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Passing on failure

Ready or not, middle school students move to next grade



Nicole Brewton, 13, of Jerome was her middle school's only student to be held back during the 2005-06 school year. Although it was difficult at first to be retained while her friends graduated to eighth grade, she said it was worth it because she's now more confident that she can succeed in school.

SPECIAL REPORT: Passing on failure

TODAY! Nicole Brewton was Jerome Middle School's only student held back last year, though many of her peers also failed core subjects. The first part of this series explores the debate over whether middle schools should retain failing students.

MONDAY! National, state and local educators agree there is a problem in Idaho's middle schools. They have yet to find solutions. This story explains how the state, parents and what experts plan to do about it.

Day one: The problem

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

JEROME — Nicole Brewton would pray from her desk in the back of the classroom that her seventh-grade reading teacher would call on another student.

Nicole dreaded questions about the reading assignments because she really didn't know how to read. But it wasn't only reading that plagued Nicole. She was failing the other core classes, too — math and language arts.

"It was really embarrassing because the teachers would always call on me and I never knew the answers," said Nicole, now 13. "That was the time when I just thought I was the only stupid kid in all my classes because all the other kids seemed to know the answers." Nothing could be further from the truth.

Twenty-two other seventh-graders at Jerome Middle School were failing basic reading, according to a copy of student grades provided to the *Times-News*. Like Nicole, many of those students also failed math and language arts. Each year hundreds of students in junior high or middle school throughout Magic Valley fall at least one of the three core subjects, yet the schools pro-

move them to the next grade. In an education system that builds on the knowledge that students learn in previous grades, a growing number of students are passing on to higher grades without the basic understanding they need to succeed.

What set Nicole apart from other failing students? She was the only Jerome student in 2006-07 repeating seventh grade.

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Go to MagicValley.com and click the "Passing on Failure" link to see more about this *Times-News* special report.

- Watch a video interview of Nicole Brewton and her family.
- Read a copy of the Phi Delta Kappa retention study.

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Find out how the *Times-News* reporting team pulled together the stats.
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The ripple effect

Part one of a two-day series

Region eyes water woes

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — In five days, the Idaho Department of Water Resources plans to block hundreds of Magic Valley irrigators from their water.

It would be, according to the department, the largest well curtailment in Idaho history. And there isn't a farmer, banker, seed seller or city official in the region who doesn't agree the shut-down will wound Magic Valley's economy.

What these folks don't know — what no one can predict — is the extent of the damage.

Starting today, the *Times-News* presents a two-day series on the looming possibility of a water curtailment.

Man shot, killed by T.F. police

By Kate Poppo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Shoppers were turned away from WinCo Foods Saturday afternoon after a shooting at the store.

Two officers were called to WinCo at about 2 p.m. to pick up a shoplifter detained by the store's loss prevention employees. Twin Falls Police Sgt. John Wilson said at 2:13 p.m., the officers reported that shots had been fired in the building, and requested an ambulance.

One man later identified by police as Logan Brizee, 19, of Declo was taken to St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead, according to a Twin Falls Police Department press release issued Saturday night.

The police department would not release any more information Saturday night, and did not say if Brizee had a weapon.

Shoppers took at least an hour to leave the store.

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Flaming SUV rams Scottish airport

Two arrested in third attack attempt in Britain in two days.
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Childless marriages

Survey: Kids no longer key to a good marriage. SEE PAGE A12

Soldiers charged with murder

Americans allegedly killed Iraqi civilians. SEE PAGE A7



Tough enough

Businesses owned by women increase in Idaho, Magic Valley.
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TODAY'S FORECAST

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Today	Tonight	Monday
A sunny and warm beginning of July	Clear and very mild	A few clouds and above normal temperatures
High 93	Low 62	92 / 58

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Today: July will start off on a warm and sunny note. Highs will be in the upper 80s to lower 90s.
Tonight: Mild temperatures with mostly clear skies. Lows will be in the middle 50s.
Tomorrow: Temperatures will continue to be warm and skies will be sunny. Highs around 90.

Complete weather report: See page C8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Buhl Arts Council summer series concert, Headwaters's 1 to 3 p.m., McCuskey Park, free to the public, 543-2888.
Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., 54, 734-5084.

"Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series with Matt Hopper and friends, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.
"One Nation Under God" annual patriotic program, a non-denominational concert presented by the Mini-Cassia area churches, 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., the King Fine Arts Auditorium, Burley, no cost, open to the public, 878-5464.

FAMILY

Sunday Dinner, featuring fried chicken and potato salad, noon to 2 p.m., Ageless Senior Center, 56 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12, 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, 423-4338.

HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

Ridley's Fourth of July CHB Steak Sandwich Cookout, with a Certified Hereford Beef steak sandwich or hamburger, chips and a drink, children's activities, inflatable bulls and special appearance by Aiala, a 2006 champion Hereford bull, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Ridley's Family Markets, 105 E. HW Hwy 30, Buhl, \$4 for meal, (816) 842-3758 or sanderson@heroford-beef.org.

Decorated boat parade, noon to 1 p.m., at the boat docks; and barbecue and auction, 3 p.m., Dam Fools-Club-Area, West Magic Lake Recreation Club, donations, open to the public, 487-2734 or www.damfools.com.
Rupert Fourth of July celebration, featuring carnival at 11 a.m., and patriotic program at 8:30 p.m., Rupert Square, 436-6577 or www.minicassiachamber.com.

OUTDOORS

Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities, with "A Trip to the Wilderness" hike at 10 a.m., Junior Ranger at 1 p.m., and 2 p.m., Campfire at 7:30 p.m.; and "On the Top of the Food Chain" at 8 p.m., Stanley Lake Trailhead, Overlook and at the center, Sawtooth National Recreation area, 5 miles south of Stanley, no cost, 774-3376.

SPORTS

"Just Do It" Team Sorting and Penning events, Gist buckle award to high-dollar two-day winner, noon sign up, 1 p.m. start, Silver Springs Ranch, Bellevue, \$25 entry fee, 487-2247.

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

MINI EDITORIAL

Conservative commentators around the nation want us to tie our gus in knots because filmmaker Michael Moore and Vice President Al Gore make one-sided documentaries. Like those "patriots" on the radio or cable TV are fair and balanced.

— Chris Baldus, news editor

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YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

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Perrine Bridge lures business man, father

TWIN FALLS — Mark Kisser, 37, is a father and an extreme-sports enthusiast who has made more than 350 BASE jumps. He's bought a business in Twin Falls and has moved his family here from Frederick, Md. because of the Perrine Bridge. **SEE PAGE A9**

Visitors reminisce about Stricker Homesite

HANSEN — At one time, it was a place to rest during the long journey along the Oregon Trail. Today, the Rock Creek Station and Stricker Homesite is a museum, filled with antique furniture, carefully preserved buildings and on Saturday, the sounds of music. **SEE PAGE B1**

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Three dead in wildfire in eastern Utah

NEOLA, Utah — A fast-moving wildfire burning in eastern Utah killed three men who were working in a hay field, authorities said. A 63-year-old man and his 43-year-old son were working in the field Friday afternoon when they were caught by the fire and died at the scene, said a Utah/Idaho Interagency Fire Centers spokesman. **SEE PAGE A12**

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, July 1, the 182nd day of 2007. There are 183 days left in the year. This is Canada Day.

Today's highlight:

On July 1, 1946, the United States exploded a 20-kiloton atomic bomb near Bikini Atoll in the Pacific.

On this date:

In 1863, the Civil War Battle of Gettysburg, resulting in a Union victory, began in Pennsylvania.
In 1867, Canada became a self-governing dominion of Great Britain as the British North America Act took effect.
In 1939, during the Spanish-American War, U.S. forces,

including Theodore Roosevelt's "Rough Riders," waged a victorious assault on San Juan Hill in Cuba.
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Five years ago: The world's first permanent war crimes tribunal came into existence. A U.S. Air Force gunship

attacked several villages in Afghanistan, killing 48 civilians, according to Afghan officials. A Russian passenger jet collided with a cargo plane over southern Germany, killing all 69 people on the Russian plane, and the two cargo jet pilots. Chief Justice Roger Justo ruled that former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet was suffering from dementia and dropped all charges against him for human rights violations during his regime.
One year ago: Thunderstorms forced NASA to call off the launch of Discovery, delaying the first space shuttle flight in a year. (Discovery was launched three days later, on July 4.) A huge car bomb exploded at a bustling outdoor market in a Shiite district of Baghdad, killing more than 60 people.

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COMING THIS WEEK



A field day for the heat

Working out this summer? Don't work yourself into heat stroke.
MONDAY IN IMAGE



Git along I'll doggie

The music of working cowboys is enjoying a resurgence.
TUESDAY IN COUNTRY ROADS



Patriotic eats

How area chefs express patriotism through food — and recipes that feature red, white and blue foods.
WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME



Here comes Willie

Willie Nelson is bringing his storied country act to Jackpot.
THURSDAY IN TNT



Cowboy cookout

Eat and sing with cowboys in Yellowstone National Park.
FRIDAY IN OUTDOORS



American clergy from afar

Increasingly, foreign-born clerics are filling American pulpits.
SATURDAY IN RELIGION

SPORTS

Cowboys clip Canby

TWIN FALLS — They'll finish the best they can. Two days after taking their worst loss of the season, the Twin Falls Cowboys Class AA American Legion Baseball team put together its second straight quality win, dropping Canby, Ore., 5-2 during Saturday's late game of the wood bat Cowboy Classic tournament at Skip Walker Field. **SEE PAGE C1**

Latham wins Latham Match Play

TWIN FALLS — Tolliver Latham left no doubt: The 19th Annual Latham Motors Match Play Championships were his to win. Four tries as a teenager at the championship flight title had fallen short. Four years of high expectations went unmet. Latham was always the golf prodigy — the grandson of the tournament's namesake — who just couldn't win the thing. That all changed Saturday on the No. 16 green as Latham's par putt sank, giving the 20-year-old a 3 and 2 win over defending champion Aaron Curtis. **SEE PAGE C1**

NATION/WORLD

Mass. health care initiative starts today

BOSTON — There is a lot of talk about overhauling health care in the United States, but Massachusetts is actually trying to do it — again. Today, the home of some of the nation's most prestigious hospitals and medical schools becomes the first state in the nation to require its 6.5 million residents to have health insurance, or face financial penalties. Making insurance mandatory — and more affordable — is the centerpiece of a law OK'd by the legislature last year. **SEE PAGE A13**

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Passing on failure

Day one: The problem

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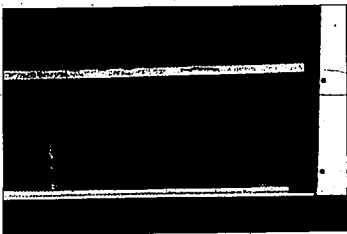
A rare decision

How many middle-school students are passing on failure? The statistics are startling. In 2005-06, 105 seventh- and eighth-grade students at Jerome Middle School failed math. Sixteen failed reading. But Nicole was the only student retained to repeat a grade at Jerome Middle School.

That pattern is not isolated to Jerome. In the Twin Falls School District, 176 seventh- and eighth-grade students from Robert Stuart Junior High and Vesel C. O'Leary Junior High failed basic math in 2005-06. But the school district did not retain any students that year.

Twin Falls has retained only three students in the seventh and eighth grades since 2001. Both school districts say the decision to retain a student is left to the parent, and educators often try to persuade parents against it. Educators cite several studies—including one by the professional educators association Phi Delta Kappa—summarized online at www.MagicValley.com—which suggest that forcing students to repeat a grade may actually be more harmful than moving on. Eric Anderson, Jerome Middle School principal, attributes educators' reluctance to retain students mostly to parents' authority over schools.

"We do try to accommodate



Nicole Brewton repeated the seventh grade at Jerome Middle School because her parents, not the school, held her back after she failed classes.

the parents because we want to work in cooperation with them," Anderson said. "But there is also a big concern about lawsuits from parents who might think that their student was unjustly held back."

Nicole's parents — not the school — held her back.

"We told her that if she didn't bring her grades up and focus in class, that we would have her repeat the seventh grade," said Cindy Mosley, Nicole's mother. "So toward the end of the year when she didn't bring those grades up, we went to the school and asked to have her repeat." The decision terrified Nicole, who knew she would watch her friends graduate to the eighth

grade while she stayed behind.

The peer problem

Nicole felt the effects during the first week of the following school year. Jerome Middle School's incoming seventh-graders, who initially thought she was a transfer student, learned the truth. Then the teasing and name-calling started.

"Some of the kids would make fun of me and call me stupid because I was held back," Nicole said. "I felt really alone because all my friends had moved on and most of them wouldn't even talk to me anymore."

Only one friend from the pre-

vious year would still speak to her — the others, she said, worried about being seen with a "lowerclassman."

Once again, she tried to disappear in the back of the class. But this time she was hiding from classmates as well as the teacher. It's a common behavior from students who are retained, and it's another reason most educators are reluctant to hold students back.

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In many cases you see those students (who were retained) in remediation. They feel intimidated by repeating the grade level and by their peers who make it very uncomfortable. Although Nicole's mother was concerned about the harassment, she insisted that education comes first. "To me, repeating a grade so she can get an education is more important than social promotion," Mosley said. "Besides, my biggest concern is what will happen when she gets into high school and those grades count."

At that higher level, failing students have two options — catch up or drop out.

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Shooting

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hour to trickle out of the store as police cracked off the entrance.

Customer Louisa Crockett said she was at the other end of the store and did not hear the shots, but saw a woman crying who may have been connected to the suspect.

"All of a sudden there was just nobody shopping anymore," she said.

Since an officer was involved, the criminal investigation will be handled by an outside agency, likely Idaho State Police, as per policy, Wilson said.

Store managers did not comment on how Saturday's temporary closure would affect business on the week-end before the fourth of July. The store reopened for business at about 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

N. Idaho officials silence general's WWII replica gun in parade

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Fourth of July parade officials in this northern Idaho town have decided to allow a World War II replica of U.S. Army Gen. George Patton's command vehicle to take part in Wednesday's event as long as its gun remains silent.

The 50-caliber M-1 prop gun on the vehicle last year brought the reality of war for the Independence Day celebration just a little too close to home, officials decided, with its thunderous blasts that startled parade watchers.

The owner of the vehicle, retired Army Reserve Brig. Gen. Bob Brooke, of Hayden, dressed as Patton, last year stood at attention during the volleys and was accompanied by state Sen. Mike Jorgensen, R-Hayden Lake.

"We came to Idaho for the values here and now I find this," Brooke, who moved to the area from California, told The Spokesman-Review. "I really don't understand the intransigence of city officials." He said he never had trouble shooting the gun in California, a state he described as having "terrible

gun-control laws." The banning gun initially got the vehicle banned from this year's parade after some people complained to the Coeur d'Alene Area Chamber of Commerce after last year's event. Officials decided the simulated gunfire bursts violated the city's noise ordinance, even though the parade is filled with sirens and the day with fireworks.

But backers of Patton's vehicle charged ahead anyway, and after discussions on Friday that included Chamber of Commerce area city leaders, and the Republican Party of Kootenai County, the impasse was broken.

"I've indicated we would allow it into the parade if there is no shooting," Coe said. "It's not the gun itself. It's the scariness that goes with the shooting."

Not everyone was happy with the compromise. "This is the Fourth of July, and freedom was won with guns that made noise," said Rathdrum resident Ron G. Johnson. "I don't see any reason why we can't do that in the parade."

School data requests spark 'Passing' report

By Joshua Palmer

TWIN FALLS

Projects like "Passing on Failure" don't fall into a reporter's lap. The people, places, facts and figures take time to locate.

The *Times-News* initially requested copies of district policies regarding student retention and absences from 20 school districts in the Magic Valley. All complied.

The newspaper followed up by sending written requests to six districts — chosen to represent size and demographic diversity — for information such as class grades, Idaho Standards Achievement Test scores and grade-point averages for individual students, without names or other identification.

That's all public information. But only three of those six districts provided it: Jerome, Wendell and Twin Falls.

The superintendents of the Gooding and Cassia county school districts — who both retired weeks later — did not respond to our requests. In



Cassia County, follow-up calls to a clerk and the School Board chairman finally led to Associate Superintendent Gaylen Snyer, who will become superintendent this month.

"We have a lot of excuses, and none of them are good ones," Snyer said. "We dropped the ball on this one."

The Hagerman School District allowed the newspaper access to the requested information, but neither the school district nor the newspaper had the personnel available to assemble it.

All six districts said their data were incomplete because they have changed the way they report student performance. Some school districts could not provide the

newspaper with data for an entire academic year.

Gaining this public information was the most formidable challenge in understanding the issues facing middle schools in Magic Valley.

The data sent by the three school districts were unintelligible without the help of district officials and included more than 200,000 individual grades, courses and grade-point averages.

Each district provided the information in a different format because there is no state policy on record-keeping consistency. Similar courses were labeled differently, remedial courses were identified as standard courses and in some cases the courses changed names each year.

The *Times-News* used the data to begin its search for other information maintained by the school districts, which would illustrate student performance in middle schools.

Reporters searched for patterns, discrepancies or other areas of questions within the data, which were then brought to the school districts

for explanations. The newspaper then requested additional data to verify the explanations.

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Weather is topic No. 1 in sodden Texas after month of record rainfall

By Jeff Carlton
Associated Press writer

DALLAS — Rain storms across Texas have borne a thousand soggy stories during one of the wettest times on record.

At least 11 people have died, while others are coping with the loss of home or possessions. Most simply have tales of inconvenience — washed-out roads, irritating delays, rained-out ball games. There are also the happy few ranchers pleased by thoughts of lush pastures, fat cattle and lucrative hay harvests.

"There's always something exciting to talk about with the weather," said Greg Patrick, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service. "It doesn't matter whether it's really dry or really wet and stormy."

Texas has experienced both extremes in recent years. Entering 2007, Texas was coming off a back-to-back drought years. The state's agriculture sector suffered through \$4.1 billion in crop and livestock losses in 2006, its worst year on record. The drought also contributed to deadly wildfires that ravaged more than 2 million acres, the most destructive in state history.

As recently as March, meteorologists were predicting dry conditions in April, May and June.

Instead, a low pressure system has parked over Texas, interacting with moist southerly wind from the Gulf of Mexico to dump rain everywhere and every day.

"That along with daytime heating from the sun... set the large-scale pattern," Patrick

said. "Those are the ingredients for showers and thunderstorms with heavy rain this time of year."

It's been a June for the record books in which the sound of summer has become the garish electronic screech that precedes weather warning messages on the state emergency broadcast system, and the ubiquitous electronic highway signs now warn motorists about flooded roadways.

"TWIN FALLS DONT DROWN" AROUND On Saturday morning, a National Weather Service meteorologist measured 11.08 inches at Dallas/Forth Worth International Airport for the month. That's just half an inch less than what fell in 1928, the wettest June on record.

Austin had gotten 7.49 inches, nearly double the normal rainfall expected in the June, the weather service said Saturday.

And then there's Marble Falls, about 40 miles northwest of Austin, where about 18 inches of rain fell overnight early this past week. Flooding stranded people on their roofs and atop vehicles. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said the debris and devastation was reminiscent of Hurricane Rita, which struck in 2005.

Hundreds had to evacuate their homes in central and northern Texas because of flooding. Rescuers were too numerous to count.

Beyond the destruction, however, the rain has brought hope to farmers and ranchers formerly plagued by drought.

"I will never, ever complain about too much rain," said Debbie Davis, a cattle rancher near Tarpley.

"The pastures are excellent and hay production already has far surpassed what total hay production was all last year," said Doyatt Bell, a banker and rancher in Sulphur Springs. "We are in good shape."

Many homeowners would disagree. The rain also affects recreation throughout the state. The Lower Colorado River Authority closed Inks Lake and lakes Travis, Marble Falls and LBJ to recreational boating because of floating debris. The ban will be re-evaluated daily. Austin closed recreational activities on Lake Austin, Town

Lake and the Colorado River downstream of Loughorn Dam. Golf courses have closed — one employees at a course in Arlington joked it had become one huge water hazard — and baseball games have been canceled. The nine-team Texas Collegiate League has had 20 rainouts and one team, the Coppell Copperheads, had 7 of its 17 scheduled games rained out.

The Round Rock Express, a Triple-A team near Austin, had its first rainout in eight seasons, one postponement and three lengthy delays. But there's another aspect to

the stormy weather — so far, there have been fewer 100-degree days than normal.

"The question we keep hearing is whether this rain will lead to less heat and our

answer is it will probably have some effect," Patrick said. "A lot of the sun's energy will go toward evaporating the moisture in the ground."

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Supreme Court moved right in term highlighted by limits on abortion, school integration

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A deep, sometimes bitter, split emerged between the Supreme Court's liberal and conservative

justices in a 2006-07 term that brought limits on abortion rights, restrictions on school integration programs and greater freedom for political advertising.

It was a significant if un-

prising term for dividing the direction of the court under Chief Justice John Roberts. It underscored the controlling influence of Justice Anthony Kennedy and also how a change of just one justice — in this case, Samuel Alito in the seat formerly held by Sandra Day O'Connor — could alter the outcome of important cases.

There also was a sharp drop in unanimous decisions, from just under half the cases a year ago to less than 40 percent in the term just ended.

Conservatives won twice as often as they lost on the Roberts-led court.

"It was an extraordinary suc-

cessful term for the conservatives and a very significant failure for the left of the court," said Thomas Goldstein, a Washington lawyer who argues before the court and follows it closely.

Richard Garnett, a University of Notre Dame law professor who served as a clerk for the late Chief Justice William Rehnquist, agreed that the conservatives did well, but added, "These are all still very incremental, small moves."

"Unlike in previous years, the hot-button cases went the way justice (Antonin) Scalia would prefer than the way Justice (John Paul) Stevens would prefer," he said.

The liberal justices' frustration boiled over in several cases in which they read pointed, emotional dissents.

"It is not often that so few have so quickly changed so much," Justice Stephen Breyer said Thursday, reading from his dissent in the school integration case, but seeming to sum up his view of the entire term.

More than a third of the court's docket, 24 cases, were decided by 5-4 votes. Of those, 20 fell along conservative-liberal fault lines.

Among the 5-4 rulings: — The court upheld a nationwide ban on a procedure its opponents call partial-birth abortion, a ruling both sides of the bitter debate said could pave the way for further restrictions. The decision was the first abortion ruling in which the court did not require an exception to preserve a woman's health. At the same time, it left untouched the Roe v. Wade ruling in which the court established abortion rights.

— In the term's final week, the justices opened the door for greater influence by interest groups in the closing days of an election, easing legal barriers aimed at corporate and union-financed television ads. Liberal and conservative interest groups applauded the ruling, but the liberal justices strongly dissented.

— The court put new limits on the ability of local schools to ensure diversity, striking down voluntary integration plans in Louisville, Ky., and Seattle. The justices argued in lengthy opinions about who was being faithful to the landmark Brown v. Board of Education decision outlawing segregated schools and who was betraying it.

— In a case win for the liberals, the court faulted the Bush administration for its failure to do anything about global warming or to ground its inae-

tion in science.

The only justice who was in the majority each and every time was Kennedy, the Reagan appointee who has at times bitterly disappointed conservatives on social issues.

This term, he was not quite the swing vote many court watchers predicted. He sided with the conservatives about two-thirds of the time, including the decisions on abortion and public school integration.

But Kennedy joined the liberals in the global warming case and in rebuking federal and state courts in their handling of four death-row cases from Texas.

Kennedy's dominance is unlike anything the court has seen in at least 100 years, said David Garrow, a Cambridge, University professor who has studied the court extensively.

This is the Kennedy court in the most liberal, substantive extensive way," Garrow said, adding that Kennedy continued to have a moderating effect on the other conservatives. He noted especially that Kennedy's concurring opinion in the schools case that did not go as far as Roberts wanted in eliminating race-based preferences.

Roberts, the new chief justice in his second full term on the bench, had critics on the left and right, most notably his conservative next ally, Scalia. Writing in the campaign finance case, Scalia said Roberts was displaying "faux judicial modesty" by failing to acknowledge that his majority opinion in essence overturned a 2003 decision. Roberts made devotion to precedent a key part of his confirmation hearings.

From the left, he heard that he may have paid lip service to precedent, but was voting to overrule earlier decisions in the abortion case, a dispute over a challenge to President Bush's faith-based program and campaign finance.

Roberts' job of maintaining a majority coalition was not especially difficult in business cases, in which the justices often were in agreement. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce's legal division said it had a record 13 victories in cases important to business interests.

The big issue that did not make it to the court this term was the Bush administration's actions in the war on terrorism, including the treatment of prisoners indefinitely detained at the Guantanamo Bay naval base.

Yet on Friday, the justices announced they would hear an appeal in the fall by detainees who want to challenge their confinement in civilian courts. The court did not provide the vote breakdown.



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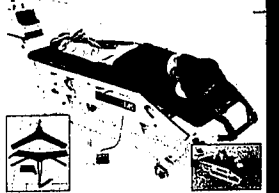
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Homicides soar in second-tier East Coast cities; some experts blame lack of immigrants

By Marjorie Dale
Associated Press writer

PHILADELPHIA — Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities in a bloodstained corridor along the East Coast are seeing a surge in killings, and one of the most provocative explanations offered by criminal-justice experts is this: not enough new immigrants.

The theory holds that waves of hardworking, ambitious immigrants reinvigorated desperately poor black and Hispanic neighborhoods and helped keep crime down.

It is a theory that runs counter to the widely held notion that immigrants are a source of crime and disorder.

New York, Los Angeles, they're seeing massive immigration — the transformation, really, of their cities from populations around the world," said Harvard sociologist Robert J. Sampson. "These are people selecting to go into a country to get ahead, so they're likely to be working hard and stay out of trouble."

It is only a partial explanation for the bloodshed over the past few years in a corridor that also includes Newark, N.J., and Boston, but not New York City. In interviews with The Associated Press, homicide detectives, criminal justice experts and community activists point to a confluence of other possible factors.

Around them, a failure to adopt some of the innovative practices that have reduced violence in bigger cities; the availability of powerful guns; and a shift in emphasis toward preventing terrorism instead of ordinary street crime.

Philadelphia is losing one resident a day to violence, according to homicide statistics through the third week of June. That is slightly ahead of the total at this point in 2006, a year that ended with 495 homicides, the most in almost a decade. On the first day of summer alone, six people were killed in Philadelphia in three street shootings.

In Newark, the homicide toll has soared 50 percent in four years, from 68 in 2002 to 106 in 2006. Baltimore had 140 slayings as of June 10, up from 122 the same time last year. Boston had 75 homicides in 2005, a 10-year high, and 75 in 2006. So far this year, there have been at least 30 slayings.

Some cities "never bothered to institute the reform policies and programs that impacted violent crime because they felt immune from what they saw as big-city issues," said Jack Levin, director of the Brudnick Center on Violence at Northeastern University in Boston. "Now they're paying the price."

These efforts include limiting purchases, setting rigorous dealers and deploying officers more strategically, based on crime data analysis.

Others blame a resigned acceptance of "quality-of-life" crimes, such as running red lights and vandalism. Some law enforcement authorities argue that ignoring such crimes breeds disrespect and leads to more serious offenses.

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Guns are seen on display during a news conference regarding the 'Groceries for Guns Exchange' program May 3 in Philadelphia. The program, which claims to have collected 1,067 firearms, invites people to exchange firearms for groceries. Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities in a bloodstained corridor along the East Coast are seeing a surge in killings, say criminal-justice experts.

The vast majority of U.S. homicides — nearly 90 percent in Newark last year — involve guns. And they are more powerful than ever. The weapons of choice are semiautomatics that can spray dozens of bullets within seconds.

"We're seeing 40, 45 shots," said Richard Floss, Philadelphia's deputy police commissioner. In one recent killing, "I think they fired 20 shots into him. That's remarkable." He added: "For some of these young people, it's the glamour of it. They want to carry on their back."

Some cite a drop in federal aid for ordinary law enforcement in favor of homeland security spending. According to Ross, federal grants used mostly for police overtime in Philadelphia fell from more than \$4 million in 2002 to about \$1 million last year.

The number of police officers per capita has fallen 10 percent since 2000 in cities of more than 225,000, according to Northeastern University criminologist James Alan Fox. Yet post-Sept. 11 fears, especially in Boston, have forced police to monitor government buildings and transportation hubs while also watching for street crime, he said.

"We've shifted our resources from hometown security to homeland security," Fox said. "We have left relatively unattended the poor and powerless who face violence every day and hear gunshots every night."

University of Pennsylvania criminologist Lawrence M. Sherman is a prime exponent of the theory that immigration exerts a moderating effect on crime among poor black men.

"Cities that have heavily concentrated and segregated African-American poverty are the places that have increases in homicide," Sherman said. "The places that have lots of immigration tend not to have as much segregation and isolation" of poor blacks.

Sherman acknowledges the theory is evolving and unproven.

"The fundamental driver of the homicide rate is honor killings among young black men," Sherman said. "What is it about immigration that tends to tone it down? I don't think we know the answer to it."

He said immigrants "change the spirit" of a community and affect the way young black men in poor areas, relate to each other.

"It seems a plausible way to account for the big difference in the trajectory of homicides" in stagnant cities versus ones with lots of immigration, he said.

The percentage of foreign-born residents is 11 percent in Philadelphia, compared with 22 percent in Chicago, 37 percent in New York and 40 percent in Los Angeles, according to 2005 census figures.

Alison Sprague, executive director of Victim/Witness Services of South Philadelphia, suggested there is some merit to the theory. Immigrants in Philadelphia tend to be crime victims rather than perpetrators, she said.

"I really do think the vast majority of people are trying to earn a living and support their families and stay under the radar," Sprague said. Illegal immigrants, especially, "have every motivation not to get involved in something."

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Two American soldiers charged with premeditated murder

BAGHDAD (AP) — Two American soldiers have been charged with premeditated murder for allegedly killing three Iraqis and with planting weapons on their bodies to portray them as combatants, the U.S. military said Saturday.

The three Iraqis were killed in separate incidents between April and June near Iskandariyah, 30 miles south of Baghdad, the military said in a statement.

They are assigned to the 1st Battalion, 501 Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, based at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Sandoval's mother, Alicia Sandoval, said her 22-year-old son was on a two-week leave visiting his family when authorities came and asked to speak to him. They said he would be back shortly, but she

heard nothing since and had no idea where he was taken until an Associated Press reporter called.

"I haven't had any news," she said in Spanish on Saturday from her home in Laredo. "It was all very sudden."

Iraqis often accuse American soldiers of unnecessary killings or abuse, and the war has seen U.S. service members face prosecution in several high-

profile incidents, including abuse of detainees at Abu Ghariib prison, the killings of 24 civilians by Marines in Haditha and the rape and killing of a 14-year-old girl and the slaying of her family south of Baghdad.

After the rape case came to light, Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki said his government would also investigate and seek to prosecute those responsible, but no Iraqi inves-

tigation was ever pursued. The U.S. military has said it alone has the right to prosecute its soldiers accused in abuses in Iraq.

The military also announced Saturday that a command sergeant major, Edward Ramsdell, was convicted in a court martial, demoted and sentenced to four months in prison for engaging in an inappropriate relationship with a female sol-

dier in his unit, maltreating a soldier and possessing a "large quantity" of alcohol and pornography.

Ramsdell, with the 411th Engineer Brigade based north of Baghdad, was also convicted of escape from custody, impeding an investigation by secreting evidence, and wrongfully removing evidence. Ramsdell was demoted to the rank of specialist.

