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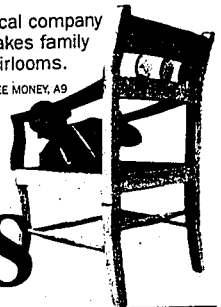
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FARMHOUSE FURNITURE

Local company makes family heirlooms.

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Good Morning



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Big town, small city

PERRINE HOTEL IN THE '30S



The Perrine Hotel, pictured in the 1930s, was a grand outpost of civilization in a new city. It was razed in the 1960s to make way for a bank.

pop. 40,000

- Country music star Trace Adkins plays the Twin Falls County Fair.
- Vinifera, a specialty wine store, opens downtown.
- The LDS Church breaks ground on a temple on Eastland Drive.
- Thousands flock to Shoshone Falls to view the attraction in a banner water year.

LDS TEMPLE

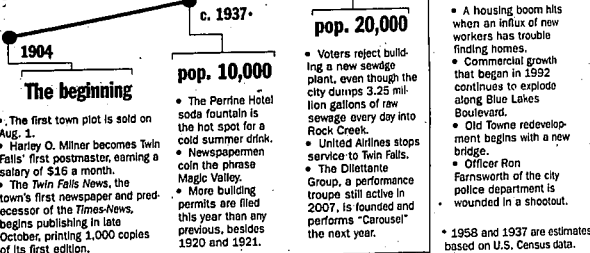


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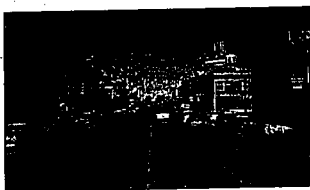
VINIFERA WINES



Sources: Times-News archives and "In the Middle and on the Edge," a history book by Jim Gentry.



DOWNTOWN IN THE '50S



This postcard view of Twin Falls' Main Avenue in the 1950s shows downtown's central intersection.

Online at Magicvalley.com

- See interviews with Twin Falls residents and hear what they think 40,000 means for the city.
- Search U.S. Census Bureau data for the latest annual population estimates for the nation, states, counties, cities and other areas.

Twin Falls hits 40,000

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Not long ago, the city of Twin Falls passed a major milestone, one you probably didn't notice: No one appeared in the park.

But in 2006, Twin Falls became a city of more than 40,000 people, according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates released last month, and that means a lot for a community scratched out of sagebrush a century ago.

Business went on as usual the day we passed 40,000. Nobody marked the occasion. But there isn't a soul in town who won't agree 40,000 sounds a lot different than 30,000. It feels different.

Communities are as alive as their residents, and they grow and change just

as the people do. So what does 40,000 mean for us, for the character of our city?

Opportunity

Twin Falls is one of the fastest-growing towns in Idaho — one of the fastest-growing states in the nation, according to the census estimates. Twin Falls ballooned 15.8 percent between 2000 and 2006.

Connie Sowka runs the Welcome Mat, a business that helps Twin Falls newcomers assimilate. They come, Sowka said, because the city has a small-town feel: You don't wait in line at Macy's. You can get anywhere in town in 10 minutes. Neighbors still say hello when you see them at Albertsons.

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Water pressure

City, developers meet again to discuss ordinance

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The pace of discussing solutions to a water shortage between a city and the developers that help it grow sometimes reflects that of leaky faucets dripping the precious resource.

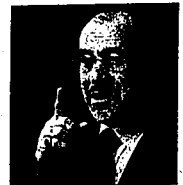
Very, very slowly.

In the latest chapter of the city's struggle to balance ongoing growth with a declining supply of water, about 20 developers met privately for an hour with city staff Wednesday to discuss changes to a pressurized irrigation ordinance. Those who attended spoke positively about the

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Tomorrow

Check out Monday's Times-News for a special report on who endorses the city's 2004 water conservation ordinance.



Iraq's Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki speaks during a press conference in Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday.

Iraqi PM shrugs off doubts about government

By Bassem Mroue
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki shrugged off U.S. doubts of his government's military and political progress on Saturday, saying Iraq forces are capable and American troops can leave "any time they want."

One of his top aides, meanwhile, accused the United States of embarrassing the Iraqi government by violating

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Around the nation

Lady Bird Johnson laid to rest at Texas funeral.

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Small number of gun shops account for large number of weapons used in crimes.

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L.A. archdiocese to pay \$60 million to settle abuse claims.

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Bill sets rules for pet custody battles



By P.J. Huffstutter
Los Angeles Times

MADISON, Wis. — Talk about treating Fido like one of the family: Wisconsin legislators have introduced a bill that outlines how divorcing couples and the courts should handle custody battles over pets.

The bill would let couples specify, among other things, visitation rights and the right to move the animal out of state. If the feuding spouses can't agree on what to do with the pet, the solution is simple: A judge can either pick a spouse — or ship it off to a local humane society facility or similar shelter.

Whoever gets there first owns the dog, cat or even goldfish. If they wait too long, someone else could adopt their beloved animal or.

"Traditionally, the courts treat pets like pieces of property. People might have an emotional tie to a family antique. But a dog is not a desk."

— Wisconsin Sen. Carol Roesler

depending on the shelter's policies, it could be euthanized.

"Traditionally, the courts treat pets like pieces of property," said Republican state Sen. Carol Roesler, co-author of the bill. "People might have an emotional tie to a family antique. But a dog is not a desk."

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today	Tonight	Monday
Warm with partly cloudy skies	Partly cloudy and warm overnight	A few clouds and another warm day
High 95	Low 64	98 / 66

MINI-CASSIA

Today: The warmth continues with partly cloudy skies. Highs in the middle 90s.
Tonight: Warm overnight temperatures with a few clouds. Lows in the lower 60s.
Tomorrow: Another very warm day with mostly sunny skies. Highs in the middle 90s.

Complete weather report: See page C8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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, 734-6084.
"Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series featuring Travis and Ali Ward with Thomas Paul, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.
Christian Rock concert, "Farewell Down," 7 p.m., outdoors at First Southern Baptist Church, 2245 California St., Gooding, donations accepted, 934-8556.
Leo Blessing's play "A Body of Water," presented by the Company of Fools, 7 p.m., Liberty Theater, Halley, \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$15 for students, (208) 578-9122 (one hour before curtain time).

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

The 6th District High School Rodeo Queen contest fund-raiser car wash, 11 a.m., Vickers Western Store parking lot, 2309 Addison Ave. E., donations, 731-9958.

FESTIVALS AND BAZAARS

The annual Camas Prairie Pioneer Association picnic, with music and storytelling, 1 p.m., at the 4-H Park, Fairfield, table service and meat provided; bring side dish or dessert and lawn chairs, (208) 764-2465.
The Gooding Basque Association 26th Annual Basque Picnic, includes Basque dancers, a lamb auction, sports and contests for both adults and children; Catholic Mass at 11 a.m.; and traditional "shepherd's dinner" at noon, Gooding County Fairgrounds, \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-10, (Chorizos available for purchase at 3 p.m.), 539-1327.

OUTDOORS

Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities, with "A Trip to the Wilderness" hike at 10 a.m., Junior Ranger "Bear, Bear Facts" at 1 p.m., "Tell me a Story" at 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, five miles south of Stanley, no cost, (208) 774-3376.

SPORTS

Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I-84 and Highway 93, mile marker 64, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-6045.

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@maglevalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

THREE DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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 18 — An evening with "History Detectives" host, Elyse Lurvey, 7 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science at College of Southern Idaho, no cost (limited seating), (208) 373-7328.

BUSINESS

July 18 — Mini-Cassia Service Providers Community Resource meeting, with a no-host lunch and presentations by Karen McCarthy of Idaho Legal Aid/Housing Department and Linda Castaneda of Idaho Department of Labor/ Labor and Wage Division, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Connor's Cafe, Interstate exit 208 and Highway 27, Heyburn, 678-9165 or 677-4872 ext. 2.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

July 17 — Moms on the Run lunch and meeting, with guest speaker/gardener Donna Kilgore; and YMCA and Canyon Rim YMCA representatives on current programs, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mandarin House, 735 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, \$10 (lunch provided), 324-1233 or 537-9157 for reservations.
July 17 — Magic Valley Singles Square Danco Club hamburger fry and potluck, 7 p.m., Kimberly Park, all dancers welcome, 734-4647.

MUSEUMS

July 17 — "Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center, CSI, no cost, 732-6655.

REUNIONS

July 16 — Deadline for alumni to respond to **July 20, 21 Buhl High School Class of 1977 30-year class** reunion, Buhl, 543-8262 ext. 103 or cori@d412.k12.id.us for response, reunion fee or information update.

MAGIC VALLEY



Twin Falls hospital experiences baby boom

TWIN FALLS — It was a new record: 173. St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center had never seen so many births in one month in the history of the hospital. Hospital staff delivered so many babies in June that they ran out of rooms in the second-floor postpartum ward and had to move some mothers up to another floor.

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Kids have fun making arts in the park

TWIN FALLS — Despite the high temperatures, hundreds of kids spent Saturday at the 16th annual "Kids Art in the Park" at City Park in Twin Falls, where they participated in different arts and crafts activities. The all-day event, put on by the Magic Valley Arts Council, attracted families throughout the Magic Valley.

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School district seeks new superintendent

GOODING — School starts in about five weeks and Gooding School District is still early on the road to find a superintendent. Kathleen Golococha, Gooding school board chairwoman, said the board could reopen the application process at their July 24 meeting if none of the applicants satisfy the board. Golococha said the board hasn't yet looked at any of the about four applications yet. She said the board will not make any decisions until its next meeting.

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OBITUARIES

Beth Moulton Beard Brinton, 81
 George C. Detweiler, 64
 Norma L. Johnson, 81
 Mike Leroy LePrey, 51
 Ann Louise Page, 55
 Orville Wade "Mac" McLean, 74
 Fred Patrick Mumpower, 82
 Nathan E. Ross, 66

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MONDAY	A wild hair Got hair where you don't want it? IMAGE	
TUESDAY	In the orchard Growing fruit trees in Magic Valley a challenge and a pleasure. IN COUNTRY ROADS	
WEDNESDAY	A boxed lunch Instead of thinking outside the box for your midday meal, think inside it — bento boxes can hold any cuisine. IN FOOD & HOME	
THURSDAY	Shutdown for Harry Potter The seventh and final Harry Potter book arrives next weekend. IN TNT	
FRIDAY	No joyful noise Worship options are expanding for the hearing-impaired.	

WILDFIRE UPDATE

1. Highway 93 Complex, Jackpot

Burned: 80,580
 Containment: 99 percent
 Fire personnel: 173
 Notes: Full containment on the fire up is now expected at 8 p.m. today. Transfer of command of the complex to a local Type 4 organization has been postponed until 6 p.m. Tuesday.

2. Black Pine 2, Malta

Burned: 72,000 acres
 Containment: 65 percent
 Fire personnel: 345
 Notes: Fire crews received help Saturday from three helicopters, six water tenders, eight dozers and 20 fire engines. A



main focus of containment is the southeast corner of the fire, where grazing allotments and one structure are in jeopardy. Officials said they are confident with the progress they are making to put out the fire.

CALL ME

Will you be using the TCU?

If you are planning to stay at the Transitional Care Unit at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center this month, the Times-News would like to hear from you. We are planning a story about the unit, and would like to interview a patient during his or her experience in recovery there. Please call reporter Fred Hansen at 735-3376 or write to ariel.hansen@tee.net.

SPORTS



Tribe rolls in sweep

RUIHL — The Buhl American Legion Baseball Class A team that felt its way through the early parts of the season with a focus on small ball brought out the big lumber Saturday afternoon, sweeping the visiting Highland Razorbacks 8-1 and 13-1.

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Two area teams place second in state

TWIN FALLS — A pair of Twin Falls teams made it to their respective title games at the Cal Ripken Idaho State Championships Saturday at South Park before falling short. The Twin Falls Nationals advanced to the final in the 12-year-old, 70-foot bases tournament, but fell 10-5 to Idaho Falls. Meanwhile, the Twin Falls Patriots dropped a 12-2 game to Meridian in the 11-year-old title game.

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Mickelson leads Scottish Open

LUSS, Scotland — Phil Mickelson mustered a strong wind to shoot a 3-under 68 Saturday for a one-stroke lead over Gregory Havret of France after the third round of the Scottish Open.

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New Tour leader derisive leader

LE GRAND-BORNAND, France — Linus Gerdmann hadn't even finished celebrating his first Tour de France stage victory before sounding a loud drumbeat from the winner's circle: Races can and should be won clean.

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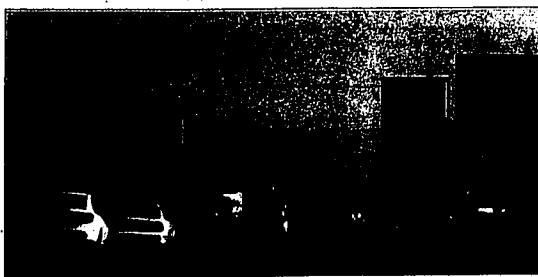
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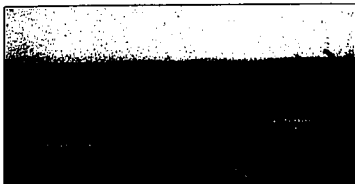
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BLUE LAKES NOW



The typical 5 p.m. rush home on Blue Lakes Boulevard on a recent Tuesday afternoon in Twin Falls.

BLUE LAKES THEN



Blue Lakes Boulevard began as a rutted lane lined with newly planted trees. This image from Twin Falls' early days has become a local icon.

"Maybe we still don't have the closeness in spirit we did 80 years ago. But this is still a pretty good place to live."

— Art Frantz, an 80-year Twin Falls resident

Twin Falls at 40,000

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"How many towns, she asked, still have drive-in movies? Twin Falls still feels like a small town," said Sowka, who moved from Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina.

It's the rural vibe, she said, paired with city amenities, that attract new folks, especially Californians and Arizona retirees. Top-notch medical care, good restaurants, larger specialty stores for shopping.

"Many of those amenities have arrived since 1993, when Twin Falls passed the 30,000 mark. In the 14 years since, growth has exploded on Blue Lakes Boulevard and now Pole Line Road. Construction began this month on a second Twin Falls high school. A Wal-Mart is coming to town. A new Mormon temple is months from completion. Heck, a standalone Starbucks store will open soon.

