier this year at Texas. She said she's also gaining familiarity with her new Andretti Green Racing team.

As the rookie of the year with Batlatal International Racing in 2005, she said her equipment was superior and helped her to a 12th-place finish overall. Last year, her experience helped her finish ninth in the standings even though her car struggled.

This year, even her teammates are anticipating a victory and joking that they'll shave off her beloved long black hair to welcome her to the ranks of race winners.

"Freshmen are very talented," she said in the draft. "I'd say, 'I think in the draft, it's all about position and what a team needs, and you see some great, great players in this draft. I'm happy with the team that I went to and just happy to get to Atlanta and help turn that franchise around.'"

The Milwaukee Bucks took a chance at No. 6 on the draft's mystery player, Chicago forward Yi Jianlian.

Charlotte took North Carolina's Brandon Wright at No. 8, and Washington center Spencer Hawes was picked by Sacramento, the fourth and fifth freshmen in the top 10.

The Bobcats later sent Wright's draft rights to Golden State for guard Jason Richardson and the rights to Jermaine Davidson, taken by the Warriors at No. 26.

Ohio State's Dequan Cook went to Philadelphia at No. 21, giving both national championship-game teams three players in the first round. His rights later were sent to Miami for the rights to Jason Smith of Colorado State.

Draft

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play alongside LaMarcus Aldridge.

"They did have a bad reputation, but I think Brandon and LaMarcus kind of turned that around," Oden said. "I hope that I can come, and just push that along some more."

Even with Durant, feelings weren't quite the same in Seattle. Moments after he was picked, Durant sat on TV that the SuperSonics had traded Allen, their leading scorer, to Boston. Fans booed the Allen trade at a draft party for the Sonics, who still face losing Richard Lewis to free agency.

But the 6-9 Durant, wearing an orange tie to match Texas' colors, doesn't consider himself the Sonics' savior.

"Not at all, not at all," Durant said. "When you play since you were 8 or 9 years old, you know the game is not a one-man sport. I'm far from being a savior."

Oden led Ohio State to the national championship game, despite never playing at full strength after surgery on his right wrist. Still, he averaged 15.7 points and shot nearly 50 percent while drawing comparisons to Bill Russell for his rebounding and shot blocking abilities.

Looking nervous and battling a head cold since arriving in New York, Oden shared a long handshake with commissioner David Stern before heading off for interviews. He was expected to fly to Portland later Thursday night.

Oden could have been the top pick last year out of high school if not for the NBA's age requirement rule.

"I'm a better player because of that year in college," Oden said. "Coach (Mats) Motta, he taught me so much, first about being a young man growing up in Columbus."

The Pacific Northwest rivals got an rebuilding plan by moving up in last month's lottery to grab the top two picks. Though this is

Greg Oden picked No. 1

The Portland Trail Blazers chose Ohio State center Greg Oden as the NBA's top draft pick

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considered the deepest draft in years, Oden and Durant are regarded as the only can't-miss players.

Joining Durant to help the Sonics rebuild is Georgetown's Jeff Green, picked by Boston with the No. 5 pick. Durant knows Green from growing up in the Washington, D.C. area.

"I know Jeff pretty well, on a D.C. Blue Devils team, and we've had a friendship from there," Durant said. "It's a great player, and I can't wait to play him."

The Atlanta Hawks used the No. 3 pick, their first two in the lottery on Al Horford, who saluted the pro-Fordham crowd with the Game Changers. The two-time defending NCAA champion became the first school with three players selected in the top 10 of the draft.

They made it when Corey Brewer went to Minnesota at No. 7 and Joakim Noah — donning a brown bow tie and getting a huge reaction from his hometown crowd — was taken by Chicago two picks later.

"This is an unbelievable experience," Horford said. "Winning two national championships. Moving up to the next level is unreal."

The Hawks passed on Michael Conley Jr., even though they still need a point guard after passing on Chris Paul and Deron Williams two years ago. The Memphis Grizzlies then grabbed Conley, the Hawks' teammate since their junior high days and the third freshman in the top four picks.

Atlanta finally grabbed that point guard by taking Eric Law at



Florida forward Joakim Noah, right, poses for a photo with NBA commissioner David Stern after being selected by the Chicago Bulls as the ninth overall pick in the 2007 NBA Draft Thursday at Madison Square Garden in New York.

No. 11 — the first college senior taken.

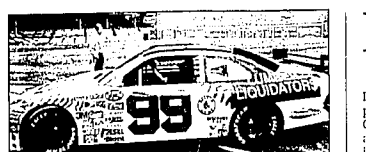
"Freshmen are very talented," he said in the draft. "I'd say, 'I think in the draft, it's all about position and what a team needs, and you see some great, great players in this draft. I'm happy with the team that I went to and just happy to get to Atlanta and help turn that franchise around.'"

The Milwaukee Bucks took a chance at No. 6 on the draft's mystery player, Chicago forward Yi Jianlian.

Charlotte took North Carolina's Brandon Wright at No. 8, and Washington center Spencer Hawes was picked by Sacramento, the fourth and fifth freshmen in the top 10.

The Bobcats later sent Wright's draft rights to Golden State for guard Jason Richardson and the rights to Jermaine Davidson, taken by the Warriors at No. 26.

Ohio State's Dequan Cook went to Philadelphia at No. 21, giving both national championship-game teams three players in the first round. His rights later were sent to Miami for the rights to Jason Smith of Colorado State.



John Henry, principal owner of the Boston Red Sox and Fenway Sports Group, admires the Red Sox-themed car after its unveiling at Fenway Park Thursday in Boston.

Roush Fenway unveils baseball-themed car

BOSTON (AP) — Carl Edwards is turning into a sensation for this weekend's visit to New England.

Edwards' No. 99 car has been repainted white, with the traditional red sashes of a baseball, to celebrate its first visit to the land of the Red Sox since the ballclub's owners invested in his race team.

The car will also sport the Red Sox name and logo on the hood and sides, and even Edwards' helmet has been painted white with red seams.

"I wouldn't put that on in this park, the way these guys swing the bat," Edwards said after watching team owner Jack Roush take batting practice.

Roush sold half of his team this winter to Fenway Sports Group, a sister company of the Red Sox, in a deal that brought him court and revenue within his sport and marketing arm extended into an area that has tradition-

ally been cool to auto racing. But it wasn't until Thursday that the marriage received its public debut. No. 99 — the ones matched the field of the ones from Ted Williams jersey — rev up on the Fenway warning track.

This weekend's race in Loudon, N.H., will be the Red Sox team's first visit to New England since joining forces with the Red Sox. The ballclub has debuted at NASCAR weekend at Fenway Park; Roush will throw out the first pitch on Friday night and several of his show cars will be on the field before the game.

"It is our intention to be New England's NASCAR team," said Roush, who traded his usual straw hat for a baseball cap with the traditional Boston "B" on front. "We hope Red Sox fans watching the race in Loudon will support us with the same intensity as they do when watching the Red Sox."

Although Hendrick contends

Hendrick team won't appeal penalties

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Rick Hendrick won't appeal the penalties NASCAR handed Jeff Gordon and Johnson's team and their crew chiefs will immediately begin their six-race suspensions.

Chad Knaus and Steve Letarte were suspended and fined \$100,000 each because the cars for Gordon and Johnson failed initial inspections last week in California.

Gordon, the four-time series champion, and Johnson, the defending Nextel Cup champion, were each docked 100 points.

The penalties are excessive," Hendrick, the team owner, said Thursday. "We're not going to put time and resources into issuing an appeal. Instead, we will direct that energy into our internal processes to make sure we have full confidence that our cars will meet standards when presented for inspection each week."

Notice of intent to appeal would have allowed Knaus and Letarte to work this weekend at New Hampshire International Raceway. Many thought Hendrick would appeal because he'd want his crew chiefs at Sunday's Car of Tomorrow race collecting data that should be a preview of the Sept. 16 Chase for the championship opener.

Hendrick Motorsports has won 10 of 16 races this season, five of which were COF races. The cars that failed last Friday's inspection at Infineon Raceway were COF's with illegal modifications to the fenders.

Although Hendrick contends

his crew chiefs were working in a gray area, NASCAR is taking a zero-tolerance approach toward any interpretations of the rule book concerning the COF. Hendrick believes, the sanctioning body is being too strict.

"We've said from the beginning that this would be a learning process, and there would be a lot of give and take between NASCAR and the teams to figure out the COF out," he said. "That doesn't seem to be the case now, and I don't think it's the right direction to go."

The car chiefs for each team will serve as interim crew chiefs for the next six weeks.

Jeff Meendering will replace Letarte on Gordon's team, which heads into New Hampshire with a 171-point lead over Denny Hamlin in the Nextel Cup standings.

Meendering started sweeping floors at Hendrick when he was in 1994 and has been a part of 10 championship teams along the way.

Ron Malec will replace Knaus on Johnson's crew. Malec has been friends with Johnson for more than a decade, and the two were once roommates during their early

racing days. They moved to North Carolina in 1998 and were original members of the team Hendrick formed for Johnson in 2001.

"Iton has been our backbone from the beginning and he'll do a terrific job," Knaus said. "It's not the way I wanted to see him get an opportunity, but he's ready and more than capable of getting it done."

Because Malec also changes tires on race day, former Hendrick crew chief Lance McGrew will assist him on top

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Medicaid change causes concern

By Neta Poppo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sandy Dobbs knew her parents' money wouldn't hold out forever.

So when she and her sisters were searching for an assisted living care facility for their parents, they made sure to pick one that would also accept Medicaid money, Dobbs said.

Now, Dobbs said she was forced to move her parents after Assisted Living Concepts Inc., the company that owns Chaparrale House and eight other assisted living homes in Idaho, decided not to accept any new residents who planned to use Medicaid to cover part of their expenses. Dobbs said her parents signed a rental agreement allowing both back in December 2005, and should have been allowed to stay.

"With a place like that that changes their mind in the middle of the stream, what if some of these people didn't have any family to help them?" Dobbs asked.

Assisted Living Concepts is not throwing out any of its residents currently on Medicaid, said Laurie Behn, president and CEO. But the low reimbursement rate the service provides was making it hard to pay for upkeep and programs, she said, prompting the company to change its policy. The company notified residents of the change within the last 60 days, she said.

"We've got high-quality buildings with high standards as far as programs and services," Behn said. "We do have people who currently are on Medicaid. We just aren't accepting any more."

Rumors surrounding the policy change caused at least one other Medicaid resident to move out, worried that she would be forced to leave. But Mark Serr, director of Chaparrale House, said no existing Medicaid users will be moved.

Ruth Simmons, whose mother, June Simmons, was the other resident to move, said the rumors were just another example of what she described as poor care at the facility. She alleged that Chaparrale doesn't have enough staff and provides substandard care, and that Serr doesn't care at all about his residents. The residents would complain, she said, but are scared to.

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Bigger July 4 show needs better fundraising

CSI fireworks show short about \$6,000

By Nick Coltrian
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The fireworks show at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday night will be louder, brighter and have about 1,000 more shots than last year. But it will also cost about \$10,000 more.

With the extra cost comes a final push from the organizers to raise between \$5,000 and \$7,000. Olivia Rowe, lead event organizer, said the group can pay for most of the fireworks, which will cost about \$30,000,

but need extra money for trash pickup and portable toilets.

She said organizers will make sure the show happens this year, and that extra donations will help make next year's show even better.

"I couldn't imagine a city without fireworks," Rowe said. "I feel they are necessary not only for the adults, but to teach children about patriotism."

All of the \$20,000 raised so far has come from businesses, Rowe said.

The biggest chunks came from Bisbee RV, which donated

\$10,000 and the city of Twin Falls, which donated \$6,500. Jeff Wilde, founder of Elite Pyrotechnics, said Bisbee RV really gave the push to have a bigger show than last year.

"We like firecrackers," said Troy Jenkins, general manager of Bisbee RV.

Wilde said this year between 5,400 to 5,500 shells will blow up over the city during the show, which will last about 31 minutes. Last year the show had about 3,300 shots, none of which will compare to the 8-inch shells being used this year, he said.

"We'll actually be shooting things that a lot of people

Want to donate for the Fourth?

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haven't seen before," Wilde said. "We just wanted to make it a spectacular show."

Rowe said the fireworks will start shooting at about 9:30 p.m. on the Fourth of July. Before that there will be a concert by the Clumsy Lovers and other activities starting at about 6 p.m. in front of the Turf Club.

THE YOUTH MOVEMENT



Toliver Latham competes at the 19th annual Latham Motors Match Play Championships in Twin Falls. More than 150 competitors are in this year's event and they come from all over the region, including Hawaii. Today the golfers can expect sunny skies with a high of 91 degrees. For more details about the golfing action, see Sports on page B1.

T.F. highway commissioner seat up for election in August

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

On the ballot

TWIN FALLS — One challenger has stepped up to face an incumbent in an Aug. 7 election that will decide who represents the largest of three sub-districts in the Twin Falls Highway District.

The Twin Falls Highway District, which covers over three smaller highway districts in Twin Falls County, recently came under the public spotlight. Employees and former employees accused their bosses of pressuring them to vote for the incumbent in the 2003 election.

Dave Burgess, the district director, flatly denied the allegations and called the problem a personnel issue. A lawsuit filed by a former employee against the agency was settled in January.

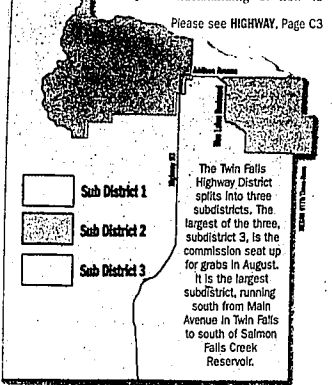
The Twin Falls Highway District has a \$6 million budget, and its staff of about 30 workers is responsible

T.F. Highway District election is Aug. 7
Incumbent Herm Osterkamp of Twin Falls faces challenger
Position earnings: \$2,400 to \$3,000 annually

for 750 miles of county roads. It acts independent of the Twin Falls County Commission or any other public entity. The only leverage citizens have is the ballot.

The district splits into three sub-districts. The largest of the three, sub-district 3, is the commission seat up for grabs in August. It is the largest sub-district, running south from Main Avenue in Twin Falls to south of Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir. In spite of its vast terrain, the sub-district covers a less densely populated area than the other two.

Herm Osterkamp, a retired farmer who lives near Curry Crossing, has served two four-year terms as commissioner for sub-district 3. Osterkamp said he has an extensive understanding of how to



Willie Nelson is on the road again ... to Nevada

By Jared DuBach
For the Times-News

ELKO — Once again country music legend Willie Nelson made headlines recently for his marijuana arrest in Louisiana, such publicity doesn't seem to have had much impact on his career.

Northeast Nevada is getting two shots at Nelson. Nelson and his family are performing at 2 p.m. at Cactus Pete's Amphitheater July 8. Tickets are \$40, \$55 and \$70. The Nelson family is also playing a

sold-out show at 8 p.m. July 10 at the Poppermill Concert Hall in Wendover. Nelson is among the last of the late Waylon Jennings and Johnny Cash. Nelson's more recent work has been with longtime writing partner Ray Price — a Cactus Potes regular. Perhaps the most famous of their duet work is on the album "San Antonio Rose." Nelson's work goes beyond that in the recording studio. He also co-founded Farm Aid in 1985 and holds his annual Fourth of July picnic in Texas.

YOUR WEEKEND

A friend in low places



What: Garth Brooks' guitarist and longtime collaborator Ty England will kick off the 81st annual Rupert Fourth of July celebration with a concert. Where: Rupert Square. When: Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Other events are the Christmas Lighting Breakfast from 6-10 a.m., a Dutch-oven cook-off at 10 a.m., a carnival starting at 11 a.m., the "Sounds of Freedom" concert series starting at 6 p.m. (featuring Soft Touch at 6:15 p.m., and Tom Simpson at 9:30 p.m.), and fre-

works at dusk. How much: Most events are free. Tickets to the Christmas Lighting Breakfast are \$4.

Curses!



What: Mount Harrison Debutantes will present the summer melodrama, "Taming the Wild Wild West in a Dress" or "Let's Give the Villain the Slip," by Billy St. John. Where: Wilson Theatre, Rupert. When: Today, 8 p.m., and Saturday, 2 and 8 p.m. How much: Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for senior cit-

izens and children, are available at the door.

Big voices

What: Sun Valley Opera will present a concert by tenors Jose Medina, Dennis McNeil and Jorge Lopez Yanez. Where: Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood, Ketchum. When: Saturday and Sunday, 8 p.m. How much: Tickets, which are \$35 for adults and \$10 for students, are available at <http://www.sunvalleyopera.com> by phoning 726-0994, or at Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum.