Follow soldiers reported the alleged crimes to military authorities who launched an investigation, the military said, without giving further details on the killings or the victims.

One of the accused soldiers, Staff Sgt. Michael A. Hensley, from Candler, N.C., was put in military confinement in Kuwait on Thursday, facing three counts each of premeditated murder, obstructing justice and "wrongfully placing weapons with the remains of deceased Iraqis," the statement said.

The other Spc. Jorge G. Sandoval, was arrested Thursday at his home in Laredo, Texas, and transferred to confinement in Kuwait. The two

THE WEEK IN IRAQ Soldiers charged

The U.S. military announced two soldiers were charged with premeditated murder Saturday of three Iraqis and with planting weapons on the bodies to cover the slayings. The murders took place between April and June in Iskandariyah.



Sun. — Ali Hassan al-Majid, known as "Chemical Ali," and two others were sentenced to death for roles in the 1980s Kurdish repression.

Mon. — A bomber at a Baghdad hotel blew himself up among U.S.-allied sheiks. Four of the tribal chiefs were among the 13 killed.

Tue. — An arrest warrant for the culture minister prompts Sunni outrage in Baghdad.

Wed. — A car bomb exploded in a predominantly Shiite area of Baghdad, killing 14 people.

Thu. — A car bomb exploded at a bus station in a mostly Shiite area of Baghdad, killing 22 people.

Fri. — A huge bomb explosion in Baghdad followed by gunfire and grenades killed five U.S. soldiers.

Sat. — A raid led by U.S. forces in Baghdad killed 26 Iraqis.

Lethal U.S. raid sparks rebuke from Iraqis

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A U.S. search early Saturday for fighters allegedly linked to Iran turned into a firefight in which the military said it killed 26 militants. The Iraqi government rebuked the Americans for carrying out the raid in a Baghdad slum without its permission, and local leaders said many innocent bystanders had been hurt.

The raid could stir further difficulties for Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, whose Shiite-dominated government is in a confrontation with Iraq's leading Sunni bloc, which holds 44 seats in the 275-member Parliament, over an arrest warrant against the cabinet over the arrest warrant against Asad Kamal Hashimi in the slaying of two sons of an independent Sunni legislator.

The military could face a backlash from al-Maliki's government over the predawn raids in Sadr City, the bastion of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr's al-Mahdi Army militia and home to more than 2.5 million people. A failure to stand up to the Americans might cost him being for al-Maliki's fragile coalition government among the general Shiite population, who form the bulwark of his support.

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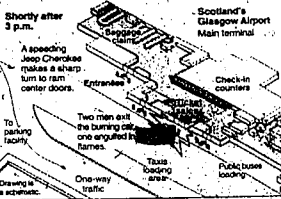
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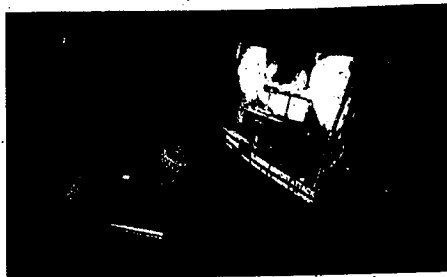
Panicked crowd flees check-in counters

British police subdued the driver and passenger of a burning SUV on Saturday after it barreled into glass doors of Glasgow Airport. The airport was evacuated and flights were suspended.



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A passenger sits near a television in a hotel which shows the burning SUV that two men crashed into Glasgow Airport Saturday.

Two arrested in third attack attempt in Britain in two days

By Ian Stewart
Associated Press writer

GLASGOW, Scotland — A Jeep Cherokee trailing a cascade of flames rammed into Glasgow airport on Saturday, shattering glass doors just yards from passengers at the check-in counters. Police said they believed the attack was linked to two car bombs found in London the day before.

Britain raised its terror alert to "critical" — the highest possible level — and the Bush administration announced plans to increase security at airports and on mass transit.

One of the men in the car was in critical condition at a hospital with severe burns, while the other was in police custody, said Scottish Police Chief Constable Willie Rae. He said a "suspect device" was found on the man at the hospital and it was taken to a safe location where it was being investigated.

Rae would not say whether the device was a suicide belt. British security officials said evidence pointed toward the Glasgow attack being a suicide mission.

"I can confirm that we believe the incident at Glasgow airport is linked to the events in London yesterday," Rae said. "We are clearly concerned, and we can confirm that this is being treated as a terrorist incident."

Police found the car Friday in central London packed with explosives — one outside a nightclub near Piccadilly Circus and another parked nearby.

A British government security official said the methods used in the airport attack and Friday's thwarted plots were similar, with all three vehicles carrying large quantities of flammable liquid. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the information. Police and MI5 had no specific intelligence warning of a plan to attack Scotland, but they have monitored a host of suspected terrorists and plots that he said. It was not yet clear whether there was an international element to the planning or funding of the attacks, the official said.

The new terror threat presents Prime Minister Gordon Brown, a Scot who took office on Wednesday, with an enormous challenge and comes at a time of already heightened vigilance, one week before the anniversary of the July 7 London transit attacks, which killed 52 people.

"I know that the British people will stand together, united, resolute and strong," Brown said Saturday in a televised statement.

President Bush was being kept informed of the situation, the White House said. "We're in contact with British authorities on the matter," said Gordon Johnstone, a spokesman for the National Security Council, in Washington.

The green Jeep barreled toward Glasgow's main airport terminal shortly after 3 p.m. Leeson said bollards — security posts outside the entrance — stopped the driver from driving into the bustling terminal, but the nose of the vehicle smashed the glass doors.

If he'd got through, he'd have killed hundreds, obviously," he said.

AP photographs from the scene showed the car hit the building at an angle and was poking into the terminal. The Jeep struck the building directly in front of check-in counters, where dozens of passengers were lined up, police said.

Lynsey McBean, a witness at the terminal, said the driver tried to push the car forward after it got stuck, and "the

wheels were spinning and smoke was coming from them."

She said one of the men then took out a plastic gasoline canister and poured a liquid under the car. "He then set light to it," said McBean, 26, from Eirskine, Scotland.

Police subdued the driver and a passenger, both described by witnesses as South Asian — a term used to refer to people from India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and other countries in the region. The previous round of terrorist activity in Britain, in July 2005, was largely carried out by local Muslims, raising ethnic tensions in Britain.

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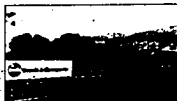
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By Chris Steinbach
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sue McLimans and Michele Gardoski share at least two things in common.

Both became sole owners of businesses in Twin Falls after divorcing their ex-husbands. And as women who own businesses, they are part of a growing group, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration, which found that:

- Women-owned businesses increased 20 percent from 1997 to 2002, the last year for which numbers have been reported, to 6.5 million.
- More than 14 percent of those firms employed 7.1 million workers and had \$173.7 billion in annual payroll.

Gardoski is owner of Michele's Marky's Auto Body at 21404' U.S. Highway 30, about two miles west of Twin Falls.

"I order the guys around. I have an awesome crew," she said of her four employees. "They're as much friends as

they are employees." McLimans, owner of Bekins-Ford Transfer & Storage at 217 Wall St., views her seven full-time and two part-time employees the same way. They have all bowled on a league team together. And all of them recently went to Hawaii for the wedding of Kelsey McLimans, who works with his mom.

"Everybody treats everybody else like family," Sue McLimans said.

The moving and storage company's office — designed and decorated by office manager Sindy Parker — even has the feel of a family room. Toys belonging to Kinley Hansting, McLimans' 15-month-old granddaughter, are scattered in the office among the three desks, a round conference table and comfortable leather chairs. And Dexter, a yellow Labrador retriever, eagerly greets visitors.

"Grandma gets the dog," McLimans said, adding that it belongs to her son, Shannon, a sergeant in the National Guard who is stationed at Fort



Michele Gardoski of Michele's Marky's Auto Body has been working with the business since 2002. Customer service is critical to Gardoski, "I just want to be there to help," she said.

Huachuca in Arizona.

In her divorce settlement, Gardoski got the business she had run with her ex-husband since 2002. "I told him that's what I wanted," she said.

She keeps the books and answers phones at the shop, where her crew can paint up to four cars at once and can complete auto-body repairs on another four or five vehicles.

The shop also has room to repair and paint semi-tractors and motor homes.

The shop lost some its customer base after the divorce, she said, because her ex-husband took over the towing business they had run together on Kimberly Road.

"I'm having to rebuild it all over again," she said.

She sees running an auto-

body shop as a way to provide a service to customers who have often been involved in accidents.

"I just want to be there to help," she said. "People think you're here to rip them off. It really bothers me."

McLimans, who also sees running her business as a way to serve people, has built up a base of regular customers.

Idaho businesses owned by women:

How many: 28,824 in 2002, up 11.9 percent since 1997.
Growth rate national ranking: 38th.
Sales revenue: \$3.2 billion in 2002, up 22.4 percent since 1997 when adjusted for inflation.
Growth rate national ranking: 7th.

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration.

"They don't even think of moving something," she said. "They call us."

Her company receives everything from tickets to signs when new businesses locate in Twin Falls and need temporary storage space.

"We (also) move a lot of pianos," she said. "I think our record was 26 pianos in one day."

McLimans arrived for work one day this past week in a golf shirt, shorts and flip-flops. In the past, she has worked in the engineering department at what was then Pacific Bell Telephone in California, been a customer-service supervisor at JC Penney in Twin Falls and,

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A jump to Twin Falls: Perrine Bridge lures transmission shop owner

TWIN FALLS — Here is a multiple-choice way of meeting Mark Kissner. He is:

- A 37-year-old businessman who bought the Amco Transmission shop at 128 Blue Lakes Blvd. a year ago.
- Soon to become the father of two children once his wife, Kristen, gives birth in November. Will, their oldest, is 2 1/2.
- An extreme-sports enthusiast who has made more than 350 BASE jumps in the past nine years and has sky dived some 2,500 times in the past decade.
- All of the above.

Kissner and his family moved to the Magic Valley from Frederick, Md., in suburban Washington, where he ran a waste-management consulting business.

"Every business is essentially the same," said Kissner, who was looking to relocate and shopping for a new business when he found the transmission shop.

"It's really (a question) of how does a BASE jumper get into a bunch of



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different businesses," he said.

He said he has always liked extreme sports, which he defines as those that could kill you. And he had been coming to Twin Falls since 2000 to jump from the Perrine Bridge. He has made about 75 jumps since moving to the Magic Valley.

"I wouldn't have chosen Twin Falls if the bridge wasn't here," he said. And he isn't alone.

Tom Alajo, who moved to Twin Falls three years ago and operates Snake River BASE Academy, said there are at least 10 others who have moved here, too.

"They virtually all work in town somewhere," he said. "They're not, by any means, indigent people." They include Abbie Mashall, who



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moved to Twin Falls from southern California a year ago because of

the bridge. He took a job at Seastrom Manufacturing Co. Inc. and has also

started Snake River Skydiving at the Jerome County Airport.

Judy Hart, Twin Falls Visitor Center coordinator, said it has become common for BASE jumpers to move here. "You'd be surprised how many (are) here," she said.

And Kissner said the stereotypes some people have about BASE jumpers are unfair when applied against the dozen or so who are Twin Falls residents.

"It's like any other sport," he said. "There are a lot of different people who participate."

Kissner is busy building a new home in the canyon near Blue Lakes Country Club. At work, he is remodeling his shop and building his business, which he called "a diamond in the rough."

It was an established business with lots of potential for growth, he said. "I get up. I go to work. I run my business. I take care of my family," he said.

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In China, cash carries the weight

The Washington Post

BEIJING, China — When Wang Xiaoyu set out to buy some sleek Lincoln automobiles for the small company he owns, the problem was how to pay. No dealer in China takes personal checks. Credit card limits are too low. Car loans barely exist.

So he brought cash, more than \$200,000 worth of it, in three rolling suitcases.

"Everything else is a lot of trouble — just easier to use cash," said Wang 29, who runs a consulting company that helps Chinese businesses find foreign partners.

China's state-owned banks rank among the highest-valued in the world, but the market capitalizations in the billions of dollars, but they are widely considered the weakest part of the country's booming economy.

Although China has made strides in reforming its banking system over the past five years — cracking down on corruption, buying out many troubled loans and allowing foreign banks into the market — retail banking remains stuck in an earlier era. The problem isn't new, but the number of people in China who have enough money to need modern banking services is soaring. The system hasn't kept up.

Many employees' salaries are distributed in envelopes of cash rather than by check or direct deposit. It's not unusual for life's major purchases, such as cars or home houses, to be paid for in cash. It isn't just the banks stuck in the past; there's consumer resistance in China to financial tools that are routine in other countries. Credit cards are gradually spreading.

For instance, but many people embrace them chiefly as a fashion statement. There are floral-scented ones, cards bearing Hello Kitty, pink cards aimed at women. But because they are only accepted at some stores, such as designer boutiques and larger chains, their utility is limited.

"The reason I got that in the first place was because it was cute and cool, and has value as a collectible," Zhu Jing, a 24-year-old bank clerk said as she

flashed one of her cards. She has seven, including one with an MSN Messenger logo and another with an Olympics theme.

Chen Jing, a 28-year-old teacher from the eastern coastal city of Ningbo, however, came to the conclusion that the novelty wasn't worth the \$25 annual fee. "I had a credit card just because I don't need it and I never used it," Chen said.

The underdeveloped financial system has frustrated many Chinese consumers and business owners trying to do business in the country. But China's banking regulators say the slow pace of change is in the national interest.

China's financial leaders say they are cautious about moving too quickly because they see the problems that has caused in other countries. They cite the United States as an example of what can happen to a country that hands out credit too loosely, pointing to high levels of indebtedness among young Americans and the recent problems in the mortgage industry that have caused families to lose their homes.

Wang Huajiang, assistant chairman of the China Banking Regulatory Commission, said in an interview that in recent months, the country has been alarmed to see non-financial services crop up. People have been taking out cash from credit cards and loans to gamble the money away on the stock markets or on speculative real estate. Gangs have been investigated for stealing people's identities to open accounts. And criminals have been put away for laundering money.

"We have been paying great attention to credit card risk and loan risk," Wang said.

As a result, Wang said, the country is trying to avoid a flood of using credit cards. He says they're embracing Florida's agricultural strengths. In the process, they're hoping to lure visitors away from the world-class beaches, international fashion designers and hot Latin sounds of South Beach to experience other aspects of the region's natural beauty.

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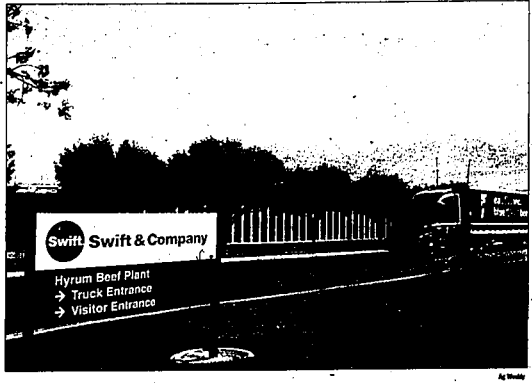
Cattle industry differs on effects of Swift & Co. sale

TWIN FALLS — Since the May 29 announcement that Swift & Co. one of the largest U.S. meatpackers, would be sold to JBS SA, the company that owns Brazil's largest beef exporter Friboi, U.S. cattlemen have been sizing up just what the sale might mean.

To no surprise, representatives for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and R-CALF USA have quite a different take on the matter.

NCBA's Joe Schuele said his organization really doesn't have any concerns over the deal and that foreign ownership would help avoid further concentration in the industry.

R-CALF's Eric Nelson, however, said the purchase could eventually put U.S. beef producers out of business, as the world's largest cattle herds (Brazil) will have greater access to the world's largest beef-consuming market (United States).



Beef industry officials don't know how the meatpacking plant in Hyrum, Utah, will be affected by the sale.

Cattle association chief resigns to work with Otter

BOISE — Idaho Cattle Association Executive Vice President Lloyd Knight has resigned to take a job with Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter's office.

Knight said his resignation is effective the end of June. His new duties will be as a financial management analyst with the Division of Financial Management of the governor's executive office. The agency sets the governor's budget for agencies and works on programs with those agencies.

he said. "I'm excited. I get to be part of the governor's team, it's a good opportunity, and I get to be home more and have more regular hours," Knight said.

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New biz brings seed testing back to Magic Valley

TWIN FALLS — When Syngenta moved its seed-testing laboratory out of Twin Falls in 2003, Pat Brownfield went with it. But now the registered seed technician with nearly 30

years of experience is back with her own lab. BioDiagnostics West LLC held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on its 6,000-square-foot lab at 1775 Eldridge Ave. in Twin Falls on Monday. Owned by Brownfield of Twin Falls and Quentin and Marilyn Schultz of River

Falls, Wis., the lab has 10 employees, three registered seed technologists and a combined 150 years of testing experience, Brownfield said.

Having registered technologist is a plus for clients, as it eliminates the need for state Ag Department testing for shipping and labeling seed, she said. "There are only about 1,100 registered seed techs in the United States and Canada, and three of them are in Twin Falls," she said.

Tropical fruit is fine for wine-making couple

By David Fischer Associated Press writer

"Does it really matter what you made the wine from? Isn't it more important that you made a good wine?"

— Peter Schnebly

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — For Twin Falls' Dennis and Denise Schnebly, sweet dreams are made of this: wine, from carambola, lychee and mangoes that won't grow in cooler climates.

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Besides trying to market Schnebly Redland's Winery, the couple hopes to bring agritourism to the area. Situated between the Everglades and Biscayne National Park, the Redland area, they say, is a perfect location for tourists who want to get away from the beach for a day.

"The wine is just the success on top of the whole thing," Peter said. "We draw more attention because we're a winery. If we were a pig farm nobody would care."

The winery has joined with nine other local attractions to lure potential visitors with more than one destination in mind. Attractions on the Historic Redland Tropical Trail include an alligator farm, Monkey Jungle, bonsai garden and the Coral Castle, a historic home carved in stone.

Miami-Dade County Commissioner Dennis Moss, whose district includes the Redland area, sees agritourism as a way to help growers resist pressure from developers.

"People will continue to keep agricultural land for agriculture as long as it remains profitable," Moss said.

Cutting farm waste with a winery is a good step in keeping local farms prosperous, he said, and it could eventually lead to bed and breakfasts, farmers' markets and other retail opportunities.

Heat pump may be better option than furnace, air conditioner

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Heat pumps are often misunderstood, especially this time of year.

Although its name is misleading, a heat pump is an efficient method of heating a home during the cold winter months and also cooling it during the blistering summer months," said Dan Brizeo, owner of Brizeo Heating, Air Conditioning and Air Services.

A heat pump works by moving heat to keep indoor environments comfortable. In the summer, a heat pump operates like a stan-

ard electric air conditioner. It collects heat from the air within a home and expels it outside.

During the winter, heat is collected from the outside and used to warm the air inside. Even cold air contains heat.

Unlike a furnace that turns fossil fuel or electricity into heat, the heat pump collects heat that already exists in the outdoor air by means of its refrigerant cycle," said Brizeo, whose company has been in business for 98 years.

"Consequently, a heat pump will produce two to three times more heat than the energy it uses."

Women

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General Educational Development classes at the College of Southern Idaho.

She moved with her family to Twin Falls in 1980, when her then-husband took a job at Universal Foods before it was acquired by Lamb Weston Inc.

"This lawyer kept saying, 'You don't want the business,'" said McLimans, who decided to sell the business after the divorce became final in 2003.

"My kids all freaked," she said. Her children — Shannon, 28, Kelsey, 25, and Mallory McLimans, 22 — grew up around the business.

"I'll go with Kelsey on the rides sometimes," McLimans said. "There's always small stuff that everybody can handle."

The rest of her time is spent estimating how much it will cost to do jobs and keeping on top of the business, which consists of three warehouses, two semi-trailers, four trailers, two smaller trucks and a van. The business will typically have about 35 moving jobs per month in the summer, which is the busy season.

"This year we have worked year round," McLimans said. When she isn't working, she volunteers at a soup kitchen and serves as a Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassador and Optimist Club member.

"That's what my day's like," she said as her phone started ringing shortly after 8 a.m. "I'm out and about."

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Survey: Fewer Americans see kids as key to a good marriage; more say sharing chores more important

By David Cray
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The percentage of Americans who consider children "very important" to a successful marriage has dropped sharply since 1990, and more now cite the sharing of household chores as pivotal, according to a sweeping new survey.

The Pew Research Center survey on marriage and parenting found that children had fallen to eighth out of nine on a list of factors that people associate with successful marriages — well behind sharing household chores, "good housing," "adequate income," a "happy sexual relationship" and "faithfulness."

In a 1990 World Values Survey, children ranked third in importance among the same items, with 65 percent saying children were very important to a good marriage, just 41 percent said so in the new Pew survey.

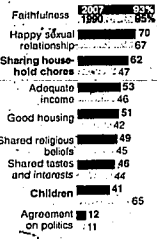
Chore-sharing was cited as very important by 62 percent of respondents, up from 47 percent in 1990.

The survey also found that, by a margin of nearly 3-to-1, Americans say the main purpose of marriage is the "mutual happiness and fulfillment" of adults rather than the "bearing and raising of children."

The survey's findings buttress concerns expressed by numerous scholars and family-policy experts, among them

Marriage views

Fewer Americans view children as pivotal to a successful marriage. Over 60 percent see sharing household chores as a key factor, compared to the previous findings.



SOURCE: Pew Research Center, AP

Barbara Dafoe Whitehead of Rutgers University's National Marriage Project.

"The popular culture is increasingly oriented to fulfilling the X-rated fantasies and desires of adults," she wrote in a recent report. "Child-rearing values — sacrifice, stability, dependability, maturity — seem stale and musty by comparison."

Virginia Luttrell, a sociology professor at Framingham (Mass.) State College and board member of the Council on Contemporary Families, said the shifting views may be linked in part to America's rela-

tive lack of family-friendly workplace policies such as paid leave and subsidized child care.

"If we value families ... we need to change the circumstances they live in," she said, citing the challenges faced by young, two-earner couples as they ponder having children.

The Pew survey was conducted by telephone from mid-February through mid-March among a random, nationwide sample of 2,020 adults. Its margin of error is 3 percentage points.

Among the scores of questions in the survey, many touched on America's high rate of out-of-wedlock births and of cohabitation outside of marriage. The survey noted that 37 percent of U.S. births in 2005 were to unmarried women, up from 5 percent in 1960, and found that nearly half of all adults in their 30s and 40s had lived with a partner outside of marriage.

According to the survey, 71 percent of Americans say the growth in births to unwed mothers is a "big problem." About the same proportion — 69 percent — said a child needs both a mother and a father to grow up happily.

Breaking down the responses, the survey found some predictable patterns: Republicans and older people were more likely to give conservative answers that Democrats and younger adults. But the patterns in

regard to race and ethnicity were more complex.

For example, census statistics show that blacks and Hispanics are more likely than whites to bear children out of wedlock. Yet according to the survey, these minority groups are more inclined than whites to place a high value on the importance of children to a successful marriage.

The survey found that more than 60 percent of white adults have been married, compared with about 70 percent of Hispanics and 54 percent of blacks. Yet blacks were more likely than whites and Hispanics to say that premarital sex is always or almost always morally wrong.

Among those who have ever been married, blacks (38 percent) and whites (34 percent) were more likely than Hispanics (23 percent) to have been divorced.

Delving into one of the nation's most divisive social issues, the survey found that 57 percent of public opposes allowing gays and lesbians to marry. However, opinion was almost evenly divided on support for civil unions that would give same-sex couples many of the same rights as married couples.

Asked about the trend of more same-sex couples raising children, 50 percent said this is bad for society, 11 percent said it is good, and 34 percent said it made little difference.

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Three dead in wildfire in eastern Utah; Tahoe blaze mostly contained

NEOLA, Utah (AP) — A fast-moving wildfire burning in eastern Utah killed three men who were working in a hay field, authorities said.

A 63-year-old man and his 43-year-old son were working in the field Friday afternoon when they were caught by the fire and died at the scene, said Louis Haynes, a spokesman for the Utah's Basin Interagency Fire Center.

A 75-year-old man injured in the fire died overnight, Utah County Sheriff Jeff Merrell said Saturday. An 11-year-old boy who was with the men survived.

"A fire wall came over that

hill," Merrell told the *Deseret Morning News*. "The officers who were here said it just started sucking up all the air."

The newspaper reported the boy was treated and released from a hospital.

The fire started north of Neola, about 100 miles east of Salt Lake City, on Friday morning. By Saturday afternoon, about 23 square miles, including part of Ashley National Forest in the northeastern corner of the state, had been consumed.

Gov. Jon Huntsman requested aid from the Federal Emergency Management Association after being flown

over the area. In California, evacuated residents were returning to their burned-out streets Saturday after a separate wildfire near Lake Tahoe destroyed more than 200 homes and charred 3,100 acres.

Investigators said the blaze was started by an illegal campfire and was 80 percent contained.

More firefighters departed the Lake Tahoe region. About 1,300 remained Saturday, compared to more than 2,000 the day before, said Steve Johnson, a spokesman for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Both wildfires were fueled by dry conditions in the West. In Utah, wind gusts Saturday were expected to reach up to 25 mph, fanning the flames even more. The cause of the wildfire was unknown on Saturday.

A U.S. Forest Service investigation found that the fire was built in a campfire-restricted area, but said there was no evidence it was deliberately set to spark the devastating wildfire that has displaced about 3,500 people.

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Massachusetts health care initiative starts today

By Christopher Lee
The Washington Post

BOSTON — There is a lot of talk about overhauling health care in the United States, but Massachusetts is actually trying to do it — again.

Today, the home of some of the nation's most prestigious hospitals and medical schools becomes the first state in the nation to require its 6.5 million residents to have health insurance or face financial penalties. Making insurance mandatory — and more affordable — is the centerpiece of a law approved by the legislature last year that civic and business leaders hope will dramatically reduce the ranks of the state's 400,000 uninsured and the number of people who seek costly "uncompensated" care in hospital emergency rooms.

This is not the first time the state has attempted to tackle the problem. Nearly 20 years ago, then-Gov. Michael Dukakis signed universal health-care legislation that was supposed to bring coverage to everyone by 1992. But the law's requirement that employers provide coverage to workers or pay a tax proved unpopular, and it was never implemented.

Still, Massachusetts's new grand experiment could become a model for major changes in health care across the country — if it works. Already Democratic presidential candidates are borrowing some of its elements for their campaign platforms, Republican Gov. Arnold Sch-

warzenegger is pushing a similar plan in California, and other states are watching closely.

President Bush signaled last week that state experiments such as Massachusetts's will play a key role in remaking a U.S. health-care system that he described as too costly, too confusing and leaving too many people uninsured. "States should make reforms to ensure that their citizens have access to basic private health insurance," Bush said after meeting with health-care experts at the White House. "If we want a better system, the federal government has got a responsibility to reform, and so do states. ... The choices we make now will set the direction of medical care in America for years to come."

Their place in the national spotlight is not lost on the Massachusetts officials, business leaders and consumer advocates who forged an unlikely alliance to get the law passed in April of last year. They know that would-be reformers around the country are hoping that they will succeed, and that skeptics were quick to cluck over early reports this spring that the new state-facilitated insurance plans might be unaffordable for average citizens.

"They might like to initiate us, some bit there, but a lot of it is for us to fail," said Jon Kingsdale, executive director of the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority, the new state entity implementing the law. It's

actually very helpful pressure, because people in Massachusetts feel the pressure of the national eyes on us, so they are particularly concerned that this not fail. It actually gives us more momentum."

Although July 1 marks the beginning of the "individual mandate" — the legal obligation to obtain health insurance — the real deadline is Dec. 31. When Massachusetts residents file their state tax returns next spring, they must certify that they had acceptable coverage as of the end of 2007 — or lose the \$219 personal exemption. The penalty grows steeper in subsequent years, big enough, officials hope, to persuade most holdouts to get coverage.

The state's 175,000 employers have to pitch in, too. Businesses with 11 or more full-time employees that do not offer health insurance must pay an annual "fair share" assessment of \$295 per employee. And businesses must arrange to allow workers to pay health insurance premiums with pre-tax dollars.

"We need to be fair and lenient in terms of enforcement both on employers and individuals in the first year in order to not incur some kind of a backlash," said Richard Lord, president of Associated Industries of Massachusetts and a member of the Connector board. "We need to ... give everybody a chance to adjust to the new realities."

The government, for its part, is defining basic coverage and



Leaders from the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization, Steve Vogel, left, and Debbie Varrs knock on a door to give information about Massachusetts' new health care reform law during their informative outreach campaign in Boston's Roxbury section Thursday.

trying to make insurance more affordable. Under its new Commonwealth Care program, it is subsidizing coverage with no annual deductible on a sliding scale for people with incomes of up to 300 percent of the federal poverty level, or

\$61,950 for a family of four. About 130,000 low-income people are already enrolled either in Commonwealth Care or MassHealth, the state's Medicaid program, state figures show. The poorest pay no premiums.

Those who do not qualify for subsidies and cannot get coverage through their jobs can buy low-cost but unsubsidized health plans offered by private insurers through the Connector under the Commonwealth Choice program.

Moore gives the accused little say in 'Sicko'

By Kevin Frisking and
Linda A. Johnson
Associated-Press-writers

WASHINGTON — In many respects, Michael Moore's new movie, "Sicko," is like a trial for those who oversee health care in the United States.

The industry — doctors, drug makers, hospitals, insurers — is charged with greed and putting personal interests above patients'. Moore heard from thousands of people who had maddening and heart-breaking health care experiences with this system.

As chief prosecutor, Moore lets them do most of the talking and weaves their stories into the film with wit, compassion and humor.

But one aspect missing from the film is the defense. Do not expect to hear anyone speak well of the care they received in the U.S. On the other hand, patients and doctors from Canada, Britain, France and Cuba marvel at their health care.

Moore tells viewers there are about 50 million people in the U.S. without health insurance.

Just this past week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated there are about 43.6 million uninsured people in the country. In March, the Census Bureau put the number at 44.8 million.

Moore noted about 18,000 people die each year as a result of the lack of health insurance. That number comes for a January 2004 report from the Institute of Medicine. It said the uninsured do not get the care they need and are more likely to die prematurely. "Of course it was really a bill to hand over \$800 billion of our tax dollars to the drug and health insurance industry," he said.

Moore is citing the projected cost for the Medicare drug benefit's first 10 years. Last year, however, Medicare officials told The Associated Press that the projected cost of the benefit through 2015 stood at about \$729 billion, a substantial drop compared with original estimates.

Moore also named the some of the elderly in the drug program could end up paying more for their prescriptions

than they did before. That is true. But the vast majority do save because of the tens of billions of dollars in annual government subsidies to help cover the cost of their medicine. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services says people save about \$1,200 a year on average by participating in the program, called Medicare Part D.

At one point, Moore notes where the U.S. ranks in terms of health care around the world. "The United States slipped to No. 37 in health care around the world, just slightly ahead of Slovenia," he said.


That ranking is based on a 2006 report from the World Health Organization that some health analysts viewed as misleading.

Moore does not say that one of the countries he highlighted, Cuba, is ranked 39th, below the U.S. Among the others, France is ranked No. 1, the United Kingdom ranked 18th and Canada ranked 30th. He does not give those rankings, either.