But it's the attitude that lured Frances Hoover and her husband, Rex, to Twin Falls four months ago from a Tennessee town of similar size. Sure, there was Southern charm in Tennessee, Frances Hoover said as she baked scones for neighbors recently, but nothing like the Western charm in Twin Falls. People here care about each other.

The Hoovers, who say they came to Twin to "start over," are representative of many new Twin Falls arrivals: non-Idaho natives with expectations about what a town of 40,000 should feel like. So far, it's meeting their hopes.

Rex Hoover works at Dell, one of many non-ag businesses to open since Twin Falls passed the 30,000 mark. People in town are working different jobs than they used to, according to Idaho Commerce and Labor. As the community

grows, its economy is shifting from an ag base to service, technology and light manufacturing.

The number 40,000 sounds more impressive than 39,000, and that could attract even more new businesses, said Shawn Burigar, president and chief executive of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

"I think generally the positive growth rate we've seen in the area is beneficial for the businesses already here and those looking to locate here," he said. "I've always said that Twin Falls is growing up from a big town into a small city, and 40,000 may be a part of that threshold."

Too big?

Rapid growth may be exciting for newcomers, but some residents in Twin Falls — natives who chose to stay because of the town's peaceful, slow pace — worry the city is growing away from its roots.

Art Frantz has lived in Twin Falls for eight decades of his 86 years. Frantz has seen the town grow from a sleepy Western outpost to a booming regional hub.

When Frantz was a boy, most business happened downtown, not at the mall. He and his friends made their own trails in Rock Creek and Snake River canyons; now, paved trails funnel visitors through. The few cars back then puttered across dirt roads.

Blue Lakes Boulevard was "a street lined with elm trees," Frantz said. "It was just like driving down a tunnel." Twin Falls' busiest street still retains its tunnel-like feel — when you're trying to make a left turn.

Frantz lived for several years

on Lincoln Street, which was the edge of town, he said. You could walk from one end of the city to the other in just a few minutes.

"Twin Falls," he said, "used to feel a lot like Buhl does now."

Back when the city hovered near the 10,000 mark — Twin Falls passed that threshold in about 1937 — residents knew each other. Now, some folks don't know their next-door neighbors, let alone everyone on their street.

Crimine also worries some old-time residents, especially in the context of a methamphetamine epidemic.

As Twin Falls sprouts in all directions, Frantz is concerned we're losing our roots. Literally. "Twin Falls is growing to the point that everything we're building on now is good farmland," he said. "We're going to run out of farmland here — water, before then."

If the city continues to grow at the rate it has in the past six years, Twin Falls will pass 45,000 people before 2012. No one can predict when the city will be like then, but Frantz is sure Twin Falls will never lose its charm, no matter its size.

"Maybe we still don't have the closeness in spirit we did 80 years ago," he said. "But this is still a pretty good place to live."

Matt Christensen welcomes comments at 735-3243 and at matt.christensen@tc.net.

Pet custody

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The bill, believed to be the first of its kind in the nation, has topped wiggling here at the state capitol. On the one hand, families are increasingly treating their furry friends as pampered children: Americans are expected to lavish \$40.8 billion on their pets this year, with only \$9.8 billion of that spent on veterinarian care, according to the American Pet Products Manufacturing Association.

States traditionally consider animals to be property, so whichever spouse can establish ownership is granted custody. If ownership cannot be established, judges often try to figure out which person is the better caretaker and give the animal to him or her.

The bill, introduced earlier in July, comes as both the public's attitude and the legal community's interest in the humane treatment of animals and their legal rights is growing.

A decade ago, just a few law schools were teaching courses on pets' rights, the treatment of farm animals and dog-bite statutes, said law professor Richard L. Cupp, associate

dean for research at Pepperdine University school of law in Malibu, Calif.

Now, dozens of schools teach courses and colleges have research centers devoted to the subject. This fall, Georgetown University Law Center and the Humane Society of the United States will launch a new effort to expand the schools' animal law curriculum.

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Water

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talks, but both sides acknowledge an official presentation to the city's planning and zoning commission is delayed by at least a few weeks.

City officials have spent a decade looking to remedy shortening water availability, but the issue re-emerged when an engineering firm studying the city's water supply found that every source continues to decline and that supply will equal demand by 2010.

In May, the Twin Falls City Council voted to prepare canal diversion measures, including forcing developers to install pressurized irrigation stations, which became the primary discussion point at Wednesday's meeting.

The biggest concern was size of properties that would fall under any new rules, said Tony Hughes, who runs Stone Creek Construction and is president of the Magic Valley Builders Association.

Whatever changes are made to the ordinance, those involved have said, would build upon the requirement for developers to install pressurized irrigation systems by making them install the pumping stations. Currently, developers pay for creating delivery methods, such as pipes, but not pump stations and thereby force the city to

temporarily provide potable water. Requiring developers to build the stations is common in other Idaho cities.

Twin Falls City Manager Tom Courtney, who attended the meeting, said developers are supportive of the city requiring them to install the pumps themselves, given the rate of city growth with limited water. The city's population recently passed 40,000.

"There's been concern about pump stations," he said. "They understand the quicker we're able to move irrigation systems from potable supply to canal water, the better we all are."

The city council's May decision had followed another private meeting between the city and local developers — called by developers after city staff suggested the city's water service area shrink by several hundred acres.

Many say that idea has been scrapped and attention is centered on encouraging low-water landscaping, further limiting days to water lawns and — perhaps most importantly — negotiating with developers. A water conservation ordinance was passed in 2004 and all subdivisions are required to be on pressurized irrigation.

Developers have said they could accept building pumping stations, but would prefer

to do so cooperatively, creating regionalized pump stations rather than many, independently scattered stations. That

would improve communication, save money and better serve the city, they said. "We batted it back around,"

said Hughes. "It's definitely a work in progress." Still, the planning and zoning commission will likely not

see updated proposals until at least August. Another meeting between the developer and the city is expected

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Iraq

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human rights and treating his country like an "experiment in a U.S. lab."

Al-Maliki sought to display confidence at a time when pressure is mounting in Congress for a speedy withdrawal of U.S. forces. On Thursday, the House passed a measure calling for the U.S. to withdraw its troops by spring, hours after the White House reported mixed progress by the Iraqi government toward meeting 18 benchmarks.

During a press conference, al-Maliki shrugged off the progress report, saying that difficulty in enacting the reforms was "natural" given Iraq's turmoil.

"We are not talking about a government in a stable political environment but one in the shadow of huge challenges," al-Maliki said. "So when we talk about the presence of some negative points in the political process, that's fairly natural."

Al-Maliki said his government needs "time and effort" to enact the political reforms that Washington seeks — particularly since the political process is facing security, economic and services pressures, as well as regional and international interference.

But he said if necessary, Iraqi police and soldiers could fill the void left by the departure of coalition forces.

"We say in full confidence that we are able, God willing, to take the responsibility completely in running the security file if the international forces withdraw at any time they want," he said.

One of al-Maliki's close advisers, Shiite lawmaker Hassan al-Suneid, bristled over the American pressure, telling The Associated Press that "the situation looks as if it is an experiment in an American laboratory (judging) whether we succeed or fail."

He sharply criticized the U.S. military, saying it was committing rights violations and embarrassing the Iraqi government through such tactics as building a wall around Baghdad's Sunni neighborhood of Azzaibiyah and launching repeated raids on suspected Shiite militiamen in the capital's slum of Sadr City.

He also criticized U.S. overtures to Sunni groups in Anbar and Diyala provinces encouraging former insurgents to join the fight against al-Qaida in Iraq. "These are gangs of killers," he said.

In addition, he said that al-Maliki has problems with the top U.S. commander, Gen. David Petraeus, who he said works along a "purely American vision."

"There are disagreements that the strategy that Petraeus is following might succeed in confronting al-Qaida in the early period but it will leave Iraq an armed nation, an armed society and militia," al-

THE WEEK IN IRAQ

Al-Maliki says Iraqi forces capable

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki shrugged off doubts about his government, saying Iraqi forces are capable and U.S. troops can leave "any time they want."



Sun. — Shiite and Sunni politicians called on civilians to take up arms after a weekend of violence.

Mon. — Iraqi leaders warned the country could collapse if U.S. troops leave too quickly.

Tue. — A barrage of mortars or rockets hit the Baghdad's Green Zone, killing at least three people.

Wed. — Iraqi security forces seized 229 explosive bombs at the Waloed border station.

Thu. — U.S. troops raided in Shiite district of Amrin in Baghdad, capturing two militants.

Fri. — U.S. troops killed six Iraqi police in a rare battle in Baghdad after capturing policeman linked to militia.

Sat. — Two U.S. soldiers killed in bombings in Baghdad area. One bomb was an explosively formed penetrator — devices the U.S. believes are smuggled in from Iran.

Suneid said. Al-Suneid's comments were a rare show of frustration toward the Americans from within al-Maliki's inner circle as the prime minister struggles to overcome deep divisions between Shiite, Sunni and Kurdish members of his coalition and enact the U.S.-drawn list of benchmarks.

But the U.S. focus on the benchmarks has rankled the deep sense of Iraqi pride, even among those who share the goals set forth by the Americans.

U.S. forces have been waging intensified security crackdowns in Baghdad and areas to the north and south for nearly a month. The goal is to bring calm to the capital while al-Maliki enacts the political reforms, intended to give Sunni Arabs a greater role in the government and political process, lessening support for the insurgency.

But the benchmarks have been blocked by divisions among Shiite, Sunni and Kurdish leaders. In August, the parliament is taking a one-month vacation — a shorter break than the usual two months, but still enough to anger some in Congress who say lawmakers should push through reforms while American soldiers are dying.

Two more American soldiers were killed Saturday in bombings in the Baghdad area, the U.S. military reported.

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North Korea to U.S.: Oil aid arrived and the reactor is shut down

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) — North Korea told the United States it shut down its nuclear reactor, the State Department said Saturday, hours after a ship crammed into port loaded with oil promised in return for the country's pledge to disarm.

If confirmed by a U.N. inspection team headed to the Yongbyon reactor, the shutdown would be the North's first step in nearly five

years toward de-nuclearization.

"We welcome this development and look forward to the verification and monitoring of this shutdown by the International Atomic Energy Agency team," State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said in a statement.

After tortuous negotiations and delays — during which the North argued its nuclear

program was needed for self-defense — the reclusive regime said earlier this month that once it received the oil shipment, it would consider halting its reactor.

The 10-member IAEA team arrived in the North Korean capital Saturday afternoon. Team chief Adel Tolba said the inspectors would stay in North Korea as long as needed to complete their work at the Yongbyon plutonium-

producing reactor, located about 60 miles northeast of Pyongyang.

"We are going directly to the nuclear site at Yongbyon," Tolba told broadcaster AFPN outside the airport.

Footage showed dozens of cardboard boxes being loaded onto the back of two trucks. It was not immediately clear what they contained but Tolba earlier said he and his colleagues were

bringing 2,200 pounds of equipment for use during the trip.

North Korea did not give a timetable for the shutdown, but top U.S. nuclear envoy Christopher Hill said earlier it would happen within days.

"I think it's a matter of today, tomorrow, maybe Monday," Hill told reporters Saturday in the Japanese resort town of Inokone, south of Tokyo.



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Dominicans rally to save shade trees

Los Angeles Times

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic — To escape her stifling apartment, to unwind from her monotonous job, to tune out the squalor, noise and crime all around her, Josefina Filmont has long taken refuge in the cool, green embrace of the ancient mahogany trees skirting the fortress built here by Christopher Columbus's son.

So when, without any public debate or notice, a city chain-saw crew showed up in late May and began felling the stately trees of her favorite park in the Colonial Zone, the 50-year-old clerical worker felt her last nerve snap.

"Those trees belong to the people, not the government!" fumed Filmont who, like most Dominicans, had suffered in silence through decades of official indifference to the working class. "They are the air we breathe and the only natural thing we have to enjoy here."

Appalled by local officials' plans to replace the European and African vegetation introduced by conquistadores 500 years ago with "native species," Filmont joined other angry residents in the capital who lashed themselves to the threatened trees.

The acts of civil disobedience staged by a new grassroots alliance calling itself "Santo Domingo Somos Todos," or Santo Domingo is All of Us, appear at a glance to be a classic conflict between tree-huggers and the self-styled forces of industrial progress.

But in a city, and country, with no history of consulting the public, the assault on the shade trees also has become a lightning rod for the pent-up frustrations of legions of the urban poor, tired of feeling that authorities consider them a blight on their own landscape.

"The mayor has a vision for the city, but it's one that doesn't include workers. He wants a city that looks like Miami, that will be attractive to tourists," complained Hecmelio Galvan, an economist and founding member of Santo Domingo is All of Us.

Thousands of towering trees with long branches and copious foliage have been felled in the last two months along the city's traffic-clogged thoroughfares. But the protest appears to have halted the felling, at least in the leafy splendor of the historic Colonial Zone.

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As ground troops 'surge,' so do Air Force bombs in Iraq

BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq (AP) — Away from the headlines and debate over the 'surge' in U.S. ground troops, the Air Force has quietly built up its hardware inside Iraq, sharply stepped up bombing and laid a foundation for a sustained air campaign in support of American and Iraqi forces.

Squadrons of attack planes have been added to the in-country fleet. The air reconnaissance arm has almost doubled since last year. The powerful B-1-B bomber has been recalled to action over Iraq.

The escalation worries some about an increase in 'collateral damage,' casualties among Iraqi civilians. Air Force generals worry about wear and tear on aging aircraft. But ground commanders clearly like what they see.

Night before last we had 14 strikes from B-1 bombers. Last night we had 18 strikes by B-1 bombers," Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch said approvingly of air support his 3rd Infantry Division received in a recent offensive south of Baghdad.

Statistics tell the story: Air Force and Navy aircraft dropped 437 bombs and missiles in Iraq in the first six months of 2007, a fivefold increase over the 86 used in the first half of 2006, and three times more than in the second half of 2006, according to Air Force data. In June, bombs

dropped at a rate of more than five a day.

Inside spacious, air-conditioned "Klinglin," a new air traffic control center at this huge Air Force hub 50 miles north of Baghdad, the expanded commitment can be seen on the central display screen: Small points of light represent more than 100 aircraft crisscrossing Iraqi air space at any one time.