Celebrate early

What: Hazelton's annual Independence Day celebration will be held this weekend. Where: City Park. When: Saturday, the parade starts at 6 p.m., live entertainment, food

and games for kids from 6-10 p.m. and fireworks at dusk. How much: It's free.

Dishing at Stricker



What: The Friends of Stricker will host an ice cream social south of Hansen. Where: Rock Creek Station and Stricker home, 3715 E. 3200 N. When: Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. How much: It's free. Donations will go toward preservation of the historic site.

OBITUARIES/COMMUNITY

Kate Elizabeth Funk

BURLEY — Kate Elizabeth Funk, 85-year-old Burley resident, passed away June 26, 2007, at Highland Estates in Burley.



She was born July 11, 1921, in Heyburn, Idaho, to George and Hannah Clark Etherington. Kate married Frank Poyden in March 1941 and later married Glenn Funk in April 1965 in Elk, Nev. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Kate was a hard worker all of her life. She worked alongside her father and brothers in the fields. With a harness around her waist, she picked potatoes and dragged gummy sacks up and down the rows. She pulled cover over of the gummy sacks and worked all day. Her first job as a teenager earning money, was cleaning houses in the area. She walked to work from Heyburn and often stayed with the families to tend their children. She started working for Poyden when it opened, retiring after 19 years.

Kate and Glenn loved to fish and camp. They frequented places like Clarke Canyon in Montana, Blackfoot and Magic reservoirs in Idaho, and Fish Creek and Salmon Falls. They loved the outdoors and the friendships they made while trolling along in their boat waiting for "the big one." Family members shared many fishing trips, and hundreds of fish were eaten and

shared with family and friends.

Kate is survived by her children, Richard (Debbie) Poyden, Linda (Rex) Thomas and Harold (Tonia) Poyden; five-stepchildren, Joyce Taylor, Patricia Heidel, Rufus Funk, Kenneth Funk and Pam Wight; grandchildren, David and Brian Poyden, Steve Thomas, Debbie Fenstermaker, Brenda Thomas and Lori Kawamoto; great-grandchildren, Tristan Poyden, Amber and Derek Thomas, Tyson and Ryan Stout, Ashley Thomas, and Makaya, Sij and Ethan Kawamoto; and one sister, Rita Williams of Blackfoot, Idaho. She is preceded in death by her spouses, Frank and Glenn; brothers, Thomas, John, Walter, George, Lawrence and Charles Etherington; sisters, Helen Maynard, Myrtle Ramsey, Rita Williams, Smitty, and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 2, at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 1, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the funeral home.

The family wishes to extend their thanks and appreciation to Highland Estates, to the Cassia Regional Medical Center, especially Kathy Ilines and Roxana Deniz; Comfort Keepers, especially Yolanda Ramirez. Her caregivers were extremely good to her.

Helen C. Larson

GLENN'S FERRY — Helen C. Larson, 80, of Glenn's Ferry, passed away Monday, June 25, 2007, at her home.



A family service will be held June 27 at Our Lady of Limerick Catholic Church in Glenn's Ferry. A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 26, at the VFW Hall in Glenn's Ferry.

Helen was born Dec. 10, 1926, in Sidney, Mont., to Edward Clifford and Katherine Irene Smith. She was raised and educated in Montana before moving to Idaho. Helen was married to her longtime love, Junior Larson, on Dec. 24, 1952, in Jerome. They built a life together in Jerome and later settled in Glenn's Ferry. She worked many years in the agricultural business as a member of Ore-Ida, Magic West, United States Department of Agriculture and Splotch. She spent time as a Sunday school teacher.

Some of Helen's hobbies included stamp collecting, gardening, crocheting, hunting, fishing, camping and passing

time watching the Snake River from her home. She was a lover of all animals. She enjoyed watching baseball especially the Chicago Cubs and the Atlanta Braves. Baseball was not her only sport of choice; she also enjoyed watching football, rooting for the Boise State Broncos, Green Bay Packers and the Denver Broncos. And you could find her watching the summer and winter Olympics every time they came around. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Helen is survived by her husband, Junior Larson of Glenn's Ferry; her daughter, Barbara and her husband, Steve May of King Hill; granddaughters, Brandie and her husband, Elyad Hamad of Hillsboro, Ore., and Maria and her husband, Rick Cress of Gooding; great-grandchildren, Catherine and Domonah Hamand of Hillsboro, Ore., Megan Bortz and Austin Cress of Gooding, and Aimee, Kayonna and Morgan Cress of Iowa. She was preceded in death by her parents, two infant sons, one grandson and two great-grandsons.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtry Chapel in Mountain Home.

SERVICES

Paul A. Schmidt of Buhl, cell-a.m. today at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Marie King Jenks of Boise and formerly of Jerome and Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the LDS Chapel, 125 E. Ave. B in Jerome; friends may call from 9 to 10:30 a.m. today at the church. Interment with a short graveside service will be at 4 p.m. today at the Gen Memorial Gardens Cemetery in the 2500 block of Overland Avenue in Burley (Colonial Funeral Home in Pocatello).

Melva Marie Potthast of Pine, memorial services at 11 a.m. today at Rost Funeral Home in Mountain Home and 4 p.m. today at the Veterans Alliance Church, 401 Sixth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

Marilyn Faye Brooks of Jerome, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Bible Baptist Church and Robertsons Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Aspy Paige Loosli, infant daughter of Shawn Loosli and KaDee Ochsner of Buhl, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Filser Cemetery (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Beverly Winona Stealy Laker of West Jordan, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls; funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Midvale LDS 9th Ward Chapel, 8350 Jackson St. in Midvale, Utah; viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Redwood Memorial Mortuary, 6500 S. Redwood Road in West Jordan, Utah, and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church.

Seth Leffel Haynes of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Aequia LDS 2nd Ward Church in Aequia; viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. today.

and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Donald George Greener of Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Emerson LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Church, 127 S. 26th W. in Heyburn; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:40 a.m. Saturday at the church.

James O. Rodgers of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Roy Olsen Turner of Burleigh, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Chapel, 246 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at the mortuary.

Mabel Buxton-Bonnichsen of Lake Stevens, Wash., and formerly of Filser, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Filser United Methodist Church on the corner of Fifth and Union; a reception will follow at the church.

Robson Bonnichsen of George Station, Texas, and formerly of Filser, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Filser United Methodist Church on the corner of Fifth and Union streets, A graveside service to bury his ashes and dedicate a monument at his parents' grave site will follow at the Filser Cemetery. A reception will follow at the church.

Hosea Jackson Brindley Sr. of Loupman and formerly of Jerome, private interment for family and friends at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Jerome Cemetery; celebration of life from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Shilo Inn in Twin Falls (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

Urbano Armendarez

TWIN FALLS — Urbano Armendarez, 75, of Twin Falls, died early Monday morning, June 18, 2007, at his home in Twin Falls.



Urbano was born May 25, 1932, in Seguin, Texas, the son of Aurelio and Teva Rodriguez Armendarez. He grew up and attended school in Texas and, in 1955, Urbano entered into the U.S. Army, where he served and country promptly in Korea until he was honorably discharged in 1957. Urbano married Lucille Silbiz in 1965 in Pocatello, Idaho. They moved to Minnesota, where he worked on the railroad for a number of years before moving to the Burley area. Urbano worked for the sugar factory in Paul, Idaho, for several years, then was transferred to the Twin Falls sugar factory, where he worked for more than 32 years and retired in 1997. Following his retirement, he and Lucille traveled to many places to see all of their children. He enjoyed fishing, walking and going to the Depot Gift for his coffee. He loved to talk and spend time with his family and

friends. Urbano was a member of the St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

Urbano is survived by his wife of 42 years, Lucille Armendarez of Twin Falls; his children, Mary Lou Alvarado of Iowa, Marlin Montoya of Oregon, Alicia Trevino of Twin Falls, Manuel and Martin Elias of Iowa, Raul Armendarez of Iowa, Paul Armendarez of Nebraska, Lorraine Martinez of Iowa, Urbano Armendarez Jr. of Twin Falls, Bonnie Nava of Chicago, Lucy Armendarez of Iowa, and Maria Elias of Iowa. Also surviving are 63 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A rosary prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Monday, July 2, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. A funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, 161 Sixth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, with Father Victor Almarud celebrating. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery, with military honors by the Idaho National Guard and area veterans. Friends may call from 4 p.m. until the time of the rosary service Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Dennis Michael Gertiser

TWIN FALLS — Dennis Michael Gertiser, 61, of Twin Falls, passed away June 27, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.



He was born Nov. 10, 1945, in Detroit, Mich., the son of Harry and Dorothy Zeien Gertiser. He graduated in 1964 from West Branch Michigan High School and thereafter joined the U.S. Air Force. Dennis served more than 20 years and six months in the Air Force, retiring in 1966 (On Aug. 19, 1967, he was awarded the loss of his life, Joy Weir. Together, they had two children. After his retirement, Dennis worked as a long-haul truck driver. He loved trucking, fishing, hunting, boating and

spending time with friends and family. His pride and joy was his children and grandchildren, and he enjoyed being a helpful and supportive friend to his close family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Surviving are his wife, Joy of Twin Falls; son, Scott (Stephanie) Gertiser of Spanaway, Wash.; daughter, Wendy (Todd) Triplett of Minot, N.D.; brother, Jerry Gertiser of Livingston, Mont.; along with two granddaughters, Hannah and Faith. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends may call Monday, July 2, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. A funeral service with military honors will follow the visitation at 11 a.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

Jerre L. Kauffman

BOISE — Jerre L. Kauffman, a devoted husband, father and grandfather, passed away Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at the Veterans Memorial Hospital in Boise after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.



Jerre was born Oct. 23, 1940, in Cherish, Colo. He grew up in Filer, Idaho, where he attended school. He graduated from Northwest Nazarene College in 1964 with a degree in business administration. He married Sherry Hoobler in 1968.

Jerre had a passion for flying, which led him to a very successful 39-year career with the Idaho Air National Guard. In the early part of his career, he was also a corporate and airline pilot. Among his many positions with the guard, he was the commander of the 190th Fighter Squadron, commander of the 124th Maintenance Group, commander of the 124th Fighter Group, and the United States Property and Fiscal officer for the state of Idaho. He retired in 2001.

Jerre was an avid golfer, outdoorsman and enjoyed NASCAR. He was a member of Spurwing Country Club. He and Charlene and her husband had a family; and his grandson, Sean, was the light of his life.

He is survived by his wife of almost 39 years, Sherry; his children, Tina and husband Brian, and Ronnie, both of Boise; sisters, Helen Kawamoto of Inverness, Fla., D'Alene and her husband Gale Bevans of Twin Falls, Idaho; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

The family wished to thank the staff of the Veterans Hospital for the care of Jerre. A funeral service will be at 12:30 p.m. Monday, July 2, 2007 at the Boise First Church of the Nazarene, 3852 N. Engle Road. Burial will follow at the Dry Creek Cemetery. A reception for family and friends will follow at the Filser Funeral Home. Arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

Alice J. Lorey — Alice J. Lorey, 70, of Odessa, Fla., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, after a courageous fight with cancer.

A funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 30, at the St. Paul Catholic Church in Tampa, Fla. Friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 29, at the Blount and Corry Funeral Home, 3207 W. Bearss Ave. in Tampa, Fla. Burial will be July 6 at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Jasper, Ind. Donations may be made to Lifepath Hospice, 11150 N. 53rd St., Temple Terrace, FL 33617.

Donald C. Kelley

BURLEY — Donald C. Kelley, 82, of Burley, died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, at the Grace Community Church, 100 N. Meridian in Burley, with Pastor Jay Greenwalt officiating. Burial will be in the Albion City Cemetery, with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

Jeffery Wiseman

TWIN FALLS — Jeffery Wiseman, 51, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

A service will be at 2 p.m. July 19 at the United Methodist Church in Burley, Idaho. Arrangements are under

the care of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

George Danichek

TWIN FALLS — George Danichek, 87, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, at his home.

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

Barbara Hampton

TWIN FALLS — Barbara Hampton, 76, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at the Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.

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

Vera C. Taylor

BURLEY — Vera Croft Casper Taylor, 83, of Burley, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, at her home.

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

Donald D. Gay

TWIN FALLS — Donald D. Gay, 91, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Consuelo V. de Castro

RUPERT — Consuelo Vega de Castro, 72, of Rupert, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, in Mexico.

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

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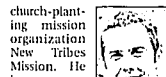
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Burley family celebrates two graduates

BURLEY — Craig Gilley and Alison Gilley, son and daughter of Phil and Karen Gilley of Burley, both graduated on May 18.



Phil Gilley attended Craig's graduation and Karen Gilley attended Alison's. Craig graduated from New Tribes Bible Institute in Wauchesa, Wis., and Alison graduated from Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, 1,800 miles apart.

Craig Gilley graduated from New Tribes Bible Institute with a biblical studies degree. The school is part of the church-mission organization New Tribes Mission. He has now completed the initial phase of NTMI's missionary training program and plans to continue his training to be a full-time missionary to a tribal culture.

He has been on various mission trips to Mexico, pursuing a career in critical care nursing in Coeur d'Alene. He has senior year of high school, she completed her Certified Nursing Assistant and Emergency Medical Technician certificates.

As an EMT, she has worked for the Coeur d'Alene Life Run Ambulance for the past four years when home on her college breaks. In the summer of 2005, she spent two weeks in Sri Lanka on a medical mission trip. She is a 2003 Burley High graduate.

Advertisement for Friends Helping Friends Hearing Aid Services. Includes phone number 678-7600 and address 1301 E. 16th Street - Burley (Inside Farmers Insurance Building).

Care

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"They would talk to me, but they won't talk to Mark," she said. "They're afraid of hitting their thumb out."

Simmons said she has been asked to stay off the premises after Serr accused her of inciting other residents to leave, a false claim, she said, as she was only answering questions about her mother's new home. Serr confirmed the two had a dispute.

Records of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Bureau of Facility Standards show the home was inspected twice last year after complaints, and inspectors concluded residents were happy and had enough staff to meet their needs. The bureau did find violations in

March 2007 — including medications given or ended without physicians' orders and a lack of criminal background checks for some staff — but Serr said he has corrected the problems and is awaiting a follow-up inspection. The home's wellness director resigned over the incident, the records show.

Medicaid funds can't be used to pay for room and board, but can be used to cover "unmet expenses" such as health care, said Ross Mason, spokesman for Idaho Health and Welfare.

Only about one-fourth of the approximately 200 resident and assistant living facilities in the state accept Medicaid, he said. Room and board at the facilities can cost between \$3,000 and \$8,000.

Highway

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adapt county roads to subdivided farm properties.

His education on subdivision began when he opened his own subdivision in 1994 on his farm. If residents of a subdivision bring their private road up to county standards, the district will take over maintenance responsibilities.

"Ninety-nine percent or more (subdivisions) want the highway district to take over their roads," Osterkamp said.

"I was a farmer. I went into development. I developed the subdivision itself — all the steps to develop a subdivision. With my experience I think I could give

a lot of input."

Another retired farmer, Maurice Fuller, has filed as a challenger for the position.

The other T.E. Highway District commissioners are Art Baily and Ron Pierce.

Opposition to incumbent commissioners is rare in Twin Falls County's other highway districts, in Buhl, Ararat and Filer.

Today is the filing deadline for candidates in the Twin Falls, Buhl and Filer highway districts.

Opposing candidates had not been filed in either of the other two districts as of Thursday. Thursday Highway District could not be contacted by late afternoon Thursday.

Speedway plays host to veterans' reunion

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

MERIDIAN — Idaho veterans and their families can participate in the motorcycle show, a free barbecue and Kids' events, including swimming and bouncing games. They will also get discounted tickets for the Meridian Speedway that afternoon, thanks to the Boise-Veterans Resource Network. The motorcycle show will include show bikes from Flat Choppers of California, including the bike commemo-

rating Sept. 11 that was commissioned by the New York City Police Department. The speedway will feature 90 cars decorated with decals from the different service branches.

Founded in 2005, the non-profit Veterans Resource Network is dedicated to helping returning Idaho soldiers and their families readjust to being home, using the resources of community volunteers. Among other services, it provides basic financial counseling, auto and home repair, family counseling for stress-related problems and care packages for soldiers still abroad.

The motorcycle show will open at 11 a.m. The barbecue will be from noon to 3 p.m., and the speedway will open at 4:30 p.m. with a 5:30 p.m. race start.

College seeks women for chronic illness study

BOZEMAN, Mont. — Montana State University's Women to Women Project is looking for rural women with chronic illnesses willing to participate in two study groups in fall 2007 and January 2008.

The studies, carried out by the MSU College of Nursing, look at how participating in self-help groups online and using other Internet resources can help improve the quality of life for rural women with arthri-

tis, heart disease and other chronic conditions.