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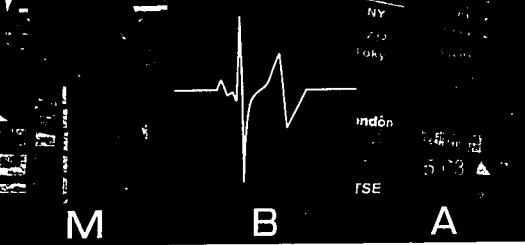


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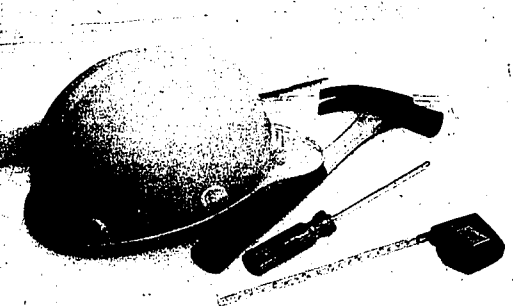


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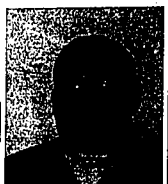


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EDITORIAL

Gooding County's a house divided

It's 733 square miles of scenic canyons, fast-flowing and majestic rivers, broad high-desert vistas, farms, ranches, dairies, vineyards, orchards, light manufacturing and 14,400 hard-working people. And at the moment, Gooding County is one of the most polarized places in Idaho. When the county's new confined animal feeding operation ordinance went into effect last month, it divided those who make a living dairying from those who settled in the county because of lifestyle. The dairy industry claims the new law, which limits the number of animals allowed per acre to five, reduces the amount of waste produced on each dairy acre and cuts the volume of milk that can come from the same amount of land, will cripple businesses in the county — and not just in the ag sector.

The opponents contend that the 135,000 milk cows in the county have passed the saturation point, adversely affecting every other aspect of life. The stakes couldn't be higher. According to Idaho Commerce and Labor, 98 percent of the Gooding's County 8,300-person labor force was employed in May. The jobless rate is half what it was just four years ago, and total employment in the county has increased by 41 percent since 1990.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, average annual wages in the animal food manufacturing sector in Gooding County topped \$35,000 in 2005. Industry wages have grown 13.6 percent since 2001, according to the federal labor department.

In short, the dairy industry and dairy manufacturing have been the primary engines for transforming Gooding County from a moribund economy during the farm crisis of the early 1980s to a dynamic one today. But with more than one-fourth of Idaho's dairy cows now located in Gooding County, it's clearly a place with some decisions to make about the future.

There are other divisions as well. Earlier this year, the city of Gooding went through a bitter debate about the management of the Gooding School District that led to the defeat of a badly needed supplemental levy at the polls and the ouster of a School Board member. And in Wendell, there are fractious disputes among members of the City Council and the mayor that have estranged some of their constituents as well. Much of the divisiveness is related to change, and to some extent it's inevitable. Gooding County has a core of longtime residents used to a stable, rural lifestyle. They don't always agree with more recent arrivals and their priorities about the kind of place the county should be.

But the dissension is negatively affecting life in Gooding County just at time when the county's citizens need to seek a middle ground about the future of agriculture, manufacturing, education, infrastructure and quality of life. Those are choices that need to be made collectively, not factually. Gooding County's discontent is not going to be solved by government, which is deeply involved in the major controversies. This is a time for community leaders — clergy, retired educators, business owners, bankers, farmers, ranchers, county residents without a dog in any of these fights — to step forward and act as honest brokers. Most folks who live in Gooding County didn't move there to feud with their neighbors. These disputes have gone on too long and have become too personal, and they're imperiling the very qualities that the county's residents cherish.

Our view: Gooding County has some big decisions to make about its future. It's time residents made them together.

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

Special report: Tears on my pillow

"I miss Albania!" W. wails. "They know how to treat a president there. Women were kissing and men robbing my hair. The crowd kept yelling 'Bushie!' and they almost grabbed the watch right off my wrist trying to get at me." The concerned group had dived outside the president's closed-bedroom door in



MAUREEN DOWD

Kennecunkport can barely hear him. His voice is muffled because he has his face buried in his leather pillow, which the Secret Service has carefully transported from Washington to Maine for the weekend, knowing that it would be needed. They guard it so conscientiously that they have even given it a code name. Since the president's Secret Service name is Tumbler, his agents christened his beloved pillow Slumber. "See, I know how you feel," Poppy calls in to him, trying to sound positive. "Riding high in 2002, shot down in 2007. That's life, as Sinatra says. You were a puppet and a pawn to Dick and I screwed up your presidency and our party and the Middle East and the Atlantic alliance and the family legacy and John McCain is not to mention the fate of the planet. But you can't just roll yourself up in a big ball and die. George, your friend Vlad the Impaler is here, and I think you should come out and talk to him. You invited him and he came all the way from Russia, and you don't want to take him to —" "Mabel's Lobster Claw and out on the boat. I'd scared all the fish away. I don't know what else to do with him. George, I've brained the Filipino



manservant, the little brown one, with a horseshoe." Putin steps forward: "Let me try," he tells Poppy. "George, hey, it's me, Oshrich Lags, Pooty Poot. Remember when you gave me those nicknames? Come out, and I show you my real soul. Dark, dark, dark. I put the Putin back in Bushnith. Listen, Albania stinks. Maine much nicer. I saw Moose and Squirrel in the woods. Let's throw horseshoes at them! I love this American sport." "Tumbler burrows into Slumber. "Why doesn't anybody like me anymore, 'Daddy?' he keens. "Man, I miss Tony. My Iraq pooch left me with a purple eye. And I can't believe my own Republicans crossed me on the immigration bill. Now my Mexican buddies from Midland are surfing. 'Adios, Jorge.' Vice doesn't even want to be in the same branch of government as me. Where is Dick by the way?" His mother steps briskly up to the door. "Now listen, George," Barbara says. "We didn't invite Dick. He's not our kind. He has utterly ruined your presidency. There's a

Washington Post series I want you to read. I've put it in the kitchen by your bowl of Cookie Crisp. It explains all about how Dick played you for a fool on everything from Iraq to capital gains. He set up the West Wing paper flow in a way that undermined your goals and advanced his. He let you act like you were the Decider, dear, when you were really just the Dope." W. howls. "Dick promised me I would never be a wimp and now I'm a wimp!" Putin intervenes. "No, George, don't blame Dick," he says. "Dick good man. Shoots friend in face. But Dick too soft. Friend lied. It needs put more people in your Gtmo papers, shut down newspapers, kill more critics. I'll send you some of my special polonium-210 pellets. They just like Illinois, curiously strong." Clarence Thomas rushes up to the door. Black robes flapping, I got here as fast as I could," he assures Poppy, before yelling in to W.: "I'm sorry about the Guantanamo decision. I don't know what my brethren were thinking,

applying the Constitution to Cuba. What's law got to do with it? I should have fought harder. I was a little distracted by our decision to stop race from being a factor in making schools racially diverse. I needed to make sure that black children all over America would have none of the advantages I had." Henry Kissinger oils his way across the floor. "Mr. President," he rumbles through the door. "It's not so bad bungling a war. I got to date Jill St. John." Condi joins the group, and wrinkles her nose at Putin. He puts his arm around her and gives her a nuzzle. "When I said U.S. aggression is like Third Reich," he tells her, with his most charming KGB smile, "I meant it in a good way." Condi ignores him and coos to W.: "There's bad news and good news, sir. Or maybe it's Vice versa. Cheney's going to pardon Schroeder. And the Albanians have agreed to put your presidential library in Tirana."

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Testament to hope vs. monument to despair

The Internet recently has introduced the world to two memorable individuals — mostly recognizable by their mouths — who vividly illustrate the striking cultural difference between East and West.

One is best known as "Rage Boy," featured on several blogs and popularized by Christopher Hitchens in a recent column. Rage Boy is a Kashmiri protester — one of those perennials who show up for marches, funeral processions, and wherever a crowd and, more importantly, a camera. In every captured image, he is, well, enraged. Bearded and bug-eyed, he shouts protests against, oh, whatever. Salman Rushdie's knighthood, Pope Benedict XVI's remarks about Islam, Danish cartoons that hurt Muslim feelings. Another day, another outrage.

Now a familiar icon, thanks to blogs such as thenospocomy-outface.com and snappedshot.com, Rage Boy's oral fixations and dental architecture are recognized by millions. As are those of the other gentleman, though for distinctly different reasons. Paul Potts is the humble cell phone salesman from southern Wales who, until only last year, was mainly known as "Britain's Got Talent," a television talent-show star like "American Idol," by singing "Nessun Dorma," an aria from Puccini's "Turandot."



It was stunning to watch — and hence, not least because of the audience's and judges' surprise when he opened his mouth — a mouth notably in need of dental correction. That, against odds, is to be pitied what one notices right off. Then this pathologically shy fellow begins to sing and is transformed from ugly duckling to swan. That's a metaphor only, for Potts isn't ugly. In fact, he's beautiful when he sings, but he is otherwise a quintessentially regular guy who wouldn't catch anyone's eye — or cause anyone to suspect he has the voice of an angel. Within a few notes, the judges, who all but rolled their eyes when Potts told them he was going to sing open, were leaning forward in their seats, while the audience exploded in applause and, in some cases, tears. It is simply a thrilling moment, one that has resulted in at least 10 million views on YouTube. Not surprisingly, some critics have taken a turn playing iconoclast.

Potts, apparently, isn't really "all that" among the operatic, but who cares? He's got what it takes to bring tears to eyes and joy to the judge. My own introduction to Potts came via a Marine-minister who found in Potts a heavenly respite from the hell of warlike. Granted, one ordinarily wouldn't find Potts and Rage Boy in the same thought balloon, but their intersection in the blogosphere (not to mention their common iconographic feature, the wide-open mouth) makes the graphic connection a natural leap. They are beauty and the beast — one a testament to civilization and hope, the other a monument to primitivism and despair. One is driven by a search for the sublime, the other by... what? Bitterness? Resentment? "Retribution for perceived insults to an ideology, a system of spiritual beliefs?" Or is it merely what "they've got that Rage Boy thinks should be his. Success. Prosperity. Freedom. In Rage Boy's world, anything or any person perceived to undermine his fragile sense of self is justification for someone to start a riot, or to wear a bomb to market, or even to fly an airplane into a building. The fact that Rage Boy is obviously an actor sent out to hype outrage at these orchestrated events

only confirms the cynicism that underpins jihad's moral bankruptcy. Rage Boy is nihilism unleashed. Meanwhile, ever wonder in Merry Old England, where grand traditions of civility and decency are daily being eroded by resident, hate-spewing Muslim clerics, a plump boy with bad teeth got teased growing up and turned his inner rage toward something outside himself. He sang. Not everyone has the natural talent to sing an aria. Obviously, but everyone has the voluntary will to see beyond one's personal wounds and to view narcissistic rage for what it is. One does not have to be an imperialist or a champion of Manifest Destiny to consider that there may be something about Western Civilization — the Renaissance, the Reformation, the Enlightenment, to mention a few highlights — that makes Potts a possibility. Something about the culture of Islam, as radicalized by embittered palatons, stoked by governments in need of scapegoats for misery, and sanctified by disciples of self-importance, makes Rage Boy's probable. There is a world of difference. Reach Kathleen Parker at kparkerk@kparkerk.com.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kimberly is a fantastic place to work, live
I read with pride and pleasure the letter to the editor in the June 25 issue of the Times-News. The letter was from Donna Massey of Pocatello, Idaho. The article was titled "The people of

Kimberly were great to work with."
In the article, she says she has worked as a flag person on road projects for several years. Donna goes on to say that she has worked in several states, cities and towns since "I began my career and I have to say that

Kimberly has been the absolute best community I have had the pleasure to serve."
There is no surprise to me. I have lived in Kimberly since 1935. I worked at the Kimberly Post Office for 35 years, and served as the postmaster. After retiring, I served

eight years as the Kimberly mayor. We have a good school system, good teachers and a good athletic program and our students going on to college. We can say the same about our Kimberly Public Library, the East End Providers, the Kimberly Senior Center and the

Kimberly City employees. Kimberly should take pride in having a stranger in our town saying such nice things about our community. One of our big things of the year is when we have a parade and everything going along with a parade, and the highlight is when we select The Kimberly

Good Neighbor of the Year. Thank you again, Donna, for your great letter. It's a pleasure for our Times-News carrier. I was up at 5:10 this morning (June 26) and the paper was already on our doorstep. JESSE POSEY Kimberly

I've learned that for fans of Paris Hilton, it's do as I do

Who are Paris Hilton fans? I understand the desire to read about her. The desire to get the exciting, rich, pretty, mean, self-obsessed and, yet somehow, despite all that, not at all bad in bed. But to actually root for her, to write her letters of support while she's in jail, to stand outside her house and scream, "I love you" — what causes a person to do that? What kind of kid puts up a poster of a villain? What kind of fan is it that loves the puppies, cats and those pelts make Cruella DeVil look totally hot?

To find out, I decided to get a bunch of hard-core Paris Hilton fans to watch her first post-jail interview on "Larry King Live" with me on Wednesday night. To find them, I used the greatest tool ever invented for journalism: the incredibly stupid things MySpace.

Within minutes I was awash in an enormous community of local Paris lovers. I sent a message to a girl in Beverly Hills who calls herself "PARIS IS FREEE!" whose page has wallpaper of Hugh Hefner's three girlfriends and describes her, in a phrase I'd never heard before, as "17 years young." She also hates "lars" and "labels."

Less than 10 minutes after I sent my message, PARIS IS FREEE! wrote me back: "Im

JOEL STEIN

sooooooosoooo interested! I love Paris she means everything to me. When she was in jail it felt like I was in jail. She is like a sis to me. I wouldn't miss the interview for the world!"

PARIS IS FREEE! who apparently also refers to herself as "Whitney" promised to gather all her Paris-loving friends and call me with a time and place to meet up that night. But as "Larry King Live" drew closer, PARIS IS FREEE! stopped messaging me. She never called. I like to think that her Sidekick was stolen or that she was scooped up by the cops for some like totally ridiculous, unfair thing, but I'm pretty sure she just Parised me.

Like the meek, damaged fans who stood outside the courthouse during Michael Jackson's trial, Paris fans seem to be a lot like Paris. They're the girls you see on "My Super Sweet 16" screaming at their parents for buying them the wrong color Lexus. They're the girls who are chubby and out-cast, but find strength by demanding to be treated like queens. They are, it seems, the girls I hated in high school for reasons other than not sleeping with me.

I watched the interview anyway, alone, to try to figure out why Whitney, whose MySpace page insists that she is very interested in Jesus, feels so simpatico with Paris.

King's show was not a good environment to discern the appeal of Paris because she had to talk. I don't think she actually said "I don't know" or "whatever," but she nodded at questions an awful lot and gave one-word answers, some about never having tried drugs and others about reading the Bible. She told him that she read a lot while in jail, although she made the mistake of delivering a whole sentence afterward, in which she explained that her reading material consisted of fan mail.

Throughout the interview, her demeanor was respectful, but her tone was like mine when I

was 17 and my parents asked me what I was going to do that night. But then again, she too was being questioned by an old guy who didn't have a clue.

Larry: An embarrassing thing: Were you strip-searched?

Paris: Yes.

Larry: Do they do that in jail?

Paris: Yes.

Larry: I know they do it in prison.

Paris: They do. They do it at any jail.

Larry: Oh, is that right?

Paris then called the strip-search "the most humiliating experience of my life." If this is even a little bit true, the Supreme Court needs to reconvene to declare strip-searches cruel and unusual punishment.

But I could make out the

appeal of Paris Hilton, even through the fog of Larry King. Paris is the martyr for the overly self-empowered MySpace generation that competes for fame through self-promotion. She is self-assured and unapologetic, free of the shackles of modesty and self-deprecation, the long-awaited "uberfan" who is strengthened by disaster.

She's replaced celebrity plianthood with straight-up ego and entitlement. So being a Paris fan is the emotionally honest kind of fan to be. And bailing on an interview without even calling is such a gesture Paris prides that Paris would have been smart to use it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Driver is trouble found a Samaritan

A gospel story. Last Sunday morning instead of being in church I was sleeping in a car going 75 mph 12 miles south of Snowville, Utah.

My wife woke me in a panic. "The check engine light just came on," she shouted. I thought, maybe I should have checked the oil before we left Denver? Sure enough, "empty." I always carry oil but not this time.

We put up the hood and the trunk and I told her to flag somebody down; the first car to come up was a diesel pickup. Inside was a 66-something fellow with a white ponytail. He didn't have any oil. I thanked him for stopping and started to walk away from his window. He said, "Hold on, Snowville's just up the road. I'll go and get you some." Twenty-five minutes later, he pulled up behind us again with three quarts of 30 weight. After checking to make sure the car sounded OK, he offered to follow us to Snowville, and I pulled out my wallet. I figured a couple of gallons of diesel fuel, three quarts of oil and a thank you \$20 ought to cover it. He refused my greenbacks; wouldn't take yes for an answer. "You truly are a good Samaritan," I shouted as he waved goodbye and smiled.

Come to think of it, I was in church and received a great sermon as well — one I shall never forget. May you be so blessed, as you are a blessing to others. But still, don't forget to check your oil!

PHIL LAUTH
Berger

There are people in this community that, from growing up here, still envision the Y as a low-class place to be. Ms. Juchimowski has raised the bar of these facilities. They are run like a business. She has remodeled, upgraded, added programs and facilities to what was once a rundown shabby place. I am proud to be a member and I'm sure taking my children to any of their programs because of this.

Times-News, grow up. We are a knowledgeable community. We do not need a gossip newspaper. We need news!

MARK AND MARY MELNI
Twin Falls

YMCA resignations did not deserve page one lead

We are at war. More than 70 percent of this community has relatives or friends risking their lives every minute of every day. It is an appalling insult to put three resignations from the YMCA on the front page, much less the top story.

Today two of the highest-ranking Republican senators denounced their backing of President Bush and the war, as can be found in the top story of MSNBC. This should be newsworthy in Twin Falls.

We have a community section of the paper for articles about three people quitting their job. The Times-News has a strong influence on this community. If of three people quit the news press because they didn't like their boss, I'm sure it wouldn't be on the front page or the top article, maybe not even in the paper. When a company expands, new businesses are bought and there is an employee turnover, people quit their jobs. This will cause hard feelings but they had an effect on Twin Falls as a community.

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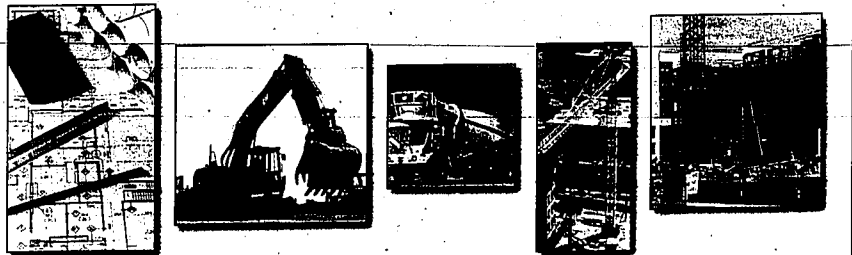
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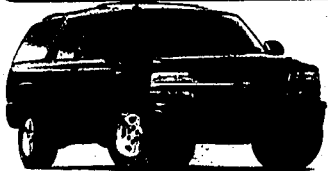


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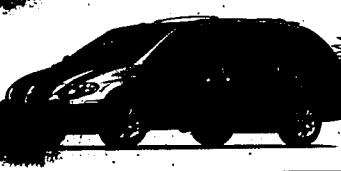


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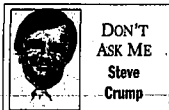
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Dude, have you looked in the mirror?

Should men be allowed to dress themselves? My wife votes no.

Victoria's philosophy is simple: When it comes to fashion, a chromosome is always a wily chromosome.

Her distaste ranges from guys wearing black socks with shorts to the fact that the end so often doesn't justify the jeans in menswear.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

And she reserves particular scorn for fellows of substance. Wardrobe is a challenge for any round chap, but especially for the 99 percent of belly blokes who get dressed in the dark.

Her harshest disdain is set aside for males who wear their size 42 pants under a size 54 belly. As a consequence, witnesses get mooned as the britches slowly slide south.

Victoria's fashion atrocity No. 2 is the "Wing" tie, so called for the hamburger-loving cartoon character from "Popeye" whose necktie always features a stylized city of his belt buckle.



My third deadly fashion sin is a fellow walking on the cuffs of his trousers because he has no hips.

Victoria has been lobbying me long and hard to switch to suspenders because of an unfortunate incident last fall in a men's clothing store.

We went in to buy a suit. The in-house tailor — an older, prim, exquisitely polite woman with an Eastern European accent — fitted the jacket and then bid me try on the pants. I had to hold them up with one hand to prevent the slacks from collapsing around my ankles.

So I put on a belt to hold the pants aloft, making me look like the Sta-Puft Marshmallow Man with the waist of a wasp.

The tailor regarded me in the 180-degree mirror and asked, "You will be wearing suspenders, yes?"

"Being the dyed-in-the-wool guy that I am, I replied, "No, ma'am. I prefer a belt."

Her face turned the color of day-old dishwater, she signed deeply and marked up the pants with her chalk. When I went back to the store to pick them up two weeks later, the tailor had essentially cut and sewed me a new set of trousers.

Victoria took one long at the reinvented pants, and I found myself standing in front of the suspenders rack. I barely escaped the premises without acquiring a set of blue-red-and-purple pin-striped braces.

Ever since, whenever we get dressed in the morning, she looks at me, my ample waist, my desperately cinched-up belt, my pants that bag nicely in the butt, and says, "You're not hip."

Amused, several months ago I threatened to henceforth wear sweat pants exclusively.

"Sweetie," she replied, "I studied physics in college. Sweatpants are held up with elastic, and elastic stretches out when it's under great pressure."

I snorted. "No, if they're not held up by your chin!" My wife thought about that for a minute, walked into our closet and came out carrying the bottom half of a truck suit. "You will be wearing suspenders, yes?"

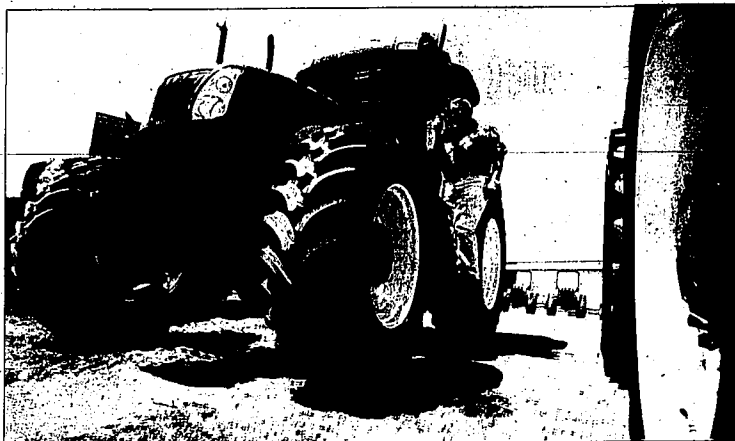
The ripple effect

PART ONE OF A TWO-PART SERIES

Farmers, industry brace for curtailment

"Will (farmers) follow the law or make a commitment to civil disobedience and continue to irrigate?"

— Lynn Tomlinaga of Idaho Ground Water Appropriators



Bob Wildman, general manager of Twin Falls Tractor and Implement Co., stands on a 2007 New Holland T630 tractor. Wildman is unsure how impending curtailment may affect farmers who buy his equipment.

Well closures could spark regional recession, economist says

By Matt Christensen and Chris Steinbach
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS — When the sun rises Friday, the day state water director Dave Tuthill says he'll order Magic Valley irrigators to stop pumping, farmers could wake with heavy hearts. Trout farmers lose, too. Those close to the curtailment issue say agricultural water will bear the brunt of the fallout if the department especially irrigators growing high-value crops such as sugar beets and spuds.

Those crops are already in the ground, and contracts with companies like Amalgamated Sugar and Simplot are signed. Without water, there's no crop. Without a crop, there's no paycheck.

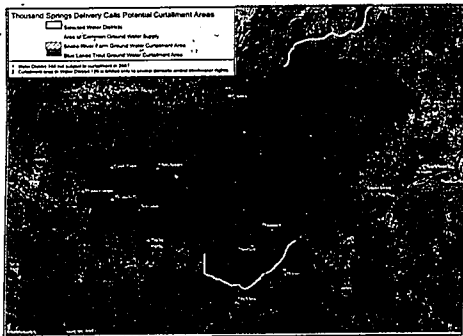
"To lose water for potatoes and sugar beets would be terrible," said Wilson Gray, a University of Idaho Extension economist. "Basically, farmers would get nothing."

Please see **THE RIPPLE EFFECT**, Page B4



- A map of wells in the Thousand Springs curtailment area.
- A chronology of important dates in Idaho water history.
- Excerpts from an interview with Lynn Tomlinaga, executive director of the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators.

ON THE WEB AT MAGICVALLEY.COM



Countdown to curtailment

Plenty of political jockeying, courtroom drama and last-minute deals over water have unfolded since spring, when Dave Tuthill, director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, announced he would cut water access to hundreds of Magic Valley irrigators.

Here's a summary of what led to this week's anticipated well closures:

June 12
Tuthill announces he'll curtail water access to 771 irrigators — 33,000 acres — on May 14. His decision comes because two trout farms — Blue Lakes Trout Farm and Clear Springs Foods' Snake River Farm — demand water taken from them by groundwater pumpers with junior rights. Tuthill says he has no choice under the law but to close pumps and give water to the trout farmers.

May 12
Tuthill expands the curtailment order to affect more than 40,000 acres.

May 14
The day passes with no well closures because of the restraining order.

June 6
In a blow to the pumpers, a 5th District Court judge lifts the restraining order blocking curtailment, opening the door for well closures.

the order until both sides can appear in court.

June 15
Mitigation again leads Tuthill to reduce the number of affected acres — this time to just over 16,000 acres.

June 29
With just hours to spare before their deadline, pumpers submit another offer in hopes of staving off curtailment. Tuthill will review that offer Monday and Tuesday.

Good weather brings visitors to Stricker home

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

HANSEN — At one time, it was a place to rest during the long journey along the Oregon Trail.

Today, the Rock Creek Station and Stricker Homestead is a museum, filled with antique furniture, carefully preserved buildings and, on Saturday, the sounds of music.

The site, a historical monument owned by the Idaho State Historical Society and managed by the Friends of Stricker Ranch Inc., played host to

an ice cream social featuring the music of Fiddlers In. The food, music and good weather drew a variety of residents from across the valley.

Agging well

Alex Crystal of Kimberly showed up to support his girlfriend, fiddler Lena Stuckenholz.

The last time he'd been to Stricker, he said, was on a field trip in elementary school. Now, he was able to appreciate the age of the site — along

with the music, of course. "I think this is what the real cowboys listened to," he said.

In the band

Dan Fansler of Hagerman trails the fiddlers, too. In his case, his wife plays keyboard and he does sound checks. The band members are an amorphous group, he said, and no one knew how many of them would show up until the event started.

"We only got back from Stanley last night," he said.

Saving history

Bob and Mary Miller of Twin Falls came for a different reason: Mary Miller grew up about a quarter of a mile from the site, and remembers playing with the children there. And she remembers more morbid details, such as the winter of 1948-49 when matriarch Lucy Stricker died and the body had to be kept in the home for two weeks because everyone was snowed in.

"It's pretty nice," she said of the museum. "I'm glad they saved everything, because there is so much history."

OBITUARIES

Jeffery Lynn Wiseman

JWYN FALLS — Jeffery Lynn Wiseman, 51, passed away Wednesday, June 27, 2007, in Boise, Idaho...



Jeff was born March 6, 1956, in Pocatello, Idaho... He attended schools in Echo and Pilot Rock, Ore., and Twin Falls, Idaho...

correction officer. He collected guns and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping... He also found much pleasure in reading and had a vast knowledge of many and varied subjects...

Jeff is survived by his two parents, Duke and Ora Lee of Twin Falls, Idaho... He is also survived by his children, Heather of Redmond, Wash., and Joshua of Palmer, Alaska...

Donald C. Kelley

BUJILEY — Donald C. Kelley, 70, passed away Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at the Regional Medical Center...



He was born March 6, 1925, in Albion, Idaho... He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Ross from October 1943 until December 1945...



Don enjoyed farming all of his life... He also worked as a well-driller and a member of the U.S. Department of Transportation after 26 years of service...

Donald Dee Gay

TWIN FALLS — Donald Dee Gay, we had to let you go today with sorrow in our hearts...



Don passed away June 28, 2007, at the Twin Falls Care Center... He was born Feb. 3, 1926, to Paul Curtis Gay and Nellie Mae Bolten in Prairie...

He is survived by his children, Betice (Joy) Looney of Bluff, Idaho, Donna (Riley) Gay-Gwynn of Taylorville, Utah, and Paul (Chindy) Gay of Taylorville, Utah...

SERVICES

Earl Eugene Jones of Twin Falls, memorial graveside service at 10 a.m. Monday at Park Memorial Park (White Mortuary in Twin Falls)...

Dennis Michael Gertiser of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Park Memorial Park (White Mortuary in Twin Falls)...

Kate Elizabeth Funk of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St...

Jerre L. Kauffman of Boise, memorial service at 12:30 p.m. Monday at the Boise First Church of the Nazarene, 3552 N. Eagle Road...

Consuelo V. de Castro of Rupert, funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 E. St. in Rupert...

In addition to working his hobbies included fishing, driving and cars...

Survivors include his sweetheart of nearly 64 years, Patty Kelley of Burley; two daughters, Lorena Kelley of Burley and Katherine (Ron) Preston of Sandy, Ore...

He was preceded in death by his parents, nine sisters and three brothers... The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, at the Grace Community Church, 100 N. Meridian in Rupert...

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Vera Croft Casper Taylor

BUJILEY — Vera Croft Casper Taylor, an 84-year-old resident of Burley, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, at her home...



She was born June 18, 1923, in Shelley, Idaho, the daughter of Elmer Sharp and Hannah E. Croft Packer... She worked at different jobs throughout her married life...

school organizations. Vera was her family's most important to Vera was her family. She loved being with them and, especially in her later years, enjoyed watching the grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow...

Survivors include her three children, Larry Casper of Shady Side, Md., Carol Pace of Burley and Patti Kurt of DeYoung of Tacoma, Wash.; 14 grandchildren; Jeff Lords, Jessica Lords, Joe Lords, Perry Lords, Josh Dalis, Seth Dalis, Mike Casper, Mark Casper, Darrell Pace, Mariah Pace, Doug Pace, Dawn Pace, Danny Pace and Kim Robinson; 30-plus great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Marvin (Marg) Packer of Roy, Utah, Rita (Wendell) Angelsey of Spokane, Wash., and Bonnie (Ray) Price of Rexburg, in addition to her husbands, Vera was preceded in death by her parents, one daughter, Terry Lords; a grandson, David Pace; and a brother, Carl Packer...

DEATH NOTICES

Edward E. Hoxie

TWIN FALLS — Edward E. Hoxie, 74, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at his home after a courageous fight with cancer...

In his request, no service will be held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans in care of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, ID 83401.

Wanda L. Hart

CAPTOLA, Calif. — Wanda Louise Hart, 76, of Captola, Calif., and formerly of Bull and Twin Falls, died Saturday, June 9, 2007...

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 6, at the Bull Cemetery.