Increased air activity has paralleled the reinforcement of U.S. ground troops, beginning in February, to try to suppress the insurgency and sectarian violence in the Baghdad region. Simply keeping those 30,000 additional troops supplied has added to demands on the Air Force.

"We're the busiest aerial part in DOD (Department of Defense)," said Col. Dave Reynolds, a mission support commander here. Working 12-hour shifts, his cargo handlers are expected to move 140,000 tons of cargo this year, one-third more than in 2006, he said.

The greatest impact of the "air surge" has come in close air support for Army and Marine operations.

Early this year, with little fanfare, the Air Force sent a squadron of A-10 "Warthog" attack planes — a dozen or more aircraft — to be based at Al-Asad Air Base in western Iraq. At the same time it added

a squadron of F-16C Fighting Falcons here at Balad. Although some had flown missions over Iraq from elsewhere in the region, the additions doubled to 50 or more the number of workhorse fighter-bomber jets available at bases inside the country, closer to the action.

The reinforcement involved more than numbers. The new F-16Cs were the first of the advanced "Block 50" version to fly in Iraq, an aircraft whose technology includes a cockpit helmet that enables the pilot to aim his weapons at a target simply by turning his head and looking at it.

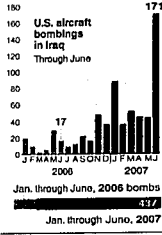
The Navy has contributed by stationing a second aircraft carrier in the Persian Gulf, and the reintroduction of B-1-Bs has added a close-at-hand "platform" capable of carrying 24 tons of bombs.

Since February, with the ground offensive, those bombers have gone on Iraq bombing runs for the first time since the 2003 invasion.

Iraq Body Count, a London-based, anti-war research group that monitors Iraqi war deaths, says the step-up in air attacks appears to have been accompanied by an increase in Iraqi civilian casualties from air strikes. Based on media reports, it counts a recent average of 50 such deaths per month.

U.S. bombings rise

Air Force and Navy aircraft bombings in Iraq increased fivefold in the first six months of 2007 compared to those in the first half of 2006.



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British police charge third person with terrorism offense over failed attacks in London and Glasgow

LONDON (AP) — An Indian doctor arrested the same day his brother allegedly drove a Jeep into Glasgow's main airport was charged Saturday with a terrorism offense in Britain. A distant cousin in Australia was also charged in the failed attacks in London and Glasgow.

Sabeel Ahmed, of Liverpool, became the third person to face charges in the second London attack. He was charged with withholding information that could prevent an act of terrorism, police said in a statement.

In a sign of the heightened tension across the country, police said Saturday they had closed at least 14 Tesco supermarkets across Britain following a series of threats. However, they said the incidents were not believed to be related to terrorism.

Police in Hertfordshire, where Britain's largest supermarket has its headquarters, said the decision was "a precaution for public safety." Tesco said police were investigating a number of incidents, but declined to comment further.

Ahmed, 26, was arrested June 30 in Liverpool, and is the brother of Kafael Ahmed, who

is believed to have set himself ablaze after crashing into the airport and is in a Scottish hospital with critical burns.

Muhammad Haneef, 27, a distant cousin who once shared a house with the brothers in Britain, was charged Saturday in Brisbane, Australia, with supporting a terrorist group. Bilal Abdullah, a 27-year-old doctor, was charged last week by British police with conspiring to set off explosions.

Australian police charged Haneef with providing support to the bomb plot by giving his SIM card to Sabeel and Kafael Ahmed when he left Britain for Australia in July 2006. Haneef faces a maximum of 15 years in prison if convicted.

Haneef was arrested July 2 while trying to leave the eastern city of Brisbane for India

on a one-way ticket. Prosecutor Clive Porritt said Haneef would have known about the Ahmed brothers' alleged links to terrorism.

"These are people who he lived with, may have worked with, and certainly associated with," Porritt told the Brisbane Magistrates Court during a daylong bail hearing.

But defense lawyer Stephen Keim said Haneef only left the SIM card with Sabeel Ahmed so his cousin could take advantage of a special deal on his mobile phone plan.

"For some reason, he should have been aware that something was going to happen when the rest of the world didn't," Keim said. "It is not suggested that he is anything other than a foolish dupe who should have been more suspicious."

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LA archdiocese to pay \$600 million to settle abuse claims

By Gillian Flaccus
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles will settle its clergy abuse cases for at least \$600 million, by far the largest payout in the church's sexual abuse scandal, The Associated Press learned Saturday.

Attorneys for the archdiocese and the plaintiffs are expected to announce the deal Monday, the day the first of more than 500 clergy abuse cases was scheduled for jury selection, according to two people with knowledge of the agreement. The sources spoke on condition of anonymity because the settlement had not been made public.

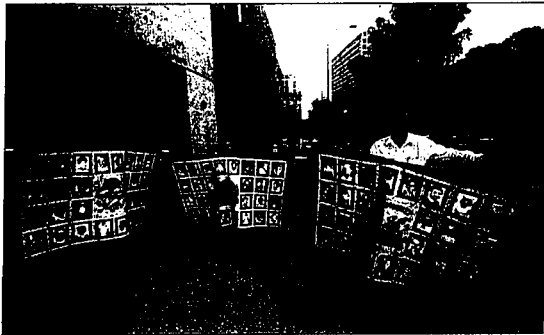
The archdiocese and its insurers will pay between \$600 million and \$650 million to about 500 plaintiffs — an average of \$1.2 million to \$1.3 million per person. The settlement also calls for the release of personnel files after review by a judge assigned to oversee the litigation, the sources said.

It wasn't immediately clear how the payout would be split among the insurers, the archdiocese and several Roman Catholic religious orders. A judge must sign off on the agreement, and final details were being ironed out.

Lead plaintiffs' attorney Ray Toucher confirmed the sides were working on a deal but he would not discuss specifics. He said negotiations would continue through the weekend and said there were still many unresolved aspects.

Ted Tambberg, archdiocese spokesman, declined to comment on any settlement details. Steven Sanchez, 47, was one of the plaintiffs set to go to trial Monday. He was expected to testify in the trial involving the late Rev. Clinton Hagenbuch.

Sanchez, a financial adviser, said the past few months have been especially difficult because he had to repeat his story of abuse for depositions with his attorneys and archdiocese attorneys in prepara-



Members of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, SNAP, protest outside Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, seat of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, in September 2006.

tion for trial. "We're 48 hours away from starting the trial and I've been spending a lot of time getting emotionally prepared to take them on, but I'm glad," he said. "It's been a long five years."

The settlement would be the largest ever by a Roman Catholic archdiocese since the clergy sexual abuse scandal erupted in Boston in 2002.

Among the largest total payouts was \$100 million in 2004 by the Diocese of Orange, Calif., to settle 90 claims. The Archdiocese of Boston agreed in 2003 to pay \$84 million for 552 cases, roughly the same figure the Diocese of Covington, Ky., agreed last year to pay to settle about 360 claims, facing a flood of abuse claims, five dioceses — Tucson, Ariz.; Spokane, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Davenport, Iowa; and San Diego — sought bankruptcy protection.

Last month, the Archdiocese of Portland agreed to pay about \$52 million to 175 people, while settling aside another \$20 million for anyone who comes forward in the future.

The Diocese of Spokane, Wash., also recently emerged from bankruptcy protection after agreeing to pay \$48 million to settle about 150 claims.

The Los Angeles archdiocese, its insurers and various Roman Catholic orders have paid more than \$14 million to settle 86 claims so far.

The largest of those came in December, when the archdiocese reached a \$60 million settlement with 45 people whose claims dated from before the mid-1950s and after 1987 — periods when it had little or no sexual abuse insurance. Several religious orders in California have also reached multimillion dollar settlements in recent months, including the Carmelites, the Franciscans and the Jesuits.

However, more than 500 other lawsuits against the archdiocese had remained unresolved despite years of legal wrangling. Most of the outstanding lawsuits were generated by a 2002 state law that revoked for one year the statute of limitations for reporting sexual abuse.

Cardinal Roger Mahony recently told parishioners in an open letter that the archdiocese was selling its high-rise administrative building and considering the sale of about 50 other nonessential church properties to raise funds for a settlement. A Los Angeles County Superior Court judge overseeing the cases recently ruled that Mahony could be called to testify in the second trial on schedule, and attorneys for plaintiffs wanted to call him in many more.

The same judge also cleared the way for four people to seek punitive damages — something that could have opened the church to tens of millions of dollars in payouts if the ruling had been expanded to other cases.

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Laurie Armstrong of The Farmhouse Collection Inc. stains an Alturas Armchair Wednesday at the company's facility in Twin Falls. The furniture company sells its hand-crafted products mainly in metropolitan areas nationwide.

Made by hand

Twin Falls company makes furniture, family heirlooms

TWIN FALLS—Some might look at the Provence armoire made by hand at a factory in Twin Falls and see only the \$17,000 price tag. The craftsmen and other employees who make and market the furniture see the result of their craftsmanship as investments that become family heirlooms.

"It's going to be in your family forever," said Helen Ryall, marketing manager for The Farmhouse Collection Inc.

Skilled workers turn deliveries of kiln-dried alder into about 1,200 pieces of hand-made furniture annually in the company's plant at 807 Russet St. The Provence armoire is one of about 100 individual pieces in the company's line of products. With more than 30 different motifs and more than 50 different finishes, those 100 pieces can be made in literally millions of combinations.

Those possibilities show how far the company has come since its founder, Ellen Wallace, and two friends hired a craftsman and started making furniture in a Ketchikan garage in 1990.

"It was really a hobby kind of business," said Brooke Riestemeyer of St. Louis, Wallace's daughter who is now the company's chief executive. "But it really caught on."
Mellie & Co., a furniture showroom in San Francisco, helped spark business for The Farmhouse Collection early in



Although most of The Farmhouse Collection Inc. furniture is custom made, a variety of templates rest on a wall.

the company's history when it placed three pieces in the gallery.

"They're (still) our No. 1 market," Riestemeyer said. "It's a great relationship."

The company, which moved to Twin Falls in 1998, sells its furniture at 15 showrooms nationwide — from Laguna Beach, California, Los Angeles and Seattle to Dallas, Minneapolis, Boston, and Palm Beach, Fla.

One of the reasons Riestemeyer — and her husband, Brent, who designs the furniture made in Twin Falls — moved to St. Louis in 1998 is because of the access it provides to cities where the showrooms are located. They also relocated to raise their children closer to her family.

"We spend a lot of time in 'Twin,'" she said. "From St. Louis, I can get a direct flight to all of my showrooms. The only place I can't get a direct flight, sadly, is to Twin Falls."

But Riestemeyer, who joined the company in 1992 as sales manager, sees the company continuing to grow



Ken Allred, one of 36 employees at The Farmhouse Collection Inc. in Twin Falls, works on a trestle table.

in Twin Falls.

"We would like to build our own facility," she said. "We hope to do that in the next few years."

Building a plant that is designed to meet the company's needs will enable The Farmhouse Collection to expand its brands. The new plant will also someday give the company more spray booths and a climate-controlled area for painting and finishing furniture. Such a facility would be a far cry from the growing pains that helped bring the company to Twin Falls. In 1991, the company moved into its first warehouse — 1,000 square feet of garage-type space — in Hatley. By 1998, it had 8,000 square feet, but the space wasn't all connected.

"We didn't have good production flow at all," Riestemeyer said. The company ultimately decided to move — choosing

Twin Falls over Boise and Shoshone — because a better building was available and three-fourths of its workforce lived in Twin Falls.

The company employs 36 people, including 25 craftsmen who work in the 30,000-square-foot factory. "It takes training. A lot of people come to us with wood-working skills or art skills," said Jon Conder, the plant manager.

"You can see there is a lot of hand work here," he said. "We don't have the computers that automate everything."

Each of the more than 15,000 pieces that have been made by the company in its history has been tagged, photographed and numbered. The company uses this system to record when each piece was built, how long it took and which craftsmen did the work.

"They do beautiful work," Conder said. "That's the glamour of what we do."

Company holding first-ever dock sale in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — It's not likely that many of the handcrafted pieces made at The Farmhouse Collection Inc. are purchased by Magic Valley residents. After all, the company has always sold its merchandise at showrooms in metropolitan areas. That will change, however, when the company hosts a sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 27-28 on its dock at 807 Russet St. Typically, items made by the company sell for \$720 for a footstool to \$17,000 for a Provence armoire.

Depending on the piece, most items in the dock sale will be sold for at least half price, company officials said. The company will be selling items made for photo shoots and showroom floors, along with pieces that have been pulled back and replaced with newer styles.

"We have several pieces," said Helen Ryall, marketing manager for The Farmhouse Collection Inc. "We don't have room to store them."



On the Web

Take a behind-the-scenes look at The Farmhouse Collection Inc. factory in Twin Falls. magvalley.com.

Story by Chris Steinbach

Photos by Ashley Smith

A nickel apiece: Shopping surcharge is in the bag

By Leslie Earnest
Los Angeles Times

When it comes to sacrificing to help the environment, IKEA shoppers are like everybody else: conflicted. Even if what they're sacrificing is

a nickel. The home products retailer charges 5 cents per plastic checkout bag, and customers are either happy that IKEA is doing something positive for the planet or irritated that they would have to fork over anything for a flimsy little sack or

some combination of both.

"It's pretty ridiculous," said Will Sisto, balancing 12 drinking glasses and two glass coffeepots in his arms as he headed to his car in the Costa Mesa, Calif., store's parking lot recently, nursing a sprained ankle.

"I'm not going to pay any money to get a bag."

In the big business crusade to be greener than the other guy, IKEA gets kudos from environmentalists who recognize the Swedish chain as the first major retailer in the U.S. to put

a price on the omnipresent bags made of thin, flexible plastic film that clog landfills, don't readily decompose and can suffocate wildlife.

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YOUR BUSINESS

MILESTONES



Photo courtesy, 2004, 1986/87, by The Downs
In 1986 Farmer's Corner was under the ownership of Lonnie and Gay Dawn Downs, who were the second generation in their family to own the business.



In 1984 Lonnie and Gay Dawn Downs owned and operated Farmer's Corner with their children. From left are, back, Tami (Downs) Burch, Shane Downs, Gay Dawn and Lonnie; and front, Tyson and Justin.