Participants must be between the ages of 35 and 65 and live at least 25 miles outside a town with a population of 12,500 or more. Project organizers are looking for women in eastern Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming. Women who are interested in the studies can call 1 (888) 375-1317 or e-mail scudney@montana.edu for more information.

CSI sets up Match Grant program to help resettle refugee families

TWIN FALLS — The College of Eastern Idaho Refugee Program has set up the Match Grant program to help resettle families that are arriving in the community from other countries.

The program is designed to foster self-sufficiency as quickly as possible for the new families. Volunteers will be asked to spend time with families in

various roles and to help them gain employment.

Among the opportunities for the volunteer family will be helping tutor English one-on-one, picking up donated items, providing transportation for work, grocery shopping and other errands, and sharing community information and resources with the new family.

Families from various countries around the world continue to arrive in Twin Falls. Volunteers benefit from learning about the cultures of these families and from playing a key role in helping the new residents become accustomed to American ways of life. The first families under the new program at the Refugee Center are expected to arrive the first week of July.

Anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer with the Match Grant Program is encouraged to contact Shannon Palmer Stowe at 736-2166.

The center is also looking for anyone who speaks Nepali. Anyone who can help with this language is asked to contact Kathy Evans at the same phone number.

JEROME MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS

JEROME — Jerome Middle School announces third trimester honor roll.

8th grade

All As
Joey Avila, Dillon Boyd, Mackenzie Chojnicky, Thomas Cradler, Cody Davis, Sarah Dixon, Christina Duvoly, Chandra Graham, Sarah Harris, Kaden Luper, Melissa Marsing, Erica McKay, Jared McKay, Spencer Parker, Ricky Parrish, Alicia Partulla, Michael Buzan, Tara Ridgeway, Lexa Sedana, Sydney Snitter, Carrie Thibault, Ethan Wheatley, D. J. Worthington.

As and Bs

Katrina Albers, Greyden Anderson, Sierra Anderson, Bailey Baker, Kevin Barajas, Kimberly Baxter, Zaila Beltran, Daniel Bickart, Jamie Black, Daniel Blackburn, Andrew Buchteister, Joseph Carey, Gabriel Castaneda, Taylor Cnussen, Stacey Cooper, Mercedes Coronett, Brady Craig, Jeanna Dains, Dominique Emery, Morgan Farnsworth, Jordy Garrard, Shaylynn Gilgoly, Cesar Gramadas, Jennifer Grant, Leroy Hamlin, Ashley Henderson, Nikita Hernandez, Brandon Hernandez, Maria Holbrook, Alex Holtzen, Steven Hoskovec, Neil Jackson, Jordan Jerke, Derrick Larson, Kyailla Lecshindle, Michael Lenker, Sergio Madriral, Ana Karina Magallon, Carondek Martinez, Jordyn McCully, Brett Mitchell, Terry Myers, Rachel Nicholson, Erika Nolasco, Oscar Octon, Josh Owen, Zackery Page, Jake Powell, Sergio Pulido, Chris Ridgeway, Nicole Ridgeway, Larisa Ross, Luis Romero, Lyrin Sanchez, Martin Sandford, Katie Sparks, Karlena Suter, Arika Taylor, Tiffany Thurber, Crystal Valdez, Mark Vandenbosch, Lucero Vandenbosch-Cruz, Timothy Wyatt, Angelina Zettner.

Argyle, Phyllis Barnes, Hadley Biggotti, Jonathan Blackburn, Maddison Blevins, Sabra Cain, Frankie Carey, Kolia Carriero, Tina Chandler, Miksel Clegg, Blair Cox, Jessica Fontes, Shaunee Georgio, Karla Gonzalez, Bryce Graham, Hope Laycock, Jake Hoffelied, Tanner Holoqok, Gaetan Kozma, Melissa Leavitt, Kylee Lask, Aubree McDonnell, Annie Nelson, Hayley Nichols, Tyler Ostler, Tate Patterson, Aimee Ploss, Elizabeth Quinley, Lauren Ramos, Luke Scarow, Isaura Semmons, Jackelyn Sedano, Kristen Teeter, Terran Tolman, Wendy Vandenbosch, Brenda Villa, Ariana Wilson.

As and Bs

Marla Alvarado, Nancy Alvarado, Megan Anderson, Charles Appleby, Matthew Armstrong, Naomi Arzu, Kelsi Bangert, Claudia Beltran, Zachary Benzingier, Natasha Boykin, Andrew Brennan, Haylee Burnham,

Golt Callen, Austin Day, Diana Diaz, Gloria Diaz, Stephanie Duncan, Jaeden Eldred, Spencer Geist, Colton Gilmer, Austin Guenmer, Alejandra Gonzalez, Kiyah Gonzalez, Scott Gulliford, Hanna Hillier, Chris Johnson, Brooklyn Lee, Schae Lohms, Gabriela Lopez, Tina Lotzspeich, AnnMarie McElririe, Jessica McMill, Lucero Menloza, Preston Miller, Jasmin Murillo, Lisa Marie Nimes, Iuli Perez, Christina Peters, Shelby Peters, Blake Peterson, Coyleen Plikenton, Dylan Prince, Courtney Itagins, Makayla Robbins, Oscar Rodriguez, Bradley Sawyer, Montana Silverstein, Kayla Tuffaa, Sabrina Underwood, Estefani Valadez, Tiera Vazquez, Julie Vega, Jennifer Vergara, Alexandra Vogt, Devon Warhuff, Kara Waymont, Braden Wiersma, Devin Williams, Spencer Winn, Samuel Wolfe.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The County of Twin Falls, Department of the Coroner has made available to interested governmental and private bodies and individuals a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed sally port and exam room addition to the Coroner's office at 404 Fairfield Street, Twin Falls, Idaho.

The FONSI is supported by an Environmental Assessment (EA) which studied potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed sally port and exam room additions, which is being funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice.

The EA considered potential impacts to the natural and manmade environments including: geology, topography, and soils; water resources; biological resources; air quality; noise; infrastructure/utilities; land use; transportation; socioeconomic resources; cultural resources; and human health and safety, among other topics with the proposed action.

Based on information gathered during preparation of the EA, the County of Twin Falls finds that the proposed action at 404 Fairfield Street, Twin Falls, Idaho will not significantly impact the environment.

Copies of the EA and FONSI can be obtained from Coroner Dennis Chambers, 733-7610 ext. 22, or may be picked up at the Coroner's Office, 404 Fairfield Street, or from the Commissioner's Office, 425 Shoshone Street (north floor of the Courthouse). A limited number of copies of the EA are available to fill single copy requests.



Participants at a past Helping Hands Freedom Trails campout enjoy dancing as one of the many activities held throughout the weekend. Pictured are Edie Fitzgerald, Charlie Harleys, Tami Fitzgerald, Harley Hunter and other campers.

Special needs and limited abilities campout planned

For the Times-News

For one glorious weekend each summer a group of volunteers opens Idaho's wilderness to those who would otherwise be excluded from the pleasures of camping, horseback riding, wagon rides and sitting around a campfire.

Helping Hands Freedom Trails hosts a three-day campout for people with special needs and limited abilities.

At Elk Meadows in the Stanley Basin on the last weekend in July, participants are provided with an exciting opportunity to experience the great outdoors. Camping, riding, wagon and horseback rides, participation in a talent show, karaoke, a dance and numerous other surprises are just part of the activities.

This year's camp will take place July 27-29 and organizers are looking for wagon drivers, horses and other volunteers.

The camp is open to anyone who might wish to volunteer cooking, chaperoning or performing for the campers.

This is an opportunity for youngsters and adults alike, who could not otherwise participate in such activities to enjoy the Idaho outdoors. Dozens of volunteers participate to make certain the experience is safe, fun and memory-filled for each camper.

There will be special guests who come to see the campers. Skippy the Clown, Smokey the Bear and many others will be at camp.

The three-day camp takes a great deal of preparation and funds to accomplish. Camp sponsors are asking anyone who might wish to participate in any way, including cash or in-kind donations, to contact Harry Fitzgerald at 674-6260, Lori Bird at 436-4800, Jeanne Miller at 424-3922 or Pat Hunter at 679-8661.

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GOD & COUNTRY DAY

Sunday, July 1

A day dedicated to celebrating our freedom and honoring those who served in the military to guarantee our liberty

Opening Remarks and Prayer by Pastor Finn
 Presentation of the colors
 The National Anthem by Linda Bowen
 Posting of the colors
 POW/MIA Ceremony by Robert Jackson
 Patriotic Songs with Worship Leader, Vicki Lucia
 Skit - "Letters to America"
 "It's an Honor to Serve" video presentation
 "What is Freedom" by Pastor Finn from John 8:31-36
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The public is welcome to attend this service at 10:30 a.m.

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7th grade

All As
Cameron Ahrens, Colby

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Democrats to hold hearing into Cheney role in salmon die-off

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee said Thursday his panel will hold a hearing into the role Vice President Dick Cheney may have played in the 2002 die-off of about 70,000 salmon near the California-Oregon border.



Rep. Nick Rahall, D-W.Va., said the Democratic-led committee has been examining what he called the Bush administration's "punch" to favor politics over science in the implementation of the Endangered Species Act.

In light of allegations made about Cheney's role in developing a 10-year water plan for the Klamath River that courts later called arbitrary and in violation of the Endangered Species Act, a hearing is worthwhile, Rahall said. He and other Democrats charged that Cheney's action resulted

in the largest adult salmon kill in the history of the West.

"It certainly appears this administration will stop at nothing to achieve political gain from natural resources disasters," Rahall said. "Ultimately, it will be hard-working Americans and their healthy environment that will lose if we fail to act."

West Coast Democrats called for the hearing Wednesday after the Washington Post reported that Cheney may have played a key role in the 2002 salmon die-off.

"The ramifications of that salmon kill are still being felt today as returns to the Klamath River are so low that commercial, sport and tribal fishing seasons have been curtailed for the past three years," 36 House Democrats said in a letter to Rahall calling for the hearing.

Several hundred fishing in California and Oregon was cut by more than 90 percent last year resulting in more than \$60 million in damage to coastal economies, the letter said.

Accused guard killer could get death

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Authorities filed a murder charge Thursday against a Utah prisoner accused of shooting a guard in the head as he escaped from a medical clinic, a case that could lead to the death penalty.



Alliger

Department of Corrections officer Stephen Anderson, 60, was shot in the head and the chest with his own gun Monday while trying to stop Curtis Alliger during a visit to a University of Utah clinic, police said.

Eight charges were filed against Alliger, including attempted aggravated murder at an Ardy's restaurant, where he was dismissed by a 59-year-old customer and captured by police after a high-speed chase.

Salt Lake County District Attorney Lohra Miller said she would seek the death penalty for Alliger, 27, if he is convicted



Eric Fullerton talks about helping capture escapee Curtis Alliger, who led police on a high speed chase after allegedly shooting Utah Corrections Officer Stephen Anderson in Salt Lake City, Utah, Tuesday. His neck is covered with cuts made with a knife by Alliger in the struggle.

of aggravated murder, a first-degree felony.

"Law enforcement officers place their lives on the line to protect our community," Miller said at a news conference. "My condolences and my gratitude go out to officer

Anderson and his family."

Alliger, who has a swastika and "skin head" on his heavily tattooed face, was alone in a room with Anderson after an MIU on his sore back.

In a round of media interviews Wednesday, he said he

told Anderson about his escape plan and warned him not to "play here."

Alliger said the gun just "went off" during a struggle with the 22-year prison employee.

"I did not shoot that officer. I did not pull that trigger," he insisted.

Miller, however, had a different version, revealing for the first time that Anderson had two gunshot wounds — not just one in the head.

Alliger fled from the clinic, stole a car and led police on a chase before his arrest inside an Ardy's. During the pursuit, he stopped at a friend's house to change clothes and left behind his bloodied prison garb.

A telephone message for Alliger's defense attorney, Michael Peterson, was not immediately returned.

More than 2,000 people are expected today at Anderson's funeral in Bluffdale, including officers from nearly a dozen prisons in other states, Corrections Department spokesman Jack Ford said.

\$225 million loss means Micron jobs on the block

BOISE (AP) — Micron Technology Inc., a maker of computer memory chips, said Thursday it will cut its work force after posting its second consecutive quarterly loss.

For the quarter ended May 31, Micron said it is seeing a loss of \$225 million, or 29 cents per share, after posting a profit of \$88 million, or 12 cents per share, in the same period last year. The chip company posted a loss of \$52 million in its second quarter.

Micron's performance in the third quarter also fell short of Wall Street's expectations. Analysts polled by Thomson Financial forecast a loss of 24 cents per share.

Revenue fell 2 percent to \$1.29 billion from \$1.31 billion a year ago, but came in ahead of analysts' average prediction of \$1.26 billion.

The company said it was hurt by "severe price declines" in most of its products. Micron did not say how many of its 22,000 workers will be laid off, but reductions will likely affect Idaho employees as the company moves production closer to customers in Asia, where it does more than 70 percent of its business.

"There will be workforce reductions in certain areas of the business," said spokesman Dan Francisco. "We're trying to remain competitive."

Micron also said it will replace Steve Appleton as president, though he will remain the chief executive officer and chairman of the board. Mark Durcan, currently the chief operating officer, replaces Appleton as president, starting immediately.

Micron plans to slash its capital expenditures next year to \$2.5 billion, from \$4 billion in the current year, to help stem losses, Francisco said.

Idaho, Northwest lawmakers at odds over immigration bill

By Matthew Day Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Four of six senators in the Northwest — including Republican Sen. Larry Craig of Idaho — voted in favor of President Bush's plan to legalize as many as 12 million unlawful immigrants while fortifying the border.

Democratic Sens. Ron Wyden of Oregon and Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell of Washington state joined Craig to vote in favor of the bill, but supporters fell 14 votes short of the 60 needed to keep the measure alive.

Republican Sens. Gordon Smith of Oregon and Mike Crapo of Idaho opposed it. "Everyone can agree there is a problem that needs to be solved," said Craig, who was one of just 12 GOP senators to back the bill. "Idahoans didn't elect me to be a De No. I came here to solve problems, and I have worked for the past eight years to solve our immigration problems, especially as they relate to agriculture."

Craig said farmers in Idaho and throughout the nation suffer from a severe labor shortage. "We need to help them sooner rather than later, and I will continue to work toward that end," he said.



Craig

Crapo

Smith said he believes immigration reform is needed, but "our law should reward those immigrants who come to America lawfully. Today's Senate vote is a message to Congress and to the federal government that it must first improve our laws and secure our borders."

Murray and Cantwell blamed Republicans for the bill's defeat.

"While this bill was far from perfect, I strongly believe that we needed to continue our work. Unfortunately, today's obstruction prevents that from happening," Murray said.

Katharine Lister, a spokeswoman for Cantwell, said Republicans should have let the Senate continue to improve the bill on the floor. "Senator Cantwell wanted a final bill that strengthened border enforcement — particularly on the northern border — and bolstered U.S. competi-

tiveness by both establishing a consistent work force for our agriculture industry and retaining American companies' ability to recruit highly skilled foreign workers when U.S. workers are not available," Lister said.

The vote to kill the bill "means America will be forced to continue operating under the same broken old system, and that's neither fair for American taxpayers nor smart for our security," Lister said.

Crapo called the bill flawed, saying it would grant immediate and permanent legal status to individuals who illegally entered the country — essentially rewarding illegal behavior.

"This is not an acceptable or effective means to stunt immigration policy," he said.

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He's dying to become a chef. RATATOUILLE. Now at Twin & Jerome Cinema.

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Yippee Ki Yay Mother. LIVE FREE OR DIE HARD. Now at Twin & Jerome Cinema.

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He's come to Earth to destroy it. It will take all their strength to stop him. FANTASTIC FOUR RISE OF THE SILVER SURFER. Now at Twin & Jerome Cinema.

Times-News magicvalley.com will be closed Wednesday, July 4th for the 4th of July holiday. We will re-open Thursday, July 5th. All of us at the Times-News wish you and your family a happy and safe 4th of July!

COMICS

B.C. By Johnny Hart

DR. PETER MD: WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND FOR CHRONIC HEARTBURN?
 COOKING LESSONS.

WHANG!

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

SPIDER-MAN OR THE INK-BLUE HULK?
 SPIDER-MAN.

SPIDER-MAN OR THE OAKLAND RAIDERS?
 RAIDERS.

THE OAKLAND RAIDERS OR THE PINDS?
 NINJAS.

GET TELLING ME TO PICK-A-T-HURT AND GET OUT HERE!!

Baldo By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

TA CARIEN KEE DON'T DRESS UP TO GET ATTENTION.
 THEY DRESS UP TO LOOK COOL!

THEY LOOK COOL IN A HORROR NOVE.