Gary S. Mazza

VICTORVILLE, Calif. — Gary S. Mazza of Victorville, Calif., died Wednesday, June 27, 2007, in Victorville...

Rio Rivera

TWIN FALLS — Rio Rivera, 71, of Twin Falls, died Friday, June 29, 2007, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls...

Cremation is under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Stephen E. Ottley

BUJILEY — Stephen Ellis Ottley, 75, of Burley, died Monday, July 30, 2007, at his home...

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

Mary I. Grisham

TWIN FALLS — Mary I. Grisham, 71, of Kahlottus Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, went joyfully into the arms of Jesus on Tuesday, June 26, 2007.



She was born to Harry C. and Irene Adams on Nov. 23, 1935, in Laramie, Wyo. She met and married her first love, Edwin Henson Jr., in Tacoma, Wash., in the summer of 1952. Together they raised three children, Jack, Jodi and Susie, and they mourned the loss of their infant daughter, Cindy. The family enjoyed camping, drive-in movies and visiting friends while they moved around following Ed's job with Boeing, finally settling in Tacoma, Wash. Mary enjoyed planting flowers, making a home and being a mom. They divorced in 1974. Mary returned to Twin Falls where she had lived while growing up, remaining close with her childhood friends, Viola Scott and Shirley (Koko) Hinkovort, continuing to be close to them for her remaining years. Here,

she met her second husband, A. Neil Grisham. They were married and enjoyed many happy years.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Cindy; and her husband, Neil. She is survived by her big brother whom she loved dearly, James G. Adams, and her sister-in-law and loving friend, Arda J. Adams, both of Jerome; her three children, Jack G. Henson and Diana of Kahlottus, Wash., Mary J. (Jodi) Bireck and Roman of Caldwell, and Susan G. Hatch and Terry of Twin Falls. She had seven beautiful grandchildren—Cyrind, Krysanna, Jay, Randi, Loni, Nate and Matt. She had 10 great-grandchildren all of whom were precious to her.

Mary had given her heart to Jesus and learned about God's love for her from her church family at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship of Twin Falls. There, she met her close friend and sister in Christ, LaWanda Christensen.

In honoring her wishes, a memorial celebration of Mary's life will be at the home of Terry and Susie Hatch, 304 Eighth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, on Saturday, July 7, at 11 a.m.

**John Edwin Davis
Betty Jeane Davis**

TWIN FALLS — Never say goodbye, John Edwin Davis was born Aug. 11, 1921, in Grinnell, Kan., and joined our Lord on Feb. 16, 2007, on his 86th wedding anniversary with Betty Jeane Davis. Betty Davis was born July 9, 1923, in Casper, Wyo., and joined her husband, John, on June 23, 2007.



Their families moved to California, where John graduated from Montebello High School in 1939, and Betty graduated from Garfield High School in 1941.

World War II began and John joined the Marines, serving from Jan. 30, 1942, until Jan. 30, 1946. He left the Marines as a radio gunner and served in Oahu, Midway Island and Pago Pago, Samoa. During the war, Betty worked for Zellerbach's in California.

After the end of the war, John and Betty met and were married Feb. 16, 1947, in Riverside, Calif. Their daughter was born in 1948. John worked for Traveler's Insurance and Betty watched over her daughter.

In the early '50s, Betty and John moved to Twin Falls. John had spent many summers in the Sawtooths fishing and hunting with his uncles. John started Western States Distributing and Betty found a true passion in golf. Over the years, Betty held Blue Lakes Country Club championship and played golf into her 80s. John took over running McVey's Inc. upon the death of his uncle, Merton McVey, until his retirement. His passions included flying

and fishing the quiet streams and oceans all over the world. They loved to travel, enjoyed life to the fullest and were blessed with many good friends. They moved to California for a few years but returned eight years ago to Twin Falls, which was always home to them.

They have now joined each other as it should be. John is survived by his sister, Roberta Seely; her two sons and their families. Betty is survived by her brother, Glen Boyd; his two daughters and their families. They are also survived by me, their daughter who will miss them so much until I join them again. I could not ask them to stay just for me. I can only tell you how grateful and blessed I have been to have them for my parents. I will not mourn but will celebrate their lives in September.

I want to take a moment to thank the caregivers of Bridgeview and Sunrise for their care. I want to thank Sharon Morgan for making Dad's last few months comfortable. But especially I want to thank the women of Visions Hospice who helped us through this transition of life. They are truly angels of God.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Drivers — Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center needs drivers to deliver hot meals to the home-bound. Volunteers can drive one day a week or more. Call Karen at 734-5084.

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers program is in need of volunteers to do simple hand and home chores such as installing grab bars and minor household repairs for the elderly, chronically ill and disabled. Mileage reimbursement and volunteer insurance will be available. Call Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 733-6333.

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers program is in need of volunteers to assist elderly and disabled persons with yard work, Mileage reimbursement and volunteer insurance will be available. Call Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 733-6333.

Respite — Volunteers are needed to give respite to elderly home-bound clients, so their main caregivers can take a break. Volunteers are needed in Gooding two to four hours per visit, once a week. Call Edith at 736-2122, ext. 4764, or 736-4764.

Volunteers — Volunteer opportunities are available for adults who are at least 55 to use their life experiences, wisdom and skills to answer the call of their neighbors in need. Call Edith at 736-4764 or Kitty at 677-4872, ext. 2.

Volunteers — Hospice Visions is seeking volunteers for its hospice home, Visions of Home. Volunteers are needed to assist patients with letter writing, reading, visiting, playing cards or being a friend during a difficult time. Call Flo at 735-0121.

Volunteers — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center

Want to help?

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

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is in need of volunteers to work with refugees in the following areas: Tutor English, share American culture, help with transportation, collect and move donated items, provide transportation to appointments, help children prepare for school, and help show community resources. To help in these areas, call 736-2126. To donate items, bring them to the office at 1526 Highland Ave. E. from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office is closed from noon to 1 p.m.

Drivers — Disabled American Veterans is in need of drivers to transport veterans to their VA Medical Center appointments. Requirements include private insurance, valid driver's license and a safe driving record. Drivers receive training and physicals, and do not need to be a veteran. Call Dick at 678-3559.

Drivers — Volunteer drivers, age 55 and older, are needed in the Mini-Cassia area to take senior citizens to doctor appointments and for grocery shopping. Volunteers will be reimbursed mileage and are covered by excess insurance. Call Kitty at 677-4872, ext. 2.

George Danichek

TWIN FALLS — George Danichek, age 87, died Thursday, June 28, 2007, at his home from natural causes.



He was born Aug. 28, 1919, in Red Lodge, Mont., the son of Frank and Mary Danichek.

He married Darlene Young in December 1945. She died in 1957. They had three children, Danny, Denise and Dale. He married Elsie Huff in January 1959.

George worked in the coal mines in Montana. After moving to Idaho, he drove truck for Independent Meat Co. for 18 years and Key Line Auto Parts for two years.

He served in the U.S. Marines from 1942 until 1945. George enjoyed golf, bowling and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie; children, Danny (Ingrid) of San Francisco, Calif., Denise (Jim) Clark of Seattle, Wash., and Dale (Vickie) of Boise, Idaho; one grandchild, Darren Bruce; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and three sisters.

The funeral is scheduled for Tuesday, July 3, at 12 p.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, Idaho. Friends may call one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Park.

All arrangements are under the care of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

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He is survived by his wife, Elsie; children, Danny (Ingrid) of San Francisco, Calif., Denise (Jim) Clark of Seattle, Wash., and Dale (Vickie) of Boise, Idaho; one grandchild, Darren Bruce; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and three sisters.

The funeral is scheduled for Tuesday, July 3, at 12 p.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, Idaho. Friends may call one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Park.

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The ripple effect

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Gray said curtailment could spur a regional recession.

The Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, a group representing groundwater pumpers, has estimated farmers could lose between \$1,000 and \$1,200 an acre. With 16,638 acres scheduled for curtailment, that's a nearly \$17 million hit — just on the crop.

Food producers are next in line to suffer. Vic Jaro, a spokesman for beet buyer Amalgamated Sugar, said his company hopes that farmers realized the curtailment was coming and moved their high-cash crops to land with access to more senior water rights.

It's unclear, though, how many farmers moved crops, and how curtailment might affect this year's sugar beet and potato crops.

Farm financials

That worries loan providers, who finance farmers contingent on contract payments from the big food producers.

About 30 to 40 percent of the groundwater pumpers facing curtailment are customers at Farmers National Bank, which has offices in Jerome, Twin Falls, Verell and Butte. Loans to those customers make up 10 to 15 percent of the bank's portfolio, said John Gibson, vice president and manager of the Farmers National office at 690 Shoshone St. in Twin Falls.

At least for this year, he said, "it's not near as critical as we first thought it was." Tuthill's original order slated 33,000 acres for dedication, but offers from pumpers — called mitigation plans — have cut that number in half.

Plus, many of the farmers facing curtailment use multiple wells and may have to deal with a ration only one of their wells, Gibson said.

Farmers invest more than \$1,000 an acre to put in a potato or beet crop. If farmers lose water, "both of those crops, they're totally gone," Gibson said.

Still, hope is not lost for farmers, who might not have to default on loans if curtailment

is put off for another month, Gibson said. That would give farmers time to harvest less valuable wheat and barley crops and divert water to corn, potatoes and beets.

If farmers lose their rights, Gibson said, they could stop watering and harvesting hay. It is so dominant and come back to it next year. But that would have a trickle-down effect.

"Hay is a cash crop this year," bringing \$150 to \$160 a ton, Gibson said.

No doom for dairies

Not growing more hay this year could drive prices even higher, Gibson said, and that would drive up feed prices for dairies.

As of Friday, about half of the water rights facing possible curtailment belonged to dairymen.

"Nobody is exempt is the bottom line for me," he said. "The dairy industry could be extremely impacted by this."

Tony Kevan, a commercial lender at Magic Valley Bank, 113 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls, agreed with Gibson.

"What concerns me most are the substantial number of farms on the list that are dairymen," he said.

To Kevan, curtailment in the middle of a growing season doesn't make sense. A better approach, he said, would be to let producers know they won't have water for next year, beginning Oct. 1.

"That's why the farmer knows the line in the sand has been drawn," he said.

Dairy concerns, however, may be insignificant. Water director Tuthill has said dairy farmers will likely escape curtailment because of a pending mitigation plan.

Beyond the farm

Also unlikely to face significant harm are businesses that support farms, including fertilizer and chemical companies.

Most farmers have already sprayed their crops for this season, said Scott Collins, a crop supervisor at Simplot Grower

Solutions, a fertilizer dealer. He said his business will be OK, "as long as farmers have already paid their bills."

But other companies are still unsure how the curtailment could affect business. At Twin Falls Tractor and Implement Co., Bob Wildman said: "We don't have any idea how curtailment might affect us at this point."

Implementation sales have been steady until now, he said, but that could change if farmers lose their crops.

Uncertainty and strategy

Essentially, that's what everyone is wondering: Will the curtailment actually happen? That depends on whether mitigation proposals filed Friday — the deadline for escaping shutdown — will pass muster with the state.

Individual farmers also continue to submit mitigation plans. Tuthill said, and IGWA late Friday afternoon filed a plan that offers 10,000 additional acre feet of water. The plan, though, is contingent on Tuthill calling off curtailment altogether instead of again lessening the number of acres affected.

Tuthill will spend Monday and Tuesday crunching numbers and will likely announce his decision Thursday.

If Tuthill rejects the proposal, farmers might break the law and keep the pumps flowing, said Lynn Tomninga, executive director at IGWA.

"Will they follow the law or make a commitment to civil disobedience and continue to irrigate?" he said. Tomninga expects at least a few farmers to risk getting caught if their sugar beets or spuds are in jeopardy.

Whatever happens this week, one thing is sure: Farmers will suffer, and the ripple effects will be felt throughout the valley.

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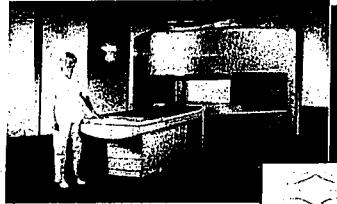
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Trout farms losers, too

No one wins in curtailment case, says Clear Springs

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

BUIH — Ever since the state water director announced this spring that hundreds of groundwater pumps could be shut down, pumpers have been quick to point out the economic losses they'd suffer as a result.

But the trout farms wanting that water have been losing millions of dollars for nearly two decades, said Randy MacMillan, vice president of research at Clear Springs Foods. His company, which stands to receive thousands of acre feet of water should wells be curtailed Friday as planned, has suffered \$20 million in lost revenues over the past five years because pumpers have taken water that belongs to Clear Springs, he said.

According to MacMillan, Clear Springs has seen a water loss of about 1 percent and 3 percent each year over the past 15 years.

But he doesn't blame the pumpers. He blames the state. "There are no winners in this

water crisis," MacMillan said. "The state has simply mismanaged the resource. It's overappropriated."

If there's a silver lining in the pending curtailment, it's that people are finally paying attention to a water shortage years

in the making, he said. "Sometimes you need a crisis to respond to something. This is that crisis."

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TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included the following:

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Driving under the influence sentencing

Joey T. Trevino, 16, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; \$400 fine; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Henry V. Bojorquez Jr., 73, Jerome; driving under the influence; \$400 fine; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; two days community service; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Kenneth B. Allen, 41, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; 10 days in jail with fine suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Kevin J. Mort, 25, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; four days in jail, credit for time served.

Justin H. Sanderson, 22, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs.

Ricardo Perez, 23, Twin Falls; domestic battery; amended to battery; costs waived; 90 days in jail, credit for time served.

Eric D. Berry, 36, Twin Falls; resisting or obstructing an officer; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 45 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Zaccari G. Dowlin, 21, Jerome; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$200 fine; \$82.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count possession of a controlled substance dismissed; no alcohol.

Weston N. Hughes, 21, Twin Falls; willful concealment; \$300 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; two days work detail; 12 months probation.

Stacie M. Blodgett, 24, Twin Falls; failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; six months probation.

Andres E. Machado, 21, Jerome; failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; \$300 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Kevin D. Grubbs, 28, Filer; barking dogs; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs.

Timmy R. Hamar, 29, Twin Falls; one count frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$200 fine; \$82.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Don E. Cummings, 24, Twin Falls; malicious injury to property; \$300 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Sean M. Clarke, 18, Heyburn; petty theft; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; two days work detail; 12 months probation; shall not go onto premises of Swensen's.

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 Sean C. Moen, 23, Boise; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 30 suspended; 30 hours community service; 12 months probation.
 David P. Turnover, 27, Buhl; telephone use of a handgun/make obscene phone calls; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs; 365 days in jail with 365 suspended; 24 months probation.
 Steven J. Ralther, 19, Buhl; reckless driving; \$300 fine; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.
 Brock B. Pfoof, 17, Twin Falls; inattentive/careless driving; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs.
 Ronald L. DeFrenchi, 59, Hagerman; one count driving without privileges; \$300 fine; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; one count no insurance; \$200 fine; \$72.50 costs.
 Atlin R. Hobbs-Wilson, 19, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$300 fine; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Felony sentences
 James A. Naranjo, 27, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$107.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 100 hours community service; \$474.93 restitution.
 Buddy L. Osborne II, 37, Twin Falls; unlawful possession of a firearm; five years penitentiary; one year determinate; four years indeterminate.
 Bobby J. Downs, 42, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; 10 years penitentiary; four years determinate; six years indeterminate; driving privileges suspended for five years after release from incarceration.
 Gregg N. Boddy, 28, Burley; aggravated battery; 10 years penitentiary; two years determinate; eight years indeterminate; \$107.50 costs; \$5,000 civil penalty; \$1,361 court compliance fees.
 Antonio Frogoso, 25; trafficking in methamphetamine; five years penitentiary; three years determinate; two years indeterminate; \$10,000 fine; \$107.50 costs.
 Steven J. Fiora, 27; accessory to robbery; five years penitentiary; three years determinate; two years indeterminate; \$97.50 costs.

Civil filings

Angela Duncan vs. Charles A. Legg and A-1 Auto Sales Inc. Seeking judgment against defendant for special and general damages in an amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.
 Richard Michelson vs. Greg N. Bedke. Seeking judgment against the defendant for compensatory damages not less than \$10,000; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that defendant lured him to his residence and shot him in the leg with a shotgun causing him to sustain permanent and severe personal injuries.

Child support cases

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services have filed claims against the following:
 Tommy J. Livingston. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$174 monthly support plus 50 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance.
 Rainee L. Ficus. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$135 monthly support plus 46 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance.
 Marissa A. Allen. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$123 monthly support plus 39 percent of medical expenses not covered

by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$2,019.58 for foster care and child support costs.
Divorces filed
 Barbara A. Krefz vs. Phillip R. Krefz.
 William J. Mauldin vs. Samantha L. Mauldin.
 Ronald J. Lambert vs. Elizabeth Lambert.
 Scott D. Cameron vs. Rhonda C. Cameron.
 Christopher Z. Wornell vs. Maggie R. Wornell.
 Kami V. Michelli vs. Edward Michelli.

Tamme Baggett vs. Kirk Baggett.
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 Francis E. Wright vs. John R. Wright.
 Jeremy Trump vs. Christina Trump.

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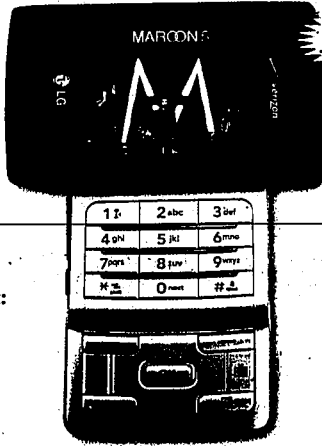
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Burley man spent his life in service

By Treva Tegan
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Frank Beabout spent his life serving his country and his community.

He died June 13 at the age of 67.

Beabout was born in Rimersburg, Pa. His parents divorced when he was 3 years old and he spent much of his childhood moving from home to home with various relatives while his mother worked out of state.

Due to the moves and constantly changing schools, Beabout's school work suffered.

At the age of 17 and still in the 10th grade, Beabout dropped out of school and joined the United States Army.

He went through basic training in Fort Carson, Colo., and was quickly initiated into the strict regulations of the military when he accidentally dropped his rifle during a drill.

The penalty for his carelessness was to do laps around the quad triangle with his rifle held at high port until the drill instructor got tired of switching him.

After basic training he was assigned to Fort Devens, Mass., where he drove ambulances for a year before being reassigned to the Marshall Islands in the South Pacific. He earned his GED while stationed there. He was assigned to the administration detachment where the atomic bombs were tested on the Eniwetok Atoll. He saw 77 atomic bomb tests and was exposed to radiation from atmospheric nuclear explosions.

He was reassigned in 1958 to Fitzsimmons Army Hospital in Denver, Colo., until being discharged for the first time in 1959.

Less than a year later, however, Beabout's devotion to his country brought him back to the military and he re-enlisted.

He was sent to Fort Sill, Okla., for artillery training before being deployed to Giessen, Germany. While there he was assigned to the 82nd Artillery, which had the 260mm Atomic Cannon as the



Frank Beabout served his country in the United States Army for 21 years, serving in Germany, Vietnam, the South Pacific and various U.S. posts.

"He was the only person I knew that could plant a toothpick and grow a tree."

— Sandra Beabout, wife

primary weapons transporter driver.

While there Beabout was seriously injured in a car accident. He suffered severe head trauma and was in a coma for a month.

"We used to say he had nine lives," said his wife Sandra Beabout.

He was confined to base for a time after the accident because he was unable to wear his helmet. The Army wanted to give him a medical discharge, but he declined. He loved serving his country and felt he belonged in the military.

He served a total of three tours of duty in Germany in his 19 years in the service. He

also served two tours in Vietnam. During his first tour he was injured when his helicopter was hit. Through his injury qualified him for the Purple Heart he did not apply for it.

"Leave those for the infantry who really deserve it," he had said.

He had seen so many military receive the Purple Heart for things he felt were minimal, and he didn't want to be counted with them. Looking back years later, however, he regretted not receiving the award.

While stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., he met and married Sandra Louise Dudley. They had two chil-

a life remembered

Francis 'Frank' Ardell Beabout

Born: Dec. 16, 1939
Died: June 13, 2007
Survivors: His wife, Sandra; his two sons, Joseph of Idaho Falls and Brett (Hillary) of Burley; one sister, Eloise Freeland of Largo, Fla.; many aunts, uncles and cousins in the East; and lots of nieces and nephews. He was the god-grandfather of 2-year-old Faith Robinson.

dren, Joseph Eugene Beabout and Brett Ardell Beabout.

He retired from the military on Dec. 1, 1977. The medals he received during his time in the service include: National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Combat Medal, Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal with "V" (valor) Device with 12 Oak Leaf Cluster (each oak leaf cluster represents 100 hours of combat assault flying time), Aircraft Crewman Badge, Drivers Badge, Good Conduct Medal with five awards (equals 14 years), and the Army Commendation Medal (for service).

After retiring from the military, Beabout moved his family to Burley where he went to work for the city office. He retired from the city of Burley after 21 years.

He enjoyed many hours of fishing and hunting with his father-in-law Gene Dudley. He loved to spend time outdoors and was a gifted gardener.

"He was the only person I knew that could plant a toothpick and grow a tree," Sandra Beabout said.

Beabout was a strong and dedicated man, true to his country, his community, his family and himself.

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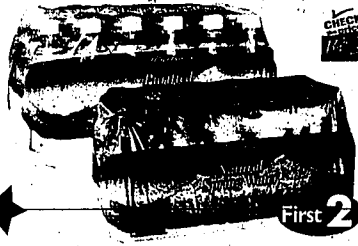
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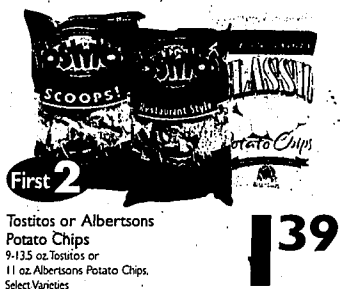
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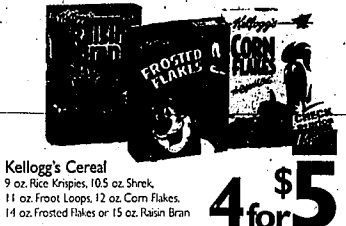
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LATHAM MOTORS MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Toliver takes it home

Darrington wins fifth women's title

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The smile, the fist pump and the cheers of the largest final gallery in recent Latham Match Play history told the story.

The title came home. Toliver Latham left no doubt: The 19th Annual Latham Motors Match Play Championships were his to win. Four tries as a teenager at the championship title had fallen short. Four years of high expectations went unmet. Latham was always the golf prodigy — the grandson of the tournament's namesake — who just couldn't win the thing.

That all changed Saturday on the No. 16 green as Latham's par putt sank, giving the 20-year-old a 3 and 2 win over defending champion Aaron Curtis.

"I feels awesome right now," Latham said. "I'm on a high right now. It feels real good, especially since it's the Latham tournament and I have to make the name proud. I think I did a pretty good job."

We put our family names on a pedestal, hoping they will shine brightly for others to see — hoping our family members see what good we've done for their name. In front of his father, his grandfather, uncles and cousins, Latham became a champion on the strength of a late burst. Birdies on No. 11 and 12 to break a previously deadlocked match and go 2-up. Pars on the next three holes as Curtis suffered through a tough two-putt par on No. 14 and a bogey on the par-4 15th.

"Aaron played hands down very good golf," Latham said. "But I felt very good coming into it and knew if I played my game, stayed solid, I could win."

A broken hand forced Latham to miss playing for NJCAA Division I national champion Scottsdale (Ariz.) Community College, but long hours of practice with championship golfers helped Latham grow into the golfer that put up two decisive early-round victories in before he topped Rod Skyles 4 and 3 in Saturday's early semifinal round to reach the finals.

"You don't even know good players until you get out there and see the solid players that are out there," Latham said. "I learned a lot there, gained a lot of experience and you could see it definitely paid off out there."

Curtis topped Jordan Skyles in 19 holes to make it to Saturday's final pairing.

While Latham navigated the unique pressures of winning his first title, defending women's champion Karen Darrington again found her comfort zone at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Darrington topped Boise's All Thompson 3 and 1 to win her fifth Latham Match Play title.

With her brother Dennis Brown caddying for her on the back nine, Darrington

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— Toliver Latham, on winning the Latham Match Play Championships



ABOVE: Toliver Latham chips onto a green during his championship-round match against defending champion Aaron Curtis Saturday during the 19th Annual Latham Motors Match Play Championships at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. BELOW: Karen Darrington eyes the green from behind tree branches during her championship-round match against All Thompson Saturday.

played her brand of consistent, level golf before finishing the match on No. 17.

"Her approach? The same as every other hole: Hit it below the hole, run it up close, drain it for birdie or par."

"I just tried to keep it short," Darrington said. "That's kind of my game out here: chip and putt. You just have to know some of the places not to be in." Darrington led the distance after carding a birdie on the opening hole. With Thompson threatening to birdie the par 5 No. 8 and square the match, Darrington came through with the shot of the day, dropping a lengthy eagle putt to go 2-up.

"I had a good read on it," Darrington

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Cowboys clip Canby

T.F. makes today's third-place game

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — They'll finish the best they can.

Two days after taking their worst loss of the season, the Twin Falls Cowboys Class AA American Legion Baseball team put together its second straight quality win, dropping Canby, Ore. 5-2, during Saturday's late game of the wood bat Cowboy Classic tournament at Skip Walker Field.

"All around it was a great team win," Cowboys head coach Tim Stadelmeir said. "We've been trying to sell our kids that the short game is going to win games for us down the road and it paid off tonight."

Jacob Coates picked up the win on the mound, pitching six solid innings before Kasey Jeroue shut the door in the seventh for his second consecutive save.

"Kasey Jeroue came in for the second night in a row and was just automatic," Stadelmeir said. "It's our bull-

dog that comes in out of the bullpen — and just shuts — the door."

The Cowboys led 3-2 heading into the sixth thanks to some solid small ball. Nate Robertson, who moved from right field to designated hitter after straining a quadriceps muscle during Friday night's game, belted a two-run double in the bottom of the sixth to give the Cowboys two key insurance runs. The 22-4 Cowboys will play Walla Walla, Wash., at 10 a.m. today for third place in the tournament. That game will be followed by the 12:30 p.m. championship game between the Nampa Chiefs and Boise Gems.

"We were real nervous about coming back after that first year because so far this year we've been on the other end of that 10-running people," Stadelmeir said. "... I was just happy to see that guys didn't fold under that and they could bounce back with that and come up with some key plays with the short game."

2007 Cowboy Classic

- At Skip Walker Field, CSI
- Pool A
 - Boise Gems (3-0)
 - Twin Falls Cowboys (2-1)
 - Lethbridge Spitz Elks (1-2)
 - Canby Cougars (0-3)
 - Pool B
 - Nampa Chiefs (3-0)
 - Walla Walla Bears (2-1)
 - West Jordan Black Sox (1-2)
 - Colorado Chiefs (0-3)
- Thursday's results:
- Lethbridge 9, Canby 4
 - West Jordan 4, Colorado 1
 - Nampa 4, Walla Walla 3
 - Boise 11, Twin Falls 1
- Friday's results:
- Walla Walla 6, West Jordan 1
 - Spitz 10, Canby 1
 - Nampa 7, Colorado 2
 - Twin Falls 4, Lethbridge 3
- Saturday's games
- Nampa 6, West Jordan 1
 - Walla Walla 1, Colorado 0
 - Boise 5, Lethbridge 0
 - Twin Falls 5, Canby 2
 - Boise 6, Nampa 1
- At Bill Ingram Field, TFHS
- Colorado vs. Canby, 10 a.m.
 - Lethbridge vs. West Jordan, 12:30 p.m.
 - At Skip Walker Field, CSI
 - Twin Falls vs. Walla Walla, 10 a.m.
 - Nampa vs. Boise, 12:30 p.m.

9-game World Series?

Top agent proposes two neutral games

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Scott Boras loves the World Series so much, he wants to make it best-of-nine — and open with two neutral games at a neutral site.

Arguing that the shift would create a marketing bonanza that would rival the Super Bowl, Boras outlined his ideas in a two-page letter he sent to baseball commissioner Bud Selig on April 15.

"I know from an owner's perspective, this is a gold mine," Boras said. "To have a World Series Weekend, WSW, I think it will create a stage that

the game has not seen."

Boras, the high-profile agent with high-profile clients who cuts high-octane paychecks, said in an interview Thursday that he will meet with the commissioner after the All-Star break to discuss his proposal. He would open the weekend on a Friday night with a televised gala announcing the MVP; Cy Young, Rookie of the Year and Manager of the Year awards; and have the five top candidates for each in attendance.

Hall of Fame voting would be announced Saturday, with the opener that night and Game 2 on Sunday night. After that, the Series would pick up the 2-3-2 format that's been used since 1925 (except for 1943 and 1945, when there

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MIXED MARTIAL ARTS FIGHTS



Swing and a hit

Ale Ibragimov punches Tom Meredith Saturday night during USA Grappling mixed martial arts fights at the CSI Idaho Expo Center in Twin Falls. For more on Saturday's fights, see Monday's Times-News.

Sharapova, Mauresmo beat rain, opponents on wet day in England

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Maria Sharapova just wanted it to end.

Raindrops were falling, her opponent was complaining, and Sharapova suddenly encountered some trouble as she tried to close out her third-round match at Wimbledon.

Showers wiped out most action at the All England Club on Saturday, and it was drizzling when 2004 champion Sharapova finally finished her 6-3, 6-3 victory despite the unmitigated protests of No. 26-seeded Ai Sugiyama that it was too slick to play.

"I was starting to get agitated. I saw the rain in the middle of the second set, and I knew, if it keeps going, obviously the grass is going to get wet," Sharapova said. "I didn't want it to be too dangerous to play out there. But it worked out well in the end."

Well, for her anyway. There was, not surprisingly, a different take on things from Sugiyama, whose best showing in 15 Wimbledon appearances ended with a loss



Russia's Maria Sharapova celebrates after beating Japan's Ai Sugiyama to win a women's singles tennis match at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships Saturday.

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SPORTS

Buhl blasts Blackfoot

Times-News
Linda L. Mowbray
Contributing Writer

BLACKFOOT — The beginning was better. The ending, even better. The Buhl class A Amateur Legion Baseball tournament...

Cramer also pitched well, throwing less than 60 pitches, producing numerous ground balls for easy outs. Cramer finished the game 2-for-1 with two RBIs...

The second game was knotted at 5-5 heading into the seventh. But Cramer and things rolling. After a walk and a couple bunts, Cramer's two-run double...

Gaige Owen relieved Laing in the sixth and got the final three outs to move the Tribe to 15-7 on the season and 12-6 in Area C.

Buhl is home Monday for a doubleheader with Burley beginning at 5 p.m.

Burley falls to Upper Valley

ST. ANTHONY — The Burley Bobcats dropped both games of a doubleheader Saturday against the Upper Valley Daves...

As is sometimes the case during the American Legion Baseball season, the Bobcats were missing some of their players due to conflicting summer schedules.

"Upper Valley is a really good team," Peterson said. "They're right up there with Jerome and others, and we competed with them for eight innings. We really just had the two bad innings."

The Bobcats (2-18) will try to improve their fortunes Monday when they visit Buhl for a doubleheader with the Indians.