Shane Downs now owns and operates Farmer's Corner with the help of his family. From left are, back, Lonnie Downs, Gay Dawn Downs, Lolita (Ma) Merrill, Shane Downs; and front, Brenner, Quinton, Teagan, Jull and Alexa Downs.



Farmer's Corner in 2007 is under the ownership of Shane Downs, whose parents and grandparents were previous owners.

Farmer's Corner keeps family tradition alive

By Trina Teagan
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Customer service is a family tradition for the Downs family who is in the third generation of business with Farmer's Corner.

Farmer's Corner, which is located at 202 S. Highway 27 between Burley and Oakley, may be small in comparison to other grocery stores, but what it lacks in size it makes up for in service. They have many regular customers they know by name and even farmers in their muddy irrigation boots are welcome.

This tradition of service has been handed down from generation to generation, with Shane Downs, current owner and the third generation of his family to own and operate the business. The store was built in the

1940s by the Pace family on the east side of the highway, across the road from its current location. At that time it sold mainly farm machinery and gas with a small selection of grocery items.

The store changed hands several times before it became under the management of Wayne and 1804a May. After running the store for two years the lease was up and they were not given the option to renew. The Mays then purchased land just across the highway and, with the help of friends and family, built "Farmer's Corner" in just six weeks.

The Mays ran the store until 1963 when they sold it to Jay Schofield who also owned several other small grocery stores in the area. Again the business bounced around to several different owners through the years until 1984.

At that time the Mays' daughter Gay Dawn and her husband Lonnie Downs purchased the store. They even purchased her parents' home which was located directly behind the store.

The Downs family added on to the store in 1992 doubling the space, adding on to the meat department and deli and adding an eating area. In 1994 they added catering services and in 1995 they added a gift corner selling a variety of gift and theme items. Storage units and RV parking were added in 1999. In 2006 they sold the business to their son Shane Downs.

The business offers custom framing, custom meat cutting and wrapping and catering. They carry specialty items such as Lonnie's famous burritos, delicious store-baked

brownies, seasoned tenderloins, meat-cheese-vegetable trays and roasted chickens. They also sell postage stamps, propane, diesel, gasoline, canned fruits in season and numerous grocery and drug store items. Grocery delivery is also available.

The store is largely operated by the Downs family and Gay Dawn and Lonnie still help out with the catering. There are 15 employees working at the store that are not family, but all maintain a close working relationship.

Located just outside the city limits of Burley, the store doesn't compete with other grocery stores and its 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. business hours Monday through Saturday fit offers convenience to its customers and is truly a "Farmer's Corner."



Yakety Yak Wireless, Inc., held a ribbon cutting July 6 to commemorate its grand opening. The grand opening celebration continues today with free food and drinks and prize drawings which will be held at 4 p.m. Prizes include a Jabra Bluetooth wireless headset, Oakley Razzwire sunglasses, and Pay-As-You-Go telephones.

Yakety Yak Wireless opens store in Burley

BURLEY — Yakety Yak Wireless, Inc. one of the fastest-growing wireless franchises in the nation, recently opened a wireless superstore, offering a unique, multi-carrier shopping experience for businesses and consumers.

The Yakety Yak store is a licensed retailer for Sprint Nextel, Verizon, T-Mobile and Disney and also carries an extensive variety of mobile phones and wireless accessories.

We are not limited to a single carrier service or product, and consult with each customer and assist them by recommending a plan and phone that best fits their needs," said Nikki Geary, store owner. "What really sets us apart from the competition is our personalized service, from filling out forms and reviewing service plans to explaining phone functionality. We also offer all of the hottest wireless products on the market, including Bluetooth headsets, chargers and a wide selection of functional and fashionable cell phone cases and accessories."

Another unique feature of the Burley Yakety Yak wireless superstore is the "Yak Swap" program, a convenient, environmentally-friendly trade-in program for used cell phones. Customers bring in their old cell phones and have the "Blue Book" value of the phone assessed for an instant in-store credit or cash, making it easy to responsibly recycle and also offset the cost of new equipment. "E-waste is a community

concern, and the Yak Swap program is sensible alternative to discarding cell phones that contain lead, cadmium and mercury and cannot be safely dumped in landfills," Geary said. "As members of the community, we are very concerned about the amount of e-waste and the Yak Swap recycling program is an important part of the solution."

The Yakety Yak wireless superstore is located at 641 Overhaul Ave. in Burley. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday. The store is closed on Sunday. The telephone number is 676-0224.

Yakety Yak Wireless is one of the largest wireless franchises in the nation, offering a unique shopping experience from leading brands such as Sprint Nextel, T-Mobile, Motorola and Bluetooth. Rather than limiting our customers to a single product or service, we assist customers in choosing the wireless products and services that best fit their needs. Our innovative system and customer-centric approach have revolutionized the way people buy wireless communication solutions, and made Yakety Yak the one-stop shop for the consumer looking to get new or upgraded phone service or the latest wireless accessories. For more information on where to find the nearest Yakety Yak or open your own store, please visit www.yakety.com or call 1.888.YAK.ITUP.

'Freedom Gallery' comes to Burley Book Plaza

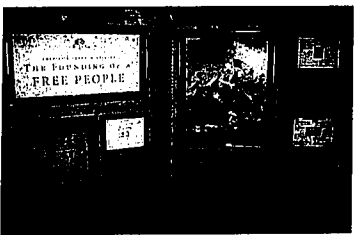
A "Freedom Gallery" is being constructed on the main floor of the Book Plaza in Burley.

The gallery is now open during construction. There isn't any charge to visit the gallery.

Many paintings and documents are already in the gallery. This is an unusual collection of many paintings and documents that tell the story of the founding of our country in detail. These colorful reproductions come from the original documents and art work which formed the basis for our democratic republic.

This is a display of framed documents and pictures. All of the paintings and documents and narratives are framed in polished mahogany and are of National Gallery quality.

One of the outstanding portraits featured in the Book Plaza's gallery is "The Spirit of 1776" painted by Archibald Willard for the United States Centennial in 1876. It was orig-



The Book Plaza in Burley, still under construction, features an unusual collection of many paintings and documents that tell the story of the founding of our country in detail.

inally known as "Yankee Doodle."

The "Declaration of Independence" and the accompanying painting, narrative explanation and portrait key shows the names of the actual signers is an impressive display within the over all exhibit.

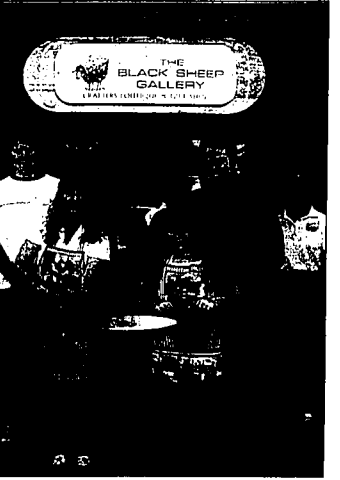
Constitution and the actual reproduction of the original document moves most people to moments of silence meditation where they ponder the awesome task our Founding Fathers undertook in establishing a new country like no other in the entire world and how this Constitution has endured and inspired the world for more than 200 years.

This collection of colorful reproductions is from the Original Archive Documents and Masterful Art Works in Washington D. C.

The purpose of Freedom Gallery is to preserve and advance the history and heritage of America's pioneers. The Freedom Gallery will be open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the Book Plaza. People are encouraged to bring their friends from out of the area to visit the Freedom Gallery.

Guided tours can be arranged.

BLACK SHEEP GALLERY



Black Sheep Gallery located at 830 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls held a ribbon cutting recently with the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors. They are a crafter's gift gallery and offer special unique gifts and treasures for your home. For more information, call 733-9971. Pictured from left, front row, Jamie McDowell, owner, and Sara McDowell; back row, Andy McDowell and Mitch McDowell.

Business groups challenge Arizona's employer sanctions law

PHOENIX (AP) — Two business groups filed a lawsuit Friday challenging a new Arizona law that makes it a crime to knowingly hire illegal immigrants.

The Arizona Contractors Association and Arizona Employers For Immigration Reform asked a federal judge for a preliminary injunction barring enforcement of the

new rules, which were signed into law 11 days ago by Gov. Janet Napolitano.

The business groups argued the law is an unconstitutional attempt by the state to regulate immigration and that cracking down on such hirings is a responsibility of the federal government.

The goal of the law was to remove the economic incen-

tive for immigrants to sneak across the border and help lessen Arizona's role as the busiest illegal gateway into the nation.

The law hasn't yet taken effect.

Andrea Esquer, a spokeswoman for the Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard, one of the two officials who were sued in

the legal challenge, declined to comment on the lawsuit.

Advocates for tougher border enforcement said state punishments were needed because the federal government has failed to adequately enforce a federal law that already bars employers from knowingly hiring illegal immigrants.

NATION

Lady Bird Johnson laid to rest against wildflower backdrop

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Former presidents, fellow first ladies and about 1,800 other people attended a private funeral Saturday for Lady Bird Johnson, celebrating her memory against a backdrop of the wildflowers and hymns that she loved.

Two huge, multicolored floral displays, posted at the front of the Lyndon B. Johnson Center sanctuary, included wildflowers and blooms from the gardens of friends of the former first lady, an environmentalist devoted to preserving wildflowers and native plants. Behind the pulpit, a large window looked out onto the Texas Hill Country.

Several family members were expected to speak, as well as TV host Bill Moyers, a former press secretary for the late President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Those attending included first lady Laura Bush; former first lady Barbara Bush; former President Bill Clinton and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton; former President Jimmy Carter and wife Rosalynn Carter; former first lady Nancy Reagan; Caroline Kennedy, daughter of the late President John F. Kennedy; and Texas Gov. Rick Perry and his wife Anita.

Three days of ceremonies began Friday with private family prayer services, followed by a huge public outpouring. As the former first lady's body lay in repose at the LBJ Library and Museum on Friday and Saturday, more than 11,500 people paid their respects.



Former first lady Lady Bird Johnson sits in a field of wildflowers in the Texas Hill Country on May 10, 1990. Lady Bird Johnson, the former first lady who championed conservation and worked tenaciously for the political career of her husband, former President Lyndon B. Johnson, died Wednesday.

Johnson died Wednesday at her Austin home of natural causes.

"My mother had 94 delicate years. She lived them to the fullest," daughter Luci Baines Johnson said Friday. Despite her mother's medical problems, she said, Lady Bird Johnson recently toured a university art museum and delighted in wildflowers in the nearby Hill Country.

"As long as she drew breath, she was wanting to discover and make an impact on beauty," her daughter said.

Ceremonies for Johnson began with a religious service for the family Friday at her beloved Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, which Johnson founded in 1982 to further the preservation of

wildflowers and native plants. Her casket was later placed on the spot in the Johnson Library where her husband's casket rested after his death in 1973.

Family friend and spokesman Neal Speece said that the program for Saturday's services has been in the works for several years and that Lady Bird Johnson was heavily involved. She loved hymns, so a lot of singing was planned, he said.

At the end of Saturday's service, the University of Texas Longhorn Band was to play "The Eyes of Texas."

The service was invitation-only but is being televised on CBS-SPAN. Johnson will be buried Sunday next to her husband at the LBJ Ranch.

On the Net: Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center: <http://www.ladybirdjohnsontribute.org>
LBJ Library and Museum: <http://www.lbjlib.utexas.edu>

West Nile virus found in northwest Utah mosquitoes

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — A cluster of mosquitoes in Box Elder County has tested positive for West Nile virus, marking the emergence of the disease in northwestern Utah.

The Bear River Health Department confirmed the test results Friday.

It was the year's second confirmed case in Utah of a disease that can be spread by mosquitoes that pick it up

from biting infected birds. Earlier one of the more than 400 chickens distributed to communities across Utah for testing purposes was confirmed to have the virus. The chickens don't get sick from the virus but develop signs of infection in their blood.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said there were 158 human cases of West Nile, including five

deaths, in Utah in 2006.

The last recorded death was of Arla Heaton, 74, of Murray, who was infected by a mosquito while tending a garden before dawn, family members said. She died in September.

Most people infected with West Nile show no symptoms, but some can develop a fever, headache and rash that lasts a few days, experts say. Older people are at greater risk.

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EDITORIAL

The long, sad decline of Idaho's Red Cross

On July 6 — Black Friday in Shoshone — 20 Red Cross volunteers materialized out of nowhere to operate a temporary shelter for folks fleeing wildfires that threatened the town.

At one point, the humanitarian organization had more volunteers on the scene than displaced residents.

That's a good thing, because volunteers will soon be all that the Red Cross has left in south-central Idaho.

Dick Rush, executive director of the Red Cross of Greater Idaho, pulled the plug on the last paid staff position in the Magic Valley on Thursday, meaning the 50-some Red Cross volunteers in the Twin Falls area are on their own. They'll be supervised by a Red Cross regional office in Idaho Falls.

Paid staff statewide will be cut to 10, or half the employees of a year ago.

The reason is flagging financial support, part of a boom-or-bust cycle that the Red Cross and other charitable organizations have experienced since the 9/11 disasters in 2001 and Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Seventy percent of American Red Cross chapters, including Idaho's, have reported contributions that trail their budget forecasts.

Since Red Cross chapters are locally funded, we're really brought this crisis on ourselves. But for its part, the organization has not been nimble or innovative enough to re-tool a feast-or-famine financing system that clearly isn't working adequately anymore.

The donor base needs to be broader and the organization has to be able to tap public, as well as private-sector, funding sources. The American Red Cross must be leaner and its administration more responsive to local — as opposed to national and international — needs.

But that's for the future. For the present, ours is an all-volunteer Red Cross.

That has a few advantages. Red Cross volunteers are trained, and many have a great deal of experience in disaster response and blood collection.

But even an all-volunteer army needs an officer or two. We're skeptical that from 160 miles away, the Red Cross of Greater Idaho can effectively manage aid to disaster victims in the Magic Valley, while providing first aid, CPR, baby-sitting, lifesaving and other training.

How will volunteers mobilize for emergencies? How will changes affect credibility in the eyes of donors? And how will cutting its lead fundraiser save money in a donation-dependent agency?