Brevity By Guy & Rodd

HOW COME OUR SHEEP PRODUCE SO MUCH LESS WOOL THAN YOURS?
 BECAUSE THEY'RE GOATS.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

DOGBERT, CAREER COUNSELOR: YOU HAVE NO MARKETABLE TALENT.
 YOU'RE TOTALLY UNEMPLOYABLE AND THAT'S NOT GOING TO CHANGE.

THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO KEEP A POSITIVE ATTITUDE.

Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau

MELISSA, ALL THESE FEELINGS OF ISOLATION AND ALIENATION ARE A COMPLETELY NORMAL RESPONSE.
 TO HEAVY ABNORMAL SUPERVISION, SCOTT. THANK YOU FOR COMING GOAT-JOURNALS, GOAT!

YES, MAM!

GOOD, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO ALL THE WAY. HERE'S NOT IN THE SERVICE CENTER.

BUT YOU'RE ALSO CLEAR. I'M JUST BEING DIRECTIVE.

SO YOU MIGHT THINK.

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

What're you doing, Ducky?
 Ah, can't see what I'm doing, but I'm holding 'em up to the screen before. Ah, put 'em in my mouth.

Hey!

What flavor was that?
 Actually, the only flavor Ah like is lemon.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

GERALD? I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T SPEAKING TO ME.
 OUR BOSS SHOULD DO THE TALKING. I DON'T CARE IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO BE FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE.

WELL, I AM.

COOL!

FRIENDS AGAIN?

MORE THAN FRIENDS AGAIN!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

FARMERS MARKET! THESE FRESH VEGETABLES ARE PHENOMENAL!
 IT'S UNCANNY!

Luann By Greg Evans

SHE'S HERE! TONI'S HERE! NOW WHAT?
 NOW YOU CALM DOWN! GET A GRIP! BEEHIVE!

DUDE, YOU'RE A FIREFIGHTER! YOU RUSH INTO BURNING BUILDINGS! YOU FIGHT CREEPY INSECTS! HOW MUCH SCARIER CAN A DINNER WITH TONI BE?!

350. 250. TOPS. NOW GO.

Mallard Fillmore By Bruce Tinsley

TO BEGIN THE DEBATE, I'D LIKE EACH OF YOU GOP CANDIDATES TO STATE BRIEFLY WHY WE SHOULD VOTE FOR YOU.

I'M THE MOST REAGNESCQUE!
 NO! I AM!
 I'M THE NEW REASON!
 WHICH IS IMPOSSIBLE, SINCE I AM!

Whoa! IDENTITY THEFT REALLY IS GROWING IN THIS COUNTRY.

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

DUNN, DEAR. HERE ON! I CAN'T FIND MY MONEY.
 IT'S DOWN! HERE ON! THE FLOOR. HAHN, YOU MUST HAVE SWOPPED IT.

OH, HUH. I THINK YOU, SONNIV, YOU'RE A SWEET DEAR.

NATIONAL ENQUIRER: PIG SWAGGED IN LADRO TRAVEL!

Pickles By Brian Crane

GRAMPA, WILL YOU FIX ME SOME SOUP?
 GO ASK YOUR GRAMMA.

NO, THANKS. SHE LOOKS TOO SCARY.
 TOO SCARY? GRAMMA?
 UH HUH. SHE LOOKS DANGEROUS.

YEAH, SHE ALWAYS LOOKS LIKE THAT RIGHT AFTER SHE DOES HER NAILS.

HUH?

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

ROSE, HOW WILL YOU COUNT HOW MANY SECONDS I CAN HOLD MY BREATH UNDERWATER?
 I'M NOT SURE HOW LONG I CAN COMPARE THAT TO YOUR POOL PLAY!

START COUNTING!

TWEET! TWEET! TWEET!

OKAY! I'M ABOVE WATER!

ALMOST A SECOND, CLENN!

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

EVERYTHING STANKS IN THIS HOUSE! IT'S INCREIBLE!
 THE BEST EYE...!

IT'S TRUE.

OF COURSE HE'S OF IT! HOW IS IT POSSIBLE IF YOUR DAD HAD THAT MUCH GOOD FOOD OF KITCHENETTE BARBECUE!

YEAH, WESOME! FLAVORS, DAD! DON'T PRIVILEGE ME!

Non Sequitur By Wiley

YEAH, SENATOR... WE'VE ALL SEEN THE LATEST FOLLS.

WHEN THEY DECIDED TO INSTITUTE A DRESS CODE FOR THE DEBATES

Strange Brew By John Deering

He loves Me, He loves Me Not, He loves Me Not, He loves Me Not.

Keep a pen and paper handy, Sagittarius

HOROSCOPE
 Jeraldine Saunders

IF JUNE 29 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Enjoy improved status and a more competitive outlook in the months to come. Refrain from being overly self-centered in July. Between September and December much can be accomplished, especially if you act like a model of industry and concentrate on study, learning, travel and community affairs. The best time to launch important plans is during March when you will be wiser than usual and can reap the rewards you deserve.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Things that seem too good to be true usually are. Avoid forming new romantic ties or signing contracts and agreements. Some type of misunderstanding could arise over a promise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Accept yourself as you are, including all the warts and wrinkles. Then you can accept others as they are, too. On the down side, by overlooking flaws, you might ignore a growing misconception.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Seek those who are upright. Those who seem to have the most fun and are delighted to cooperate could do you a good turn. Hold off on key purchases or investment decisions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Look beneath the surface. When you strip off the wallpaper, you might find the hidden hole in the wall. This isn't a good time to go along with the crowd or to gamble with finances.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Love is like a voyage. Sometimes seas are stormy, sometimes they are calm, and other times you drift along, unaware of an undertow that could be sending you in the wrong direction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't judge books by their covers. You may be attracted to someone, but that could just be the surface appeal. Avoid major purchases or important agreements until brief mental fog clears.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): An ability to work well with others can be a ticket to success. Even if you make a few mistakes or make a poor showing when handling details, people will be willing to overlook this.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): High expectations might not be met. Consider the rosy red strawberry that when tasted has little flavor. A new connection could appear to be invitingly succulent only to prove disappointing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Look for important lessons that invite growth. Pick up pen or pencil and write down inspiring stories or thoughts. You can go anywhere today, but may prefer to just kick back.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): There could be more, or less, than meets the eye. It might be wise to ignore any temptation that might impinge upon your financial security. Sign no contracts and make no promises.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't climb up on a pedestal. A new hookup could be enthralling but your glamorous attractions but you may seem out of reach. You are searching for ideal compatibility, not worship.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Kneel to kiss the ground at your feet. Remain grounded and avoid flights of fancy. Beware of over-idealization this weekend. You could imagine that a certain significant hookup is better, or worse, than it really is.

COMICS

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

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The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



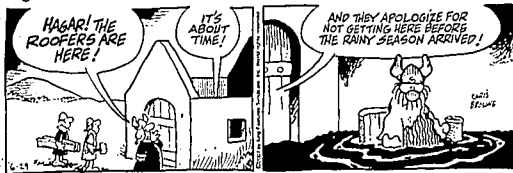
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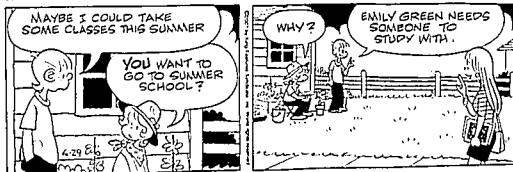
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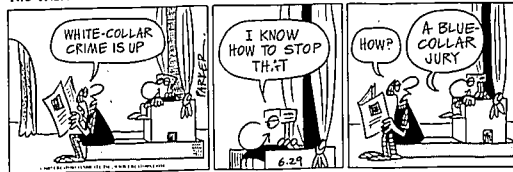
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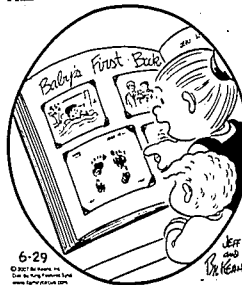
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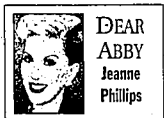


Man should reveal his medical condition before getting married

DEAR ABBY: I am a 40-year-old male who has been divorced for the last five years. I am considering trying marriage again, but am somewhat concerned about the importance problem I have had for some time.

I have consulted many doctors and have taken many tests, but they all came out OK — so I decided to try Viagra. It has been working great.

Should I be upfront about my medical condition if we want to propose marriage, or should I wait until after we're married? It is extremely embarrassing to talk about this to anyone, let alone a woman who might become my wife.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

— UNCERTAIN IN WESTMINSTER, CALIF.
DEAR UNCERTAIN: You should absolutely disclose any medical condition that could affect your marriage before you are married. Not to do so would be considered fraud. If the woman loves you, she will accept you just as you are.

However, when the time comes, it might be beneficial for you and your prospective fiancée to pay a visit to your physician together. It would show that your impotence may have been linked to the fact that your marriage didn't work, and has nothing to do with your ability to perform without the little blue pills.

my fiancé to leukemia. It was only 27. I have noticed that the first words of comfort offered to me by people are, "You're young and pretty. You'll find someone again." Abby, my fiancé has had it for only four months. Several people said that to me at his funeral and wake!

I understand the thought behind those words — that my life will not end because his did. But it was extremely inappropriate to hear something like that so soon after his death. I know I will eventually feel like dating again, but right now his loss is still too recent and painful.

How should I respond to people who say that? Please help me get the word out that this is not comfort so soon after someone's partner passes away.

— STILL MOURNING IN SAN FRANCISCO
DEAR STILL MOURNING: Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss. Your sentiments have been repeated by others who have also suffered a loss.

For some reason, when there is a death, people feel

they must say something to "fix" it — as if anything that could be said would make the pain go away.

Folks: The appropriate way to extend condolences is the simplest. Just repeat the first sentence of my answer. Period! That's all! And do not ask questions about the cause of death. And when someone offers you condolences — a simple thank you is enough. Then, unless you wish to talk about it, change the subject.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were invited to a friend's home for dinner. We brought a lovely plant as a thank-you gift. When we arrived at her house, she said she was disappointed she had invited us for that night. We talked in her driveway for a few minutes, and I handed her the plant as we left. My question is, what was the correct thing to do? Should we have let her have the plant or taken it back home with us?

— PERPLEXED IN MCCLEARY, WASH.
DEAR PERPLEXED: You didn't mention how old this friend is, but she appears to be disorganized, overscheduled or suffering from mind-cognitive impairment. Although there are no rules of etiquette that dictated it, you were nice to leave the plant with her. Perhaps it would be a reminder to reschedule the dinner.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, June 29, the 160th day of 2007. There are 185 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:
On June 29, 1776, the Virginia state constitution was adopted, and Patrick Henry made governor.

On this date:
In 1767, the British Parliament approved the Townshend Acts, which imposed import duties on certain goods shipped to America. (Colonists bitterly protested.)
In 1770, the prompting Parliament in 1770 to repeal the duties on all goods — except tea.)
In 1911, Polish statesman, pianist and composer Ignacy Jan Paderewski died in New York at age 80.
In 1948, authorities in the British Mandate of Palestine arrested more than 2,700 Jews in an attempt to stamp out extremists.

In 1954, the Atomic Energy Commission voted against reinstating Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer's access to classified information.

In 1966, the United States bombed fuel storage facilities near the North Vietnamese cities of Hanoi and Haiphong.

In 1967, Jerusalem was reunified as Israel removed barricades separating the Old City from the Israeli sector.

In 1970, the United States ended a two-month military offensive into Cambodia.

In 1972, the Supreme Court, in Furman v. Georgia, ruled the death penalty, as it was then applied, constituted "cruel and unusual punishment." (The ruling prompted states to revise their capital punishment laws.)

In 1981, Hu Yaobang, a protégé of Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, was elected Communist Party chairman, replacing Mao Zedong's hand-picked successor, Hua Guofeng.

In 1995, the shuttle Atlantis and the space station Mir docked in orbit.

Ten years ago in Albania, gunman menaced voters, burned ballots and pressured polling officials, marrying parliamentary elections meant to steer the country toward recovery after months of chaos.

Five years ago, President Bush transferred his presidential powers to Vice President Dick Cheney for more than two hours during a routine color screening that ended in a clean bill of health. Singer Rosemary Clooney died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 74.

One year ago, The Supreme Court ruled 5-3 that President Bush's plan to try Guantanamo Bay detainees in military tribunals violated U.S. and international law. The government announced it had received a stolen laptop computer and hard drive with sensitive data on up to 26.5 million veterans and military personnel.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Today's Birthdays: Movie producer Robert Evans is 77. Songwriter L. Russell Brown is 67. Actor Gary Busey is 63. Comedian Richard Lewis is 60. Actor-turned-radio personality Fred Grady is 59. Rock musician Ian Paice (Deep Purple) is 53. Singer Don Dokken (Dokken) is 54. Rock singer Colin Hay (Men At Work) is 54. Actress Maria Conchita Alonso is 50. Singer Evelyn "Champagne" King is 47. Actress Sharon Lawrence is 46. Actress Amanda Donohoe is 45. Rhythm-and-

blues singer Stevie Nicks is 49. Person (Five Star) is 48. Actress Kathleen Wilhoite is 43. Musician Dale Baker is 41. Actress Melissa Joan Hart is 40. Rap DJ Shadow is 35. Country musician Todd Sansom (Marshall Dillon) is 29. Singer Nicole Scherzinger is 29.

THOUGHT

"He who is firmly seated in authority soon learns to think security, and not progress, the highest lesson of statecraft."

— James Russell Lowell, American essayist (1819-1891)

Ex-Marine fights off would-be pickpocket in Michigan

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Bill Barnes says he was scratching off a losing \$2 lottery ticket inside a gas station when he felt a hand slip into his front-left pants pocket, where he had \$300 in cash.

He immediately grabbed the person's wrist with his left hand and started throwing punches with his right, landing six or seven blows before a store manager intervened.

"I guess he thought I was an easy mark," Barnes, 72, told The Grand Rapids Press for a story Tuesday.

It's anything but an easy mark: Barnes served in the Marines, was an accomplished Golden Gloves boxer and retired after 20 years as an iron worker.

Jesse Daniel Rae, 27, was

arrested Monday in Rockford District Court on one count of unarmed robbery.

Barnes said he had just withdrawn the money from a bank machine and put it in the pocket of his shorts before driving to a service station in Comstock Park, a Grand Rapids suburb.

He remembers noticing a patron acting suspiciously, asking the price of different brands of cigarettes and other items. While turned away, Barnes felt the hand in his pocket, so he took action.

"I guess I acted on instinct," he said.

Kent County sheriff's deputies said the store manager quickly came around the counter. The three struggled through the front door, where

two witnesses said the manager slammed Rae to the ground and held him there.

"There was blood everywhere," said another manager on duty, Abby Ostrom, 25.

Barnes was a regional runner-up in Golden Gloves competition in the novice and open divisions before enlisting in the Marines in 1956.

After retiring as an iron worker, he now works part-time as a starter at a golf course.

Barnes said he'd probably do the same thing again under the same circumstances, if for no other reason than what he would face back home.

"I want to give my wife to get me hell for letting her say get my money," he said with a smile.

WORLD

Together again: Spice Girls announce world tour



The Spice Girls pose for photographers Thursday in Greenwich, London.

By Sharon Hong
Associated Press writer

LONDON — The Spice Girls wannabe stars again. Following a calculated publicity buildup, the original Girl Power group of the 1990s announced Thursday that they have agreed to reunite for 11 concerts around the world in December and January.

The shows will be their first concerts since breaking up in 2001, and the first with all five of the original group since Geri "Ginger Spice" Halliwell quit to pursue a solo career in 1998.

"Imagine you got divorced and you've got back together with your ex-husband," Halliwell said, explaining how she felt about the reunion.

"She just appreciates the fact we've let her back in," joked Victoria "Posh Spice" Beckham.

The group said the shows would be in Los Angeles on Dec. 7, Las Vegas on

Dec. 8; New York on Dec. 11; London on Dec. 15; Cologne, Germany, on Dec. 20; Madrid, Spain, on Dec. 23; Beijing on Jan. 10; Hong Kong on Jan. 12; Sydney, Australia, on Jan. 17; Cape Town, South Africa, on Jan. 20; and Buenos Aires, Argentina on Jan. 24.

Halliwell and Beckham joined with Melanie "Sporty Spice" Chisholm, Emma "Baby Spice" Bunton and Melanie "Scary Spice" Brown to pose for photos and announce tour plans.

"We wanted to say thank you to our fans. It just feels very right for us," Chisholm said.

"Obviously it's nostalgic. But equally, if new fans want to come along that's fantastic," Halliwell said. "I like to think our songs are universal and they are timeless."

Their first single, "Wannabe," was released in 1996 and topped charts in 31 countries. They went on to sell more than 55 million records.