Nine

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we wartime travel restrictions. If the scheduled host club for the opener won the pennant, the Series could become a 3-4-2.

Figure on hotels with flowing hospitality suites, ballparks surrounded by champagne.

"Create this buzz around it the same way they do the Super Bowl," Arizona outfielder Eric Byrnes said.

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Merritt leads Burley Amateur

For the Times-News

BURLEY — Troy Merritt finished the first round of the 2007 Coors Burley Amateur Golf Tournament on Saturday with a round of 64, good enough for the lead in the championship flight.

Brett G. Smith shot a 69 to secure the second spot, while Tanner Highman finished the day in third with a score of 70.

Burley High School golfer Brennan Pace led the first round with a score of 64. Patricia Fernandez was second with a round of 90, and Vicky Larsen Luna was third with 92.

The tournament continues today with the second round of play determining the men's and ladies' champions.

The 2007 Coors Burley Amateur Golf Tournament is scheduled for July 29.

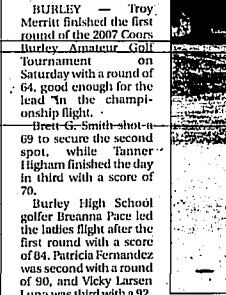
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Troy Merritt puts on the 18 green during the 2007 Coors Burley Amateur Golf Tournament at Burley Golf Course on Saturday. The tournament concludes today.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Lists top performers like Troy Merritt (64), Brett G. Smith (69), and Tanner Highman (70).

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Latham

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"I think that was a key because she could have gone back even on that." The match was a study in contrasts between the short contrast game of Darrington and the booming drives and high iron shots of the 16-year-old Thompson.

"All's a great player," Darrington said. "I know she was disappointed afterwards and I told her she's going to be there. She's got a great game and a good attitude, good demeanor. She's only 16, so she has a great future ahead of her."

The present, however, still belongs to Darrington.

19th Annual Latham Motors Match Play Championship

Play Championship at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Aaron Curtis, the 2006 Latham Match Play Champion, eyes a putt during Saturday's final. Curtis lost to 2006 Twin Falls graduate Toiher Latham.

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SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Baseball scores for various leagues including MLB, AA, and A. Lists teams like Oakland, Boston, Texas, and their respective scores.

GAME PLAN

LOCAL AMERICAN LEAGUE BASEBALL: Cowboy Classic. TGC - Champions Tour. Open de France, final round, at Paris 11 a.m.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE: FOX - Formula One, French Grand Prix at Magny-Cours, France (same-day) Noon. ESPN - Champ Car World Series, Champ Car Montreal, at Mont-Tremblant, at Mont-Tremblant, Canada 12:30 p.m.

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GOLF

Golf scores for various tournaments including PGA, PGA Tour, and other events. Lists players like Tiger Woods and their respective scores.

NFL's new policy restricts use of video on news-media Web sites

WASHINGTON — Thanks to a new NFL policy, something will soon be in short supply on news-media Web sites: video of almost anything related to the NFL or its players.

In a move designed to protect the Internet operators of its 32 teams, the pro football league has told news organizations that it will no longer permit them to carry unlimited online video clips of players, coaches or other officials, including video that the news organizations gather themselves on a team's premises.

tion said, of the NCAA's monopoly on live coverage and an infringement on its lucrative contract with sponsor ESPN. (The NCAA recently reiterated and said it would henceforth permit non-video blogging at its championships.)

Hayes, Wiley Petersen (Fort Hall, Idaho) Tyler Smith, L.J. Jenkins. For more information or for tickets, call 436-9420 or send e-mail to shelf@pmc.org. Tickets range from \$25-\$35. Tickets sold out at last year's event so early purchase is suggested.

Sports Shorts

National and Magic Valley briefs. JRD holds Summer Sizzler Tournament. JRD (Jerome) is the Jerome Recreation District which holds its annual Summer Sizzler Sizzler Tournament July 1-15. Entry fee is \$180 per person.

MAGIC VALLEY Canyon Springs hosts couples tourney

TWIN FALLS — Canyon Springs Golf Association will hold its Annual Couples Tournament on Saturday, July 7. There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start and lunch will be provided. The cost is \$70 per couples and players may sign up at the pro shop.

Buhl Fun Run planned

BUHL — The Sagebrush Days Buhl Fun Run and Walk will be July 4 at 8 a.m. at the Buhl Senior Citizen Center. There will be a 10K run, a 5K run and a 5K walk. The cost is \$20 per individual or \$56 per family of four (add \$8 for additional members). Registration will begin at 6:30 a.m. Contact Steve Kantz at 643-8576 for more information.

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Jerome HS holds volleyball camp

JEROME — The Jerome High School varsity volleyball program will hold a skills camp beginning Monday, July 9, through Wednesday, July 11.

PBR coming to Rupert-Monday

RUPERT — Professional Bull Riders will be in Rupert on Monday, July 2. The Rupert PBR Entertainment Tour will begin at 8 p.m. at the Mindoko County Fairgrounds at 85 East Baseline.

The NCAA, for example, recently generated concern by booting a reporter out of the press box at a college baseball play-off game. The reporter was producing a live 'blog' account of the game — a violation, the collegiate association said.

Big Ray 3-on-3 tournament nears

GLENNS FERRY — The Big Ray 3-on-3 Shootout will be held July 4 at Glens Ferry City Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. There will be divisions for boys and girls of all ages.

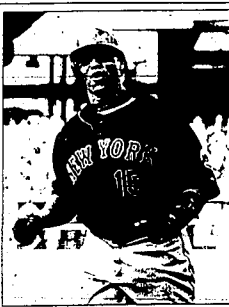
will showcase some of the most premier, rising stars of the PBR, riding alongside fan favorites and veterans, including J.B. Mauney, Kasey

will be held at 2001 590-1160.



Beltran's homers lift Mets past Phillies

PHILADELPHIA — Carlos Beltran homered twice for the second straight game, leading the New York Mets to an 8-3 victory over the free-falling Philadelphia Phillies on Saturday.



New York Mets outfielder Carlos Beltran heads to the dugout after his second home run of the game against the Philadelphia Phillies in the 7th inning Saturday in Philadelphia.

Paul Lo Duca and David Wright also connected, and Jorge Sosa (7-3) pitched five effective innings before being left after straining his left hamstring running to first in the sixth. Pedro Feliciano recorded the final six outs for his first save.

Beltran, who finished 4-for-5, gave the Mets a 3-1 lead with a two-run drive off starter J.A. Happ (0-1) in the fifth inning. His solo shot off Ryan Madson in the seventh made it 6-3. It was the fifth time Beltran homered from both sides of the plate.

Phillies center fielder Aaron Rowand nearly made a spectacular catch on Beltran's second homer, climbing the fence and reaching over only to have the ball hit off his glove.

Beltran had a pair of solo homers Friday off Cole Hamels, helping New York complete a sweep of a day-night doubleheader. The last time he hit two homers on consecutive days was last July 29-30 at Atlanta.

Ryan Howard hit his 19th homer for injury-riddled Philadelphia, which fell six games behind the NL East-leading Mets.

Francis (6-5) struck out four and limited

the Astros to Mark Loretta's double and Craig Biggio's two singles. Biggio has 3,084 career hits, three shy of Al Kaline for 25th on the career list.

Brewers 13, Cubs 4

CHICAGO — Milwaukee bounced back from a tough defeat, scoring nine runs in the first three innings to make it easy for Ben Sheets (10-3), who had a season-high 11 strikeouts in winning his sixth straight decision.

Ryan Braun hit a two-run homer and went 4-for-5 with four RBIs for Milwaukee,

which finished with 15 hits in ending Chicago's seven-game winning streak.

Brewers 6, Marlins 5

MIAMI — Tim Lincecum pitched seven sharp innings. Edgar Renteria hit a tiebreaking double in the eighth and Atlanta beat Florida.

Renteria's double off reliever Armando Benitez (2-4) drove in Willie Harris, breaking a 1-1 tie and sending the Braves to their fifth straight win. Atlanta had not won five straight since May 8-12.

Reds 5, Cardinals 1

CINCINNATI — Kyle Lohse (4-10) rebounded from the worst outing of his career with one of his best of the season, pitching into the eighth inning and hitting a sacrifice fly while leading Cincinnati.

The Reds reached the halfway point of their season at 31-50, the worst record in the majors. It's their worst mid-point mark since they also were 31-50 in 2005.

Athletics shred Yankees in shutout win

NEW YORK — Chad Gaudin combined with Rich Harden on a one-hitter, and the Oakland Athletics connected for three home runs off Kel Iwagawa in a 7-0 victory over the lethargic New York Yankees on Saturday.

Light-hitting Jason Kendall was 3-for-3 with a homer and a walk to lead an Oakland offense that ranks 13th out of 14 AL teams in runs scored.

Shannon Stewart and Dan Johnson also honored for the AS, who won for only the last time in their 18 games.

Jason Damon's single in the sixth was the only hit for the Yankees (87-40), who have dropped eight of 10 after an 11-1 streak. New York lost for the second time in past 11 home games.

Damon hit a grounder up the middle off Gaudin with one out in the sixth. Gaudin (7-3) walked Bobby Abreu with two outs, but came back from a 3-0 count to strike out Alex Rodriguez and keep the score 4-0.

Caddyler hit a three-run homer, went 2-for-3 and scored two runs. Ford hit a two-run drive and a run-scoring double.



New York Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez tosses his bat aside after striking out with two outs in the sixth inning against the Oakland Athletics Saturday at Yankee Stadium in New York.

the majors. Beckett gave up five runs and 10 hits in five innings. He coughed up a 4-0 lead by allowing four runs in the fourth, including a two-run double by Brad Wilkerson that was a nudge welcome for Red Sox center fielder Jacoby Ellsbury in his major league debut.

Twins 8, Tigers 5

DETROIT — Michael Cuddyer and Lew Ford homered and drove in three runs apiece in Minnesota's victory over Detroit.

Minnesota has won the first two games of the series between the AL Central rivals. Detroit has lost four of its past five.

Indians 8, Devil Rays 6

CLEVELAND — C.C. Sabathia became the majors' first 12-game winner and Grady Sizemore drove in three runs to lead Cleveland.

Sabathia (12-2) matched last season's win total, and is 7-1 with a 2.62 ERA in his past 10 starts.

Orioles 6, Angels 3

BALTIMORE — Brian Burres took a three-hitter into the eighth inning. Harmon Killebrew hit a three-run homer and Baltimore improved to 6-4 under interim manager Dave Tremblay.

Burres (4-2) gave up three runs, five hits and four walks in 7 2-3 innings, the longest outing of his big league career.

Paul Sluiter got the last four outs to earn his first save since 2002.

White Sox 3, Royals 1, 10 innings

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tadahito Iguchi poked a two-run single into right field with two out in the 10th inning, helping Chicago snap Kansas City's five-game win streak.

Octavio Dotel (0-1) started the 10th and gave up a pinch single to A.J. Pierzynski and hit Scott Podsednik, who reacted for the fourth time in the game. With two out, Paul Konerko was walked intentionally, loading the bases.

HR record may bring Bonds neither respect nor adulation

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Baseball's home run record ranks as the most prized in all of American sports, coming with a title that reflects its reality.

Is Barry Bonds too worthy? Babe Ruth was a true Home Run King, reaching the feat in a fashion fit for the excesses of the Roaring Twenties — a big-swinging, big-eating, big-drinking lovable slugger who was among the country's first sports heroes.

His mark spanned the decades and different social attitudes until 1974. The man who broke it did so during a new era in baseball, while the issue of race still smoldered after the tumultuous 1960s.

"To this day, Hank Aaron is respected more than anyone else in the game," Bonds' record of 755 shrouded in controversy. And there are many who believe Bonds' crown will never shine so brightly.

He has long been known for a prickly, selfish personality and a strained relationship with the media, which has only grown more contentious since allegations of steroid use began overshadowing his long list of accomplishments on the field.

"That's too bad, because Barry is such a great and unique talent. He should be celebrated for that," said Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez, the player widely thought to be the next challenger for the home run record.

"His numbers are mind-boggling. If you see some of those numbers he had going back five, six, seven years ago, those numbers are Babe Ruth-like, if not better," A-Rod said. "There's no one comparable in the game."

But instead of being remembered for the home runs, a record seven MVP awards, 500-plus stolen bases, eight Gold Gloves, more than a dozen All-Star selections and countless other on-field achievements, the words most observers will always associate with Bonds are BALCO and steroids.

He fueled his pursuit with performance-enhancing drugs. A few fans even dress up as syringes.

For Bonds, this treatment is all pretty tame — and nothing new. Fact is, the only ballpark where he's beloved is his own.

He signed a \$15.8 million, one-year contract before spring training to play a 15th season for San Francisco, the club where he's long been comfortable.

San Francisco Giants outfielder Barry Bonds wants to bat against Arizona Diamondbacks Friday in San Francisco.

Major League Baseball

All-time MLB

American League											
East Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
Boston	49	30	.620	+	5.5	1.1	24.13	25.17	12.6		
Toronto	39	40	.494	10	16.4	1.2	24.18	15.22	10.8		
New York	37	40	.481	11	18.1	1.1	21.15	16.25	10.8		
Baltimore	35	44	.443	14	24.4	1.1	19.20	16.24	6.2		
Tampa Bay	33	46	.418	16	28.1	1.6	19.24	14.22	7.1		
Central Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
Cleveland	48	32	.600	+	2.7	1.3	23.12	19.20	9.9		
Detroit	46	33	.582	1%	2.4	1.2	23.18	15.27	11.7		
Minnesota	42	37	.529	4%	3.7	1.6	20.17	15.27	11.7		
Chicago	34	43	.442	12%	5.5	1.1	19.22	15.24	4.1		
Kansas City	37	47	.420	14%	5.5	1.1	16.25	18.22	10.8		
West Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
Los Angeles	50	31	.617	+	5.5	1.1	23.19	21.18	14.4		
Oakland	43	33	.566	4%	8.2	1.6	15.18	18.18	9.9		
Seattle	41	39	.513	8%	13.7	1.1	21.18	20.11	10.8		
Texas	33	47	.413	16%	17.3	1.1	18.20	15.27	11.7		
National League											
East Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
New York	46	33	.582	+	8.2	1.6	23.19	23.14	6.7		
Atlanta	43	38	.531	4%	5.5	1.6	22.21	21.17	6.1		
Philadelphia	36	45	.443	11%	11.3	1.1	21.21	20.19	8.7		
Florida	37	47	.437	10%	14.6	1.2	16.25	21.19	9.9		
Washington	32	48	.400	14%	18.2	1.6	16.23	16.25	9.9		
Central Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
Milwaukee	47	33	.588	+	1.1	1.1	20.13	17.20	8.7		
Chicago	39	40	.494	7%	7.3	1.1	19.21	20.19	8.4		
St. Louis	35	42	.450	10%	15.5	1.1	17.19	18.22	6.9		
Pittsburgh	35	45	.438	12%	16.2	1.6	17.21	18.24	5.0		
Houston	34	47	.420	13%	17.1	1.1	19.19	15.28	9.9		
Cincinnati	31	50	.383	16%	14.6	1.1	15.24	15.26	7.1		
West Division											
W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
San Diego	45	33	.577	+	15.5	1.3	22.16	23.17	6.9		
Arizona	46	35	.568	1%	16.4	1.1	25.19	21.16	8.7		
Los Angeles	45	35	.563	1%	1.6	1.1	22.15	20.20	5.0		
Colorado	39	42	.480	7%	13.8	1.1	21.18	18.24	10.8		
Pittsburgh	35	42	.452	12%	13.3	1.1	19.21	14.24	5.0		

2 first game was a win

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Friday's Games: L.A. Angels 9, Baltimore 7; Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 1; N.Y. Yankees 2, Detroit 1; Cleveland 2, Tampa Bay 1

Saturday's Games
Baltimore 6, L.A. Angels 3; Chicago 3, Kansas City 10; Indians 8, Seattle, late

Sunday's Games
Oakland (Marin 5:2) at N.Y. Yankees (Petitite 4:3), 11:05 a.m.; Tampa Bay (Sizemore 5:3) at Baltimore (Guthrie 4:1), 11:35 a.m.; Texas (Lee 4:6) at Boston (Waters 5:5), 12:05 p.m.; Chicago White Sox (Garland 5:5) at Kansas City (Thomson 1:0), 12:10 p.m.; Toronto (Marcan 4:2) at Seattle (Wendeman 2:0), 2:05 p.m.; Minnesota (Baker 2:2) at Detroit (Boomer 6:4), 5:05 p.m.

Monday's Games
Texas at Boston, 6:05 p.m.; Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 5:05 p.m.; Tampa Bay at Cleveland, 5:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Friday's Games: N.Y. Mets 6, Philadelphia 5, 3rd game; N.Y. Mets 5, Philadelphia 2, 2nd game; Chicago Cubs 6, Milwaukee 5; Atlanta 12, Florida 3; Pittsburgh 3, Washington 2

Saturday's Games
Milwaukee 13, Chicago Cubs 4; N.Y. Mets 5, Philadelphia 3; Atlanta 6, Florida 5; Colorado 3, Houston 0

Sunday's Games
Seattle at Kansas City, 6:10 p.m.; Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 6:10 p.m.; Toronto at Oakland, 8:05 p.m.

Monday's Games
N.Y. Mets at Colorado, 7:05 p.m.; Florida at San Diego, 8:05 p.m.; Atlanta at L.A. Dodgers, 8:10 p.m.

GOLF

Shin grabs lead at U.S. Open with Ochoa, Kerr closing in

SOUTHERN PINES, N.C. (AP) — A marathon day ended with a loud crack of thunder, but not before Lorena Ochoa and Jiyai Shin charged on the leaderboard Saturday as the U.S. Women's Open finally came to life.

Jiyai Shin birdied the last hole she played before darkness set in and showers pelted Pine Needles a short time later. She was at 5 under par through 10 holes, one shot clear of Ochoa, Kerr and 36-hole leader Angela Park.

Ochoa, the No. 1 player in the world seeking her first major, came out swinging when the third round began late in the afternoon, with two birdies on the first three holes, and back-to-back birdies around the turn. Kerr, often overlooked in the search for an American star, was even better. She was 5 under for her round through 13 holes, despite missing a few short birdie attempts.

One shot behind at 3 under was Morgan Pressel, the 19-year-old who in April became the youngest LPGA major champion in history.

It was another early exit for Michelle Wie, overtime for everyone else.

We walked off the course halfway through her second round, saying her left wrist was sore when she woke up and got even worse when she tried to play. She shot 42 on the back 9s when she withdrew, and her future was never more clouded.

"There's good days and bad days," she said. "And obviously, today was not a good day. I just have to reevaluate, make some smart choices and see how it works out."

Pine Needles was cloudy, too, but the tournament caught a huge break when the nasty weather stayed away from the 7:30 a.m. resumption of the second round until it was too dark to matter.

But there was enough light for 1 p.m. CBS.

Ochoa's will to come true. "I think that I'm use enough," Ochoa said after rallying in the second round for a second straight 71, leaving her five shots behind Park after 36 holes. "Hopefully, my name means something on the leaderboard, and I'm ready to play a good round."

She runs out the 25-year-old Mexican star was ready.

Her eagle putt from just short of the first green lipped out, giving her an easy birdie. She poured in a 10-foot birdie on the par-3 third, and gave herself plenty of chances for more birdies, not missing a fairway on the front nine.

In the twilight of the sand hills, several Mexicans from the Pine Needles grounds crew added to her gallery, carrying her along.

"Vamos Lorena!" they cried.

She delivered with a 7-foot birdie on the ninth, and a 20-foot birdie on the 10th to pull into a share of the lead. Ochoa was in the 12th fairway when she chose to finish the hole.

Shin was at 3-under 138, along with Anyi Hui (69) and Julieta Granada (60). Shin, a 19-year-old South Korean, missed a 4-foamie attempt on the first hole, ran off a string of pars then took advantage of the tees being



Jiyai Shin of South Korea reacts after making birdie on the No. 3 hole during the third round at the 2007 Women's U.S. Open golf championship in Southern Pines, N.C., Saturday.

moved forward on the par-5 10th for a birdie that gave her the lead.

She has played only two LPGA Tour events, but is considered the next in line of strong South Koreans. And not many have dealt with her kind of adversity. As an an accident victim, she was involved in a car accident driving to a tournament that killed her mother, and it took Shin time to recover from her own injuries.

She will return to Pine Needles at 7:30 a.m. Sunday, facing one more day with the biggest prize in women's golf at stake.

Kerr wants a piece of it, too. "For all the talk about American youth, she gets forgotten in a world of Pressel, Paula Creamer and Brittany Lincicome. Kerr was among the pioneers who turned pro out of high school 11 years ago, and the 29-year-old from Miami already has compiled nine victories.

"This might be her best shot at a major. It's been a very long day of golf, and I'm looking forward to the rest tonight and just doing the best I can," and honestly I'm not going to put any pressure on myself," Kerr said.

She was more thrilled to get her swing corrected than just posting a string of birdies. Figuring the score will take care of itself.

Pressed good off to a rugged start, failing to birdie the easy first hole, three-putted for bogey on the second and missing a short birdie attempt on her next hole. But she got on track with a birdie on the sixth, and was 2 under for her round through 11 holes.

Defending champion Annika Sorenstam remained in nine shots behind with six holes remaining in her third round.

Pernice leads at Buick Open

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — Tom Pernice Jr. — having a mediocre round until surprising himself with a spectacular stretch that pushed his name atop a shuffled leaderboard.

Pernice had an eagle and four birdies during a five-hole run and his 66 Saturday gave him the third-round lead at the 105-year Buick Open.

"The way I was going along, I never dreamed I would get to 6 under," he said. "Being patient pays off sometimes."

Jesper Parnevik (64), Scott Verplank (69) and Brian Bateman (69) were a shot back entering the final round.

Former Buick Open champions Jim Furyk (71), Kenny Perry (71) and Woody Austin (69) were in a group of five players two strokes behind the leader. Pernice and Verplank have also won at Warwick Hills, where a \$60,000 check is ready up for grabs without regulars Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh amid to dominate.

Words (with his wife and baby) and Singh together, a son and daughter are not playing the Buick Open for the first time since 2001 after combining to win four of the previous five.

After playing Furyk, Pernice eagled No. 13 then ripped off four straight birdies before finishing with a par.

Parnevik made the big move Saturday, going from a tie for 46th into a tie for second with an 8 under. He had the best round — by two strokes — as Warwick Hills became tougher with firm greens.

The Swede is playing in his first Buick Open, instead of returning to Europe as he usually does after the U.S. Open.

"I decided to stay this year, which I'm very happy about," he said.

Parnevik, who usually doesn't return to the U.S. until the PGA Championship, will play at Oakland Hills in suburban Detroit on Monday in a British Open qualifier.

Pernice and Parnevik will be paired together, hoping to continue a trend.

The Buick Open winner has emerged from the final group since 1999 and the third-round leader has held on in each of the last six.

Pernice took advantage of the last leader who couldn't hold onto the lead on a Sunday at Warwick Hills.

Pernice won his first two PGA Tour events here eight years ago when he began the



Tom Pernice, Jr., eyes his putt on the No. 18 hole during the third round of the Buick Open at Warwick Hills in Grand Blanc, Mich., Saturday. Pernice leads the third round with a 13-under 203.

final round five shots behind Tom Lehman and behind him and two others by a stroke.

"I didn't really necessarily have many thoughts about winning when I left off that day," Pernice said. "Really, Tom Lehman led us all back into the game."

While players such as Pernice and Parnevik joined the leaders, Brett Quigley plummeted a day after firing his caddie.

"It was just time," Quigley said of his mid-tournament decision.

Quigley's 3-over 75 dropped him into a tie for 32nd at 7 under after starting the day tied with Furyk and Perry.

His play might've rubbed off on his playing partner, Perry, who bagged two straight holes on the front nine by pulling a 4-foamer and lipping out from 9 feet.

Furyk eagled a 4-foamer at 18 to bogey, finishing at 1B for the day. His streak of rounds in the 60s at the Buick Open ended at eight, equalling Woods' tournament record, but he extended his run of salt-par rounds to 36 at Warwick Hills.

"It was a terrible round, I understand it's getting the job done here," Furyk said. "I'm very fortunate to only be two back."

Quigley's collapse began right away.

He bogeyed the first three holes and four of five at No. 9, his drive went behind trees and his third shot plugged in a bunker, setting up a double bogey. He made the turn at 5 over for the day and seven shots behind the leaders.

"After the third, bogeys, I knew I had to press," he said.

"I'm not entirely discouraged, though, because after a disastrous turn from nine, I was able to play really well on the back."

Nielsen leads on Champions Tour

EAST MEADOW, N.Y. — Lonnie Nielsen had a stretch of five birdies in seven holes on the back nine and his 7-under 64 gave him a record-tying three-stroke lead over Tom McKnight after two rounds of the Commerce Bank Championship.

Nielsen, who didn't win in his five years on the PGA Tour or in his five seasons on the Champions Tour, had a 12-under 130 total after his 36 holes at Eisenhower Park.

The three-shot lead matches the tournament record set by Bruce Fleisher in 1999 and 2001, and equaled by Jay Sigel in 2001.

McKnight, a longtime amateur who turned professional for the second time in 2001, had a bogey-free 66.

Like Nielsen, he has one top 10 finish this season.

— The Associated Press

Hansen in front at French Open

VERSAILLES, France — Soren Hansen of Denmark shot a 5-under 66 to lead by one stroke in the third round of the French Open.

Hansen, who had an eagle at the third hole after almost chipping in, is at 7-under 206. Simon Khan (70) was second, followed by Colin Montgomerie (71) and Martin Kaymer (69) two shots behind the leader.

— The Associated Press

Hamlin wants wins, not just good finishes

LOUDDON, N.H. (AP) — While Denny Hamlin has avoided the draft sophomore jinx, he's not satisfied with being second in the NASCAR Nextel Cup season points going into Sunday's race at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Last year's top rookie went the win races — the sooner, the better.

It's not for the glory, though. Hamlin is thinking championship, and winning races could be the key to that, thanks to NASCAR's new Chase for the Championship format.

In its fourth year, the Chase — a 10-race playoff for the title among the best drivers in the stock car series — has changed two key elements.

NASCAR expanded the 2007 Chase from 10 to 12 drivers and added a seeding process in which the eligible drivers will start the postseason with a base of 5,000 points plus 10 additional points for each playoff race in the Chase regular season.

Eight of the current top 12 have won races this season, including four apiece by points leader Jeff Gordon and fifth-place Jimmie Johnson.

Despite his exalted spot in the points, Hamlin has yet to win in 2007, meaning that if the Chase began with Sunday's Nextel Industrial Tools 300, he would find himself ninth in the points.

Not even the 100-point penalty NASCAR levied against Hendrick Motorsports' rookie Gordon in the Winston early this week in the wake of their cars falling inspection in Sonoma would make a significant difference under the new



Denny Hamlin, right, smiles as he listens to a member of Jeff Gordon's crew during the first practice session for the NASCAR Nextel Industrial Tools 300 in Loudon, N.H., Friday.

format. "If we were to go into the Chase right now, we'd be 40 points behind," Hamlin said. "We feel like we're running well enough, we could make that up if we run the same way that we have all year. We would just like to start closer to these guys."

The race on Sunday, the 17th of the season, should provide Hamlin a good chance to narrow the gap.

The 1.058-mile New Hampshire oval is very similar to the Phoenix track, where Hamlin appeared to have the fastest car through most of the race in April.

Hamlin led 70 laps and was out front when he was caught speeding entering pit road on lap 99 of 312. He was sent to the rear of the longest line, dropping him to 30th. But Hamlin

changed back to finish third. "Yeah, it's frustrating to come close and not win. We've led a lot of laps and we should have won races, but that doesn't matter," Hamlin said. "We're going to start a little behind (in the Chase) unless we start rolling off some wins. Even if we don't, though, I think we can make a run at it."

"We feel like we're sitting in a decent spot right now when it comes to the Chase."

Sunday's race will be the

NASCAR
Lenox Industrial Tools 300
When: Today, 12:30 p.m.; TV: TNT

eight of 16 events this season for NASCAR's new "Car of Tomorrow," which also competes in Phoenix. The Hendrick drivers have dominated the COT races, with Gordon winning three, Johnson two and teammate Kyle Busch one.

Despite his strong showing in that race, Hamlin was openly critical of the COT after the Phoenix race. But his opinion on the car that will race the entire 2008 Cup season is slowly changing.

"It is still a little early to tell how successful this whole thing is going to be," Hamlin said, "but I think, for the most part, it is evolving better than I thought it would."

"I think it is really starting to speed up. We're starting to catch the other teams starting to catch up a little bit. I think that is going to make, obviously, better racing."

As for his season thus far, Hamlin laments lost opportunities, like Phoenix.

"We definitely should be even with those other guys, right now, but that doesn't matter," Hamlin said. "We're going to start a little behind (in the Chase) unless we start rolling off some wins. Even if we don't, though, I think we can make a run at it."

"We feel like we're sitting in a decent spot right now when it comes to the Chase."

Harvick tops Edwards for narrow Busch win

LOUDDON, N.H. (AP) — Kevin Harvick held off a late challenge by Carl Edwards to grab his second NASCAR Busch Series victory of the season Saturday at New Hampshire International Speedway.

The two-time Busch champion, who had not won since the opening weekend of the season when he swept the Busch Series' first two races at Daytona, picked up his 28th career victory in Busch.

Juan Pablo Montoya was running in fifth place when he and Clint Bowyer collided on lap 165 of 200 on the 1.058-mile oval, bringing out the last of six yellow flags in the race.

Matt Kenseth, who wound up third, took the lead with a two-tire stop during the ensuing caution period. Harvick, who led a dominating 166 laps, was second when the race restarted for the last time on lap 172.

But Harvick easily drove into the lead halfway through that lap and stayed out front the rest of the way. Edwards, who has four wins this season and is the runaway points leader, also got past Kenseth on lap 181 and went after the leader.

Edwards got right up to Harvick's rear bumper with two laps to go. He made one final try to duck under the leader on the final lap, but Harvick held Edwards off by 0.284 seconds — about two car lengths.

"We kind of geared up for short runs. Topping it would come down to that kind of run at the end," said Harvick, finishing a part-time Busch schedule this season. "I knew he was going to come after me on the bottom, try to get underneath us, and we were able to hold him off."

"Seems like old times, beating the (No. 6) guy and winning the race. This is the same bunch of guys who won the championship with us last year," added Harvick, who won nine times last year.

Edwards said he was just trying to put pressure on Harvick at the end.

"I thought, 'Maybe I can rattle him a little bit and he'll slide up or something,' but that's all I had," he said. "We just ran out of time."

Harvick, driving the No. 21 Richard Childress Racing Chevrolet, was the 21st different driver to win in 21 Busch races at the Loudon track.

Tony Stewart, driving a car owned by Harvick and his wife, Delana, wrapped up fourth, followed by Denny Hamlin, Bowyer and Greg Biffle. Cup drivers, who will race here Sunday, swept the top 10 places. Montoya wound up 34th.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Members of the Minico Spuds Special Olympics team and their coaches and leaders pose for a photo during their recent trip to Boise for a fundraiser breakfast.