The Red Cross provides services in the Magic Valley that nobody else is in a position to do. Who else will care for families that have lost their homes to fire? What other agency — public or private — can come close to the Red Cross's system for collecting blood? Who else has the network to deal with emergencies involving families with loved ones serving in Iraq and Afghanistan?

Simply stated, south-central Idaho can't do without Red Cross services. So south-central Idaho can't do without the Red Cross.

Luckily, the Red Cross has a network of dedicated supporters with deep pockets in the Magic Valley. It's a network that cuts across economic, religious, geographic and cultural lines.

The organization must tap both in the months and years to come.

We salute the core cadre of 15-20 volunteers that makes the Red Cross work across the Magic Valley. But we can no longer assume they can be everywhere and meet every need all the time.

Somebody is going to have to take up some slack — churches, hospitals, non-profit groups, city and county government. Public officials and folks who run those organizations need to be aware of that fact.

Because the Red Cross of Greater Idaho may have crossed the point of no return in providing a degree and variety of services that it has up to now. If so, we're all the poorer for it.

A chronology of cutbacks

June 2001 — Red Cross of Greater Idaho closes its Rupert office, lays off three employees in its Twin Falls office and transfers another.

Nov. 26, 2002 — Red Cross announces pay cuts and trim of office hours statewide.

June 10, 2003 — Red Cross announces layoffs of 12 of its 31 employees statewide. Only one paid employee — director Patricia Lindholm — remains in the Twin Falls office.

August 2005 — Red Cross reduces its Twin Falls staff to one volunteer and one temporary worker.

September 2005 — Red Cross hires a full-time director, Whitney Beem, to run its Twin Falls office.

July 12, 2007 — Red Cross announces it will end Beem's job, leaving the Twin Falls office to be a volunteer effort.

Times-News Editorial Board members: Brad Hurd, Steve Crump, Traci Bliss, Bill Bitzenberg and David Cooper.

Time to wall off terrorists

What if we can't all get along? What if it really is a cruel world? Those questions become more relevant as we evaluate the latest terrorism news: On Tuesday, Michael Chertoff, secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, said he

had a "gut feeling" that an attack might be coming. And the same day, ABC News' Brian Ross reported that the White House had been convening emergency meetings.

Now, of course, some will dismiss all this as "wag the dog"-type fear-mongering. But surely Sept. 11 taught us that cynical complacency is no longer a good option.

Indeed, the number of terrorists has multiplied in recent years, as their origins have diversified. We might pause to consider the latest batch of bombers to be convicted in Britain, because their terrible stories shed light on the consequences of multiculturalism, especially when it's imported from the Muslim world.

On Monday, four men — Muktar Said Ibrahim, Ramzi Mohammed, Yassin Omar, and Ibrahim Osman — were convicted of attempting mass murder aboard London transit on July 21, 2005. These were the "7/21" plotters, who failed, as opposed to the earlier "7/7" plotters, who had succeeded. And neither group is to be confused with the most recent gang of terrorists, those who attempted murderous attacks in London and Glasgow just last month.

The ringleader was Ibrahim, born in Beirut. That's an African country which, according to U.S. government data, enjoys (if that's the right word) an annual per capita gross domestic product of \$700; that puts it 221st in world rankings. Despite a string of convictions for robbery and assault, Ibrahim was able to gain British citizenship, enabling him to live in country with a per capita GDI of \$27,700.

One might suppose that Ibrahim, finally enmeshed in the United Kingdom, would settle back and relax, enjoy the economic opportunities a rich capitalist country — at least the comforts of a well funded welfare state. But no. Citizen Ibrahim immediately used his British passport to travel to Pakistan in late September in jihad. Talk about ingratitude.

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I took three years, a lot of coaxing and putting him in a partial food coma to seal the deal, but I finally got my husband to convert.

"I read the first three books," he wheedled, "and you'll be a believer."

My husband loathes children's books, science fiction and "anything with games and wizzards and all that lame stuff." His idea of a pulse-quickening bench read is a thousand-page tome on U.S. foreign policy from 1919 to 1939. But one night a couple of months ago, after the fourth chicken taco, he began to give in.

Six books later, he's a bona fide Potterhead. Victory.

Now we're waiting together for the seventh and supposedly final book in J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series. At one minute past midnight on Saturday morning, well be among the salivating fans who'll be snatching up copies of "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."

Finally, the answers to so many burning questions: Will Harry avenge his parents' deaths? Will Severus Snape redeem himself? Will Ron ask Hermione to marry him? Will Lord Voldemort, the biggest baddy in children's literature, finally get snuff?

You'd think a theory-swapping, fan-fiction-loving super-fan like myself would be ecstatic.

But I'm heartbroken. I don't want this journey I've taken with Harry and his

stream. And in my freshman year, Rowling's boy-wizard books were more ubiquitous than Muggles on the Metro at rush hour.



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EDITORIAL

The long, sad decline of Idaho's Red Cross

On July 6 — Black Friday in Shoshone — 20 Red Cross volunteers materialized out of nowhere to operate a temporary shelter for folks fleeing wildfires that threatened the town.

At one point, the humanitarian organization had more volunteers on the scene than displaced residents.

That's a good thing, because volunteers will soon be all that the Red Cross has left in south-central Idaho.

Dick Rush, executive director of the Red Cross of Greater Idaho, pulled the plug on the last paid staff position in the Magic Valley on Thursday, meaning the 50-some Red Cross volunteers in the Twin Falls area are on their own. They'll be supervised by a Red Cross regional office in Idaho Falls.

Paid staff statewide will be cut to 10, or half the employees of a year ago.

The reason is flagging financial support, part of a boom-or-bust cycle that the Red Cross and other charitable organizations have experienced since the 9/11 disasters in 2001 and Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Seventy percent of American Red Cross chapters, including Idaho's, have reported contributions that fell their budget forecasts. Since the Red Cross chapters are locally funded, we've really brought this crisis on ourselves. But for its part, the organization just hasn't been nimble or innovative enough to re-tool a feast-or-famine financing system that clearly isn't working adequately anymore.

The donor base needs to be broader and the organization has to be able to tap public, as well as private-sector, funding sources. The American Red Cross management — as opposed to its administration more responsive to local — was less able to national and international — needs.

But that's for the future. For the present, ours is an all-volunteer Red Cross. That has a few advantages. Red Cross volunteers are highly motivated, and many have years of experience in disaster response and blood collection.

But even an all-volunteer army needs an officer or two. We've elected that from 100 miles away, the Red Cross of Greater Idaho can effectively manage aid to disaster victims in the Magic Valley, while providing first aid, CPR, baby-sitting, lifesaving and other training.

How will volunteers mobilize for emergencies? How will changes affect credibility in the eyes of donors? And how will cutting its lead fundraiser save money in a donor-dependent agency?

The Red Cross provides services in the Magic Valley that nobody else is in a position to do. Who else will care for families that have lost their homes to fire? What other agency — public or private — can come close to the Red Cross's system for collecting blood? Who else has the network to deal with emergencies involving families with loved ones serving in Iraq and Afghanistan?

Simply stated, south-central Idaho can't do without Red Cross services. So south-central Idaho can't do without the Red Cross.

Luckily, the Red Cross has a network of interested supporters with deep pockets in the Magic Valley who enjoys a pool of public good will in the Magic Valley that cuts across economic, religious, geographic and ethnic lines.

The organization must tap both in the months and years to come.

We salute the care cadre of 15-20 volunteers that makes the Red Cross work across the Magic Valley. But we can no longer assume they can be everywhere and meet every need all the time.

Somebody is going to have to take up some slack — churches, hospitals, non-profit groups, city and county government, public officials and folks who run those organizations need to be aware of that fact.

Because the Red Cross of Greater Idaho may have crossed the point of no return in providing the degree and variety of services that it has up to now. If so, we're all the poorer for it.

Our view:
In the wake of the latest round of cutbacks, the Magic Valley can no longer assume that the Red Cross is in a position to provide all the services it has in the past.

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

Time to wall off terrorists

What if we can't all get along? What if it really is a cruel world? Those questions become more relevant as we evaluate the latest terrorism news: On Tuesday, Michael Chertoff, secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, said he



JAMES P. PINKERTON

had a "gut feeling" that an attack might be coming. And the same day, ABC News' Brian Ross reported that the White House had been convening emergency meetings. Now, of course, some will dismiss all this as "wag the dog" type fear-mongering. But surely Sept. 11 taught us that cynical complacency is no longer a good option.

Indeed, the number of terrorists has multiplied in recent years, as their origins have diversified. We might pause to consider the latest bunch of bombers to be convicted in Britain, because their terrorist stories shed light on the consequences of multiculturalism, especially when it's imported from the Muslim world.

On Monday, four men — Muktar Said Ibrahim, Ramzi Mohammed, Yassin Omar, Hussain Osman — were convicted of attempting mass murder aboard London transit on July 21, 2005. These were the "7/21" plotters, who failed, as opposed to the earlier "7/7" plotters, who homicidally succeeded. And neither group is to be confused with the recent gang of terrorists, those who attempted murderous acts in London and Glasgow just last month.

The ringleader was Ibrahim, born in Eritrea. That's an



African country which, according to U.S. government data, enjoys (if that's the right word) an annual per capita gross domestic product of \$700; that puts it 221st in world rankings. Despite a string of convictions for robbery and assault, Ibrahim was able to gain British citizenship, entitling him to live in a country with a per capita GDP of \$27,700.

One might suppose that Ibrahim, finally ensconced in the United Kingdom, would settle back and relax, enjoying the economic opportunities of a rich capitalist country — or at least the comforts of a well-funded welfare state. But no: Citizen Ibrahim immediately used his British passport to travel to Pakistan to take lessons in jihad. Talk about ingratitudes.

And the others were no better and no more grateful to their host country. Ramzi Mohammed, born in Somalia (per capita GDP: \$300), was videotaped pointing his

bomb-filled backpack toward a woman with her child in a stroller, as he tried, and failed, to detonate the backpack. A teeny guy: How many more like that do you want in your country?

The obvious point is that all the money, democracy or liberty and discovered freedom do a thing to pacify the 7/21 plotters. As their trial demonstrated, they were all hopped up on anti-Western Islamic radicalism. And it's obvious to even the most casual observer that such jihadism enjoys considerable quiet support among Muslim populations, not only in the United Kingdom but also in the United States. Indeed, such anger is part of a worldwide groundswell.

What makes Muslims angry? Some say it's Israel. Some say it's Afghanistan and Iraq wars. Some say it's our mere existence.

Whatever the cause of Muslim anger, our cultures don't seem to be getting along

too well. And that has implications for the future — and for our survival: First, let's stop kidding ourselves that our bloody attempts to "liberate" them are going to turn foes into friends. If Muslims don't like us in democratic Britain, they aren't going to like us in a democratized Saudi Arabia.

Second, let's build a big wall of protection, civilization-wide, against dangerous people. The goal should not be war but rather separation — which is the opposite of war. And for those already here, let's revive old social safeguards, such as good-citizen-ship oaths.

Does such oath-taking intrude on our civil liberties? I don't think so. Here I'll start: I pledge not to murder my fellow Americans. It's a beginning — in what will be, alas, a long twilight struggle.

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I'm proud to be a Potterhead

I took three years, a lot of coaxing and putting him in a partial food coma to seal the deal, but I finally got my husband to convert.

"Read the first three books," I whined, "and you'll be a believer."

My husband loathes children's books, science fiction and anything with gnomes and wizards and all that lame stuff. His idea of a pulse-quickening beach read is a thousand-page tome on U.S. foreign policy from 1918 to 1939. But one night a couple of months ago, after the fourth chicken taco, he began to give in.

Six books later, he's a bona fide Potterhead. Victory.

Now we're waiting together for the seventh and supposedly final book in J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series. At midnight past midnight on Saturday morning, we'll be among the salivating fans who'll be snatching up copies of "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."

You'd think a theory-swarmer like me would be super-fan like myself would be ecstatic. But I'm heartbroken. I don't want this journey I've taken with Harry and his

SABAA SALEEM TAHIR

"Children's trips," I sneered. "I'd rather read something meaningful, like Faulkner or Joyce."

But one sunny Saturday, when I was home with the flu and everyone else was at a music festival, a friend left the first book, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," on my bed. My stubbornness weakened by a viral infection, I began to read.

By Chapter 12, contempt had been replaced by grudging interest. By Chapter 16, I was hooked. I finished the second and third books in days. And then I was introduced to the hane of every Harry Potter fan's existence: The waiting.

At books for book IV, "The Goblet of Fire." Years for the rest. The wait for each new volume was so torturous that I resolved to find company for my misery.

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I had no idea how many people visited them. One, MuggleNet.com, gets more than 30 million hits a month from visitors in 183 countries. At first, I just checked out the news. I wasn't so dorky as to participate in any of the discussions. But eventually I jumped in. That hurdle conquered, I was open to the next level: fan fiction. This is where roundabouts of all things Harry develop their own stories, extending Harry's world and creating new ones. And some of their work isn't half bad. Really.

When I'd had my fill of fan sites and fiction, I turned to other books — about Harry Potter. The staff of MuggleNet.com released a book called "What Will Happen in Harry Potter 7?" Sounds silly, right? A book about a book that isn't even out yet? Who would buy that? It has sold 300,000 copies.

The other day, I was in the living room reading another Harry Potter theory book, "The Great Snape Debate," by Amy Berner, Joyce Millanan and Orson Scott Card. My sister-in-law saw it and scoffed, "I can't believe you're reading a book about characters in another book," she said. "It is so lame."

Her comment made me wonder what it is that makes fans love these books, that has made us stick with them for years and seek out those who feel the same way. Is it, as so many critics say, just escapism? An addiction to candy-rotten reading? Yes, it has its light moments, but the Potter series is all that. Harry loses his parents and several allies, is tortured, has his

mind broken into and faces all sorts of dangerous beasts, while retaining his good humor and a stubborn streak of bravery. Bowing to moments of prejudices, loneliness, the often life-altering angst of young adulthood and the bonds of family and friendship. All with a wicked sense of humor.

As I've read and reread the books, I've been reminded of some important things. That the world isn't divided into only good and evil, but that there are all kinds of people in between — with all kinds of stories. That you shouldn't just fight for truth and justice, but hold your head high as you do it. That love is infinitely powerful and infinitely complex as well. And that you should never forget what it's like to be young.