But their last album, "Forever," released in 2000 and without Halliwell, fared poorly.

You could now call them the Spice Mums. Beckham said the tour will be designed to accommodate the band members' seven children. Bunton is pregnant with her first child.

"Our priority is going to be our families. We want to have fun," said Beckham, who has three sons with her husband, soccer star David Beckham.

"That's one of the many reasons for this, for our children to see what we used to do."

In conjunction with the tour, EMI said it plans to release the first Spice Girls greatest hits album in November. The group also plans to make their first official documentary for TV broadcast.

"It's going to be the most honest story that you've ever heard," Halliwell said. "You get to see the dark side of the Spice Girls. The gritty side, the tears."

'Harry Potter' star Daniel Radcliffe arrives in Tokyo for world premiere

TOKYO (AP) — Japan rolled out the red carpet Thursday for the world premiere of the multimedial TV thriller "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," the fifth movie from J.K. Rowling's megahit fantasy series.

Hundreds of young Japanese fans, many wearing witch costumes and holding magic wands, screamed when Daniel Radcliffe appeared as white smoke spewed on the stage.

"Japanese fans are the best!" Radcliffe, dressed in a white suit, said in simple Japanese.

"Order of the Phoenix" was directed by David Yates, a Briton best known for the multimedial TV thriller "State of Play" and "Sex Traffic."

The film opens as Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry is undergoing a gradual takeover by the bureaucratic Ministry of Magic and its emissary, Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher Dolores Umbridge (Renee Staunton).

A sense of impending doom

is heightened by a series of nightmares that link Harry (Radcliffe) ever more closely to the devilish Voldemort, bringing Rowling's saga into even darker territory.

There's also a new love angle: Harry's first kiss with fellow student Cho Chang (Katie Leung).

The "Harry Potter" books have been translated into 65 languages and sold more than 225 million copies since the first volume, "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone," was published in 1997. (The book was published in the United States with the title "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone.")

After this movie, the next Harry-related frenzy will be the publication of the seventh and final book, "Harry Potter and the Deathly



Radcliffe

Hallows," on July 21. The first Harry Potter movie was released in 2001. Radcliffe and co-stars Emma Watson and Rupert Grint, who play Harry's friends Hermione Granger and Ron Weasley, have been at the center of the Potter storm for almost half their lives.

"It's just absolutely brilliant. He's a lion," said 17-year-old Radcliffe, explaining why he's been playing Harry for such a long time. "He is somebody whose character has gotten his generation of kids into reading. So it's an honor to play him."

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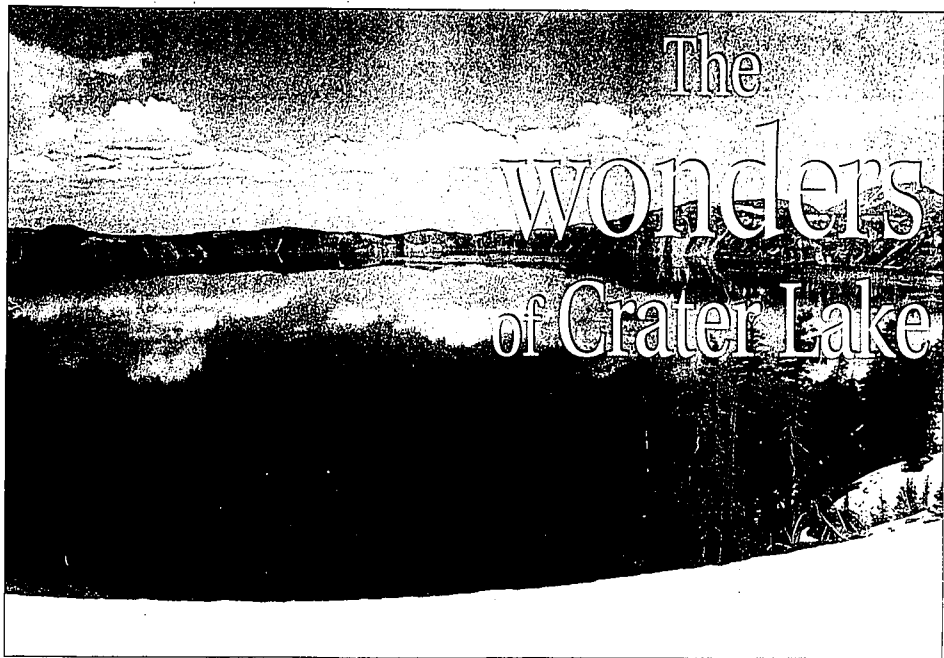


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Crater Lake's blue water fills the caldera to the brim.

Oregon national park is a true mountain gem

Twenty-some major volcanoes are strung out along the nearly thousand-mile Cascade mountain range that runs from northern California to southern British Columbia.

The most noteworthy monuments bear names like Shasta, Hood, Ranier, St. Helens and Mazama. The last one mentioned in that all-star lineup is probably the least well known by name, and for good reason — not much of it is left.



Confines at Rim Village frame the view of Crater Lake and Wizard Island. And its striking beauty, taken with the wonderment on the catastrophe forces that shaped it, still grabs visitors today.



The north slopes at Crater Lake still hold plentiful snow in June.

What is more familiar is what remains today after Mt. Mazama, located in southwestern Oregon, erupted nearly 8,000 years ago:

Crater Lake. Receiving well-deserved recognition shortly after western white settlement, this unique mountain gem was designated the country's sixth national park in 1902.

A present-day glance at the striking blue water burns that vision forever into one's memory. The color is a combination of water purity, clarity, and the manner by which light penetrates what is the seventh deepest lake in the world.

While one never quite gets over the water, the eyes soon notice other stimulating features. The lake's symmetry, defined by its circular nature and the way the crater holds its liquid like a nearly-full bowl, is remarkable.

Countering that somewhat, but not really affecting its balance, is an intriguing island offset toward the western shoreline. Known as Wizard Island, this volcanic cinder cone formed after the initial eruption.

The sense of wonderment felt after soaking in the visuals doesn't diminish once the mind turns to questioning how this landscape came to be. The eruption that obliterated nearly the top mile of mountain also spewed enough material that if spread just over Oregon would cover the state nine inches deep. In comparison, this output is estimated to be nearly 50 times that of Mount St. Helens.

Once the main eruption was over,

Story and photos by Mike Cothern

the remnant of the mostly hollow mountain top collapsed on itself, leaving a six-mile wide caldera. Fill that with water, which comes exclusively from moisture directly from the heavens, and the result is this remarkable spectacle.

Several means exist for those wishing to experience Crater Lake. Like most national parks, the landscape is accessed foremost by vehicle. The 33-mile Rim Drive loops around the crater, offering scattered viewpoints at strategic locations. For those interested in hiking, this and other park roads provide access to several appealing trails. One leads to Mt. Scott, the highest remaining spot in the park, while another provides a link to the nearby Pacific Coast National Scenic Trail.

The only access down to the water surface itself is via a strenuous mile hike near the crater's north side. This hike is rewarding in itself, but does offer a bonus: A chance to enjoy a boat tour of the lake. The excursion, offered by a park concessionaire, is available from July to mid-September.

But whether it's a boat ride, the loop drive or a variety of hikes, many activities to the park are limited to a fairly short season. One of the snowiest locations in the northwest, the annual average snowfall of 530 inches at Crater Lake gives what

some term as "eight months of winter." On our drive through the park during the first week of June, the loop road was closed, and most trails were still drifted over.

The park doesn't miss out in offering winter-related activities that take advantage of all that snow. Snowshoe walks (webbed footwear is provided) highlighting winter ecology are held on weekends. Many cross-country trails are available to those ready to strike out on their own. And to most winter recreationists' surprise, the blue lake rarely freezes over due to a combination of water depth and air temperatures moderated by the Pacific Ocean.

Whether enjoying some solitude in the winter or the accessibility during summer, any visitor is sure to enjoy Crater Lake. From simply bearing witness to the present beauty to imagining its almost unbelievable creation, the spot is truly inspirational.

Crater Lake

Crater Lake National Park can be accessed from two directions. The north entrance is closed during the winter and summer, while the south entrance is open year-round. The park has one developed campground with 200 sites (no reservations or utilities) and one 18-site tent only campground. Two facilities offer overnight lodging, including the historic Crater Lake Lodge. Reservations are strongly recommended.

The park's Steel Visitor Center can be contacted at 541-594-3100. The National Park Service also has an excellent website at www.nps.gov/crta/



Interpretive display portrays Mt. Mazama's eruption 7,700 years ago.

OUTDOORS



Jay Gifford runs Split Falls on the Salmon River in Zigzag, Ore., on May 27. The first known run of the Salmon was in 2001, and it has become one of the top extreme kayaking runs in the country.

On the edge

Kayakers push envelope in Oregon's Salmon River Canyon

By Jeff Barnard
Associated Press writer

ZIGZAG, Ore. — The rest of the crew already had done the throw and go — tossing their kayaks and paddles over the 80-foot falls and jumping or rappelling down the rock face to the pool below.

Chris Korbulic stood at the top of the last big drop, his hands hooked in the shoulder straps of his life vest, and stared a long time at the cold green water flowing over hard black basalt and the places it frothed into white.

He had spent all day to get to Final Falls and half his life to build the skills he needed to run the last in a series of big drops in the Salmon River Canyon and get a shot of a feeling he can't find anywhere else.

He knew right away in his gut he could run it. He was waiting for the others to get into position in the pool below, in case something went wrong, and memorizing the line he would paddle to get to the exact spot he needed to go over safely.

He closed his eyes and visualized himself paddling to the lips, sliding over the bonding flap over the front deck, paddle in line with the boat, falling, falling, falling to plunge bow first into the soft whitewater below, and coming to the surface on his back.

"You can't even explain it," Korbulic said afterward, eating summer sausage and cheese on a cracker from the brood of his buddy's van.

"You're up at the lip," he said. "You look down and you see the pool. You see how to move it. It's not a thought gone through your head. It's like you're just there. You're in that moment and there's nothing else. That's all you see. That's all you know at that point."

The 21-year-old Red Bluff and his friends at Class V creek boaters, on the extreme edge of whitewater kayaking. They had come to test their skills against the Salmon River Canyon and immerse themselves in a rugged wilderness on the banks of Mount Hood.

Surrounded by snowmelt from the Palmer Glacier, the Salmon River flows down the mountain's southwest side through a deep basalt canyon in the Salmon-Huckleberry Wilderness in Mount Hood National Forest.

The canyon is just a 90-minute drive from Portland, home to many expert kayakers, but the first known run of the seven-mile slot didn't occur until 2001, though it doesn't include Final Falls.

"It has the biggest falls. All the falls are beautiful and runnable. It has an 80-foot waterfall, which is about as big as they get run. People have run 115-foot falls, but that's extremely rare. Eighty-footers are extremely rare. It's just too big. Anything over 30 to 40 feet is a car crash, basically. You're going 50, 60, 70 mph when you are hitting the water. I broke my back off a 35-foot-er."

Modern kayak design made the Salmon Canyon run possible, he said. As recently as the 1990s, boats were 14 to 15 feet long, made of fiberglass and more likely to make a bone-jarring flat landing and break. Now the boats are much shorter, and each kayaking discipline has its own design. For creeking — running small rivers with steep drops — kayaks are short and fat, with upturned bows, so they surface quickly in churning whitewater.

Creekers is the part of kayaking Korbulic loves. He dropped out of Oregon State to spend



In this photo taken with video, Chris Korbulic is shown running Frustration Falls on Sunday May 27, on the Salmon River in Zigzag, Ore.

five months running creeks in Chile. This summer he is working for a U.S. Forest Service research crew and getting ready to apply to nursing school, preferably one near good kayaking.

Korbulic, who wears body armor like Barry Bonds to protect him from rocks when his boat flips, can reel off the names of the four paddlers known to have run the 80-foot drop at Final Falls: Ken Stokesberry, Ian Garcia, John Grace and Fred Corti.

"The Salmon River Canyon represents at this point the new level in extreme kayaking — huge waterfalls and this committed group with steep rock walls, where there is no way out except to float out the bottom, said Stokesberry, who travels the world making videos of paddlers running rivers, ran the canyon in 2002 and was the first to run Final Falls.

"It certainly goes way beyond drinking a few Budweisers and jumping off a bridge," he said. "It's more like mountaineering, demanding specialized equipment, a high level of skill and commitment, and intense preparation. The goal is not only to make it to the top, but also safely to the bottom."

Grace, who also makes kayaking videos, feels "any idiot" can run a waterfall, but the sport has a natural filter that keeps out most cocky jerks.

"Most people who have a paddle and strap on a sprayskirt never get into 15 feet, 20 feet and 40 feet," he said. "They are just gilt-edged by being in the sport with two moving mediums. In mountain biking or skiing you are moving down the mountain. But in kayaking you are moving down the mountain and the water is moving with you. For people who get it and feel it, it doesn't give a lot of room for being cocky."

Korbulic took his first shot at the Salmon last year along with OSU grad students Chris Gabrielle and Jeff Hazboun. They hit in about a mile to Frustration Falls with their boats over their shoulders, but were turned back by high water.

Frustration Falls is the road-block to running the canyon. Higher water levels make running Frustration Falls easier, but make Frustration Falls impassable.

This year, they assembled a bigger crew and planned to put in higher, at Split Falls. They recruited software technician E.J. Etherington and Ryan Scott, who works for an online kayak gear retailer in Hood River and had been down the Salmon four times. Scott brought along pals Jay Gifford and Keel Brightman.

The crew met early in the morning on May 27 at the take-out outside Zigzag. After a stop at a grocery store for candy bars, they drove two hours — stopping once to haul a downed tree out of the way and build a rock ramp over another one to find they were on the wrong road. Finally they got to the end of another gravel road, hoisted their kayaks on their shoulders and hiked 2 miles to the rim of the canyon above the put-in. Inside their boats, they carried cameras and climbing ropes.

As a meadow they turned left and hushbuckled down the steep canyon wall through fir, cedar and rhododendron to the river, reaching the top of Split Falls by about 11:30 a.m.

Scott led the way, dropping into a narrow side channel, ducking under a log, pausing in a churning pool, then disappearing over the next drop to reappear in the broad pool below. He hauled his boat out on a rock and took video while the rest followed. Then they all got in their boats and disappeared into the canyon.

Nearly two hours later, after a series of lugans and waterfalls, they were at Frustration Falls, a series of three drops — 15 feet, 20 feet and 40 feet. Korbulic, Brightman and Gifford decided to run it. Hazboun was on the fence, but saw Korbulic have trouble with the first drop and decided to leave it for another day.

"They are better boaters than me," Hazboun said. "They couldn't style it through there, so I wasn't sure I wanted to go there...."

Korbulic had trouble with the second drop, too, having to roll up in a pool so small that the stems of each of the trees hung briefly over the lip of the falls as the paddlers turned and gathered to prepare for the last drop.

Final comes right after Frustration, and everyone ran the first 15-foot drop. But they decided to take the big one.

Camped out the night before on the side of a logging road,

"Most people who have a paddle and strap on a sprayskirt never get into it for glory!"

— John Grace, kayaker

Korbulic, Etherington and Gabrielle talked about the equation they run through their heads above each waterfall — balancing the risk of death or injury against the reward of making it.

"A lot of kayaking is about progression," Etherington said. "I've come to a point where to really progress at creeking I have to scare myself more and I don't know if I want to do that."

There is no shame in ducking to portage, and no smug talk.

"Every kayaker at some point in their career goes through what we call the head game," Gabrielle said. "You can definitely tell your boating is changing by whether you are in your head or not. The river is pretty quiet in telling you whether you are having a good day or a bad day."

It can be just as hard to decide not to run a waterfall as to jump in and run it, Korbulic said.

At Final Falls, Korbulic knew right away in his gut he could run it. The biggest danger was a sharp ledge of rock on one side of the lip. A lot of water was running over it, making it hard to avoid. Going over the lip would launch him away from the soft frothy water of the boil to land flat-bottomed in the hard green water of the pool, with creek breaking his boat — and maybe his back.

After giving a thumbs-up to those waiting in the pool below, Korbulic hiked back up to his boat, twisted right and left, jumped up and down a few times, then put some water in the cockpit that would go to the bow when he went over the lip, helping to keep the boat vertical during the drop. Then he secured his sprayskirt around the cockpit, pushed into the water and began paddling for the falls.

"When you're in the water, you've made the decision," Korbulic said. "You're not doubting it. You're just like, 'OK, I'm here. I know where I want to be. I've got my line picked out.'"

"It's just like having a song in my head. That's just all I'm thinking. Life's got a beat. I'm singing along. I'm seeing the line."

"So you just see the reference points you've taken note of, then you were scouting. You can see this wave and you're just to the left of it. And that's just where you want to be. And you see the hole. And you're just to the left of it. And that's where you want to be. And you just go. And you go over the flake. Too far left and you go over the flake. Too far right and you land in green water."