Minico Spuds travel to Boise for fundraiser

Times-News
RUPERT — The Minico Spuds traveled to Boise last week to sign Grad Bless America in ASI, for a fundraiser breakfast for Special Olympics Idaho. The Spuds practice for months in preparation for the

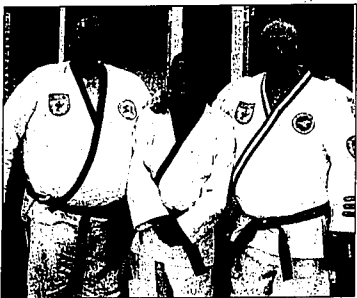
events. After the breakfast the team also visited NK Nature Center and learned to identify several trout indigenous to Idaho. The Spuds also traveled to the Brannan Sand Dunes to gain some first-hand experience with erosion the day prior to the breakfast.

MARTIAL ARTS



Fundraiser winner

Jon Lidell was recently awarded a samurai sword for selling the most candy bars in Pii Sung's latest fundraiser to send students to the National Tournament in Seattle on June 23. Jon sold 255 candy bars.



Master of the Martial Arts

Bill Fulcher, center, became Pii Sung Martial Arts first Master of the martial arts Taekwondo at a presentation in Lynnwood, Wash., on June 23. Fulcher tested in June 2006 for his Hwa Rang Taekwondo Federation fifth-degree blackbelt mastership and was presented the honors at the national tournament in Seattle. Fulcher will continue to instruct at Rupert's Pii Sung studio in addition to his new national duties. Pictured with Fulcher are sixth-degree blackbelt Master Jay Hartwell, left and Grandmaster eighth-degree blackbelt Jack Pierce, president and founder of the HTF organization.

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LADIES GAMES: Elara Smith 201, Angie Waymont 183, Marie Stewart 175, Kathy McClure 169.



Dixie Walker of Heybam, right, was inducted into the Hall of Fame for the Mini-Casita United States Bowling Congress Women's Bowling Association at the annual awards banquet held May 3. Pictured with Walker is WBA president Julie Vincent.

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TUES. NO TAP
MEN'S SERIES: Jerry Seabolt 654, Tom Glass 619, Keith Kuhn 609, Maury Miller 609.
MEN'S GAMES: Jerry Seabolt 234, Ed Dury 233, Myron Schroeder 230, Maury Miller 229.
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THURS. NO TAP

MEN'S SERIES: Dennis Seckel 685, Mike Starr 637, Ray Lapointe 527, Jerry Seabolt 525.
MEN'S GAMES: Dennis Seckel 256, Mike Starr 244, Jerry Seabolt 201, Ray LaPointe 195.
LADIES SERIES: Carole Fredrickson 667, Ann Shepherd 545, Gail Knight 480, Angel Campbell 440.
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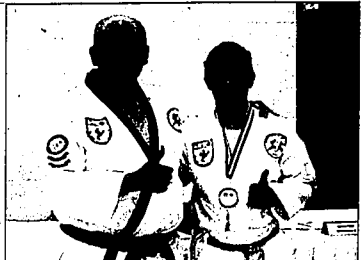
National champions

Instructors 4th degree black belt Jay Ha, left, and Master Don Rider, right, garnered three national championships between them at the Hwa Rang Tae Kwon Do nationals hosted in Seattle, Wash., by Grandmaster Jack Pierce on June 23. Ha won the national championship in the board breaking competition for men's fourth-degree black belt division. Ha was also awarded a bronze medal in men's sparring and men's form competition (kata). Ha, an escalation manager with Dell computers, has been training in the martial arts since the age of 6. Rider, age 43 garnered two national championships for men's forms (kata) competition and board breaking competition in the masters division. Rider, a team manager at Dell, was also awarded a bronze medal for men's sparring in the masters division. This is Ha's first and Rider's third time earning national champion honors.



Golden results

David Hornbacher, center, poses with instructor Jay Ha and Master Don Rider. Hornbacher attended the Hwa Rang Tae kwon Do nationals in Seattle, Wash., on June 23. The annual event was attended by 350 competitors from all over the United States and Canada. This was Hornbacher's first competition and he was awarded a gold medal for forms competition (kata) and a gold medal for one-step sparring for the men's yellow-belt division. Hornbacher, 26, has been a student at intermountain martial arts for five months.



Great beginnings

Taylor Warren, right, poses with Master Don Rider at the Hwa Rang Tae kwon Do nationals in Seattle, Wash., on June 23. The annual event was attended by 350 competitors from all over the United States and Canada. Taylor, 13, has been a student at intermountain martial arts for six months. He was awarded a silver medal in sparring and a silver medal in board breaking competition in boys color-belt division.

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Not in the script

Too many pro wrestlers dying young

Wrestlers dying young not part of script

A surprising number of pro wrestlers die young. Chris Benoit was the latest, taking his own life after killing his wife and son last week.

Notable professional wrestling deaths by year

Year	Name	Age	Cause of Death
1941	Quick Draw	34	heart
1947	Rick McGraw	30	heart
1957	Adrian Adonis	34	crash
1960	Andre the Giant	40	heart failure
1962	Big John Studd	40	lung cancer, whooping cough
1963	Owen Hart	33	heart attack
1964	Eddie Guerrero	36	suicide
1965	Chris Benoit	40	suicide
1967	Chris Benoit	40	suicide



Chris Benoit

largely because the powers-that-be, by the old regional promoters or WWE executive Vince McMahon, the guy who largely controls the sport today, don't want the government telling them how to run their business.

Jim Wilson, who parlayed pro football into a ring career, says he was blackballed when he began pushing for a wrestler's union. Since then, he has written a book about his experiences and kept up the push to rein in those who govern the sport.

Although Wilson's battle often has been a lonely one, he says Benoit's death might rejuvenate the cause. "A union could be a useful tool for cleaning up the sport. It might lead to a pension plan, improved benefits, more stringent health and safety guidelines and a revamped pay structure that would allow wrestlers to spend more time at home without risking a pay cut."

Now, most top wrestlers get a guaranteed salary, but the bulk of their income is based on how often they compete. That leads some to feel they must get in the ring while injured, often with the aid of painkillers and other numbing chemicals.

And much like rock stars, plenty of wrestlers have fallen victim to excessive partying, alcohol and drug dependency, and marital problems during grueling stints on the road.

"My longest run was 79 days in a row without a day off," said Joe Laurinaitis, the wrestler known as Road Warrior Animal and father of Ohio State football star James Laurinaitis. "It's not as bad now. There's good guys running the WWE. Still, we need to take a look at it when things like this (the Benoit murder-suicide) are happening. Guys are still overworked."

That's why Wilson's calling for Congress to hold hearings on the wrestling industry, much like it investigated doping in professional sports and

The tenacious, grim-faced grappler known as the "Canadian Crippler" was hardly alone in heading to an early grave.

Just this past week heard from ex-NFL players who believe they're being shortchanged on their pensions.

At the top of their sports, they aren't dropping like flies like they are in the wrestling business," Wilson said. "Now is the time to push for legislation nationally."

He's already spoken with U.S. Sen. Johnny Isakson (R-Ga.), who instructed his staff to begin gathering information on the issue to determine if hearing before the Health Committee might be warranted.

Isakson said his main concern is steroid abuse. "I'm not going to start speculating on federal regulation of wrestling," he said. "The issue is anabolic steroids, which are a significant problem across all sports. It's a health issue that's appropriate for us to discuss, regardless of the profession."

Steroids and other muscle-building drugs long have been an accepted part of the wrestling culture, allowing the biggest names to pump up to ungodly proportions that wouldn't be possible through natural means.

Granted, nobody comes right out and tells a wrestler he's on steroids, but one of his jobs is to attend a match in person or watch one on TV to realize some of these physiques just aren't plausible without help from the pros.

"Somebody says you need to put 25 pounds on your upper body," said Larry DeCaris, who teaches sports marketing at the University of Tennessee and moonlights on the Independent wrestling circuit as "The Professor" Larry Brisco. "Well, if you have an athletic build, good diet and have been around sports for a while, you know

there's only one way to do that. Nobody needs to tell you. It's just a fact understanding. Steroids were found in Benoit's home, though investigators haven't determined if they played any role in the brutal killings of his wife, Nancy, and their 7-year-old son."

World Wrestling Entertainment, which employed Benoit and holds a virtual monopoly grip on the industry, was quick to point out that this tragedy — apparently carried out over an entire weekend — doesn't come with the classic signs of "roid rage," the violent, unpredictable outbursts that can be caused by someone who abuses steroids.

A top and doping expert agreed but said it's too early in the investigation to draw any firm conclusions. "I can paint any number of scenarios that explain this without invoking 'roid rage,'" said Dr. Gary Wadler, a member of the World Anti-Doping Agency. "Roid rage tends to be impulsive control. This event happened over two or three days. It has the earmarks of some calculation."

The WWE also was quick to announce Benoit had passed his last drug test in April, part of the organization's "Wellness Program" that was put in place after the death of star Eddie Guerrero two years ago.

But Wadler doesn't sound all that impressed with the WWE's testing procedures. He's especially troubled that the WWE refuses to discuss the program in any detail. "Both covers and wrestling journalist Bryan Alvarez, who's been guidelines for the program, found two major loopholes:

"A wrestler can pass the doping test with a testosterone to epitestosterone ratio of 10:1.

more than double the WADA standard. Under WADA rules, athletes are in violation starting at 4:1; the average ratio is 1:1.

"A wrestler who tests positive can be excused if the producer a doctor's prescription and a medically justified reason for taking the drug in question."

There's no justifying that happened at the Benoit's last weekend Atlanta home last week.

Alvarez, who covers the sport extensively for the Web site www.wrestlingobserver.com, has some inkling of the demons that might have overtaken the wrestler.

He said Benoit never got over the 2005 death of Guerrero, a former WWE champion and four-time tag-team titleholder who was 39 when he died of a heart attack, a condition caused by the alcohol and drug abuses that friends thought he had beaten.

"Chris' closest friend in the world was Eddie the Great," Alvarez said. "It could cry to him. He could tell him everything. After Eddie died, I talked to Chris. He was broken man."

Last year, another of Benoit's wrestling buddies, 263-pound Mike Dirlikov (known in the business as Johnny Grunge), died at 39 from complications caused by sleep apnea, a condition that often affects older people such as wrestlers and football players.

"It was about this period of time that people started noticing weird behavior, paranoid behavior, which would indicate (Benoit) was using a lot of drugs," Alvarez said. "He was alone. He was on the road a lot, having to perform at a high

level; having to look a certain way; thinking that way; exercising; and his whole world basically fell apart."

Laurinaitis knows what a lethal position it can be. His friend since childhood, Road Warrior Hawk (Michael Hegstrand), died from a heart attack in 2003. Just 46, Hegstrand had health alcohol and drugs, in addition to using steroids, Laurinaitis said.

"I used to watch him sometimes and just shake my head. I would think, 'Oh my God, what in the world is he doing? Why is he doing that?'" Laurinaitis said. "I saw quite a few guys go down that path."

Now, they're all gone: Benoit, Guerrero, Hawk, Martel, Bigelow, Awesome. Not to mention Curt "Mr. Perfect" Hennig, Big Boss Man, Hercules, Crash Holly, Davey Boy Smith, Mike Sabido, Terry Gordy, "Gentleman" Chris Adams, Yokozuna, "Ravishing" Rick Rude, Owen Hart, Lionic Spiccoli, Brian Pillman, Eddie Gilbert, Buzz Sawyer, "Quick Draw" Jack McGraw, Gino Hernandez and much of the Von Erich clan.

All dead before they were 50 — and that's just a sampling of an ever-growing list. "It doesn't take someone who can distinguish between a full rickson and a sleeper hold to know that often a lot of young wrestlers dying far too young."

"It's gotten to the point that just about every show in the country is starting with a ten-minute memorial service," the professor and wrestler, referring to the traditional farewell to a fallen competitor. "You kind of look at some of the old tapes and realize the last man standing."

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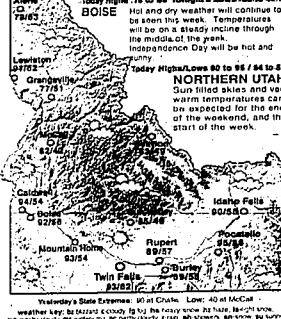
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Heisman winner, Hall of Fame player Campbell says NFL should do more

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The sleek black Mercedes whizzed into valet parking. Anyone expecting the driver to get out of the car with the same grace and style was in for a shock.
With the aide of the valet, Earl Campbell slowly emerged. Left foot first, right foot next. Once they were both solidly on the ground, the Heisman Trophy winner and NFL Hall of Famer grabbed his walker with both hands and shuffled with bent back and crooked knees toward the door of the Barton Creek Resort.

...to easily attend a reception Thursday night.
"...I'm an example of what can happen playing that game. He's paying the price," Griffin said of Campbell. "I feel very, very fortunate. When I was in pro ball, I didn't carry the ball as much. When I look back on it, you're thankful you didn't carry it 30 times a game in a 16 or 20 game schedule. I count my blessings."

At Texas and playing for Houston and New Orleans in the NFL, Campbell was known as "The Tler Rose," a delicate nickname that belied 5-foot-11, 232-pound frame of pure muscle and power.

Campbell was being honored this weekend by the Heisman Winners Association, a gathering to raise money for charity and honor the former Texas Longhorn 30 years after he won college honors in the NFL and only six games because of injuries.
"I broke a finger one time, and broke ribs maybe," he said. "But his Heisman means great to me. Sure, they remember the human battering ramin in a helmet and shoulder pads and see a proud man physically struggling for years now."

At a time when Congress is conducting hearings on whether the NFL should have a stronger pension and disability system for former players, they see the 52-year-old Campbell as yet another example of the violence in football and the wreckage it can leave behind.
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He insists his ailments — most recently bone spurs in his back — that required surgery, a monthlong stay in the hospital and rehab three days a week — are more likely the result of bad genetics than football. In eight seasons in the NFL, he missed only six games because of injuries.
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Three of a kind

Sisters' different paths lead to the same place

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN — Outside, the afternoon sun has heated the desert landscape to the high 90s. But inside, Pat Banning's kitchen is cool and filled with the sounds of singing and tapping.

"And tea... for two... and two... for tea..."

Banning and her two sisters, Vernita Talbott and Myrle Leach, have danced in one form or another for most of their adult lives. On this day, they're giving an impromptu demonstration of their tap-dancing repertoire.

"It's a happiness thing," Banning says. "We like to show when we're performing that we're happy about it."

And the sisters know about performing.

Leach, 77, learned to tap dance at age 8 and competed in the 2005 Ms. Idaho Senior America Pageant. Banning, 74, learned to dance with Leach when she was 5 and earned the title of Ms. Idaho Senior America in 2003. And Talbott, 68, was singing in an amateur hour show at age 3 and was first runner-up in this year's pageant.

The sisters, who grew up in Hagerman, all worked as teachers before they retired. All three at some point coached girls' basketball — Banning started the team at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. And after their careers, all three returned home.

Family history

Their passions, they say, might as well be genetic. Their mother and aunts were all teachers, and several of their children both teach and dance.

"It's in our blood," Banning says.

If dancing is infectious, it strikes early. Leach was all of 8 years old when a teenager came to Hagerman to teach dance. It cost Leach and Banning each 35 cents a lesson to show up every Saturday morning and learn their steps.

The parents, who owned a ranch, were by no means rich, but they saved up their money and encouraged their daughters, Banning says. The girls' mother even made Leach and Banning costumes for a dance performance at the end of the summer.

"Our parents were so pleased with what we could do," Leach says.

The pair carried on dancing infrequently and shared what they learned with Talbott, who also had an early start to her career. At only 3 and a half years old, she came in a local amateur hour and took first place. Her family didn't know, however, because her dad took her home soon after she sang.

"The next day my dad went up to town and someone said, 'Congrats on your daughter winning the amateur hour,'" Talbott says, a pleasant surprise for her father.

As they grew up, the daughters not only kept dancing,

but also picked up horseback riding, tumbling and other athletic pursuits. They performed at rodeos and basketball games, and Banning says she continued to tumble until she was 35.

"It was play to me — we loved to tumble," she says.

From school to ... school

When Leach, Banning and Talbott went to college, they took their dancing with them. At Idaho State College in Parlatello, the predecessor to Idaho State University, Leach learned dances such as the soft-shoe, shim-sham and waltz-clog. She only performed once, but it was a far less stressful experience than Banning's.

Because she started teaching with an emergency certificate due to a teacher shortage, Banning took about 17 years and several schools to finish her degree. At Brigham Young University, she signed up to dance in a talent show. She got a sudden case of stage fright, she says, when she peeked at the audience and saw the thousands of students awaiting her and her fellow performers — a far cry from the few faces she'd see back at the rural schools around Hagerman.

Fortunately, she wasn't called on to perform.

"(The announcer) forgot to mention me toward the end," she says. "I never told her."

Though all three taught for different amounts of time — Leach for just five years — they all incorporated dance in their classrooms. Banning's 34 years of teaching included four years as a physical education teacher at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, where she figured out ways to teach her students dance. She had blind students hold her legs to learn the movements and worked with them to improve their stage presence. The deaf students followed easily.

"The deaf could feel a little rhythm through the floor," she says, "and they could stay with the blind."

By the time Talbott was well into her 20 years of teaching, she had danced so much that it was easy to supply her students with everything they needed for tap.

"I had enough shoes for the whole class, assuming they were the right sizes," she says.

Philosophies of life

If anything, the sisters may be more active now than before they retired. Talbott is very involved with her church, and led several lobbying efforts against proposed coal-fired power plants in the area. Banning put on a Hagerman talent show in spring 2006 and dances in two groups. She and Talbott dance as the Smith Sisters, and Banning is also part of the Top Hat Tappers, an unrelated group. Leach, who lives near Gooding, is a descendant at the Sacagawea Interpretive, Cultural and Educational Center in Salmon.

They may be known better

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ABOVE: Pat Banning, 74, shows off her dancing skills with her sister Vernita Talbott, 68, at Banning's home in Hagerman. Banning says that after she does her morning exercises and yoga, she sometimes puts on her tap shoes and dances in the kitchen.

TOP: Hagerman sisters Pat Banning, 74, Vernita Talbott, 68; and Myrle Leach, 77, pose by some of the trophies they have accumulated over the years in their various dance and pageant endeavors.



Vernita Talbott, 68, left, says that almost everything she knows about dance she learned from her sisters. Talbott and her sisters have an affinity for the spotlight — since childhood they have been participating in pageants, talent shows and parades. Myrle Leach, 77, above, shows off some of the simple steps that she used to teach students dance.

FAMILY LIFE

Make proper use of your money, Scorpio

IF JULY 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Life is easy, calm and stress free this coming year. You might have a little excitement, however, and could become involved in something that won't bring fulfillment or complete satisfaction. In October, the good news is that others will see you as just a bit more capable and attractive than you really are, so you can win a raise or the appreciation of the boss. With your confidence levels high, it is no problem to glide happily through the winter — but don't take your good luck for granted or make promises during February.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Garbage in, garbage out. If you provide erroneous information or in too much nervous information, or if you are not too trustworthy, be at your best this week when you can act magnanimously.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Hug a tree. It is a good way to connect with nature and permanent ideals. You might not be able to plant a tree in the heat of the summer, but you can still sow some valuable ideas.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Values and possessions could become significant. Your judgment is a bit better than usual this week where thrift, economy and savings are concerned.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do you want to be blue or green with envy? Would you prefer to boost your spirits with shocking pink? Promote a productive atmosphere this week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The more you fear failure the more you can find ways to apply yourself to success. Set your priorities early in the week so you can spend a few extra on holidays.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't be afraid to address certain problems

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bothering your friends. This week it is possible to swing from being overly economical to making impulsive expenditures.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be twice as nice since you are twice as attractive. Mesmerize and conquer a few hearts. If you are looking for a carefree romance that doesn't entail kids or commitment, you might find it this week.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Money has many uses. You may consider making a donation to a worthy cause. This week you can spread your business know-how in a friendly, helpful way that earns priceless appreciation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Enjoy being in your element. With Jupiter highlighted in your sign this week someone might knock on your door and ask for advice.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Expect the unexpected. Significant others might be the focus of attention during the week to come. Numerous distractions can cause you to refrain from attending to important details.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This is a good time to plan wisely for the future so that you can achieve objectives. Your myriad interests and attractive personality could create quite a stir.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Question and challenge the current paradigm. Excitement and adventure seem to beckon during your upcoming week. You aren't likely to be content with state routines or the status quo.

STORK REPORT

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Jarynn Lynn Knutson, daughter of Lynn and Joshua Knutson of Oakley, was born May 3, 2007.

Aubree Lynn Zemke, daughter of Kimarie Anderson and Sam Zemke of Hazelton, was born June 1, 2007.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Connelly Jonathan Thomas Aicher, son of Shae Taglio and Shawn Aicher of Halley, was born June 14, 2007.

Eric Blanco, son of Adela and Jose Blanco of Ketchum, was born June 14, 2007.

Jose David Baeza, son of Adriana Avila and Marcelino Baeza of Halley, was born June 16, 2007.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Matthew Michael Belcher, son of Misty Marie Belcher and Michael Leroy Belcher of Gooding, was born June 19, 2007.

Adriyan Pedraza Vargas, daughter of Vanessa Anna Pedraza of Twin Falls, was born June 13, 2007.

Abigail Rose Bingham, daughter of Shawna Marie Bingham and Jared Edward Bingham of Rupert, was born June 17, 2007.

Yahrl Alonso Romo, son of Leticia Romo and Fernando Alonso Romo of Wendell, was born June 18, 2007.

Lincoln K. Searle, son of Alisha Searle and Ryan Kay Searle of Twin Falls, was born June 18, 2007.

Blayne Westlye York, son of Leslie Ann Adams and Nathan Andrew York of Filer, was born June 19, 2007.

Arden Matthew Wright, son of Candace Michelle and Charles Frederick Wright of Twin Falls, was born June 19, 2007.

Spencer Benjamin Swensen, son of Janice Elizabeth Swensen and Benjamin Sherman Swensen of Twin Falls, was born June 19, 2007.

Tyson Michael Cato, son of Kimberly Anne Cato and Kevin Michael Cato of Hagerman, was born June 19, 2007.

Avrea Breyan Craig and Emrea Brynaeb Craig, twin daughters of Trish Shantele Craig and Bryan E. Craig of Jerome, were born June 19, 2007.

Bennett D. Edwin Brønson, son of Sara Elizabeth Ceresep and Dylan Thomas Brønson of Twin Falls, was born June 19, 2007.

Kynlee Jay Hulce, daughter of Kara Nichole Hulce of Buhl, was born June 19, 2007.

Oren Eli Johnston, son of Charley Fern Johnston and Cody Lee Johnston of Bliss, was born June 19, 2007.

Kamron Jude Zazueta, son of Trisha Marie Zazueta and Benjamin Zazueta, Jr. of Wendell, was born June 19, 2007.

Andrew Jay Driesel, son of Lorene Renee Parish and Tod Jay Driesel of Wendell, was born June 20, 2007.

Zueth Mariana Canas-Najera, daughter of Azucena Najera and Andres Canas-Carrasco of Buhl, was born June 20, 2007.

Jonathan Arjay Swainston and Jordan George Swainston, twin sons of Lori Anne Swainston and Gary Alan Swainston, Jr. of Wendell, were born June 20, 2007.

Andrew Ernesto Gonzales-Malagon, son of Maria De Jesus

Malagon and Ernest Marclano Gonzalez of Jackpin, Nev., was born June 20, 2007.

Madison Elaine Miller, daughter of Nikki Ann Miller and Raymond Wayne Miller of Twin Falls, was born June 21, 2007.

Olivia Ann Thompson, daughter of Blair Ann Thompson and Clint Daniel Thompson of Jerome, was born June 21, 2007.

Samantha Contreras Estrella, daughter of Araceli Estrella de Contreras and Alberto Contreras of Gooding, was born June 22, 2007.

Jayden Wesley Henkelman, son of Deborah Kathleen Henkelman and Chad Wesley Henkelman of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2007.

Bridger Clyde Phillips, son of Dena Rae Phillips and Craig Leslie Phillips of Shoshone, was born June 22, 2007.

Chloe Nannette Tabb, daughter of Nicole Jerich Tabb and Jayson Christopher Tabb of Kimberly, was born June 22, 2007.

Charlene Lenae Hloft, daughter of Charlene Lenae Hloft and Chad Glen Hloft of Jerome, was born June 23, 2007.

Ava Aarlie Spearing, daughter of Casie Louisa Spearing and Travis Merle Spearing of Twin Falls, was born June 24, 2007.

Alexander Kenneth Kohler, son of Keri Deanna Hake and Johnny Rebel Kohler of Kimberly, was born June 24, 2007.

Owen Robert Taylor, son of Lindsay Jane Cox and James Robert Taylor of Hagerman, was born June 24, 2007.

Halle Marie Jones, daughter of Sheena Marie Evans and Kevin Levi Jones of Twin Falls, was born June 25, 2007.

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$4.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5.50 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for billiards, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menu: Monday: Taco salad, bread, dessert Tuesday: Chicken a la king, noodles, vegetable salad, muff, tin, dessert Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Baked potato bar, apple salad, vegetable, dessert Friday: Chili, corn bread, tossed salad, cheese cake

Activities: Sunday: Ballroom dancing, 2 p.m. Monday: Bridge club, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to noon Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon Lunch bingo

Silver and Gold Senior Center

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Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors and for non-seniors. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

Menu: Tuesday: Turkey tetrazini, deviled eggs, mixed vegetables, fruit, spinach salad Wednesday: Meatballs, potatoes, peas, coleslaw, fruit

Activities: Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee, juice and tea served. Full-serve salad bar. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; take-out available; suggested donation is \$4 for seniors 60 and above, \$5 for people under 60, \$2.50 for children under 12

Menu: Sunday: Fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, melon cup, dinner roll Monday: Cook's choice Wednesday: Closed Friday: Meatloaf, potato

Activities: Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30

casserole, peas, cake **Activities:** Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Or Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome Wednesday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m. Friday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 10 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers

West End Senior Citizens Inc. 1010 Main St., Buhl

Lunch served at noon Monday through Thursday; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for non-seniors. Sunday buffet at 1 p.m.; \$4.50 for seniors, \$5.50 for under 60; \$3.50 for 12 and under

Menu: Sunday: Ham, 1 p.m. Monday: Vegetable soup, pastrami sandwich Tuesday: Fish fry lunch Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Sloppy joes, fruit, vegetables, salad, dessert

Activities: Today: Beef roast dinner, 1 p.m. Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m. Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Board meeting, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Foot clinic Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m. Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 9:30 a.m.; \$4 per person

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each meal-time.

Menu: Tuesday: Hamburger with trimmings, french fries, pork and beans, watermelon Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, french bread, green beans, tossed salad, fruit bowl, brownies, ice cream

Activities: Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

Menu: Monday: Fish or chicken patty, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruit, cookies Tuesday: Sloppy joes, steak fries, country vegetables, Jell-O, fruit, lemon bars Wednesday: Spaghetti, vegetables, green salad, garlic bread bars Friday: Roast beef, potatoes, cream corn, fruit salad, coconut cream pie

Activities: Monday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Tuesday: Pinochle and bingo, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 8 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m. Wednesday: Closed Friday: SilverSneakers fitness class, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

Menu: Monday: Chicken pasta salad, fresh fruit, pudding, muffins Tuesday: Potato bar, coleslaw, cookies, french bread Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Roast pork, potatoes, carrots, Jell-O, pineapple salad, coconut cake, rolls

Activities: Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild card, 6 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Bridge, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.

Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Brown bag drawing, noon Bingo, 1 p.m. Friday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.; \$3 per person Saturday: Breakfast, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is \$4 for seniors; \$5 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12. Thrift shop open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free high-speed Internet available on public computers during center hours.

Menu: Monday: Lasagna, cottage cheese, green salad, dessert Wednesday: Closed Friday: Salad bar, fruit, bread, dessert

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served

Menu: Tuesday: Ham, beans, fried potatoes, corn bread, bread pudding Wednesday: Closed Friday: Meatloaf, baked beans, potato salad, corn rolls, baked apples with raisins

Activities: Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Menu: Tuesday: Grilled cheeseburgers or hot dogs, macaroni salad, deviled eggs, baked beans, watermelon Wednesday: Closed Friday: (Candy lunch in Jusensens yard) Grilled hamburgers or hot dogs, potato salad, deviled eggs, baked beans, watermelon, brownies Friday: Oven-fried chicken

Pool, 9:30 a.m. Music with June Koonce, 12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m. Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m. Bowling, 1:30 p.m. Saturday: Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.

Activities: Monday: Breakfast at the Kneadery, 9:30 a.m. Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday: Caregivers meeting, 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Wednesday: Center closed; Halley parade at noon Thursday: Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m. Exercise, 1:30 p.m. in Sun Valley Friday: Sing-a-long, 11:45 a.m.

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Suggested donation for the meal is \$4 for ages 10-59; \$3 for 60 and above and \$2 for children under 10.

Menu: Tuesday: Cheeseburger, french fries, vegetables, cantaloupe, pie Wednesday: Closed Friday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, fruit, bread, ice cream, cookie

Mindoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menu: Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, vegetables, potatoes, peach cobbler, roll Tuesday: Chef's salad, Texas toast, fruit salad, sherbet Wednesday: Closed Thursday: HIT's onion

Activities: Sunday: Patriotic concert (2 shows), 6 and 8 p.m. King Fine Arts Center Monday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Pool Exercise Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Exercise Community bingo, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Closed Thursday: Pool Exercise Community pinocle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m. Friday: Pool Exercise Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menu: Monday: Beef taco salad, chips, refried beans, cinnamon rolls Thursday: Bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwiches, cucumbers, carrot sticks, french fries, banana cream pie

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Pat Banning finishes a short dance routine June 20 in the kitchen at her home in Hagerman.

Sisters

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"Hagerman hasn't been having talent shows anymore," she says, adding that she might do one in Bliss in the future. "It turned out really good."

The three also enjoy more hometown talent, watching their children and grandchildren continue their dancing legacy. Banning says one of her sons attributed his athletic success in school to tap dancing lessons.

"When my son was in sixth grade, they had a PE day," she says. "He says, 'Mom, I know why I'm the fastest in my room.' It's because of the tap dancing you taught me."

The sisters may be a little sifter than they were 40 years ago, but they still stay active both physically and mentally. Their approach to dance, summed up by Leach, could be applied to their lives as well: "You modify, and you just keep going."

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Mascot becomes a punching bag for kids and parents

DEAR ABBY: I am a professional costume wearer. By that, I mean I have been an elf, a giraffe, a mouse, Tigger and a character for a major hamburger chain. I am presently a character for a major cereal company. Once I am in costume, I am not allowed to speak.

Adults and older children think nothing of hitting me, kicking me, pulling at parts of my costume, and trying to knock me down. One 12-year-old even tried to "head butt" me while his father looked on and encouraged him!

I am in costume for about an hour or so before I can take breaks. It gets hot and sweaty inside these costumes. I have a limited field of vision and can't see many of the oncoming attacks. Even if I saw each one, I would not be able to say anything to stop or deflect these random attacks. What I do is have a paid "helper" walk beside me. This is now discouraging such actions by adults and children.

I would ask parents to please remember that there are real people inside these costumes, which are heavily padded. I feel each and every hit and kick as if I were wearing street clothes. Thanks for printing this.

—H.S. IN COLORADO

DEAR ABBY: You have my sympathy and I am seconding your request. That a parent would encourage such poor behavior incenses me. You should not have had to hire a "bodyguard" to protect you.