On Friday night, I'll sneak out of work early to meet my husband at a bookstore where we can join other Potterheads in the ultimate rite of adulthood: book-release review. We'll get our copies of "Deathly Hallows," and my husband will have to guide me through the parking lot as I start reading. We'll stay up all night (or I will, anyway) to finish.

But when morning comes, I'm sure I'll be in tears, even if Harry doesn't get smoked by Voldemort. I've spent the past six years finishing Potter books and thinking, "All right, I'm ready for the next one." But this time, there is no next one.

What could possibly read that will capture my imagination like the writing Rowling's books have? Something tells me Faulkner and Joyce aren't going to cut it.

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Angel or angel on earth? No matter, I simply want to express my deepest, heartfelt thanks to her because, to me, she was an angel at a very difficult time.

If by some chance this scenario fits for more than one person, then I think all of those selfless individuals who have also taken a few minutes to show compassion to a fellow human, stranger or not, it is kindness such as this that makes the world a better place to live, and I know for a moment it was definitely a light in my darkness.

Thank you and may God bless you always.
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Be thankful for the police and security personnel

To Shirena Box of Shoshone: Bigger than feeling the crime of shoplifting was petty, you should be thankful that the WinCo staff and the Twin Falls police took a very dangerous individual out of the public area of the store and into a more confined environment to talk to him. How would you feel now if he had come up to the register you were at, pulled his gun in attempted robbery and started firing? The outcome could have been much different.

The man in question should have told the officers that he was armed and allowed them to take possession of the gun by simply raising his hands. Instead, he chose to draw his gun in an aggressive manner. The Twin Falls Police are to be congratulated that they have officers who are well-trained, able and willing to respond quickly and are willing to put their lives on the line to protect you and your family.

Offer up your prayers for the young man and his family, but please understand that we all have to make choices in life. His choice was to commit crimes, show disregard for others — both their possessions and lives — and to draw a gun on officers.

Please also pray for the safety of all the individuals that put their lives on the line that we may continue to live in a safe and free society.
JOYCE O'DONNELL
Hazelton

Washington seems to want us disarmed

All of the ongoing "investigation" of the Bush Trading Post is nothing but a backdoor effort by Washington to close down firearms availability to the public. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms operates with impunity, nitpicking old sales records of licensed

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There is a problem in our city that needs to be addressed and that is the problem of weeds in sidewalks and alleys, and trees and bushes that restrict visibility for drivers and mobility for pedestrians.

Business owners and residents are responsible for the removal of these weeds and tree branches on their property. An area for example that needs attention is the sidewalk across from Twin Falls High School on Locust Street. It is unsightly with 3- to 4-foot tall weeds and is impossible in parts. This area who take a tour to see the schools and other sights would probably not think highly of our community pride.

Maybe our community

could start a group of strong young people who could pull weeds and prune trees and bushes for citizens who cannot do it for themselves. This would be a better choice than

those residents and business owners receiving a fine from our city for their weed problem.
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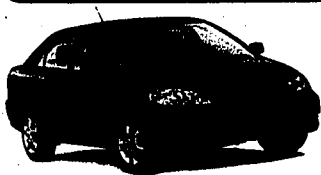
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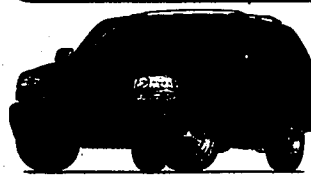
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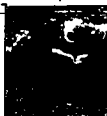
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Are you up to partying like a Rockstar?

Yield to no one in my esteem for the restorative powers of a strong cup of coffee, and, yes, when the workday drags along excessively I make a couple of trips to the office vending machine for caffeine-laden Diet Coke.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

But, Jeepers, have you been to the supermarket lately? Extreme caffeine has taken over the soda pop aisle, tied up the store manager and is tap-dancing on heads of lettuce over in the produce department.

Consider:
• Powershot, a concentrate or raspberry- or cherry-flavored energy drink from Canada sold in 1-ounce tubes, contains 100 milligrams of caffeine. That works out to 1,200 milligrams of caffeine in a 12-ounce serving (the same amount of drip coffee would deliver about 250 milligrams of caffeine).

• Hipshot concentrated energy shots from California-based Drinks That Work Inc. is sold in fruit, cola or mocha flavors; a 2 1/2-ounce bottle of the stuff contains 200 milligrams of caffeine. Two 2-ounce would deliver 960 milligrams.

• Wired X344. The name represents the amount of caffeine in a 16-ounce can. Oh, and Wired also offers a wide range of drinks in 23 1/2-ounce cans.

• Rocketstar. The current star of the high-caffeine market with 150 milligrams of caffeine in a 16-ounce can (or you can buy a 24-ounce version with 240 milligrams of caffeine).

• Redux. A Las Vegas-based Redux Beverages pulled its Cocaine energy drink from grocery store shelves after the federal Food and Drug Administration warned the company that it was "illegally marketing their drink as an alternative to street drugs."

Cocaine, which Redux billed as 350 times stronger than the Bull energy drink, was pitched to give a person a "high" combined with a tingly euphoric feeling within five minutes of drinking it. That initial boost is followed 15 minutes later by an energy buzz lasting up five to six hours, Redux claimed.

I think we've gone beyond the late-afternoon pick-me-up.

Question is, how is all that caffeine affecting the griminess of society at large?

You and I both know folks who should switch to decaf, even if they consume no caffeine. A jolt of Rocketstar would put them in the state penitentiary.

So shouldn't we be confronting these people at convenience store counters, just to see if they can handle all that caffeine?

It could be a very simple test. The clerk would keep a really big book, say, "Tolstoy's 'War and Peace,'" next to the cash register. Every time a customer plunked a can of Jolt Cola (220 milligrams of caffeine in 23 1/2 ounces) or a bottle of Bovis Guarana (67 milligrams of caffeine in 10 ounces) down on the counter to pay for his or her purchase, the clerk would drop Tolstoy on the floor.

If the customer actually ended up on the ceiling — with his or her fingernails embedded in the acoustic ceiling tile — no sale. How many can you tell if you're periously overcaffeinated? The Web site EnergyFiend.com (<http://www.energyfiend.com>) contains a calculator of the amount of your favorite decaffeinated beverage that it would take to kill you, based on your weight.

Apparently, I died in 1977.

Fun in the park



Kent Dodds, left, and his sister Susan talk about their costumes as Andrew Bortz looks on Saturday at Twin Falls City Park. The kids were part of several local talents to perform during the Variety Show during Kids' Art in the Park.

Children spend Saturday making art and craft projects

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Five-year-old Brielle Bronson picked up her self-made puppet crafted with a paper plate, some yarn and a few buttons.

"Hiellooo," she said hiding behind her new creation, giggling with a smile on her face.

Breaving a scorching sun and high temperatures, hundreds of kids, including Bronson, spent Saturday at the 16th annual "Kids Art in the Park" at City Park in Twin Falls, where they participated in different arts and crafts activities. The all-day event, put on by the Magic Valley Arts Council, attracted families throughout the Magic Valley.

The event is important because schools continue to

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— JoyLynn Bronson, Twin Falls

cuts arts and music programs in schools, said Carolyn White, program director for the Magic Valley Arts Council.

"They get an experience that's hands on," she said. "It's fabulous."

Registration was \$2 and the day was split into a morning session for children in grades first through third and an afternoon session for kids in grades fourth through sixth. The workshops were taught by school teachers and professional artists.



Brielle Bronson, 5, shows off her creation — a mask she says she made to look like herself. This activity was one of nearly 20 that children could take part in Saturday at Twin Falls City Park during the 16th annual Kids' Art in the Park.

Late in the morning at the scrapbooking table, Julia Ames, 8, put the finishing touches on her craft — a scrapbook made from a brown paper bag and decorated with stickers and colored with crayons. It's for her brother, Nathan, who will soon start kindergarten.

"It's fun," she said about making crafts for her brother.

There were nearly 20 classes in both sessions, including Mexican flower-making, animal puppets and painting like Jackson Pollock, the influential American abstract

expressionist. Preschoolers participated in puppets, painting and playing with clay.

JoyLynn Bronson, who moved with her husband and family to Twin Falls from Utah four years ago, said that Art in the Park is great for her kids and they look forward to it each year.

"This is an event we can't miss," she said. "We plan all our vacations around this."

Between the two sessions was a variety show with more than a dozen kids performing musical numbers with

singing, dancing and instruments.

Eighteen-year-old Kent Dodds and his 17-year-old sister, Susan, withstood the three-digit degree weather in full cowboy and cowgirl regalia to perform "Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better" from Annie Get Your Gun.

"We can sing in any kind of weather," Susan Dodd said before the show. "I love to sing."

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Bountiful baby boom

Local economy could be cause of rise in births

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was a new record: 173.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center had never seen so many births in one month in the history of the hospital. Hospital staff delivered so many babies in June that they ran out of rooms in the second-floor postpartum ward and had to move some mothers up to another floor.

Staff members don't know the reason for a rise in the number of births at the hospital, said Alissa Kevan, manager of obstetrics — the average number is only 120. But they expect it to continue.

There's the possibility, Kevan said, that more people are coming to St. Luke's Magic Valley because some area hospitals closed their delivery facilities. And then there's the economy.

"We've discussed the fact that the LDS temple was built here, and Jayco and others are bringing new jobs," she said.

That's what others in the area are suggesting may be behind a miniature baby boom. Maggi Machala, director of community health for South Central



Nicole Tabb holds her 3-week-old daughter Chloe Friday afternoon at their home in Kimberly. Chloe was born in June along with a record 173 babies born at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

See more photos of the Tabbs online [magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com)

'A ways to go' in search of Gooding superintendent

Board expects no decision until July 24

By Nick Coltrain
Times-News writer

GOODING — School starts in about five weeks and Gooding School District is still early on the road to a superintendent.

The board will stop taking applications today but Kathleen Golcochea, Gooding school board chairwoman, said the board could decide to reopen the application process at their July 24 meeting if none of the applicants satisfy the board.

Golcochea said the board hasn't yet looked at any of the about four applications yet. She said the board will not make any decisions until its next meeting.

"We're really late in one aspect because of the time of the year, but on the other hand we're really early," Golcochea said, referring to the hiring process.

"We've got a ways to go as far as I can figure out."

She said they have no deadlines set for hiring either an interim superintendent or a permanent one. Bob Stearns, the past superintendent, left at the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

Golcochea said the

School Board hasn't discussed criteria for what they want from a superintendent or hired anyone to do background checks on a superintendent candidate. She said the board has been getting guidance from the superintendents in surrounding counties and retired superintendents in Gooding.

Board member Raymond Goodman said he would look for a candidate who would work well with finances and personnel.

The Gooding School District is working to fix budget woes after overspending almost \$1 million over two academic school years.

The district used its reserve funds to cover the expenditures.

The school district is also trying to fill a vacant principal and special education counselor as well, Goodman said.

Goodman said he would also like to see someone, interim or full time, by the time the school year starts to take the load off the School Board.

"He'll be busy the first month because most superintendent candidates have June, July and August to prepare," Goodman said.

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OBITUARIES

Beth Moulton Beard Brinton

TWIN FALLS — Beth Moulton Beard Brinton, 81, of Twin Falls passed away Thursday, July 12, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a short illness.

Beth was born April 19, 1926, in Kama, Utah, the second child of Albert Thacker and Ina Ethel Page. The family moved to the Victor, Idaho, area where Beth enjoyed helping her father with his bus service. She attended Rick's College, where she received a degree in business. During her working career, she worked for Walt Disney Productions and later worked as a secretary and bookkeeper for 35 years at various businesses in Burley, Twin Falls and Halley. She married Joseph W. Beard on Nov. 14, 1946, and from this union had five children, Dan (Jay) Beard, Bette Lee Crist, Richard (Fred) Beard, Mary Beth Slinger (Rockey) and Myron Lynn (Les) Beard. On Feb. 22, 1965, she married William Max Brinton and enjoyed an extended family of Aldon (Sam) Brinton, Bruce (Sandor) Brinton, Samuel (Madrin) Brinton, Gary (Clyde) Brinton, Mary (Paul) Warner and Loretta (Jon) Jensen.

Beth is survived by her grandchildren, stepchildren, 50 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces

and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Max; brother, Albert; sisters, Deon and Wanda; and a great-grandson, Gary.

Max and Beth shared a love of the gospel and served a mission for the LDS Church, both in Washington, D.C. and Cebu, Philippines. She was active in her church serving in numerous positions, and could be counted on to play the organ or piano at a moment's notice. She was also a member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. When she and her friends got together, a card game would ensue, but always took second place to dancing for which she had a passion. A love of travel took her to many destinations, enjoying a show at Branson, and parading in Mexico at 60 years young. She was a lady who took nothing for granted and worked hard until ill health caught up with her. She will be missed by her family and many friends.

The funeral will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, at the Kimberly Stuke Center. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary. "Chapel by the Park" and from 11:35 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

George C. Detweiler

TWIN FALLS — George C. Detweiler, of Twin Falls, Idaho, went home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, July 11, 2007.

He was born in St. Lake City, Utah, on Feb. 12, 1943, to George H. and Ruth Detweiler. Although born in Utah, he never lived there and stubbornly considered himself a native Idahoan. George graduated from Twin Falls High School and then attended George Washington University, where he studied economics and political science. He went on to attend law school at Georgetown University. Upon earning his J.D., George accepted a position as assistant attorney general for the state of Idaho. He later handled the legal work for his father's business, Detweiler Brothers Inc. In 1976, he married Cora Lee Jauchens of Ketchikan, Idaho, who was teaching in Bellevue at the time. They resided in Twin Falls and had two children, Lisa and Erin. Cora Lee passed away in 2001 and in 2005, he married Pam Grimm of Twin Falls.

George was a fly fisherman, bird hunter, and prolific punter. He was passionate about the environment and the U.S. Constitution. He authored legislation, counseled policy makers and wrote numerous articles, including for the New American magazine, sharing

his opinion and expertise on the precious document. George was very active in the John Birch Society, for which he served on both the Council and Executive Committee. He was a member of the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee Executive Board of Directors, and once served on the board of the National Rifle Association. For many years, he was a member of the Twin Falls Reformed Church and had recently been actively involved in Lighthouse Christian Fellowship. He was a member of Gideons International. George cared deeply for his family and his country and will be remembered as a dedicated and focused individual.