The boat nearly rolled over as he approached the last turn, but he braced and held it upright, then turned hard right and went over perfectly, sliding over the lip and falling, falling, falling with the water. Near the end he twisted a little past vertical and threw his paddle just before impact, then disappeared under the surface. Gabrielle paddled over and helped him roll up. Korbulic punched the air and slapped high-fives with Gabrielle.

"It's the only way I've found to get that kind of feeling," Korbulic said afterward. "It just seems like there's nothing else. There's right now."

Understanding the complexity of Fish & Game's rules

Question: "I have always struggled with the complexity of the fishing regulations and understanding the exceptions. I know I should just take the time to read the brochure from cover to cover, but are there any secrets to quickly help me find the regulations on such specific waters?"

Answer: You raise an excellent point and many people struggle and agree that our regulations are complex and difficult to understand.

The reason for this complexity is mostly because of the vastness of our state and our fishery resources. The fisheries management priorities across the state vary significantly from protection of threatened species such as wild salmon and bull trout to focused harvest on other species such as Kamloops and northern pike minnows.

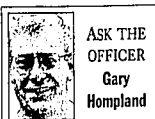
Many reservoirs in southern Idaho are irrigation reservoirs subject to de-watering or poor water quality during drought years. Most of these systems are managed for both cold water species such as trout and warm water species such as crappie, perch and bass.

The varied fish species, varied water conditions, and intent to provide quality angling opportunities to the public, while also providing some measure of protection for the resource, results in many exceptions in the fishing regulations.

However, there are a couple of items that can help anglers to quickly and accurately assess the fishing regulations on a questionable body of water.

The biggest help for anglers is understanding the philosophy behind how the fishing regulations are developed and organized. Two items of special note are the "General Rules" and the "Exceptions to the General Rules."

Near the front of the 2006-



ASK THE OFFICER
Gary Hompland

2007 fishing brochure (pages 8-9) are two pages labeled "General Fishing Seasons" and "General Bag and Possession Limits" on the next page.

These two pages contain the fishing rules and regulations for areas that have no special rules or no "Exceptions to the General Rules."

To find out if the waters you intend to fish contain any "special" rules or exceptions to the general rules, you must go farther back into the fishing brochure. All exceptions to the general seasons and bag limits are listed alphabetically in the Fish and Game Administrative region where they are found.

If there are no special rules listed for your fishing area, then the "general rules" on pages 8-9 apply to the area you intend to fish.

A second option for a quick review of the fishing regulations on a specific body of water is to turn to the back of the fishing brochure. All exceptions (pages 73-75) and look at the index to fishing waters with exceptions to the general rules.

This is an alphabetized list of all waters in Idaho with special rules. If the fishing area you are looking for is not listed in this index, then the general fishing rules and limits apply.

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Castle Rocks State Park to host RanchFest 2007

ALMO — The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation will host RanchFest 2007 at the Castles, a one-day event celebrating Idaho's ranching heritage on Saturday, July 14, at Castle Rocks State Park.

Activities will begin at 1 p.m. There will be exhibits, arts and crafts, musical entertainment, horseback and wagon rides, children's activities and demonstrations. Other features include a horseshoe tournament, chili cook-off, talent show, cowboy climbing contest and keynote concert. Performer Wayne Nelson, who sings country and folk music and performs cowboy poetry will give the open-air show at 5:30 p.m. culminating the day's events. Concergoers should bring their own lawn chairs or blankets.

Local Dutch event master Robert Bell will be on hand for the evening meal at 5 p.m. Admission to the event is \$5 per person. Children ages 12 and under are admitted free. Castle Rocks State Park offers picnicking, hiking, climbing and other day-use activities around scenic, granite spires of the Albion Mountains. The park is located two miles northwest of Almo at 748 East 2000 South.

Take I-84 exit 216 to Duval, and south on Idaho route 77 to Albion, Elba, and Almo. Camping is available at nearby City of Castles National Reserve.

For more information about RanchFest 2007 at the Castles, please call Juanita Jones, (208) 824-5519 ext. 106.

Interpretive programs planned at Redfish Lake Visitor Center

STANLEY — A number of interpretive programs will be offered today through Monday at the Redfish Lake Visitor Center in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

The programs begin at 9:30 a.m. today.

Friday, June 29
Fishhook hike, 9:30 a.m.
Salmon. A gift from the ocean, 1 p.m.
Junior ranger, 1 p.m.
Evening program (The Legends of Redfish Lake and other tales), 9 p.m.

Saturday, June 30
Junior ranger, 9:30 a.m.
Junior ranger, 11 a.m.

Sunday, July 1
Hike (A trip to the wilderness), 10 a.m.
Evening program (campfire), 7:30 p.m.
Evening program (Leave it to the beaver), 8 p.m.

Monday, July 2
Hike, 9:30 a.m.
Junior ranger, 2 p.m.
Evening program (Campfire), 7:30 p.m.
Evening program (On the top of the food chain), 8 p.m.

Monday, July 2
Hike, 9:30 a.m.
Junior ranger, 2 p.m.
Evening program (Mountains under the sea), 9 p.m.

Hunting for wardens



Pennsylvania Wildlife Conservation Officer Gary Toward looks for one the American bald eagles nesting in the forest near Apollo, Pa., on April 26. As states struggle to recruit and train fish and wildlife officers, those charged with enforcing wildlife laws are stretched thin. Pennsylvania's Fish and Boat Commission has consistently operated with about a half-dozen vacancies in its complement of 80 field officers.

States struggle to recruit fish and game officers amid low salaries and dangerous jobs

By Dan Nephin
Associated Press writer

PITTSBURGH — Fish and wildlife departments around the country are on the hunt — for more wardens.

From California to Pennsylvania to Florida, states are struggling to recruit officers and habitat and other projects are being delayed. Those enforcing wildlife laws have a full workload, and officials suspect poaching is increasing, though hard numbers are difficult to come by.

"I think the nefarious people realize there's a good chance they're not going to get caught and are taking more opportunities," said Nancy Foley, chief of the law enforcement division of California's Department of Fish and Game.

Besides enforcing hunting and fishing laws, wildlife wardens respond to calls about injured or nuisance wildlife and provide environmental education. In states such as Texas, they are among the first responders to hurricanes and other natural disasters, said Cal. Pete Flores, director of the law enforcement division for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The danger of the job and declining interest in outdoor activities may also be to blame for shortages, officials say. But mostly, it's the pay. Officers, mostly because of the low starting salary, which was recently raised to \$40,000 from \$44,000, Foley said. The disparity could be because officials don't view wardens as valid law enforcers, she and others said.

"I think a conservation officer is any less important than a state police officer ...



Toward shows a rifle that fires tranquilizer darts during a presentation about black bears for the fourth-grade class at Berkeley Elementary School in Arnold, Pa., on April 26.

States trolling for more fish, game wardens

THE ISSUE: Fish and wildlife agencies across the country say they are having difficulty recruiting and retaining wardens due to low pay and the dangers of the job.

THE CONCERN: Besides enforcing hunting and fishing regulations, wildlife wardens respond to calls about injured or nuisance wildlife, protect and educate the public about the environment, and in some states are among the first responders to hurricanes or other natural disasters.

WHAT'S BEING DONE: Officials in some states are pushing for salary increases so wardens get paid as much as police officers.

they're not thinking about it the right way," said Col. Julie Jones, director of law enforcement for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and president of the National Association of Conservation Law Enforcement Chiefs.

Nevada has three vacancies in its 32-officer unit, which is responsible for 110,000 square miles, and Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has about 50 vacancies out of about 470 field officers.

In Pennsylvania, where the Fish and Boat Commission operates with about a half-dozen vacancies in its complement of 80 field officers, starting annual pay for officers is about \$9,000 less than for state troopers, said Thomas J. Kamerzell, director of law enforcement for the commission.

Kamerzell competed with 6,000 applicants to the agency nearly 30 years ago. The agency's latest graduating class numbered just 360, and Kamerzell said he has only attracted only several hundred applicants through mailings, posters and newspaper ads.

Pennsylvania's game wardens recently switched from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees union to the Fraternal Order of Police in hopes of obtaining a salary and retirement benefits comparable to those of state police, said Brian Witherite, a

Wildlife Conservation Officer in southwestern Pennsylvania. Game wardens in California are likely to encounter marijuana crops grown in rural areas and drug smugglers trekking through the woods. California's wardens issued about 45,000 to 50,000 tickets last year, about one-third of which fell into categories associated with traditional policing, Foley said.

And game wardens patrol people who are frequently armed — hunters — in vast expanses of wilderness. Statistics show a warden is about 2.5 times more likely to be assaulted with a deadly weapon than are other officers, said Rob Buonamici, chief game warden for the Nevada Department of Wildlife.

It hasn't helped that for years, these officers have outside the public view. Now, there's a growing effort to educate people about what they do, Jones said.

"The Game Commission isn't really a career," said Wildlife Conservation Officer Gary Toward, who covers about 600 square miles in western Pennsylvania. "It's more a lifestyle."

Overall, the population in Yellowstone in 2006 — 41 pairs producing 23 young — is the fourth-lowest production in the last 20 years of collecting detailed data, McEneaney said.

The park's trumpeter swans have struggled as populations outside Yellowstone, which traditionally provided fresh recruits, have declined also. Predators are an issue, with wolves killing five swans over a 12-month period in 2005 and 2006. Bald eagles and grizzly bears also limit the population.

"It continues to be a bird on the edge," McEneaney said. It likely that they flew off and settled somewhere else, perhaps outside the park.

Floater gone wild?

Landowners, river enthusiasts clash over right of access

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Annie Band has had it with the recreational rafters who make their way past her house along Fish Creek — and sometimes through her yard to get to Fish Creek.

"It's a constant stream of drinking, screaming, partying people," said Band who, with her husband Jon Hunt, owns land alongside where Fish Creek Road crosses the waterway. "It's not acceptable."

More than a week ago, Band and other property owners posted matching signs where the bridge crosses the creek: "Private property. No trespassing, parking or creek access. Violators will be prosecuted."

But Band's reaction might not be legal, said Eric Leaper, the executive director of the National Organization for Rivers.

Leaper says that flies in the face of long-established case law that's been settled by both the Wyoming and U.S. supreme courts.

"This desire to keep the obnoxious public away is understandable, but not lawful," Leaper said. "There have been court cases that have confirmed where one public river cross another, you have a right to go between the two."

There should be a path going down to the river. The county government should be enforcing the public right, not interfering with it."

Band disagrees. She says it's a matter of property rights.

"That's our land, right up to the bridge," she said. "It's a private property issue."

Sheriff Bob Zimmer said both sides need to respect each other. "In my opinion, landowners need to be a little bit understanding," he said.

And Teton County Attorney Steve Weichman said he would defend the public's right to use — and access — public waterways.

"I'm siding with the public — the working-class guy who wants to get on a truck tire and float the creek because he can't afford a pound of golf at Teton Place," Weichman said.

Weichman said he worries that overuse will wreck the creek and harm species that depend on the stream bed. But, he said, the law does guarantee the public access.

"There's a public trust in this water," Weichman said. "Floating is just great. So when it comes to recreationists versus landowner, the recreationists win, and I vote for them every time."

Hundreds of cutthroat trout die in Utah stream

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — State wildlife officials are investigating what killed hundreds of cutthroat trout in Parleys Creek.

"We have some ideas, but we really can't say at this point what happened," said Mike Slater, an aquatic biologist with the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. "Things are leading us toward some kind of chemical that was spilled or put in the water."

Brock Richardson of Trout Unlimited walked the creek at Parleys Nature Park and

counted 450 dead cutthroat Tuesday. He found more at Sugar House Park, where the creek feeds a pond.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service took about 30 dead fish and sent at least one to a laboratory in Wisconsin.

Parleys Creek is home to a native population of Bonneville cutthroat trout. Whatever was in the water may be diluted.

"I'm not itching and I've been wading in it all morning," Richardson said Tuesday.

Bill to expand Grand Teton by 50 acres headed to president

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation that would add almost 50 acres to Grand Teton National Park is headed to the president's desk.

The House passed the bill Wednesday, including a Senate provision that would rename the park's visitor center after the late Wyoming Senator Craig Thomas.

Thomas, a Republican, died earlier this month after suffering from leukemia. He was an original sponsor of the legislation, which expands the eastern boundary of Grand Teton National Park in northwest Wyoming

in order to accept a private land donation.

The legislation will name the park's visitors center the "Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center."

"If there was one thing I always brought with him to Washington, it was his love for Wyoming's wide open spaces and his passion for the abundant wildlife of our state," said Wyoming Rep. Barbara Cubin, who introduced the House version of the bill.

President Bush is expected to sign the bill into law.

Scientist: Decline in cutthroat trout spurs Osprey decline

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — A "staggering" decline in ospreys on Yellowstone Lake is a consequence of a drastic reduction in the number of native cutthroat trout, the park's ornithologist says.

Only nine nesting pairs of ospreys were observed on the lake last year and the population in that area appears to be declining "at a staggering rate," said park ornithologist Terry McEneaney.

"I go out there and I see very few osprey anymore," McEneaney said. "I used to see 20 or 30 in a day, and now I'm lucky to see a couple."

Trumpeter swans, another of Yellowstone's signature birds, also continue to decline,

reaching some of their lowest numbers since the 1930s, according to a 2006 report on the park's birds.

The number of swans in Yellowstone has dropped steadily since 1961 and now stands at 14, McEneaney said. Although the bird is surviving elsewhere in North America, the small Yellowstone population continues its struggle.

"It's an imperiled species in Yellowstone Park, there's no question about that," McEneaney told the Billings Gazette in a story Wednesday. One of the chief problems for osprey is that a key food, Yellowstone cutthroat trout, have been hit hard by non-native lake trout in recent years. At a spot on the lake

where more than 70,000 cutthroat were counted in the 1970s, just 47 were tallied last year, the lowest number since record keeping began in 1945.

Other factors in the decline include a 2003 wildfire on Frank Island, in the middle of the lake, that burned 570 of the island's 600 acres, wiping out nearly all the old-growth trees that were a popular spot for nesting ospreys.

In 1994, there were 25 pairs nesting on the island that produced 28 young. The nine pairs counted last year produced just three young, according to the park's annual report.

That's not to say ospreys around Yellowstone Lake are dying out, McEneaney said. It's

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Standard & Poor's 500	-0.63
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Stocks of local interest

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Con Agra	27.00	▲ .30
Dell Inc.	28.45	▲ .49
Idaho	32.24	▼ .06
Lithia Co.	25.82	▼ .36
Micron	12.41	▼ .25
Supervalu	45.78	▲ .99

Commodities

	close	change
Aug. Oil	69.57	▲ .60
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Live cattle	86.93	▲ 1.63
July gold	650.4	▲ 5.6

For more, see page D5

MONEY BRIEFS

CSI's manufacturing tech program opens

TWIN FALLS — The newly created Manufacturing Technology program at the College of Southern Idaho is accepting students for the fall semester, which begins Aug. 27.

The program will appeal to both those who are employed in manufacturing jobs and full-time students, said Todd Schwarz, CSI's instructional dean.

The program is designed to provide either short-term technical certificates or an associate of applied science degree, Schwarz said. The certificate program will run for 11 months and the associate program will run two years.

Some of the short-term aspects of the training have been made possible by a \$5 million federal workforce development grant to the eight-county southern Idaho area.

For information, contact a CSI advisor at 732-6250.

Crapo introduces business tax bill

WASHINGTON — Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, joined Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., Thursday in announcing legislation that would relieve businesses from the burden of double taxation.

At issue is whether companies, in addition to being taxed in the state where physically located, should also be subject to business activity taxes where they solicit business or have customers.

The Schumer-Crapo legislation is known as the Business Activity Tax Simplification Act.

The senators said they introduced the legislation following the Supreme Court's refusal last week to hear two cases relating to multiple layers of tax on multi-state businesses.

Hondas get top customer rankings

DETROIT — Four Honda models topped the rankings for their vehicle segments in an annual J.D. Power and Associates customer satisfaction survey of U.S. drivers released Thursday.

Honda's Civic's newly redesigned CR-V small crossover sport utility vehicle, Ridgeline truck and Odyssey minivan all topped their segments, and the subcompact Fit tied with Toyota Motor Corp.'s Yaris for a top spot.

Economy grows with a limp

WASHINGTON — The economy limped ahead at just a 0.7 percent pace in the first quarter, the slowest in more than four years. Some businesses clung down on spending given the uncertainties about the severity of the housing slump.

The Commerce Department's new reading on gross domestic product for the January through March period, released Thursday, was a slight upgrade from the 0.6 percent growth rate estimated a month ago. But it fell short of economists' forecasts for a 0.8 percent pace and may turn out to be the weakest point for the economy this year.