I find it interesting, however, that the children who are acting out against you do not regard you as another human being. It seems they have mistaken you for the same kind of cartoon character they see on television — probably against much violence is committed



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Marie Phillips

with no repercussions. (I'm reminded of the "Mr. Bill" character that was once featured on "Saturday Night Live.")

One of my assistants, who has occasionally dressed as a climp in her work as a docent at the L.A. Zoo, tells me that this is one of the hazards in your line of work. Call me humored, but to me, assault and battery are criminal behaviors — and if someone I cared about were subjected to it, I would be very concerned.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you will print this as a favor to recent college graduates.

The pro way to obtain a reference for a prospective job employer is to first ask permission from the person you want to recommend you. Had my friend's daughter done that, I would have told her honestly that her lack of discipline and integrity would be a hindrance in getting this job. The form I received from the employer asked, "Would you hire this person?" I had to say no.

Never "surprise" anyone by giving their name as a referral. Always ask first.

—PUT ON THE SPOT IN HOUSTON

DEAR PUT ON THE SPOT: That's good advice — and I'm pleased to pass it along. What you're doing is not being presumptuous. And if you had lied for her, and the young woman did not work out because of discipline or integrity issues — the person who would have lost credibility would have been you.

It was a field trip to remember

"This field trip isn't mess," says the mom with high heels. We're at the zoo. The second-grade class is all sweat and gear; girls holding hands as they skip boys tackling each other while a snow leopard looks on lazily.

"You can't even see the animals," the high-heeled mom says. "And it's so hot. And veto know there would be so much walking!"

Everyone, I think, knew. Everyone knows that when you go to the zoo, there will be a lot of walking. High heels?

I don't know how to put it tactfully: I don't put it at all. I move along. I do a head count of the five girls in my charge: Zoe, Jenny Victoria, Morgan ... Charlene? She's a straggler. Charlene? "Charlene?" Oh, there she is. Where. There is nothing else. There is no one else. And veto know it's hot today. And even though I wore my Nikes, my legs are already tired. And it's true — most of the animals are either hidden or asleep in that creepy way that makes you wonder if they're dead.

This field trip might, I think, be a mess.

Oh, my gosh, isn't this hot! My gosh, isn't this hot with the white visor. Isn't this a perfect day? She goes on to tell me about her trips to the zoo as a kid, how wonderful they were and how much more wonderful zoos are now. All the landscaping. All the towering shade trees. Wonderful!

"I lived closer. I would come here in the morning and just walk these trails," she says. "Can't you just imagine,



PERSONAL FILE
Jeanne Marie Laskas

that? Get a season pass and have this be your walking place?"

Actually, I can. What a terrific way to start the day — scouting for wildlife as you get your aerobic exercise in.

"You have got to be kidding me," says the high-heeled mom. "There are bird droppings here."

All day long, I bounce between these two women, contending the same field trip and yet each experiencing it so differently. The high-heeled mom complains about the pizza; the signage; the valets; which are too fat to entertain; the snail of the monkey house; the price of the gift shop sunglasses that she had to buy because no one had warned her about the glare.

The visor mom is brimming with joy. She does not complain about the pizza because she thought to pack her own lunch: fresh strawberries and cantaloupe cubes and a ham sandwich. She thinks the monkeys are hilarious and treats her group of five boys to some Dippin' Dots — because it's hot, and hot, in her book, equals: ice cream!

I am trying to figure out where I stand on this continuum. The educational program in the learning center is not as exciting as promised. The kids see an owl, touch a seal skin, pet a chinchilla. "Big whoop," the high-heeled mom says. "We

There is nothing easy about a field trip.

And, yes, it's hot out today. And even though I wore my Nikes, my legs are already tired. And, it's true — most of the animals are either hidden or asleep in that creepy way that makes you wonder if they're dead.

could have skipped this."

"Uh-huh," I say. Frankly, I'm guessing a little miffed that her had time is rubbing off on me.

"Did you hear what she said about polar bear fur?" the visor mom says as we exit the learning center. "Did you know that their hairs were like straw? Have you ever thought about insulation that you buy before?" "Nope," I say. Frankly, I'm feeling pressure to be as happy as she is.

When you are around people with strong opinions, it's hard to find your own.

Fortunately, Charlene is missing again, so I'm too busy to decide which way I'll go on any of this. "Charlene?" Oh, there she is. The problem, I think, is her camera. She lags behind because she wants to take pictures of everything: the flamingos by the pond, the sparrow snatching a lost pretzel, the woman selling bottled water.

Finally, at the end of the day, the high-heeled mom and the visor mom find themselves next to each other. While we all stand here leading the stinky, exhausted kids onto the bus. To her credit, the high-heeled mom waits until the kids are safely out of earshot to unload.

"That field trip was a mess," she says to the visor woman. "These kids could not even see those animals. I'm starving. That pizza was cardboard." She goes on and on, while the visor woman appears to be listening dutifully.

"Winners always win. It's so much easier to take the air out of a happy person than it is to pump up an unhappy one. Those of us who stand here as independent voters bear some responsibility."

"It was a terrific day," I say, finally for the sake of zoos, for the sake of field trips, for the sake of optimism. "These kids had the time of their lives."

There is commotion on the bus. "Charlene! Charlene!" Oh, my God. Charlene! Is she not on the bus? I wait her out on the bus. Finally, the doors open. She was on the bus, but she has insisted on getting off again, accompanied by her teacher, who has apparently surrendered. Charlene wants a picture of the bus. She stands, snaps, cherishes. I wish I knew how to thank her for this, all this proof of a field trip mom needs.

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.

Is there another Earth out there?

On April 24th, Swiss astronomers announced they had found a planet most similar in size to Earth of all the two-hundred-plus extrasolar planets so far discovered. The press hailed it as a "super Earth," and began to gush about how similar it is to our own planetary home.

Only it may not be. It was found with the "radial velocity method," whereby the Doppler effect reveals how the planet's parent star is pulled around by the planet's gravity as it orbits. The problem is that this method reveals nothing about the orientation of the planet's orbit, which could be anything from edge-on to nearly face-on. No curvature or obliquity is perceived enough to see the planet directly, and the radial velocity method only gives the planet's minimum mass, which turns out to be about five times that of the Earth. But the planet (dubbed Gliese 581c) could be even heavier.

Much of the buzz stems from Gliese 581c's location within its star's habitable zone, the distance from the star that is neither too hot nor too cold for liquid water (i.e. between 32 and 212 degrees Fahrenheit). Since Earth harbors life everywhere liquid water is found, could Gliese 581c possess alien life?

There are a lot more factors to consider before getting too excited. If the planet keeps one face toward its star (like the Moon does toward the Earth) then temperatures could vary from boiling to sub-freezing between the day and night sides, respectively. An atmosphere (if it exists) could help mitigate temperatures. But if that atmosphere is mostly greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide then it could be scorching hot, like Venus.

As techniques for finding extrasolar planets continue to improve, more and more Earthlike worlds will be added to the list. Whether



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Saturday:

- Planets:
One hour before sunrise: Mars; E, m, sky
One hour after sunset: Saturn; W, very low
Venus; W, very low
Jupiter; SSE, low
Moon:
Third quarter Saturday, 10:54 a.m.
Other dates:
Earth at aphelion (farthest from the Sun for 2007): 94,508,727 miles, Friday, 6 p.m.

Gliese 581c will hold up as Earth's closest match will remain to be seen.

Next week: A mission to explore the asteroid belt.

Passport to the arts

Times-News
Kids, get your passports ready! This July, the College of Southern Idaho is offering you a trip around the world to explore and create arts and crafts projects from different countries and continents — and you won't even have to leave Twin Falls.

Students in grades 3 through 5 are welcome to register for one or both weeks of classes. Classes are limited to 12, so register early!

In week one, July 9 through 13, students will learn to make Mexican pinatas, Guatemalan wildcats, African masks, Australian Aborigine

pastels, and ancient dinosaurs. In week two, July 16 through 20, students will learn to make Chinese dragons, Indian peacocks, pirate treasure chests and maps, penguins and leeches from Antarctica, and a surprise craft from America.

The cost for each week is \$99, or \$169 for both weeks, and art supplies are included. Because art can be messy, students should bring an old shirt or apron. The daily sessions, from 2 to 5 p.m., are held at CSI's art lab 112, with instructor Kimberly Schenauer. To register, call 732-6142 or visit www.csi.edu/communitiy.

Nationwide pit bull parties

Newsday
What are you doing on Oct. 20? Across the country, pit bull advocates have reserved that day for celebrations of responsible ownership of their much-maligned breed. On deck so far: a meet-and-

greet barbecue in Tulsa, Okla., a dinner-dance in Geneva, N.Y., a candlelight vigil in Wilmington, Del., and a self-described "friendly get-together" in Westbury, N.Y. For more information, visit www.blessbestfriends.com/dtj.html.

DECADES OF FRIENDSHIP

With milestone anniversaries just past, seven Magic Valley couples reflect on their friendships of more than 50 years.

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FAMILY LIFE

ANNIVERSARIES



THE RODRIGUEZES

BURLEY — Robert and Sharon Rodriguez of Burley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house June 30.

He worked for FMC/Astaris as an environmental technician and a hazardous material technician.

She worked for J.R. Simplot Co. for 30 years and worked the last 14 of those years in the bacteriology lab. They are both retired.



Robert and Sharon Rodriguez

Their children are Albert (Joan) Rodriguez of Burley; Larry (Sylvia) Rodriguez of Sacramento, Calif.; Becky (Kerwin) Pierce of Pocatello; Robert Rodriguez Jr. of Burley; Ronnie (Alex) Rodriguez of Hazelton; and the late Gloria Rodriguez.

The couple has 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



THE LARSENS

BURLEY — William D. and Marjorie Larsen will be honored at an open house for their 63rd wedding anniversary on Tuesday, July 3.

Friends and relative are invited to call from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bandy Harris residence, 72 S. 200 W., Burley. The couple requests no gifts.

D and Marjorie (Wixom) were married July 3, 1947, and have lived west of Burley since their marriage. D farmed for 40 years on the farm he purchased from his father after serving in the Army during World War II. He also worked at A&P potato plant for many years. He has always loved horses and has trained several tons to pull his carriage and wagon. He delighted in taking his family on wagon rides, especially on the old Oregon



Marjorie and William Larsen

Trail. Marj worked retail at Morgan's Hardware, the Treasurer's Office and as a secretary at Burley High School until she retired in 1988. She has always been a friend to all who know her and her enthusiasm and kindness are appreciated by her family and friends.

D and Marj have served in various church callings as well as two missions, one at the canyon and one at the Employment Center for the LDS Church.

They are the parents of five children: Dale (Dale) Baker of Burley; Kathy (Gerald) Warnick of Layton, Utah; Carolyn (Nurd) Peterson of Layton, Utah; Brent (Holly) Larsen of Burley; and Reed (Linda) Larsen of Pocatello. They have 27 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

THE BINGMANS

HAGERMAN — Mr. and Mrs. Tiny Bingham of Hagerman will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. July 7, at Hagerman Senior Center, 140 E. Lake.

Tiny Bingham and Rose Owsley were married July 9, 1957 in Elko, Nev. They have lived in Monument Valley, Ariz. for six years, Crystal Mountain, Wis. for ten years, Big Sky, Mont. for 23 years and Hagerman for 11 years. He worked at Big Sky as an equipment supervisor and operator. She worked at M. R. Hummers in Big Sky as a waitress.

Bingham was active in the Big Sky Fire Department as a fire chief for several years.



THE QUIGLEYS

BUHL — Wade and Eileen Quigley of Buhl will be honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversary and Wade's 80th birthday. Friends and relatives are invited from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, July 6, at the Buhl 3rd Ward LDS Church, 1001 Fair St. in Buhl. The family requests no gifts.

E. Wade Quigley and Martha Eileen Freeman were married Aug. 26, 1947, at the Salt Lake Temple in Salt Lake City.

They have lived in Castleford, Twin Falls and Buhl after attending college in Logan, Utah.

He worked 31 years at the Pet Milk Company in Buhl, running the lab and quality control operations. He affiliated with Robert Jones Realty for 17 years. In addition, he has owned a small farm, dairy and ranch operation.

She was a full-time stay-at-home mom. After the children



Mr. and Mrs. Bingham

The event is hosted by their children: Thuenia Ryan (Bob) of Dillon, Mont.; Becky Bingham of Cathedral City, Calif.; and J. D. Bingham (Beth) of Big Sky, Mont.

The couple has four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



THE WEAVERS

HOLLISTER — Russ and Ardith Weaver of Hollister will celebrate their 50th anniversary with an open house for friends and family at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 8, at their home, 2339 Main St. in Hollister.

Russell Weaver and Ardith Marsh were married May 24, 1957, at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

They have lived in various places throughout Southern Idaho including Carey, Hailey, Wendell, and Hollister.

He ranches and farmed and



Ardith Weaver and Russ Weaver

is now retired from Amalgamated Sugar Company. She is a homemaker and helped with the farm and livestock work.

They are active in the Hollister Ward LDS Church.

The event is hosted by the couple's children and their spouses. Wade (Frenda) Weaver of Wendell; Denise (Reo) Hoy of Hurricane, Utah; Rod (Tawnee) Weaver of Alliance, Neb.; and Melissa (Michael) Gima of Prospect, Pa.

They have 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The family requests no gifts.

THE DEVISSERS

FILER — Art and Aileen Devisser of Filer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family at Twin Falls Falls Park.

They were married June 16, 1957, at the Christian Church in Burley and have lived in Filer for 50 years.

He farmed for several years, and they raised registered Polled Hereford cattle. He now collects and restores antique engines.

She worked for the hospital.



Art and Aileen Devisser

Filer Variety Store, Bean Growers, Sutton Meat Cutting and the Twin Falls Commission Company.

More announcements on E5

THE EASTERDAYS AND GRAYBEALS

CASTLEFORD — Wayne and Irene Easterday and Calvin and Lola Graybeal will be jointly honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversaries. Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 7, at the First Baptist Church in Castleford.

Wayne and Calvin, both from Castleford, located each other in Japan during World War II and returned home to marry two beautiful friends, Irene and Lola. Calvin and Lola were the witnesses for the Easterdays' wedding on January 11th, 1947, and then



Wayne and Irene Easterday and Calvin and Lola Graybeal

married themselves on April 4th. Because of their many good times together over the years and many shared

friends, their families are hosting this celebration.

The families request no gifts.

Time for tomes at Shoshone library

Times-News

SHOSHONE — Super sleuths and daring detectives are invited to join "Get a Clue-Your Library" at the Shoshone Public Library, July 5 to Aug. 16.

The 2007 Summer Reading Program is open to young people, preschool through young adults, with programs, prize drawings, story hours, a reading club, and more. Families are invited to join the Read-to-Me portion of the program.

Young readers can get a jump start on their summer reading lists by registering now at the library and completing weekly reading logs.

Rawhide, American-style

Newsday

Buy American. That's a given when it comes to rawhides, as there's a chance that foreign-processed chewables can contain icy chemicals that won't pass USDA muster.

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Bone Company, and I stock up on their knotted bones and rolls at dog shows wherever I see their booth. (Alas, their vanilla-flavored bones — who needs air fresheners? — are not American-made, but they assure me they are working on it.)

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GIT ALONG LI'L DOGIE

The music of working cowboys is enjoying a resurgence.

TUESDAY IN COUNTRY ROADS

MAGIC VALLEY'S CUTEST KID?

A Contest brought to you by Times-News NIE.

They don't have to sing, dance or act. They just have to be cute!

That's how our readers will choose the Magic Valley's CUTEST KID.

How it works:
Submit a photo of your child. We will then publish all photos on MagicValley.com on Sunday, July 1.

Kids will be grouped in one of two age groups:
Babies/Preschool age 0-4 (no older than four by July 31, 2007).
Elementary Kids age 5-10 (no older than 10 by July 31, 2007).

Magic Valley's CUTEST KIDS will be awarded prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each division.

Once the voting begins, we will ask our readers to vote for their favorite child to narrow the field down until we have three winners in each age group. Our CUTEST KID contest is just one of the many fun and innovative ways we raise money to promote literacy in our local schools by donating newspapers.

Below is the official entry form and release that must accompany every entry.

Magic Valley's CUTEST KID ENTRY FORM

Please Print Clearly

My Name _____
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City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email Address _____
My Child's Name _____

Please check the age division your child will be entered in.

Pre-School Age 0-4 (no older than four by July 31, 2007).
 Elementary Kids age 5-10 (no older than 10 by July 31, 2007).

Payment Type:
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*By Signing this you are consenting to the use of your child's photo in the paper & online at magicvalley.com.
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ENGAGEMENTS

BORRON-BRADLEY

TWIN FALLS — Tom and Connie Borron of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Grace Borron, to Aaron John Bradley, son of John Bradley of Burley and Dana Bradley of Twin Falls.

Borron is a 2000 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 2005 graduate of Idaho State University with a degree in elementary education and special education. She is a kindergarten teacher at Lincoln Elementary in Twin Falls.

Bradley is a 1999 graduate of Burley High School and a 2005 graduate of ISU with a master's



Aaron Bradley and Ashley Borron in business. He is the director of finance at Burks Tractor Co. in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 21, at Blue Rock Winery in Buhl. A reception will follow.

STIMPSON-ANDERSEN

HAANSEN — Galen and Sheryl Stimpson of Haansen announce the engagement of their daughter, Dacia Johanne Stimpson, to Cameron Harrison Andersen, son of Ron and Terri Andersen of Murtaugh.

Stimpson is a graduate of Haansen High School and Brigham Young University Idaho. She is employed at Haansen Elementary School in Haansen.

Andersen is a graduate of Murtaugh High School and is attending Idaho State University. He is employed at Morrison Tire in Twin Falls.



Dacia Stimpson and Cameron Andersen. The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Friday, July 6, at the Kimberly LDS church. A reception will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at 620 Wiseman in Haansen.

WEDDINGS

THE BARNES

BURLEY — David Cattlyn Thompson and David Barnes were married Friday, June 22 at the Hedlands LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Susan Thompson of Lake Arrowhead, Calif. Parents of the bridegroom are Keith and Denise Barnes of Burley.

The bride is a graduate of Brigham Young University Idaho with a degree in finance. The groom is completing his education at California State University, San Bernardino in art education.

An open house was held



Keith Thompson and David Barnes Saturday, June 30 at the home of Keith and Denise Barnes, 2422 Laurel Drive in Burley. The couple will make their home in Costa Mesa, Calif.

SCOTT-CALLEN

BUHL — Tom and Cindy Scott of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Scott, to Dolphy Callen, son of Lyn and Shelley Callen of Hollister.

Scott graduated from Buhl High School and attended the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. She is a real estate agent at Westerra Real Estate Group in Twin Falls.

Dolphy is a graduate of Filer High School. He owns and operates a gravel business in Hollister.

The wedding is planned for



Erin Scott and Dolphy Callen 4 p.m. Saturday, July 14, at the BBQ Ranch with a reception immediately following.

RUFFING-HALL

CASTLEFORD — Raymond A. and Vicki Ruffing of Castleford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karri Rae Ruffing, to Jeff Hall, son of John and Verlee Hall of Paul.

Ruffing attended Castleford High School and the College of Southern Idaho in the registered nursing program. She is employed at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. Hall attended Minico High School. He is employed 2M Farms in Paul.

The wedding is planned for



Karri Ruffing and Jeff Hall Saturday, July 7, in Las Vegas, Nev. A reception will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at the Best Western Burley Inn, 800 N. Overland Ave. in Burley.

OLSON-JONES

BURLEY — Stacey Olson and Chase Jones were married June 30 at Sweetheart Manor in Burley. A reception followed.

The bride is the daughter of Kirt and Lisa Olson of Burley. The groom is the son of Dennis and Jeanna Jones of Burley.

The bride and groom are graduates of Burley High School.



Stacey and Chase Jones

ROBERTSON-NELSON

PAUL — Paul and Becky Robertson of Paul announce the marriage of their daughter, Jocelyn Robertson, to Dustin Nelson, son of Mike and Marshi Nelson of Burley.

Robertson is a graduate of Minico High School in Rupert and Scott Lewis Cosmetology School in Boise.

Nelson is a graduate of Burley High School and is working in Boise. The wedding was held Saturday, June 30. A reception



Jocelyn Robertson and Dustin Nelson was held following the ceremony at the home of Paul and Becky Robertson.

HOWARD-ROBINSON

TWIN FALLS — Doug and Mary Lou Howard of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine Howard, to David Robinson of Murfreesboro, Tenn. The couple will be married Sunday, July 7, at the First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Howard and Robinson are both graduates of Middle Tennessee State University.

Howard is a second grade school teacher in Murfreesboro, Tenn. Robinson is a corporate



Catherine Howard and David Robinson pilot for the State of Tennessee.

RITTER-GROVER

TWIN FALLS — Charles Ritter Shoshone and Catherine Price of Dietrich announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Rose Ritter, to Joshua Neil Grover, son of Robert and Claudia Grover of Twin Falls.

Ritter is a graduate of Dietrich High School.

Grover is a graduate of Crater High School in Medford.

They reside in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for 1 p.m. Saturday, July 14, at Rock Creek RV Park in Twin Falls.



Carrie Rose Ritter and Joshua Neil Grover

ROBINSON-CHAFFIN

TWIN FALLS — Dennis and Shauna Robinson of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenni Lee Robinson, to Brian Christopher Chaffin, son of Ernie and Sue Chaffin of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Robinson is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 2005 graduate of the University of Idaho, where she was a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Chaffin is a 2000 graduate of Anderson High School in Cincinnati and a 2004 graduate of the University of Idaho, where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. They are both employed at



Jenni Robinson and Brian Chaffin Northwest River Supplies in Moscow. The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 7, at the Salmon River Lodge in Stanley. A reception will follow the ceremony at 4 p.m. at the same location.

NOFZIGER-PHILLIPS

BUHL — Dr. Dan and Louise Nofziger of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Elizabeth Nofziger, to Matthew Richard Phillippi, son of Dennis and Ruth Phillippi of Bozeman, Mont.

Nofziger is a 1994 graduate of Buhl High School and a 1998 graduate of Northwest Nazarene University. She completed her master's degree in education at NNU in 2000. She was employed by the Nampa School District for nine years.

Phillippi is a 1987 graduate of Bozeman Senior High and received a degree in range management in 1994 from Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont. He is employed by Natural Resource



Jill Elizabeth Nofziger and Matthew Richard Phillippi Options Inc., in Bozeman, Mont. The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 4, at the College Church of the Nazarene in Nampa. A reception will be held at the Holiday Inn in Boise. The couple will reside in Belgrade, Mont.

ANNIVERSARY

THE NEWCOMBS

TWIN FALLS — Dr. Russell and Carol Newcomb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 16, at the Salsban Resort and Spa on the Oregon Coast. The event was hosted by the couple's four children, Becky (Steve) Elam of Twin Falls, David Newcomb of Ketchum, Dr. Laurie (Eric) Martin of Bend, Ore., and Dr. Bruce (Julie) Newcomb of Boise.

The Newcombs were married on June 16, 1957, at the Rupert First Christian Church. They have lived in Twin Falls since 1969. Dr.



Newcomb is a retired surgeon who practiced at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital for 26 years. The couple has six grandchildren.

HENDERSON-SCOTT

TWIN FALLS — Jon Scott of Turlock, Calif., and Annette Moore of Richfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa A. Scott, to David W. Henderson, son of

William and Vickie Henderson of Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Saturday, July 7, at Rosiland Crystal Ballroom in Filer. A reception will follow.

NELSON-BUFFINGTON

HANSEN — Laura Nelson of Hansen announces the engagement of her daughter, Sara Johene Nelson, to Jonathan Buffington, son of Bill and Janecz Buffington of Boise.

Nelson and Buffington met in Moscow as students at the University of Idaho. They will graduate together in 2006 with BFA's in theatre. The wedding is planned for



Sara Nelson and Jonathan Buffington Saturday, July 21, at the White House in Twin Falls. The couple will reside in Chicago where they will pursue careers in acting.

OWINGS-WUEST

TWIN FALLS — Keith and Vickie Owings of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Kristine Wuest, son of Justin Joseph Wuest, son of Joe and Dena Wuest of Hayden.

Owings is a 2003 graduate of Kimberly High School. She will graduate in December from the University of Idaho with an elementary education degree.

Wuest is a graduate of Lakeland High School and the U of I with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He is an engineer for the Idaho Transportation Department in Coeur d'Alene.



Holly Owings and Justin Wuest The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 14, at Rock Creek Canyon, 3351 E. 3275 N. in Kimberly. A reception will follow at the Owings residence. The couple will reside in Coeur d'Alene.

Weekly deadline
To submit an announcement, stop by the office at 132 Fairfield St. W. in Twin Falls and fill out a form. The announcement also can be sent by e-mail to timesherald@twinfalls.com. The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. If you miss that deadline, your news might not be published in advance.

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The Washington Post

'Summer Ball,'
by Mike Lupica,
ages 10 and older

"Summer Ball" is a sequel to "Travel Team," sports writer Mike Lupica's first book for kids.

As the book begins, Danny Walker is as basketball-obsessed as ever—and as small as ever. The novel opens with a very real-sounding conversation at the breakfast table with Danny, his mom and his dad—former basketball star Richie Walker—talking about when Danny will get his growth spurt. "Travel Team" readers might be surprised to read that Dad is at the breakfast table. That's one of the ways that Danny's life has improved. His mom and dad are back together. But Danny still faces some hurdles as he gets ready to go off to a basketball camp that everyone will be bigger—and, he believes, better—than he is.

You'll enjoy "Summer Ball" even if you haven't read "Travel Team," but it would be a shame to miss either of these exceptionally well-written sports books.



The Washington Post

'The Most Extreme Animals'
'The Most Extreme Predators'
'The Most Extreme Bugs'
(All published by Animal Planet)
All ages

We bet you didn't know that:
• Giraffes, when in a fight with another giraffe, use their heads like sledgehammers.
• Adult dung beetles don't actually eat dung; they just suck the nutrients out of the poop.

• An adult humpback whale's heart weighs 450 pounds.
• If you dive into this new series of books, you're bound to find out tons more fascinating facts. Even more amazing than the words in these books are the pictures. In particular, the close-up shot of a fly's lit up is just astonishing. The books are written in a way that makes it easy to flip through, find something that appeals to you, read the paragraph or two about that topic and move on.

After a while you'll be filled with facts to astound your friends, siblings and parents. Just be careful about when you decide to amaze people. For example, telling your folks that the shrew needs to eat its weight in slugs, worms, snails and insects each day probably isn't good dinner table conversation.

Artist hits it big
with thousands
of tiny toothpicks

By Moira E. McLaughlin
Special to The Washington Post

You might have a passion for sports, music or reading. Steven Backman has a passion for... toothpicks.

That's right. "Toothpicks are my life," says Backman, who makes art out of thousands of toothpicks and then sells his creations for thousands of dollars.

Like many creative people, Backman has suffered for his art. As a second-grader, while making a DNA model for a science project, he accidentally poked himself so hard with a toothpick that he had to go to the emergency room. The ER doctor had a hard time getting it out, he recalls. Ouch!

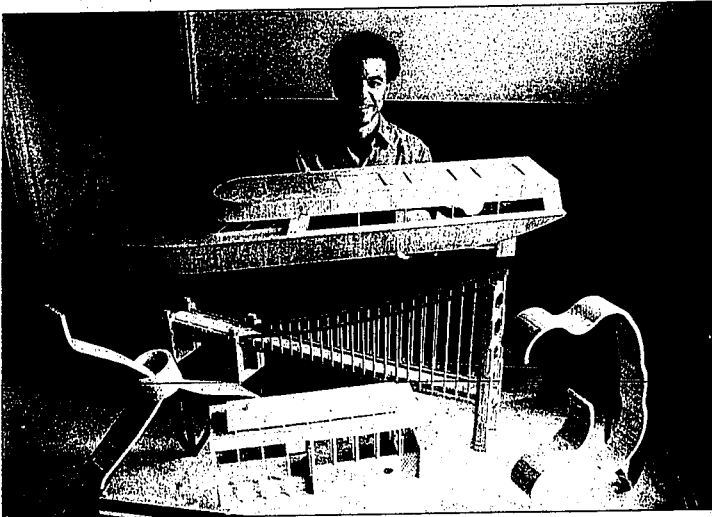
Backman quit working with toothpicks after that. But when he was in college in California, toothpicks called to him again. He made a San Francisco cable car out of toothpicks for a history class, and when he walked into the room with it, his classmates stared in amazement.

Today Backman's art collection includes a 28 1/2-inch-high Empire State Building (made with 7,470 toothpicks), a 13-foot-long Golden Gate Bridge (30,000 toothpicks) and a battery-powered floating yacht (10,000 toothpicks). At 4 1/2 feet, it might be longer than you are tall.

Backman, 40, also makes toothpick portraits of famous people such as golfer Tiger Woods. He sent one of President George W. Bush to the White House and got back a thank-you note. The president is a fan!

Backman spends three weeks to 2 1/2 years on each project. "I have (the) patience of a saint," he says. He finishes about eight pieces of art each year.

Recently, he set his toothpicks aside in favor of a different art medium—ice cream sticks—to make a giant ice cream cone for Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream. The company gave



'Toothpicks are my life,' says Steven Backman, who makes art out of thousands of toothpicks and then sells his creations for thousands of dollars. The battery-powered floating yacht (10,000 toothpicks) he is holding is 4 1/2 feet long.

On the Web

For more examples of Backman's work, see www.toothpickart.com

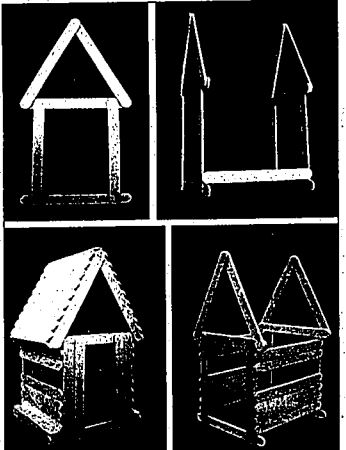
A sticky situation

The Washington Post

Want to try your hand at stick art? To make this house, you'll need 53 ice cream sticks (you can buy them at a craft store), glue and a bit of patience. Here are the steps:

1. Make a front frame, using six sticks.
2. Make a second frame (the back of the house), then connect the two with one stick at the bottom.
3. Continue building the side walls, using six sticks for each. It will be easier if you alternate sides as you go. Leave some window space between sticks 4 and 5 on each side.
4. Glue two sticks to the base of both sides for a squared-off, finished look. For the roof, glue 10 sticks up each side of the rafters. The stick on the bottom should slant in, toward the house. Glue one stick along the peak of the roof. Glue two more sticks on the front and back to make door frames.

Voilà! You're an artist!



How to make an ice cream stick house. Clockwise from upper left, first make a front frame, using six sticks. Then make a second frame and connect the two with one stick at the bottom. Continue building the side walls, using six sticks for each. Finally, glue two sticks to the base of both sides for a squared-off, finished look.

Talking with author and illustrator Sandra Boynton

By Cameron Arvitabile,
Danielle Loggins and Sara Pearson
Kidsday reporters, Newsday

We interviewed author and illustrator Sandra Boynton recently in Manhattan.

Q: Are any of your books from real-life experiences?

A: Answer: They are not very realistic books, but some of the songs are from real-life experiences. I wrote a lot of books when my kids were little so I kind of had a built-in audience. I think with most writers their work comes from their real-life experiences—one way or another. Even J.K. Rowling. She certainly didn't go to wizard school, but all the details in there, some way or another, were from her life or imaginative life.