He leaves behind two daughters, Lisa Detweiler of Kennett Square, Pa., and Erin Detweiler of Seattle, Wash.; a wife, Pam; and her two daughters, Brandy Rasmussen of Twin Falls and Courtney Jacklin of Couer d'Alene. He was preceded in death by his father, George H. Detweiler; his mother, Ruth Detweiler; and his first wife, Cora Lee Detweiler.

A memorial service is planned for Wednesday, July 18, at 11 a.m. at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, with a celebration of life following. Wednesday will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends and donors, the family suggests that donations be made to the John Birch Society or the Lighthouse Christian Fellowship Building Fund.

Nathan E. Ross

TWIN FALLS — Nathan E. Ross, age 66, passed away Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Nathan was born Dec. 16, 1940, the first of two children of George and Estima Lou Baumgardner Ross in Pampa, Texas.

Nate attended Burley High School and later graduated from Big Pipey High School in Wyoming. Nathan met Sharon Denton, and they were married Feb. 17, 1959. Together they had two children, Jana Ross and Jeffrey Ross. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served four years during the Cuban missile crisis. After the military, he attended Idaho State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in business engineering. Nathan was a lifetime member of the Professional Golf Association. Most of his PGA service was spent at the Blue Lakes Country Club as head golf professional from 1968 to 1991. After which he worked for the Besch Country Club and then went to Holling Hills Country Club in Versailles, Mo., as manager and head golf professional. Nathan returned to the

Magic Valley in 2001, where he taught at Candleridge, 93 Golf Course and Pleasant Valley. What he enjoyed most about his career was his gift for teaching.

He enjoyed his volunteer work at the Idaho Youth Ranch, where he taught students to golf, and he was instrumental in getting a driving range started there. He was a member of the Twin Falls Masonic Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason.

Nathan was very loyal, kind, a strong moral fiber and had tremendous work ethic. He is survived by his wife, Sharon Ross of Twin Falls; daughter, Jana Ross; and son, Jeffrey Ross, both of Columbia, Mo.; two granddaughters, Rachel Ross and Stephanie Ross; a great-grandson, Kaitlin Black; and a sister, Marie (Jim) King of King Hill, Idaho. His parents preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 16, at the Mountain Temple, 1000 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. Services will conclude after the memorial. Contributions may be made in his name to help Roydon's Youth Ranch at the Mountain Temple, Masonic or the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Orville Wade 'Mac' McLean

JEROME — Orville Wade "Mac" McLean passed away July 12, 2007.

Mac was born in Wendell on March 22, 1935, to Orville Pauline and Walling McLean. Mac attended schools at Pocatello, Platts and graduated from Jerome High School in 1951. In 1952, he married Juanita Zehn. They had three daughters, Michelle, Theresa and Jody. Juanita died in an auto accident in 1969.

In 1953, Mac enlisted in the U.S. Army and received basic training in California and then refueling school in Oregon. After graduation, he was stationed in Roswell, N.M., and then part of the famed 509th Squadron. He served in Alaska, England, and Labrador. Mac continued his patriotic duty by serving another three and one-half years in the 9439th Air Refueling Squadron based in Twin Falls. Mac was honorably discharged as a master sergeant.

Mac then took over the family farm east of Jerome in Sugar Loaf and also farmed in Mourtough. He was well known for his good quality farming production.

Mac was introduced to Margaret Hillier, which led to the creation of a new Brady Bunch Family.

Mac had the three girls and Margaret had three boys, Ron, Rod and Rick. Together they continued farming, raised six kids from ages 6-17, and owned and operated Wags Mfg. in Jerome. "M&M" (Mac and Margaret) were married for 36 years. Mac served as an elder and a deacon at the First

Presbyterian Church in Jerome. Mac's passion in life was attending sporting events. Mac served as president of the Jerome High School Booster Club. For all his personal donations, he was given a lifetime pass to all JHS events. Mac seldom missed any of his grandchildren's games, and his grandchildren and their friends as well. He cheered and encouraged them all. For this very reason, in lieu of flowers, a member of the Hagerman Athletic Scholarship has been established with the Jerome High School Club.

Donations for this honor can be sent to D. L. Evans Bank in Jerome, Idaho. Mac is survived by his wife, Margaret; his children, Ron (Kerry) Hillier of Jerome, Michelle Amaya of Meridian, Rod (Dob) Hillier of Hagerman, Rick (Debbie) Hillier of Jerome, Theresa (Mike) Traugher of Jerome and Jody McLean Draper of Jerome; his grandchildren, Ryan and Sgt. Wade Hillier, Linsey and Austin Amaya, Andy, Jared (Stacy) Hillier, Ross and Hanna Hillier, Kim (Josh) Galley, Chad and Adam Traugher, Craig and Katelyn Draper, and his grandchildren, Aspen, Cymmetry, Daemien, Skylah, Andre, Nicholas, Cooper Jack and Morgan (Iue in August).

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, July 16, at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church in Jerome with the Rev. Ronald A. Matney, pastor officiating. Interment will follow the service at the Jerome Cemetery.

Crime Lab for 13 years and moved to Las Vegas in 1967. There, he worked in the crime lab at the Clark County Sheriff's Department and LVMPD. He worked as a supervisor in the crime lab until he retired in 1988. After 20 years at Metro, he was called the "Midnight Joe" for his loved fishing and hunting and his loving family.

He is survived by his wife, Mary L. Mumpower; sons, Terry A. Bartlett of Tucson Ariz., Michael P. Mumpower of Las Vegas, Nev., and Mark D. Mumpower of Las Vegas, Nev.; and daughter, Penny L. King of Smithfield, Va. He is also survived by his trusty dog, Bushy. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Nevada SPCA, no-kill animal sanctuary, 4000 Dovey Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89118. Phone 702-338-5854. No service is planned.

Fred Patrick Mumpower

LAS VEGAS — Fred Patrick Mumpower, born March 17, 1925, in Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away on July 11, 2007, in Las Vegas, Nev.

He was born and raised in Twin Falls, Idaho. Then the family moved to Los Angeles, Calif. He joined the Navy during World War II, where he was stationed aboard the USS Salt Lake City. He came back to Los Angeles, Calif., and worked as a machinist for Douglas Aircraft. He met Mary L. Henstrom in 1952 and married her on April 5, 1953. He took the test for L.A. County Sheriff's Department in 1953 and worked in the ID Room-

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DEATH NOTICES

Marvin Kenner
BURLEY — Marvin Kenner, 74, of Burley died Tuesday, July 10, 2007, at Park View Care & Rehabilitation Center in Burley. A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 20, at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley with the Rev. Darcey Grizmanier officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

William B. Killgore
KIMBERLY — William B. Killgore, 69, of Kimberly died Friday, July 13, 2007, at his home. No services are planned. Arrangements are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Ada R. Harpster
TWIN FALLS — Ada Roberta Harpster, 87, of Twin Falls died

Saturday, July 14, 2007, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Aileen A. Lawson
BOISE — Aileen A. Lawson, 88, of Boise, and formerly of the Magic Valley area, died Friday, July 13, 2007, at a Boise care center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Chapel of the Chimes in Meridian.

Shirley Handley
TWIN FALLS — Shirley Handley, 79, of Twin Falls died Friday, July 13, 2007, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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Ann Louise Page

TWIN FALLS — Ann Louise Page, 55, of Twin Falls, died Monday, July 9, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a long battle with cancer.



She was born March 20, 1952, in Williamsport, Pa., the daughter of Henry and Leona Ryan Luchemayer. Ann worked at Con Agra for 30 years and also at Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation Center for 14 years. She loved dancing, nursing, camping, fishing and just spending time with the love of her life, Ron Shull, and the trips and traveling they did.

She is survived by two brothers, Henry (Diane)

Luchemayer of Riverview, Fla., and William (Carolyn) Luchemayer of Cape Coral, Fla.; the love of her life and soul mate, Ron Shull; and special friend, Marty Lloyd. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Doris (KCI) Dye.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Ron and Marilyn, Trudy and Bob, Marie and Jim for all the time and hours they spent taking care of Ann during her illness. Also a very special thank you to Dr. Donald B Workman and Trudy for being there and taking extra special care of Ann, and also Dr. Kent Smith, Dr. Ippolito and their office staffs.

A memorial service will be conducted at 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," with Deacon John McKinley officiating.

Norma L. Johnson

GOODING — Norma L. Johnson of Meridian, formerly of Gooding, passed away the afternoon of Wednesday, July 11, 2007, at Spring Creek Manor, surrounded by her family.



She was born at home in Wendell, Idaho, on Aug. 27, 1925, the fifth daughter of six children, to Allan and Bessie (Lee) Benson. Growing up in Wendell, Norma enjoyed spending time with her siblings, swimming in the canals, babysitting, delivering milk, and playing with her dolls. Upon her graduation from Wendell High School in 1944, she enjoyed her work as a nurse's aide at St. Valentine's Hospital in Wendell for two years, then worked for Dr. Sloan's office for one and a half years.

On March 10, 1949, she married L. Duane Johnson of Victor, Idaho. The couple lived in Pocatello, Idaho, where their first child, Deborah, was born. They then moved to Driggs, Idaho, after Duane formed a partnership with J.H. Harper of Harper Drug in Driggs, their second child, Karen, was born, followed by their third daughter, Jana.

After eight years in Driggs, Duane and Norma purchased the Rexall Drug in Gooding in 1956. The family relocated to Gooding where their only son, David, was born. They owned and operated the Rexall/Reckall Drugstore for nearly 40 years until 1995.

Norma loved being a member of the Rebekahs, where she had many friends and thoroughly enjoyed playing pinochle. The greatest love of her life was her grandchildren.

Norma was preceded in death by her husband, L. Duane Johnson, on Oct. 11, 2006; and by her parents, her sisters and brothers-in-law, Allan and Bessie (Lee) Benson, Dorothy and Norval Rutherford, Geraldine and Grant Zollinger, Jean and John Gates and Scott Gulick.

She is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, George and Violet Benson, sister, Lucille Gulick, her sister-in-law, Rula Madsen; and her children, Deborah Olmstead, Karen (Gary) Boehlke, Jana (Robert) Schoelkopf and David (Nancy)

Johnson. She is also survived by her 11 grandchildren, Anasaida (Sam) Smith, Erica and Brandon Boehlke, Jennifer and Megan Olmstead, Ben and Sam Schoelkopf, Mitchell, Kyle, Cameron and Marcus Johnson, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Spring Creek Manor. She loved each and every one of them very much and appreciated what they did for her and her family. We would also like to thank Legacy Hospice for their wonderful care, especially Kristy and Alyssa. She considered them her angels.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 17, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel, located at 737 Main St. in Gooding. Burial will follow at the Wendell Cemetery. The viewing will take place from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the chapel. Donations may be made to Legacy Hospice, 600 S. Progress Ave., Ste. 4A, Meridian, ID 83642.

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Mike Leroy LaPray

BUIH — Mike Leroy LaPray, 51, of Buhl, passed away July 9, 2007, at his home in Buhl.

Mike was born Jan. 1, 1956, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He attended school in Buhl, graduating from Buhl High School in 1975. Mike worked at various jobs throughout his adult life and greatly enjoyed the outdoors, spending many hours hunting and fishing with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by

his mother, Violet LaPray, Aug. 11, 1999, and father, Raymond LaPray, April 17, 2007.

Mike is survived by his children, daughter, Brodie (Michael Foster) LaPray; son, Toby (Rashaya Lot) LaPray; and four grandchildren, Chlo' LaPray, Kenned' LaPray, Holden Foster and Madlysn LaPray.

A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Monday, July 16, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

day at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Los Alamos.

Evelyn Burkhalter of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Clover Thru Lutheran Church; burial at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Clover Cemetery. Viewing will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Jerry Lou Jaramillo, of Carson City, Nev., and formerly of Bliss, memorial service at noon Saturday at the Wendell Cemetery (Demaray's Funeral Chapel).

Mary Ann Krellow of Hailey, graveside service and interment of urn at 11 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

SERVICES

Bernice Jeanette (Roberts) Plercey Ward of Jerome, graveside service at 10 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; visitation from 4 to 6 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Forrest L. Bristow of Gooding, graveside memorial service at 1 p.m. Monday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Betty Lou Rudolph of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. Monday at the Twin Falls First Baptist Church; friends may call from 3 to 7 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Christene Dennise (Hahn) Fern, of Los Alamos, N.M., and formerly of Buhl, service Mon-

Babies

Continued from page B1 District Health, said applications for the Women, Infants and Children program have gone up and staff are curious why.

"They're all wondering what's in the water," Machala said.

And Marilyn Scott, executive director of the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Twin Falls, said the center's parenting and pregnancy classes have been overflowing. Though many in the classes are first-time parents, she said, others are having their second or third child — often planned.

"A lot of them are feeling very prepared," Scott said. "The economy in this area is helping out many of our young

couples who are just starting out... It's easy for them to find jobs."

Jayson and Nicole Tabb would probably agree with that statement. Nicole Tabb gave birth to the couple's second child, Chloe, on June 22. Their first, Madison, is 2, and Nicole Tabb said Chloe was planned in order to keep the children's ages close.

Janae and Benjamin Swenson, owners of the Swensens' grocery store in town, figured out the construction of their new store on Orchard Drive that they were doing pretty well.

So, on June 19, Spencer Swenson was born, also at St. Luke's Magic Valley. The couple, already parents to 5-year-

old Lily and 2-year-old Kate, said they wanted to give the younger daughter a sibling closer to her age.

"It does seem like there's a lot of babies born right now," said Janae, who added she has friends who either gave birth recently or will soon. "I don't know what happened 10 months ago."

The Twin Falls hospital's previous record was 144 births in July 2006. Kevan said, and both she and staff at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome said they expect this month will also be busy. Staff members are prepared, Kevan said, but it won't be easy. That she said, they learned last month.

"It was stressful."

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Fast-moving wildfire destroys northern Idaho home

By Keith Ridler
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A fast-moving wildfire in northern Idaho burned about three square miles, destroyed a home along with several other buildings, knocked down power lines and temporarily closed U.S. Highway 12.