"Companies were really watching their cash," said Oscar Gonzalez, economist at

John Hancock Financial Services. Gross domestic product measures the value of all goods and services produced in the United States. It is considered the best barometer of the country's economic standing. Although businesses tumbled cautious, consumer spending remained sturdy, preventing the economy from stalling out.

Even though the economy showed in the first quarter, an inflation gauge picked up speed.

The measure tied to the GDP report and closely watched by the Federal Reserve showed that core prices — the excluding food and energy — rose at a rate of 2.4 percent in the first quarter. That was higher than previously estimated and faster than the 1.8 percent pace in the fourth quarter.

Wrapping up a two-day meeting Thursday, the Fed repeated its belief that the biggest danger to the economy is if inflation does not recede as expected. Still, the Fed held a key interest rate steady at 5.25 percent, extending a year-long period of stability.

On Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrials dipped 5.45 points to close at 13,422.23.

In other economic news, fewer people signed up for unemployment insurance last week, a sign the national job climate remains healthy. The Labor Department reported that new applications for jobless benefits dropped by 13,000 to 313,000 last week.

The economy's 0.7 percent growth rate marked a significant loss of momentum from the 2.5 percent pace logged in the final quarter of last year.

Bricks stand in a wooden crate for use in the construction of a new custom home in a subdivision in east Denver on Tuesday. Uncertainties about the severity of the housing slump have contributed to an economic slowdown.

"Usually I don't open up my whole dealership to someone, but I'm opening it up to her. She's dialed in."

— Gregg Middlekauff of Middlekauff Motors said of Maryanne Barrott, founder of Young Entrepreneurs Success

Say YES



Maryanne Barrott, a 17-year-old Kimberly High School senior, shows some raw products Thursday in her home food she uses to make lotions and makeup for her body-care products line. She is planning a day camp for Aug. 15, and has speakers and events planned to help other young people become business owners.

Kimberly High School senior aims to teach peers how to start businesses

By Chris Steinbach
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — It didn't take Maryanne Barrott long to find an ally in her campaign to spread the word about entrepreneurship to Magic Valley teenagers.

"Usually I don't open up my whole dealership to someone, but I'm opening it up to her," Gregg Middlekauff of Middlekauff Motors said Thursday of Barrott. "She's dialed in."

Barrott, a 17-year-old Kimberly High School senior, started her business, Maryanne's Own Bodycare Essentials, nearly three years ago. Last year, she started Young Entrepreneurs Success, or YES, to teach other teens about starting businesses. Now, she is planning a YES to Success Day Camp that will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 15 at Middlekauff's dealership.

"We want kids," Barrott said. Her goal is to have at least 100 young people attend the free camp.

Activities, she said, will include:

- A work-out routine with staff from Gold's Gym.
- A session Barrott is calling

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What: Young Entrepreneurs Success' YES to Success Day Camp
When: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 15.
Where: Middlekauff Motors
To register: Go to www.yesuccess.org.
For information: Call Maryanne Barrott at 423-4729 or send e-mail to maryannesown@cablone.net.

the Invention Convention in which the teens work together to come up with ideas and business plans.

• A special presentation by guest speaker Will Kezelle of Twin Falls, chief operating officer of Hartman Communications in Midvale, Utah. He will make a presentation on The Color Code, a personality assessment test.

• An ice cream social with parents to end the day.

• 30-minute workshops presented by business people from around the Magic Valley.

"We really want to make sure they're doing things with the kids to get them involved," Barrott said. "It's hard to get kids involved when they're not

in school ... There are a lot of different things we're offering as prizes."

Barrott, the daughter of Chris and John Barrott, sells homemade body scrubs. The company she started with her mom has a product line of scrubs, lotions, bubble and milk baths which sell in Twin Falls, Ketchikan and Halley. They also have a Web site, www.maryannesown.com, which handles mail orders.

When he was her age, Middlekauff said he was active in what was then called Future Business Leaders of America at his high school.

"I didn't even know what a business was," he said. Barrott, however, called him, scheduled a meeting and arrived with written plans for her day camp, Middlekauff said.

"Very rarely do I say I want to be personally involved," he said of the groups and organizations that seek his dealership's support for an event.

"I want to be involved in this," he said.

Times-News business editor Chris Steinbach can be reached at 735-3255 or steinbach@magicvalley.com.

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION



Rob Sturgill, a financial adviser with Edward Jones, serves a cup of homemade root beer Thursday evening. He used a trash can, dry ice and a canoe paddle to stir the brew at a customer-appreciation barbecue. Edward Jones advisers from across the Magic Valley hosted the barbecue at Twin Falls City Park for more than 750 people.

Quest for iPhone lures Apple fans, entrepreneurs

The Washington Post

In the hoopla surrounding today's iPhone launch, Matt Gimmer saw an irresistible business opportunity.

The plan: Charge a fee to create a diversion so unbearable that customers at the front of the line give up in despair, allowing people at the end of the line a better shot at getting a phone before it sells out.

According to a Craigslist.com ad, Gimmer says his company, Over Here, Jerks Inc., includes a dozen stuntmen, a few chinchillas, bearded-dragon lizards and a goat. A desperate would-be iPhone owner can pay \$50 for three antics — possibly the release of noxious fumes, piercing sounds or wild animals near the line — whatever it takes to get customers to abandon their quest for the coveted phone.

"It's our multi-pronged approach to getting people out of line for our customers," said Gimmer, a 27-year-old career researcher from San Francisco who says he has already landed two clients. "We like to call it manufacturing happiness."

Apple, it seems, will not be the only one cashing in on the frenzy.

Craigslist, the online classified site, is brimming with offers from people willing to wait in line — for up to three days, if necessary — for commissions ranging from \$125 to more than \$1,000.

On May 18, was the first in line at the Apple store in Walnut Creek, Calif., where he's been since 5 a.m. Wednesday. Along with his brother and two friends, he's pitched a tent under a tree, brought

plenty of snacks and plans to watch DVDs on his laptop.

As of Wednesday afternoon, three of the camped-out entrepreneurs received offers of \$500 to wait in line until the phone goes on sale at 6 p.m. today at Apple and AT&T retail stores. May expect to pocket \$2,000 for his efforts.

It's been a worthwhile venture thus far, he said from outside the store. "But it is getting pretty hot out here," he said in a telephone interview.

Others are using the opportunity to raise funds for a cause. David Clayman of Chicago is third in line in front of Apple's flagship store on Fifth Avenue in New York. His blog, "The iPhone Adventure," iphonedventure.blogspot.com, says he plans to buy two phones, if he can, and auction one for \$5,000 to raise money for the Typhoon Foundation, a charitable organization that serves other nonprofit groups.

To support his efforts, Typhoon has asked New Yorkers to bring him food, preferably turnips, carrots, radishes or other roots.

But AT&T is trying to fend off iPhone-scalpers. It will allow each customer to purchase only one phone. Apple has not decided on its policy.

Ross Pearson, an electrical engineer from Rockville, Md., said he'll do anything to get his hands on an iPhone, even if it means paying his teenage neighbor \$500 to stand in line all day at the local Apple store while he is at work today.



Bricks stand in a wooden crate for use in the construction of a new custom home in a subdivision in east Denver on Tuesday. Uncertainties about the severity of the housing slump have contributed to an economic slowdown.

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WORLD

Car bombing kills 22 at Baghdad bus station

By Sameer N. Yacoub
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — A car bomb exploded Thursday at a bus station in a mostly Shiite west Baghdad neighborhood, killing 22 people. Officials received word that 20 decapitated bodies had been found near the capital but were unable to confirm the report because of fighting.

In addition to the dead, more than 50 people were wounded in the rush-hour blast in the Baiyaa neighborhood, police said on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to release the information. A large fireball in-lanated about 40 minutes as people were lining up to catch rides to work, police and survivors said.

Associated Press Television News video showed the area littered with smoldering vehicle parts and charred bodies — their clothing in tatters. bystanders, some weeping, gingerly loaded human remains into ambulances and pickup trucks.

No group claimed responsibility for the blast, but suspicion fell on Sunni militants.



Iraqi women look at the site of a blast at a bus station Thursday in the Baiyaa neighborhood in Baghdad. A parked car bomb exploded in one of Baghdad's busy outdoor bus stations at rush hour, killing 22 people and wounding at least 50, police said.

with a Shiite majority, part of a string of neighborhoods just south of the main road to Baghdad International Airport where sectarian tensions have

been running high. U.S. and Iraqi commanders have launched operations in towns and villages around the capital in hopes of

stopping the flow of car bombs into Baghdad, where thousands of American troops have been deployed since February to try to restore order.

One American soldier was killed Thursday and another was wounded by a roadside bombing during a combat patrol in eastern Baghdad, the U.S. military said.

To the south, two policemen from separate commands said villagers had reported finding 20 beheaded bodies near the Sunni Muslim village of Um al-Aheed. The village is near the city of Salman Pak, 15 miles southeast of the capital.

Villagers said the victims were all men aged 20 to 40 and that their hands and legs had been bound, the two officers said on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to release the information.

Another police officer in eastern Baghdad said officials had heard the report and tried to send a force to the area to confirm it. The visit was called off because the area was too dangerous because of clashes between police commands and extremists.

An official in Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's office said he had seen no such report. He also spoke on condi-

tion of anonymity because he was not supposed to talk to media.

Maj. Aylene Conway, a U.S. military spokeswoman, said U.S. aircraft spotted what appeared to be five bodies north of Salman Pak. American ground troops were sent to investigate but could not find the bodies.

Salman Pak and the surrounding area have been the focus of new U.S. military operations to oust extremists from the Baghdad's outskirts. Salman Pak was once a major headquarters for Saddam Hussein's security services and was long reported to be a training center for non-Iraqi Arab terrorists.

Both Sunni and Shiite extremists operate in the area, long a flashpoint of sectarian tension.

Hours of more sectarian violence rose Thursday when radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr vowed to go ahead with a planned march July 5 to the devastated Askariya shrine in Samarra.

Al-Sadr, head of the notorious Mahdi Army militia, said the goal was to unite Sunnis and Shites against the Americans and Sunni extremists, responsible for attacks against civilians.

Committee: Libyan agent convicted of bombing should be allowed to appeal

By Ben McConville
Associated Press writer

EDINBURGH, Scotland — A judicial commission said Thursday that a Libyan agent imprisoned in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie should be granted an appeal so new evidence that he was wrongfully convicted can be considered.



Al-Megrahi

Scottish relatives welcomed the decision, saying key questions have never been answered. But American families criticized the commission's recommendation as unfair and unwarranted.

If the appeal is granted and successful, it could undermine years of investigation, clear Libya of involvement and reopen the debate about who was behind the attack. That a former U.S. intelligence officer, Bob Ayers, said he doesn't believe it would affect the war on terror.

"After nearly 20 years, it may no longer be possible to find out who was behind the attack. But I don't think such a verdict would chill improving relations between Libya and Britain, or change the tempo or intensity of the war on terror for the U.S. or al-Qaida," said Ayers, who is based in London.

The report by the Scottish Criminal Cases Review

Commission will now be submitted to the Court of Appeal in Edinburgh, which will decide whether an appeal should be granted. Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi, 55, is serving a life sentence in Scotland for the 1988 bombing, which killed all 259 people on the plane and 11 on the ground. Among the dead were 179 Americans.

Mohammed al-Zaway, a former Libyan ambassador to Britain who oversaw al-Megrahi's case during the trial, said an appeal would "open the door of hope for al-Megrahi's innocence." Al-Zaway, now Libya's ambassador to Morocco, spoke to The Associated Press by telephone from Tripoli, the Libyan capital.

Lawyers for al-Megrahi, the only person convicted of blowing up the London-to-New York flight on Dec. 21, 1988, claim British and U.S. authorities tampered with evidence, disregarded witness statements and steered investigators away from evidence the bombing was an Iranian-financed plot carried out by Palestinians to avenge the shooting down of a civilian Iranian airliner by U.S. forces several months earlier.

In a statement summarizing its 100-page report on its three-year investigation, the commission said it is of the view, based upon our lengthy investigations, new evidence we have found and other evidence which is not before the court, that the applicant may have suffered a miscarriage of justice.

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2007 MERCURY MONTEGO

Family-sized capabilities

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

The Montego sedan takes the Mercury brand up a notch in almost every way. Based on Volvo's P2 large car platform architecture, the Montego is available in front and all-wheel drive variants—boasting many of the advantages associated with sport utility vehicles and crossovers.

Marrying the body of an upscale contemporary sedan to a purpose-built crossover vehicle platform, the new Mercury sedan delivers the cargo capability, versatility, command-of-road seating and all-weather performance not usually found in passenger cars.

The Mercury sedan offers additional safety features as standard equipment for 2007: traction control, front seat-mounted side impact airbags, and Ford's Safety Canopy side curtains with rollover protection. SIRIUS satellite radio, a new 18-inch wheel option and two additional exterior colors are new options this year.

Available in Base and Premier trim levels and front- or all-wheel drive, power for the Montego is provided by a Duratec 30 V6 engine. Torque is transferred to the street via one of two transmissions: an Aisin AW six-speed automatic or a smooth-operating CVT (continuously variable trans-



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mission) developed with joint venture partner ZF-Batavia.

On the road, the new Montego is balanced and maneuverable at speed - responsive and strong. This Mercury comes the target when it comes to a sedan that does everything well. The Montego starts with a stiff body structure as the foundation for the four-wheel independent

suspension system. The front suspension hardware consists of MacPherson struts with rearward-facing lower L-arms and stabilizer bar. The rear suspension components include a multi-link coil-over-shock configuration with stabilizer bar.

Inside, the cabin has some of the sedan's most impressive elements. SUV-like Command Seating gives driver and passengers a clear

view of the road, yet possesses the low step-in height of a car. Occupants sit up to four inches higher than in other midsize sedans. Overall legroom is best-in-class for both front and rear occupants.

High-quality fabrics or leather surfaces are accented by inviting materials and surface treatments, such as smooth metal-plated door handles and soft touch paint

finishes, throughout the cabin.

Fold-flat rear and front passenger seats are standard and translate into ample cargo space from bumper to dashboard. Other touches include a front-row center console storage bin, instrument panel storage bin, front and back seat map pockets, rear-seat armrest storage, an eight-beverage holder and door panel storage.

2007 Mercury Montego by the Numbers

PRICING:
The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2007 Mercury Montego sedan starts from \$23,850 up to \$29,250 for the Premier AWD. Destination charges add \$750.

WHEELBASE:
112.9 overall length: 200.7; width: 74.5; height: 60.1—all vehicle measurements in inches.

ENGINE:
3.0L V6 - 203 hp at 5,750 rpm, and 207 lbs-ft of torque at 4,500 rpm.

TRANSMISSION:
CVT automatic; six-speed automatic.

EPA FUEL ECONOMY:
21 city/29 hwy, (FWD); 19 city/25 hwy, (AWD).

CARGO CAPACITY:
21.2 cu. ft.

SAFETY FEATURES:
Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, traction control, fog lamps, High Intensity discharge headlamps, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock and alarm system. Premier adds alarm system, garage door opener, automatic headlamp control and power adjustable pedals. Optional safety features include a remote engine start, navigation system, and rear parking sensors.

WARRANTY:
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CITY OF KIMBERLY ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

Spanish (Español)
Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tráduzca o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Is my water safe?
Last year, as in years past, your tap water met all U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state drinking water health standards. The City of Kimberly vigilantly safeguards its water supplies and once again we are proud to report that our system has not violated a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standard.

Do I need to take special precautions?
Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. Those people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-7279).

Where does my water come from?
Our water is derived from 5 deep wells that are chlorinated at 2 central points before going into their respective storage facilities for distribution.

Source water assessment and its availability
Our source water assessment has been completed and is available at DEQ.

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?
Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-7279). The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which can come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential use; **Organic Chemical Contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; and **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

How can I get involved?
You may contact city hall at 423-4151

Additional Information for Arsenic
While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the cost of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

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Special monitoring requirements violations
We are currently monitoring our radioactive contaminants quarterly

The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of those contaminants do not change frequently.