Q: Where did you get your inspiration from books?

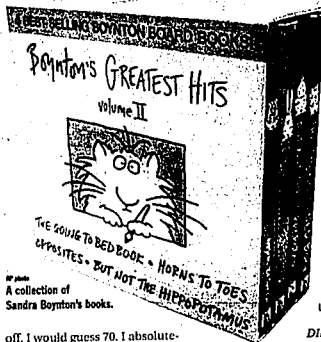
A: I was inspired by trying to get a real job, from remembering things that I loved most as a kid. I think that is true of the music we make now, too.

Q: Which is the best book you have ever read?

A: "Moby Dick," by Herman Melville.

Q: How many plush toys have you created?

A: Oh my goodness, a lot. I have done them for different companies and



A collection of Sandra Boynton's books.

off. I would guess 70. I absolutely loved stuffed animals when I was little. I used to play with them all the time. To actually make a toy that could be someone else's favorite toy and I got so worn that no one else could recognize it was something I wanted to do.

Q: What is your favorite character in all the books you have written?

A: Did you get a chance to see my book "Your Personal Penguin"? The penguin and the hippo in that one are my favorite characters. That could change though.

Q: Do your characters resemble people in your life?

A: They do. All my characters resemble people in my life. Often people don't know it, and I won't let on to tell them which character they resemble.

DID YOU KNOW? Sandra Boynton has made 4,000 and 6,000 greeting cards (she stopped counting after a while).

Her favorite author as a child was Maurice Sendak, who later became her teacher.

Jokes for kids

Newsday

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Jubilee.
Jubilee who?
Jubilee in the tooth fairy!

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Ella.
Ella who?
Ella-vator to what floor, please?

Knock, knock.
Who's there?
Lucinda.
Lucinda who?
Lucinda chain and let me inside the door.

What do you get when you send a cow to Alaska?
Cold cream

What did the female seagull say when she saw her friend fly off?
"You go, gull friend."

How do stars take a bath?
In a meteor shower.

JULY EVENTS

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SUNDAY
JULY 1, 2007

July 1 Sunday Dinner, featuring fried chicken and potato salad, noon to 2 p.m., Ageless Senior Center, \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12, 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, 423-4338.

July 1-4 Buhl Arts Council summer series concert, Headwaters, 1 to 3 p.m., McCluskey Park, free to the public, 543-2888.

July 1-4 Decorated boat parade, noon to 1 p.m., at the boat docks; and barbecue and auction, 3 p.m., Dam Fools Club Area, West Magic Lake Recreation Club, donations, open to the public, 487-2734 or www.damfools.com.

July 1-4 Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$4, 734-5084.

July 1-4 "Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series with Matt Hopper and friends, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 1-4 July 1-4 — Rupert Fourth of July celebration, featuring parade, carnival, breakfast, Dutch oven cookoff and PRB bull riding. Historic Rupert Square, 438-6577 or www.minicassiaschamber.com.



July 1, 4 Ridley's Fourth of July CHB Steak Sandwich Cookout, with a certified Hereford beef steak sandwich or hamburger, chips and a drink, children's activities, inflatable bulls and special appearance by Arial, a 2006 champion Hereford bull, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Ridley's Family Markets, 105 E. US Hwy, 30, Buhl, \$4 for meal, (816) 842-3758 or sanderson@heretfordbeef.org.

July 3 Mary Time Club meeting, 11:30 p.m., Tomato's Italian Grill, Twin Falls, 735-5213.

July 3 "Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, no cost, 732-8655.

July 3-4 Buhl Sagebrush Days, with parade and all-day fun, 543-6682.



July 4 A flag-raising ceremony and pancake breakfast, sponsored by the Dietrich Boy Scout troop No. 102, 7 a.m. with breakfast following, Dietrich City Park. Activities, picnic and games for all ages, 6 p.m., Dietrich City Park, no cost; hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, and table service provided; AM (last name) bring dessert and N-Z bring salad, 544-2424.

July 4 Holiday community breakfast, featuring the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers, 7 to 10 a.m., Hollister City Park, 655-4225.

July 4 Gooding celebration, all-day family fun and parade, Gooding City Park, 934-5669.

July 4 Hansen celebration, with 11 a.m. downtown parade, activities in the City Park from noon to 5 p.m., community potluck (burgers and hot dogs provided) at 5 p.m., in the City Park and fireworks at 10 p.m. at Rolling Hills Park, bring two covered dishes and table service, 423-5158.

July 4 Shoshone celebration, with all-day family fun, 886-2030.

July 4 Fairfield celebration, with all-day family fun, 764-2222 or www.fairfieldidaho.us.

July 4 Jerome celebration, all-day family activities, Jerome High School, 324-8189.

July 4 Twin Falls celebration, all-day family fun and patriotic band concert, College of Southern Idaho, 733-3974 and www.twinfallschamber.com.

July 4 Twin Falls Tonight Concert Series, with Clumsy Lovers, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Fountain on Main Street, no cost, bring lawn chairs, www.twinfallsid.org or 733-3974.

July 5 Rupert Historical Preservation Commission meeting, 7 p.m., upstairs in City Hall, open to the public, 431-0400.

July 6 Gallery walk, featuring the oils and pastels of plain art artist and impressionist David Mensing, 6 to 8 p.m., Jensen Ringmakers and Gallery, 109 Main Ave., downtown Twin Falls, refreshments served, 734-2928.

July 6 First Fridays live Bluegrass group "Strings Attached," Eric Estes' Wood Rudy's live kitchen, free food-tasting and beverages sold by the glass, 6 to 9 p.m., Rudy's-A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, 733-5477.

July 6 The Lions Community Benefit Dinner, 7 p.m., City Park, no cost, donations, 423-5588.

July 6 "Chonda Pierce: A Piece of My Mind," Christian movie night, 7 p.m., Calvary Chapel, Twin Falls, no cost, 733-3133.

July 6 An "anyone interested in hosting a foreign exchange student" meeting, 7 p.m., Thompson's Park, off of Addison Avenue and Carriage Lane, Twin Falls, 734-3608.

July 7 Stay and Play Saturday activity "Native American Legatations," 10 a.m., and "King Midas and the Golden Touch," movie, 2 p.m., Oregon Trail History and Education Center, Three Island Crossing State Park, Glens Ferry, \$4 per vehicle without annual pass, 366-2394.



July 7 The Annual Kimberly Lions Club "Good Neighbor Day" parade, with the theme "Kimberly Has How Honey's", 10:30 a.m., floats and entries needed, www.kimberlylions.com or 423-5588.

July 7-8 The Original Mannes Jamboree, open to all musicians. In partnership with Shoshone Arts in the Park, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Courthouse lawn, Shoshone, no cost, bring lawn chairs, 720-3358.

July 7-8 "Just Do It" Team Sorting and Penning events (drawpot only), Gist buckle award to high-dollar, two-day winner, noon sign up; 1 p.m. start, Silver Springs Ranch, Bellevue, \$25 entry fee, 208-487-2247.

July 7-8 Valley View Lavender Festival, family fun, events, concessions and vendors, Valley View Lavender Farm, 4297 Carter Pack Road, Buhl, free admission, 543-4283.

July 8 Buhl Arts Council summer series concert, Wildside, 1 to 3 p.m., at McCluskey Park, free to the public, 543-2888.

July 8 "Music from Stanley" live concert/radio show series, featuring Drs Doty band with Joy Cumling, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 9 The Arizona Club Breakfast Buffet, 9 a.m., Clear Lake Country Club, north of Buhl, \$7 (by July 1), 543-8527. Free star party, 9:45 p.m., Centennial Observatory, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, 732-6655.

July 9 L.I.F.E. Group: Six-page Scrapbook Workshop for girls/boys or neutral colors, 6 to 8 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$10 (bring trimmer, scissors and adhesive), 543-6579.

July 9-13 Registration and family barbecue for July 9-13 First Christian Church in Buhl Vacation Bible School, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., in the churchyard, 1005 Poplar St., 543-4102 or 543-8953.

July 9-13 First Christian Church in Buhl Vacation Bible School, water park adventure, for children ages 4 through 6th grade, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m., in the churchyard, 1005 Poplar St., 543-4102 or 543-8953.

July 11 Twin Falls Tonight Concert Series, with Road Skollars, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Fountain on Main Street, no cost, bring lawn chairs, www.twinfallsid.org or 733-3974.

July 14 Stay and Play Saturday activity "For the Birds," 10 a.m., and "March of the Penguins" movie, 2 p.m., Oregon Trail History and Education Center, Three Island Crossing State Park, Glens Ferry, \$4 per vehicle without annual pass, 366-2394.

July 14 Super Bingo, 1 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$3, 734-5084.

July 14 Declo Days, featuring parade, breakfast, lunch, kids rodeo, games and contests, 654-2124 or www.minicassiaschamber.com.

July 14 Mini-Cassia River Festival, all-day activities on the Snake River, Heyburn Riverside Park, 679-4793 or www.minicassiaschamber.org.

July 14 The 16th Kids Art in the Park, a day of arts workshops for children age 3 to ninth grade, City Park, Twin Falls, \$2 registration fee (scholarships available), and hot dogs at noon for purchase, 734-2787.

July 15 Gooding Basque Festival, all-day family activities and exhibits celebrating Basque heritage and food, Gooding City Park, 934-5577.

July 15 Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$4, 734-5084.

July 15 "Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series featuring Travis and All Ward with Thomas Paul, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 17 "Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, no cost, 732-8655.

July 17 Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club hamburger fry and potluck, 7 p.m., Kimberly Park, all dancers welcome, 734-4847.

July 18 Mini-Cassia Service Providers Community Resource meeting, includes presentation by Karen C. McCarthy and Linda Castenada, 678-9155 or 677-4872 ext. 2.

July 18 Twin Falls Tonight Concert Series, with Hoochie Coochie Men, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Fountain on Main Street, no cost, bring lawn chairs, www.twinfallsid.org or 733-3974.

July 19 "Noises Off," opening night for Buhl West End Theatre production, 7:30 p.m., Buhl High School Auditorium, \$6 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens, 490-1992. Also playing on July 20-21, 27-28.

July 19 Oklahoma, opening night of Oakley Valley Arts Council production, 7:30 p.m.; and July 21 at 2 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley, \$5, 677-2787. Also playing at 7:30 p.m. July 20, 23, 24, 26-28, 30, 31, Aug. 2-4.

July 20 Public dance, hosted by The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, 8 p.m., D.A.V. Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls, \$2 donation, 734-5208.

July 20 July 20, 21 — The Buhl High School "Class of 1977" 30-year class reunion, Buhl, 543-8262, ext. 103 or cori@d412.k12.id.us.

July 20-21 Stay and Play Saturday activity "Corn Husk Dolls," 10 a.m., and "The Story of the Oregon Trail" movie, 2 p.m., Oregon Trail History and Education Center, Three Island Crossing State Park, Glens Ferry, \$4 per vehicle without annual pass, 366-2394.

July 21-22 "Just Do It" Team Sorting and Penning events (drawpot only), Gist buckle award to high-dollar, two-day winner, noon sign up; 1 p.m. start, Silver Springs Ranch, Bellevue, \$25 entry fee, 208-487-2247.

July 21-22 "Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series with James Orr and Darrin Schaffer, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 23-28 Lincoln County Fair, all-day family fun with 4-H Fair, rodeo, pig wrestling, Karaoke and dance, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Shoshone, 886-2406 or 487-3273.

July 25 Twin Falls Tonight Concert Series, with Randy Richards Band, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Fountain on Main Street, no cost, bring lawn chairs, www.twinfallsid.org or 733-3974.

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JULY EVENTS

Weekly events MONDAYS

"Overcoming Addiction and Anger," Theophostic Therapy basic training video, 6 p.m., Miracle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-9603.
Adult Children Anonymous (A.C.A.) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 208-250-5676.

TUESDAYS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins at 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 8:30 to 8:30 p.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2002 Filer Ave. E., 736-7237 or 735-1101.

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 for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9* for families, 732-6655 (through July 15).

"Overcoming Addiction and Anger," Theophostic Therapy basic training video, 6 p.m., Miracle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-9603.

Mimi-Casala Shelter for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C. St., Rupert, 436-0987.

Road 2 Recovery, a 12-step program, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Building of New Beginnings, 1044 E. Main St., (next to Goode Motors across from First Federal Savings Bank), Burley, 870-2578.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 621 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557, 324-7237 or 326-7222.

WEDNESDAYS

Centennial Observatory free solar viewing, 1 to 3 p.m. and **Faulkner Planetarium "More Than Meets the Eye/Live Sky Tour,"** 2 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655 (through July 15).

THURSDAYS

Faulkner Planetarium "More Than Meets the Eye/Live Sky Tour," 2 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655 (through July 15).

Penuche, 1 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., cost varies, open to the public, 734-5084.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48 Chapter of Jerome, a weight-loss support group, 10 a.m., the Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E., 420-3823.

"Advanced Theophostic Counseling," Dr. Sharon Custer, facilitator, 6 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603.

American Legion Bingo, 7:20 p.m., Bonanza bingo end 7:30 p.m. Regular bingo, 810 W. Main, Wendell, \$500 and \$1,195 Black outs, 536-6358.

"Overcoming Co-dependency," 7:30 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Fireside Room of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall at Yakima and Main, Filer, 734-0557, 324-7237 or 326-7222.

A.C.T.S. Program, a 12-week, ongoing course based on self-help, recovery and education, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Bethel Temple Apostolic Church, 929 Hankins Road (behind D & B Supply), Twin Falls, no cost, 731-3210.

The Twin Falls Municipal Band concert, 8 p.m., at the band shell, Twin Falls City Park, no cost, 735-2500, ext. 3654.

FRIDAYS

Faulkner Planetarium "More Than Meets the Eye/Live Sky Tour" at 2 p.m.; "Far Out Space Places" at 4 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 for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655 (through July 15).

"Youth Options," activities (open gym, pool tables, air hockey, video games and more) for young people ages 13-19 only, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, \$2, 733-8720.
Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hotlines: 1-866-592-3139.

Dinner theater "Last Will and Testament," a comedy murder mystery, 8:30 p.m., reservations-only dinner and 7:45 p.m. show, Historic Opera Theatre, 208 E. Idaho Ave., Glens Ferry, \$20 for dinner/show; \$6.50 for adults and \$5 children and senior citizens for show only, 366-7408 or 366-2744.

SATURDAYS

The Twin Falls Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Breckenridge Ag Endowment Farm on North Colgate Road, 316-1291.

Faulkner Planetarium "More Than Meets the Eye/Live Sky Tour" at 2 p.m.; "Far Out Space Places" at 4 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 for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655 (through July 15).

Dinner theater "The Villain Wore a Dirty Shirt," a melodrama, 6:30 p.m., reservations-only dinner and 7:45 p.m. show, Historic Opera Theatre, 208 E. Idaho Ave., Glens Ferry, \$20 for dinner/show; \$6.50 for adults and \$5 children and senior citizens for show only, 366-7408 or 366-2744.

MONDAYS & THURSDAYS

SilverSoakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

To have an event (including on-going events) listed in the August monthly calendar, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number by noon July 23 to Suzanne Browne by e-mail to sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

July 27-29

Grandparents As Parents (GAP) Camp out, with swimming and other activities, noon (27) to noon (29) and potluck dinner at 4 p.m. (28), Nat-Soo-Pah Hot Springs and RV Park, 2738 E. 2400 N., off US Highway 93 in Hollister, no swimming cost for grandchildren; bring dish to share, drinks and personal eating utensils; \$12 flat fee per vehicle, 736-2122 or 1-800-574-8656 for more information...

July 28

July 28 - Stay and Play Saturday activity **Idrum Rattles,** 10 a.m., and **"West to Oregon"** movie, 2 p.m., Oregon Trail History and Education Center, Three Island Crossing State Park, Glens Ferry, \$4 per vehicle without annual pass, 366-2394.
Super Bingo, 1 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., \$3, 734-5084.

L.I.F.E. Group: Scrapbook Workshop, 12-page scrapbook workshop for girls/boys or neutral colors, 1 to 4 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$20, (bring trimmer, scissors and adhesive), 543-6579.

"Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series with Charlotte Kernerick, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 28-29

July 28, 29 - **The 48th Annual Art in the Park,** hosted by the Art Guild of the Magic Valley, featuring the handwork, arts and crafts of local and surrounding states' artisans, music and food vendors, Historic Old Town City Park, Shoshone Street, (208)308-6091 (applications available through July 25).

July 29

"Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series featuring Finn Higgins with Cataldo Music, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

July 30

L.I.F.E. Group: Scrapbook Workshop, a four-page tapestry scrapbook workshop, 6 to 8 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$8, (bring scissors, trimmer, and adhesive), 543-6579.

Prism Weight Loss Program introductory class, 6 p.m., Gooding Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 934-8508.

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Everything's coming up roses

By Beth J. Harpaz
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — June is the month when everything comes up roses. All over the country, there are rose festivals, rose tours, and rose bushes heavy with blossoms, from Elizabeth Park in West Hartford, Conn., the oldest municipal rose garden in the country, to Portland, Ore., which is nicknamed the "City of Roses."

June is when the first bloom occurs for a good portion of the U.S., and the initial spring offering of them is the most impressive," said Tom Carruth, who in June will become the president of the All-America Rose Selection, the growers' association that tests varieties to find the best new roses.

Portland earned its nickname after thousands of pink rose bushes were planted around the city in 1902, but it has many other reasons to claim the title. The Portland Rose Festival, first held in 1907, celebrates its centennial this year, and has organized a "History and Roses" tour to help visitors find some of the early gardens in cemeteries, at historic sites and in various neighborhoods. The city's Peninsula Park Rose Garden dates to 1912, and its best-known rose garden, in Washington Park, was established during World War I, when roses were shipped there from European gardens to safeguard them from wartime destruction.

Carruth said the garden in Washington Park is "a lovely location on a terraced hill in the center of the city. It's just magical." He added that while roses can adapt to a variety of climates, Portland's cool, wet weather is particularly good for them. "It takes them so long to develop that when they do open, they're huge and the color is really intense."

The Elizabeth Park garden in Connecticut dates to 1884, while the Lyndale Park Rose Garden in Minneapolis, created in 1907-08, claims title to being the second-oldest municipal garden. Donna Fuss, Elizabeth Park's restorer and founder of the Connecticut Rose Society, said many of these early 20th century gardens were established after new hybrid varieties became available. The hybrids could be planted in flowerbeds without the wallor fences that older climbing varieties needed.

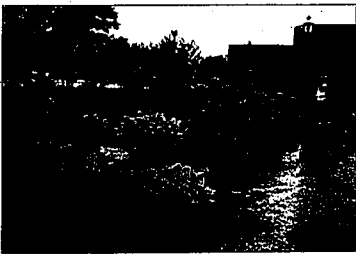
The old garden roses, prior to that time, only bloomed once a season and they weren't very big," Fuss said. "But these new hybrids were big, blousy, spray and wonderful to grow." People said, 'Let's have whole beds, whole gardens of roses.' Rose mania hit."

While June is prime rose-viewing time, a second round of rose events takes place in the fall. A rose festival — with great barbecue, according to Carruth — is held the Saturday after Labor Day each year in Wasco, Calif., headquarters of the All-America Rose Selection and home to many of its growers. The Municipal Rose Garden in Tyler, Texas, has its festival Oct. 18-21, while the American Rose Center festival in Shreveport, La., is Oct. 20.

At the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's Cranford Rose Garden in New York City, "Roses in most full bloom



Hannah Rose, 9, of St. Louis, smells a rose during a tour of Portland's International Rose Test Garden, on July 18, 2005, in Portland, Ore.



Curtis Mahomes mows the grass at the Tyler Municipal Rose Garden, on Oct. 7, 2005, in preparation for the Texas Rose Festival in Tyler, Texas.

month," said spokeswoman Leeanne Lavini, but a second bloom occurs in September or even early October, depending on the weather. In either season, she added, the flowers "are glorious, like jewelry."

You can experience the 21st-century version of rose mania at any of the following events or locales. Or click on "Public Gardens" at <http://www.rose.org/>, the Web site of the All-America Rose Selection, for a state-by-state directory.

Elizabeth Park, West Hartford, Conn.: <http://www.elizabethpark.org>

Washington Park and Peninsula Park rose gardens in Portland, Ore.: <http://www.portlandonline.com/parks/> (type "rose garden" in the search box). For the tour of vintage rose gardens, go to <http://www.rosefestival.org/evens/historyandroses>.

Lyndale Park Rose Garden, Minneapolis: <http://www.minneapolis-parks.org/default.asp350or612-370-4838>

All-America Rose Selection gardens in and around Wasco, Calif., near Bakersfield. Wasco Festival of Roses, Sept. 8 (check out the barbecue as well as the flowers). Wasco Town Hall can provide maps to direct you to fields and growers: <http://www.ci.wasco.ca.us/PuBlic-Documents/WascoCA-Chamber/festivalor661-758-2616>

Tyler Municipal Rose Garden, Tyler, Texas. Texas Rose Festival, Oct. 18-21; <http://www.texas-rosefestival.com/festival/calendard.htm> or 903-597-3130.



Pageant of Roses Garden, Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, Calif., near Los Angeles: <http://www.rosehills.com/evens/Content/rosePageant.aspxor562-699-0921>

Inez Grant Parker Memorial Rose Garden, Balboa Park, San Diego, Calif.: <http://www.balboapark.org/in-the-park/detail.php?OrgID47or619-239-0512>

Information for the Rose Festival in Malad City, Idaho, is available at www.maladcityidaho.com/maladvalleywelshefestival.com

Public Garden, Fort Worth Botanic Garden, Texas: <http://www.fwbgb.org/visitor>

Knsberg Rose Garden at the Chicago Botanic Garden, <http://www.chicagobotanic.org/g/eplore/rose.phpor647-835-5446>

Columbus Park of Roses (Whetstone Park), Columbus, Ohio: <http://www.cintonville.com/parkrec/rose-garden.htmlor614-645-3350or6660>

FEARLESS TRAVELER Seeing California with the top down

By Andrea Sachs
The Washington Post

Q: I want to rent a high-end convertible to drive from downtown San Francisco to the Los Angeles airport. Any suggestions? As to cruise with the California crowd, you need to drive alfresco. "Finding a convertible in California in the summertime should be fairly easy," said Sean Conney, a spokesman at AAA of Northern California.

Most of the big-name rental car companies stock convertibles; however, they may place restrictions on the higher-priced models — mainly, the pick-up and drop-off must be in the same vicinity or city.

In addition, prices are higher when you rent one way.

National (800-227-7368, www.nationalcar.com), for example, rents convertible PT Cruisers, VW Beetles and Ford Mustangs, all of which can be driven one way.

For the PT Cruiser, you'll pay from \$200 a day for a San Francisco pickup and an L.A. return, or \$75 for a San Fran round trip. (Rates include unlimited mileage.)

Hertz's roofless models include Mustangs, Matas, Audis and Corvettes. However, the company allows only certain models

to be driven one way, such as the Miata for \$139 per day with unlimited mileage.

To tool around just San Francisco in an Audi, the rate is \$123 a day, with unlimited mileage; for the Corvette, it's \$203, plus 39 cents per mile for distances exceeding 100 miles. Info: 800-654-3131, <http://www.hertz.com>.

Q: I'd like to go to New York for the Commerce Bank Five Boro Bike Tour next May. Are there hotels in New Jersey from where we could get our bikes to Battery Park?

As New Jersey is linked to Battery Park, on the southern tip of Manhattan by various modes of transportation. Where you stay can determine how you reach the starting line of the bike tour.

The George Washington Bridge connects Fort Lee, N.J., to the Upper West Side (178th Street). You can drive across the bridge and down to Battery Park, or cycle on the bridge's south sidewalk and along the Greenway Path, which parallels the Hudson.

The Hilton Fort Lee at the George Washington Bridge (201-361-9000, www1.hilton.com) is two miles from the bridge and allows bikes in its guest rooms.

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Hemingway Days in Key West, Fla.

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — Key West's annual Hemingway Days celebration is scheduled for July 17-22.

The festival's main literary event is the announcement of the winners of the Lorian Hemingway Short Story Competition, scheduled for 8 p.m. on July 20. Details at www.shortstorycompetition.com

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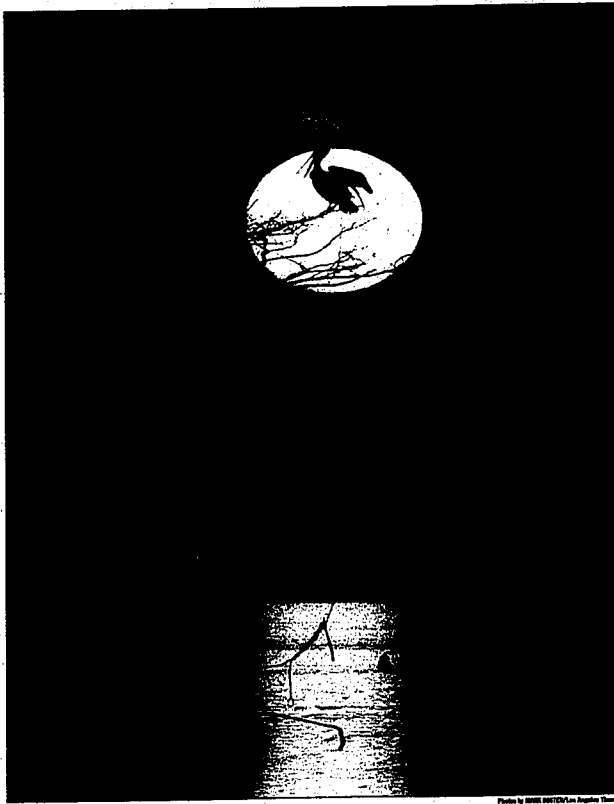
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LOUISIANA'S LURE Fishing in the bayou remains a fine catch



A pelican silhouetted against a sunset scans Louisiana fishing grounds rejuvenated after Hurricane Katrina. Photo by Brent Heston/Los Angeles Times

By Hugo Martin
Los Angeles Times

VENICE, La. — A platinum sun set on a warm March afternoon as I drove from New Orleans toward the mouth of the Mississippi to a place known as "the end of the world."

When Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana nearly two years ago, it must have felt like the end of the world. But as I scanned the New Orleans skyline from a freeway overpass, the only signs of destruction were the ones playing in my head, the flashbacks from TV news clips during the storm. The Superdome, once battered and overrun with evacuees, had a new roof, and the dry city streets flowed with activity.

Here I was, a map-toting tourist rolling south along Louisiana 23, reversing the path of one of the nation's costliest and deadliest hurricanes. Since the storm, most media accounts have focused on the recovery of New Orleans (even being used as the setting for a police melodrama on TV this fall), but I was heading 75 miles south to Venice, a delta town at the southernmost tip of Louisiana.

I came here to do what thousands of people have been doing in Venice for decades, through rain and sun: I came to participate in the pastime that has made this town of about 500 legendary among sportsmen.

I came to fish. Seagulls cawed. The motor of a fishing boat roared. Then a loud rap on a door.

I awoke in the Venice Sportsman's Lodge, a 130-foot-long barge moored at the Venice Marina.

The knocking came from Susan Gros, a guide and world-record angler who had helped arrange my trip. Gros formerly was a corporate manager who gave up the 9-to-5 grind to become a full-time fishing guru and promoter of Venice.

We stepped into a warm, blue-sky morning, and she introduced me to our guide for the day, Brandon Carter, a rosy-cheeked Louisiana native who was tying his boat to the barge.

The morning opens up into 3 million acres of wetlands, cut by a network of waterways, that protrude from the southern tip of Louisiana like a giant peacock feather. This is Venice's back yard, and this spectacular confluence of fresh and salt water is the reason some consider the Mississippi delta the nation's finest fishing spot.



Guide Brandon Carter shows off a freshly caught redfish from the waters off Venice, La.

I had mixed feelings about being here. As an avid angler, I was eager to drop a line, especially because I had heard reports that the fishing was better than ever. But I was uneasy with the thought of casting a lure while the struggle to rebuild was so clearly visible.

Carter's 34-footer cut a foamy wake as we motored out of the marina and into a wide waterway past thickets of wheat-colored roseau cane, littered with wood planks, upended barges and dozens of forgotten ice chests. White egrets and blue heron hunted for fish amid half-sunk boats and submerged cars. Katrina's mess, I thought, probably would litter the wetlands until the next hurricane blew it all out.

Near a sandbar where the Mississippi forks to the south, Carter cut the boat's engine, and we started rusting. A chorus line of seagulls waddled as I landed a 12-pound redfish, the size of a car muffler. For a Southern California angler content with catching 2-pound rainbow trout, this was nirvana. But a 12-pounder is typical for Venice, a place where boats outnumber ears and kids learn to cast a line before they learn to ride a bike.

In a nearby channel, we came upon two burly men in mud-splattered shirts rebuilding the storm-damaged roof of a small barge, known in these

parts as a fishing cabin. The men waved at Carter and invited us onboard. One of the men proudly walked us through the immaculate two-room cabin, with cypress paneling and track lighting.

As our boat pulled away, Carter shook his head. "That's one thing about Louisiana people: You don't mess with their fishing or hunting," he said. "I've seen people who haven't rebuilt their homes, but they are rebuilding their fishing cabins."

On my last day in Venice, Gros and I spent four hours on the "Midnight Lure," an underwater salt dome about 50 miles southeast of the mouth of the Mississippi River, catching only a couple of 4-pound vermillion snappers and some small bonitos. We were about to give up and head back when a weighted line hanging from our 32-foot catamaran began to squeal. I grabbed the rod and shoved it into my fighting harness. A few minutes later, my hands started cramping. Gros just laughed. "Come on," she yelled. "Bring it in!" I recognized, under the surface, the distinct shape pulling at my line — the streamlined body, the pointed nose, the protruding dorsal fin. This was no tuna or marlin. That afternoon, I returned to the marina with a great fish story about the 7-foot spinner shark I set free.

- If you go —**
- WHERE TO STAY**
- Woodland Plantation; 21997 Highway 23, West Pointe a la Hache, La. (504) 856-9650. www.woodlandplantation.com. Great meals and a historical setting. \$120 to \$150 a night; double occupancy, including breakfast.
 - Cypress Cove Lodge, 235 Cypress Cove Road, Venice, La. (888) 534-8777; www.cypresscove.net. Prices from \$90, double occupancy.
 - Venice Sportsman's Lodge, Venice Marina; (888) 534-9357. www.venicesportsmanslodge.com. \$175 per person a night, including breakfast, lunch, dinner and open bar.
- FISHING GUIDES**
- Roel Louisiana Adventures, Super Gros; (504) 328-7335. www.roelouisianaadventures.com.
 - Roel Shot Guide Services, Brandon Carter; (985) 969-0820. www.roelshot.com/roelshot.
 - Super Strike Charters, Damon McVey; (800) 318-1720. www.superstrikecharters.com.



Morning mist envelops the big house at Woodland Plantation near West Pointe a la Hache, La. The historic B&B is a relaxing spot to recuperate after a fishing trip.



Moonlight casts a blue glow on debris from Katrina in a southern Louisiana swamp.

In Venice, La., where only two restaurants have reopened, necessity is the mother of invention. The parking lot of Cypress Cove Lodge serves as an impromptu kitchen for a crew of all cleanup workers. Our in-hand to use for stirring, one worker keeps watch on a massive pot of crawfish, potatoes and corn.