Contaminants	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL, TT, or MRDL	Your Water	Range Low High	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products (There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.)							
Haloacetic Acids (THAA) (ppb)	NA	60	5	5	2005	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Inorganic Contaminants Arsenic (ppb)	0	10	9	6 9	2006	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.04		2005	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (ppb)	100	100	16	NA	2005	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.6	NA	2005	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen) (ppm)	10	10	4.9	4.53 5.32	2006	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Radioactive Contaminants Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	0	15	13.32	9.92 16.72	2006	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium combined 226/228 (pCi/L)	0	5	0.13	NA	2006	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Unit Descriptions							
ppm	Definition: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)						
ppb	Definition: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)						
pCi/L	Definition: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)						
NA	Definition: not applicable						
ND	Definition: Not detected						
NR	Definition: Monitoring not required, but recommended						
Important Drinking Water Definitions							
MCLG	Definition: MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.						
MCL	Definition: MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.						
TT	Definition: TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.						
AL	Definition: AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.						
Variations and Exemptions							
MRDLG	Definition: MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.						
MRDL	Definition: MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.						
MNR	Definition: MNR: Monitored Not Regulated						
MPL	Definition: MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level						

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.S. No. 039-13617 Loan No. 0103922142 On 9/28/2007, at 10:00am (repeatably local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: in the lobby of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave East Suite 3115, Twin Falls, ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee on behalf of will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States; all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 6, Block 6, Escrow Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof recorded in book 2 of plats, page 6, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 1356-1358 1/2 11th A, Twin Falls, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust executed by Alan W. Woodard an unmarried man as Grantor/Trustor, in which Pacific Northwest LLC, is named as Beneficiary and Title Case as Trustee and recorded 10/11/2001 as Instrument No. 2001-019229, in book __, page __, and re-recorded on 10/31/2001 as Instrument Number 2001-019229 in Book __, Page __, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 10/11/2001. The monthly installment of principal interest, and payments if applicable, of \$574.13, due per month for the months of 2/1/2007 through __, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing of all of this obligation is \$10,000.00. The Deed of Trust is \$59,710.16 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.87500 per cent (%) per annum from 1/1/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 5/13/2007 Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC By: Mark Yarmack-Morger Vice President This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAF# 860692

PUBLISH: June 29, July 6, 13 and 20, 2007

INVITATION TO BID
2007 SNOW AND ICE CONTROL
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS

Bids are requested from interested vendors to supply snow and ice chemical products as per the specifications contained in request number K-090909.

ALL sealed bids must be received by 5:00 P.M. on July 19, 2007. All Sealed Bids will be opened at 10:00 A.M. on July 20, 2007 at the Idaho Transportation Department, Business and Support Management Purchasing Section located at 3311 West State Street, Boise, Idaho. Bidders and other interested parties are invited to be present at the bid opening.

The Idaho Transportation Department reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for the State of Idaho.

Dated this 22 day of June, 2007

STEVEN C. HUTCHINSON, P.E.
CHIEF ENGINEER
IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Twin Falls School District #411, Twin Falls, Idaho will receive sealed bids for supplying canned foods, meat and nonfood items until Friday, July 13, 2007 at 3:00 PM at the Twin Falls School District #411 Administration Office Building, 201 Main Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. The list of supplies and conditions may be obtained from Susan Henderson, Child Nutrition Supervisor at the Twin Falls School District #411 Administration Office. The Board of Trustees for Twin Falls School District #411 reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive all informalities. Twin Falls School District #411 By: Michelle Lucas, Clerk of the Board

OPEN: July 20, 2007
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Applicants should have a bachelor's degree and experience in sports writing and page design; knowledge of Quark Express is a plus.

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207 Education

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EDUCATION

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EDUCATION

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EDUCATION

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209 General

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209 General

MANAGER

The Times-News

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Assistant District Manager

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211 Medical

Medical

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211 Medical

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Basic American Foods Network Engineer

Basic American Foods, a leader in the manufacture of dehydrated food products, has an opening for a Network Engineer/IT Telephony.

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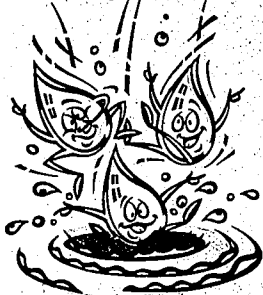
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Bruce Rogoff, West, was on lead against four spades. (I would say it was the luck of the Irish that Gay Keaveney chose to jump to four spades after North had opened a strong no-trump, using an undiscussed sequence to get there instead of using a four-heart Texas transfer to allow his partner to declare four spades — but since Rogoff's teammates were Irish, I won't.)

Rogoff led the club king and East, Barry Rigel, produced the queen. It was highly unlikely to have been from shortage, so the card had to have a special meaning. What could that be?

The first thing to do was rule out the continuation that a normal discouraging signal would have produced. Since a discouraging club would have produced a heart shift, surely something else was required. After a little thought, Rogoff found the diamond shift. Declarer won the diamond ace and led a trump, but East won the spade ace to lead the club two to East's ace for a diamond ruff. Since Rogoff's teammates played two spades, making four, this was a double partscore swing.

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	BUFFET Antique oak 7 ft. x 1.5 ft. x 4.5 ft. 2 outside storage doors, 2 center gold glass doors, \$1,500. Entertainment unit, oak, hold 27" TV, \$75. Antique oak desk, ecoralino ladies style, gold metal trim, 4 ft. x 2.5 ft. x 4 ft. \$1,200. Continental Oak (2) dining chairs, gold metal trim, \$600. Tables (11) folding, round, 6 ft., \$35 ea. Chairs, (150) tan, folding, \$5 ea. Folding, \$20 ea. Clothing racks, (5), retail style, \$20 ea. 208-734-0872		

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will be closed Wednesday, July 4th for the 4th of July holiday.

Classified ad placement deadlines are:
For Wednesday at 1pm & Thursday at 4pm
on Tuesday, July 3rd

All of us at the Times-News wish you and your family a happy and safe 4th of July!

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Garage Sales

72 Garage Sales Listed Today



ALBION Friday, 6:29 & Saturday, 6:30. Tools, knives, guns, antiques and etc. 224 N. Main Street

Buhl Sat. 8am-4pm. Large multi family sale! Includes 1952 Fiat Craft, 16 ft. travel trailer, fitness equip, decorative cake pans, antiques, lots of baby items & clean misc. 1456 East 4300 North (Big Blue Shop)

Burley Fri., Sat., & Sun. June 29-30. Moving sale. Furniture, old and new stuff. Also, homo for sale. 1510 Burton Ave

Burley Friday 8-7 and Saturday 8-noon. Various items from children to household. 2655 Fairmount Dr.

Burley Friday and Saturday 8am-4pm. Family sale! Furniture, all size clothing, toys, books, picture frames, vintage collectibles, baby, crafts and household items. Dolls, whistles and arfies, sewing machine, BBO, lawn mower, freezer, exercise equip, bike. 380 Hwy 81 3 miles East of Burley on the Declo Hwy

Burley Sat., 8-5pm. Wagon, chairs, ottoman, 2 glider rockers, buffet table, bench chest, and much more. 1726 Hansen Ave.

CLOSING OUR DOORS FOR GOOD Antiques, collectibles, furniture, household, and miscellaneous. Most items 49¢ off. Simply Serendipity 130 W. Main, Jerome 208-434-1282

Declo Fri. & Sat., 8-6. 16' Tracker 40hp boat & trailer. Team of mules with harness, drives, packs & rids. Fly rod tools & misc. stuff. 787 E 000 N (1 mi. W & 1 mi. N)

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FLER Fri. June 29 & Sat. June 30, 8am-5pm. Dishes, table & chairs, dishes, pots & pans, bed frame, recliner, dryer, rockers, games, misc. items. Cash only. 821 5th Street

FLER Saturday 7-11pm. Ab. Louvers, bird houses, clothes, and lots of other items. 109 Midway

FLER Saturday 7-5pm. Computer accessories, movies, tables, ball collection, books and more. 115 Midway St.

GOODING Saturday 8am-4pm. Clothes, shoes, collectibles, furniture. Too many items to list. War Memorial Hall Corner of 3rd & Idaho

HAGERMAN Fri & Sat 8-5pm. Nice new lawn furniture, clubs, tools, a variety of items. 340 Hagerman Ave E.

HANSEN Fri. 2nd 9-6pm Sat. 3rd 9-4pm. Thousands of Items. Something for everyone! Hansen Assembly 319 2nd Ave

HEYBURN Saturday 8-3pm. Home decor, silk plants, Christmas tree, video camera, old records, kitchen toys, & etc. in. 738 W. 300 S.

JEROME Fri. only June 29th 7am-3pm. Guns, tools, teacher & craft supplies, Little Tyko toys, lots of misc. 750 17th Ave East

JEROME Friday and Saturday 8:00 - 3:00. New Biggs & Stratton Shop engine, clothes, crafts, lots of misc. 408 East Ave. B

JEROME Saturday 7-5pm. Computer, hutch desk, shop smth, flatted trailer, toy stock truck rack, 2 horse trailer, animals. 31 S. 350 W.

JEROME Saturday, June 30th 9am-2pm. Clothing, car furniture, garden misc. and new craft items. 2114 18th Ave. East

KIMBERLY Fri 10-5pm & Sat 9-5pm. Annual gift barn yard sale. Gift items, clothing, toys. Emerald Drive 3663 N. 3450 E.

KIMBERLY Friday and Saturday 9-6pm. Book Sale. Thousands of books cheap. 39 Center Street East

KIMBERLY Friday only 8am-7 Donuts, bakers rack, chairs, toddler items, clothes, toys, books and miscellaneous. 440 Jade Circle

KIMBERLY MOVING SALE Saturday June 30th only, 9-3 P.M. Dishwasher, refrigerator, riding lawnmower, craft items, etc. 3310 Oregon Trail Ln.

KIMBERLY Saturday only 8-3pm. A 2 J Storage. By railroad tracks. Furniture, antiques, decor, clothes, lots of great stuff. 244 Crescent Subd. South of Hospital

RUPERT Friday and Saturday 7am-noon. Hugo Garage Sale! Furniture, antiques, decor, clothes, lots of great stuff. 244 Crescent Subd. South of Hospital

RUPERT Thur. & Fri. 8am-5pm. Sat. 8-2. Quality items including home decor, area rug, scroll saw and 5 hp. air compressor. 233 North Meridian

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 7-6pm. Lots of great items for you to choose from. 456 Clover Ave. near Oregon Trail School

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 7-7 Household, stereo, speakers, grill & adult clothes, bikes. Too much to list! 454 Madraon

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8-3pm. Annual indoor yard sale. American Legion Auxiliary. 447 Seastrom.

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8-3pm. No early bids. Multifamily. New jewelry, baby, collectibles. Moments, household furn. items, womens boys clothes, camping 483 Grandview Dr N Corner Grandview & Filer N

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8-7. Book spreads, daps, big mens clothes, tools & lots of miscellaneous. 1605 Grandview Dr. N. Lot #'s 19 & 22. 716 O'Leary Way

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8:30-4pm. House-holds, kids stuff, clothing, 17' travel trailer, and tables, 6' planer, esk-tacker, walkers, rot-tiller 3640 N 3100 E

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8am-4pm. Furniture, table saw, WD, 6700 watt generator, appliances, clothing, books, puzzles, salsa & baked goods. Fund-raiser for Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Program. 2030 Candelwood Cir

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 9-5pm. Backyard sale. Christmas Ornaments, full mattress & box springs, yard equipment, pickup and lots of nice things, new & used. 1617 11th Ave. E.

TWIN FALLS Fri 7-3pm & Sat 7-7 Ruby & diamond bracelet, 2 small TVs, entertainment center, DVD & VHS, baby clothes & more. 291 Van Buren

TWIN FALLS Fri & Sat 8-4pm. Lots of miscellaneous items. 482 Adams St.

TWIN FALLS Fri only 7am-7 Pro-K & yard material for education, mens drill, & misc. 2 1/4 south from Kimberly Road on Blue Lakes

TWIN FALLS Friday & Saturday 8am-5pm. M.V. Decorative Artists Annual Yard Sale! Treasures for everyone! Corner of Monroe & Caswell Ave.

TWIN FALLS Friday & Saturday, 7am-3pm. Something for everyone! 1943 Laura Circle

TWIN FALLS Friday 7-5pm Saturday 7-2pm. Riding lawnmower, bikes, kids clothes, lawn electronics and much more. 1165 Northern Pine Dr.

TWIN FALLS Friday Saturday & Sunday 7-4pm. Too many items to mention. 740 Benjamin St. (Off Wendell St.)

TWIN FALLS Sat only 8-4pm. 4 family sale. TV, refriger, double bed, clothes, books, & misc. Off Filer Ave down Oakwood Court

TWIN FALLS Sat 8-4pm. 7 Nice ex. cond. Sofa & love seat. Name brand clothes, lots of misc. One you don't want to miss! 447 Quincy Street

TWIN FALLS Sat. 8-2. Furn., teacher resource books, waders, skis, clothing, (2) recliners, misc. 2608 Longbow Dr.

TWIN FALLS Sat. 8am-1pm. Garden and woodworking tools, computer desk, entertainment center furn., household decor, saddle, tent. 716 O'Leary Way

TWIN FALLS Sat. June 30th, 8:00-3:00. Gigantic 5 family yard sale! 100% of quality items! NO JUNK! 8AM-3PM. NO EARLY BIRDS! 629 Meadowview Lane off E. Elizabeth Blvd. Follow the sign!

TWIN FALLS Sat. only 8-3. Multi Family, home decor, tool jars, dishes, gas trimmers, power saw, etc. 1509 Bradley

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8-5pm. Arcade game, baby & kids clothes, movies, books & toys. 411 6th Ave. E.

TWIN FALLS Saturday 7-2pm. Multifamily moving sale! Furniture, motorcycle, various building supplies, kids clothes, swing set, toys, lot of household items & scrapbook supplies. 415 Pierce St.

TWIN FALLS Saturday 7-9pm. Baby clothes, & lots of Miscellaneous items. 1027 Lakewood Drive

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8 am. - 2 p.m. GREAT BIG YARD SALE! Toys, Furniture, queen mattress set, many shelving units, clothes, kids bath, Christmas decor & more! NO EARLY BIRDS. 740 Green Tree Way

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8-2pm. Outdoor furniture, 2 curio cabinets, kid toys & clothing, men & women clothing, entertainment center and more. 458 Whispering Pine Dr.

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8-3pm. Multifamily sale. Bunk beds, candle making material, old baby items, and lots of great stuff. Along 3950 N. (W. of Filer, off Hwy 30)

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8-4pm. 2000 car, microwave, dishes, clothing all sizes; and lots of miscellaneous. 1134 Monaco

TWIN FALLS Saturday 8-7. Wood chipper, furniture, and miscellaneous items. 330 N. Maurice

TWIN FALLS Saturday and Sunday 8am-7 3 family sale! Lots to choose from come and see it all. 295 Lois Street

TWIN FALLS Saturday 6-4 P.M. ONLY! MOVING SALE! LARGE OPEN HOUSE. Washer and dryer, treadmill, baby items, kids stuff, lots of misc. DON'T MISS OUT! 170 Van Buren

TWIN FALLS Saturday Only 8am-noon. Moving Sale. All kinds of everything. 261 Bellevue Court Off Park Ave. Turn South on Picabo

TWIN FALLS Saturday only 8-4 P.M. Organ, furniture, clothes from all sizes. TVs, DVD player, home theater cabinet, much more! 487 Hallie Ave.

TWIN FALLS Saturday Only 8am-3pm. Antiques, collectibles, adult & baby (0-5T) clothes, baby items, quilts & comforters. 2514 Carriage Way

TWIN FALLS Saturday Only 8am-2pm. Furniture, household decor, kids clothes and lots of misc. items. 2621 Eastgate Drive

TWIN FALLS Saturday Only June 30th, 8am-2pm. Baby, toddler clothes, toys, bikes. Lots of misc. 125 Buchanan

TWIN FALLS Saturday only 8-1 P.M. Games, glorio, videos decorations, fans, skis, refrigerator, furniture and small appliances. 377 Whispering Pine

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TWIN FALLS Saturday, 6:30am-7. Cinder block bricks, tools, milk cans, pry bars, wheel barrow, rakes, hoses, shovel, wail heater. 1 ton chain hoist, come a long, clothing & lots of miscellaneous. 364 Shoup Ave West

TWIN FALLS Saturday, June 30, 7 to 2. Moving sale: furniture, refrigerator, dishes, bedding, toys and much more! 1199 Brundage Circle

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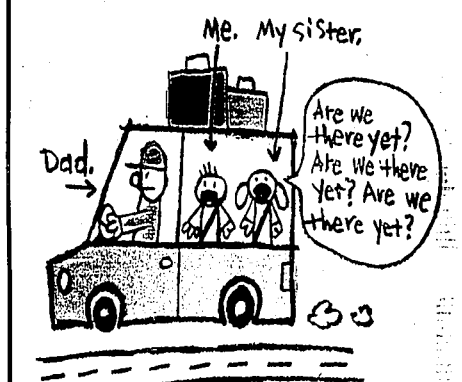
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WENDELL Saturday 8-3pm. Car wash & yard sale. 800 W. Main New Life Church

WENDELL Saturday Only 8am-7. Lots of good stuff. Multi family. No early birds. 604 6th Ave. East

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