The Coyote Creek Fire, which started Friday, was burning Saturday mostly in brush on private and Nez Perce Tribe land near Lewiston, said Sandy Holt, assistant fire manager for the Nez Perce Tribe.

The blaze reportedly started

Friday afternoon when a passing tractor-trailer blew a tire.

Later in the day, lightning storms moved through the state and caused about a half dozen more fires from south-west Idaho to northern Idaho.

About 30 people were fighting the Coyote Creek Fire, which had moved into more remote areas, Holt said. Evacuations ordered on Friday had ended, and no injuries were reported, she said.

Lightning caused the 100-acre Elm Street Complex Fire about 10 miles east of Fernwood in northern Idaho, said Gary Weber, assistant manager with the Coeur

d'Alene Wildland Fire Dispatch Center. Air tankers made retardant drops to protect a communications site that contained a microwave tower and weather station, he said.

In southwest Idaho, lightning started at least four fires but they were being quickly brought under control, said Jessica Gardetto, public information officer with the federal Bureau of Land Management in Boise.

Progress also was being

made on two larger fires in the area: the 60-square-mile Tongue Complex Fire that was 30 percent contained, and the Boulder Creek Fire, 80 percent contained with about 8 square miles burned, Gardetto said.

The Tongue Complex Fire grew to about 9 square miles by Saturday, mainly due to winds, Gardetto said, while the size of the Boulder Creek Fire remained unchanged.

"We've made some progress on that one even though the

winds didn't help," Gardetto said. "They've got enough of the fire controlled that it held through that storm."

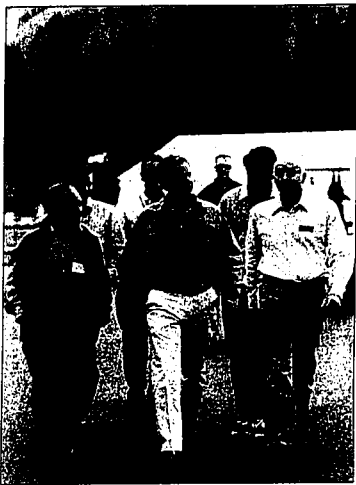
She said there were no reports of injuries or evacuations at either fire, though the Boulder Creek Fire required protecting four residences and outbuildings.

"We are worried about dry lightning again tonight," Gardetto said. "And the heat is making things difficult. It's hard to even move around out

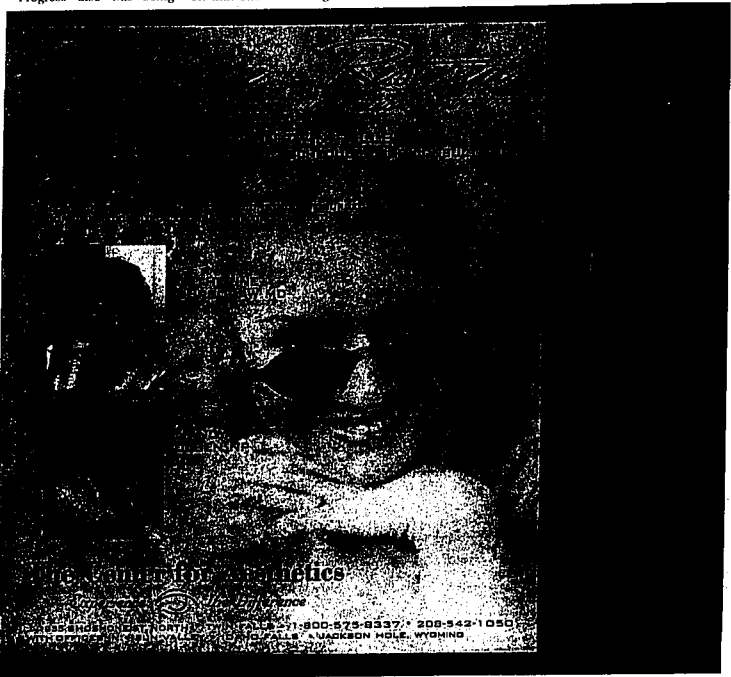
there, it's so hot." The Black Pine 2 Fire in the Sawtooth National Forest in southern Idaho remained the largest fire in the state at 112 square miles. It was burning in brush and grass about 11 miles southeast of Malta, and was about 65 percent contained.

Elsewhere, the Zena Creek Fire, in the Payette National Forest about 25 miles north-east of McCall, had burned 250 acres of brush and trees, with no containment reported.

MEETING IN SUN VALLEY



New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, left, Britian's former Prime Minister Tony Blair and Herbert Allen, right, walk to a party at Allen and Co.'s annual media conference Friday in Sun Valley. Blair delivered an address to the conference on its final day, Saturday.



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Ex-lawmaker wants Kroc Center gift investigated

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A former Republican lawmaker has asked a county prosecutor to investigate this northern Idaho city's donation of \$3 million for a community center in an attempt to have property taxes reduced by 15 percent.

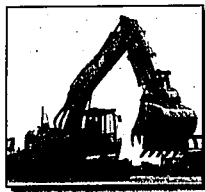
Kathy Sims, a former state senator who owns a local car dealership, gave a 74-page document to Kootenai County Prosecutor Bill Douglas earlier this week. The document asks that Douglas link into how taxpayer money was given to the Coeur d'Alene Parks Foundation to make ready a 12-acre site for construction of the Kroc Center.

Coeur d'Alene was one of six cities in the West selected by the Salvation Army last year for a \$65 million Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center. The two-story design proposed for Coeur d'Alene is being built with some of the \$1.5 billion that Joan Kroc, widow of McDonald's founder Ray Kroc, left to the Salvation Army when she died in 2003. The bequest is to be used to build 30 community centers across the country.

One of the allegations in the document given to Douglas is that city officials broke the law because the \$3 million had never been appropriated in the budget, but instead came from a "rainy day fund" that goes toward unanticipated expenses.

"There is a concern," said Sims. "They are dealing with a lot of money. It's not like they make this money — it's taxpayer money. If they followed the law, that's great. If not, someone has got to take a look at it."

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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

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

Felony Sentencings

Ricardo Perez, 23, Twin Falls; aggravated battery; eight years penitentiary; three years determinate; five years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$1,000 fine; \$97.50 costs. Aaron Desimone, 33, Twin Falls; two counts second degree kidnapping; 12 years penitentiary; four years determinate; eight years indeterminate; concurrent; \$97.50 costs; \$626.45 restitution. Adam T. Meier, 25, Twin Falls; one count aggravated battery on a police officer; 45 years penitentiary; 28 years determinate; 17 years indeterminate; \$5,000 restitution; one count robbery; 15 years penitentiary; two years determinate; 13 years indeterminate; consecutive; \$5,000 civil penalty; one count attempted strangulation; one year in jail, credit for time served; \$97.50 costs; \$157 court compliance costs. Jerald B. Bail, 43, Shoshone; driving under the influence; ten years penitentiary; four years determinate; six years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$2,500 fine; \$97.50 costs; driving privileges suspended for five years. Stephen M. Curtis, 22, Twin Falls; aggravated battery; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; \$22,645.70 restitution. Nathaniel M. Boyer, 31, Jerome; driving under the influence; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days to be served at the Idaho State Board of Corrections; \$5,000 fine; \$112.50 costs; driving privileges suspended for five years. Ricky J. Gibson, 46, Twin Falls; aggravated assault; five years

penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$800 suspended; \$97.50 costs; \$250 prosecution costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 24 hours community service; \$400 restitution; obtain mental health evaluation. Kimberly L. Freeman, 41, Filer; possession of a controlled substance; four years penitentiary; two years determinate; two years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; \$191 court compliance costs; no contact with victim; must reside at Bill's Place; complete domestic violence program. William H. Ancheta, 40, Jerome; one count aggravated battery and/or aid and abet aggravated battery; eight years penitentiary; three years determinate; five years indeterminate; suspended; 45 years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$107.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; 60 days in jail; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 50 hours community service; \$5,000 civil penalty; \$22,088 restitution; one count robbery and/or aid and abet robbery dismissed.

Erika Y. Ruiz, 20, Twin Falls; manufacture a controlled substance; five years penitentiary; three years determinate; two years indeterminate; suspended; 36 months probation; \$107.50 costs; \$736 court compliance costs; \$3,030.20 restitution; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income. Samuel C. Carter, 18, Twin Falls; four counts burglary and/or aid and abet burglary; seven years penitentiary per count; three years determinate; four years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; concurrent; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; \$500 public defender fee; 60 days in jail; \$78 restitution; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; apologize to victim; four counts burglary and/or aid and abet burglary dismissed. Alan R. Drummond, 54, Boise; aggravated driving under the influence; six years penitentiary; three years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,500 fine with \$1,200 suspended; \$112.50 costs; 180 days in jail; 150 to be served under house arrest; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; driving privileges suspended for one year; ignition interlock device on vehicle until 2010; apologize to victim. Robert D. Sheer, 55, Twin Falls; aggravated battery; ten years penitentiary; four years determinate; six years indeterminate; suspended; four years probation; \$2,000 fine with \$2,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; 240 days in jail, credit for 234 days already served; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; no contact with victim; obtain mental health evaluation. Kalen Anderson, 21, Twin Falls; sexual abuse of a child under age 16; amended to injury to a child; ten years penitentiary;

three years determinate; seven years indeterminate; suspended; five years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; \$400 public defender fee; \$400 prosecution costs; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 100 hours community service; obtain psycho-sexual evaluation; no unsupervised contact with minor girls; complete sex offender treatment. Jeffrey Sherman, 33, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; six years penitentiary; two years determinate; four years indeterminate; suspended; three and one half years probation; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$107.50 costs; \$300 public defender fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 120 hours community service; complete drug court. Toby J. Turner, 32, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; three years probation; \$1,500 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$97.50 costs; 120 days in jail; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; driving privileges suspended for two years; ignition interlock device on vehicle until 2010.

Felony Dismissals

James J. Vile, 42, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor. Paul R. Reneau, 33, Sun City, Calif.; grand theft; dismissed by prosecutor.

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Declo Day a big success



Kayla Vall and Jack Hawley enjoy splashing in a kiddie pool at the annual Declo Day celebration Saturday.

Annual event hosts something for the whole family

By Trena Tegan
For the Times-News

DECLO — Declo Day was a big success with its 27th annual event that celebrates tradition, heritage and community.

The day dawned bright and early for those participating in the "Fun Run," which began at 7 a.m. Participants walked or ran the 5 or 10 kilometer trek while the weather was still cool.

Those not up to a brisk walk or run first thing in the morning could enjoy the Alumni breakfast before heading over to the old school house for the dedication of the newest Oregon Trail marker. The Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce joined the Oregon Trail Botanical Gardens Foundation for a ribbon cutting ceremony to unveil the marker. Tours to the old school house were also given. Children and adults alike then lined the streets to see the Declo Day parade as it proceeded down Main Street. The Veterans' float, with members of the Declo American Legion, was a highlight in the parade and many saluted or placed their hands over their hearts as the float passed by.

Following the flag ceremony at Kivans' Park the remainder of the day's activities began. Children could catch gold fish in a kiddie pool, dig for buried treasure in a sand box, play horse shoes or shoot hoops. Adults and children alike could treat themselves to scones, snow cones or cotton candy.

At noon the Declo Lions Club began serving its traditional barbecue. A wide variety of performers entertained those eating or just visiting in the park. The Declo Post Office had a booth set up for those wanting to apply for a passport, and the Lions had a raffle.

The Declo Community Library also held its grand opening Saturday. The library was open in the morning for anyone wanting to visit the library.

Organizers of the Declo Day event say that it is always a welcome event, not only to the residents of Declo, but to the entire Mini-Cassia area.



Greta Hansen plays a Celtic harp in the garden of Clones and Richard Moncur in Declo during the Oregon Trail Botanical Gardens Foundation Arts in the Garden Tour Saturday. Six gardens were featured during the event, and entertainment and refreshments were provided at each location.

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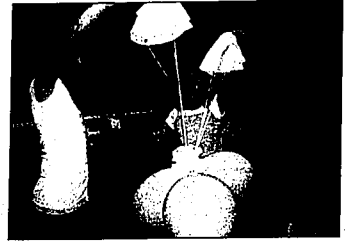
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Alison Hepworth, left, Cara Hansen and Adam Hepworth work on a gadget to slow the descent of an egg during science camp at Burley High School. The camp was held July 9-13 for fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade honors students in Cassia County. Teachers Julie Nelson and Patti Williams from White Pine Intermediate School and Carrie Carson from Burley High School are the advisors of the program. The program featured hands-on activities that covered chemistry, biology, electricity and physics, like the egg drop project where students had to find a way to keep an egg from breaking when dropped.

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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

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

Driving under the influence

Juan Lopez-Martinez, 28, Murtaugh; one count driving under the influence; \$800 fine with \$500 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count open container; \$1,000 fine with \$100 dismissed; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation.

Justin G. Jay, 17, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, excessive; costs waived; 150 days in jail, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days. Salvador M. Alvarado, 29, Buhl; driving under the influence; costs waived; 180 days in jail with 170 suspended, credit for two days served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation.

Joseph R. Thompson, 34, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; costs waived; 180 days in jail, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days. Robert W. Baier, 32, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; three days work detail.

Ramon Perez-Marin, 38, Twin Falls; one count driving under the influence; \$800 fine with \$500 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; concurrent. Gabo Bryan, 43, Filer; possession of drug paraphernalia; costs waived; 90 days in jail, credit for time served.

Misdemeanor sentencing

Richard E. Gerhardt, 41, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, 30 days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Michael L. Andrade, 26, Buhl; commercial and/or driver's license violation; \$25 fine; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee.

Dustin F. Myers, 36, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 82 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

no alcohol. Joseph E. Gwin, Jr., 25, Twin Falls; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$200 fine; \$82.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 100 hours community service; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; \$369.80 restitution; one count possession of drug paraphernalia dismissed. Angela K. Panson, 29, Kimberly; possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; one day work detail; 30 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Sheri R. Syten, 45, Twin Falls; failure to notify upon striking fixtures on highway; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; six months probation; one day work detail; apologize to victim. Angel Sanchez-Solarte, 26, Buhl; domestic battery; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 140 suspended, credit for two days served; 30 days house arrest; 18 months probation; no contact with victim. Victoria F. Turner, 47, Bruneau; exceeding gross weight; \$936.88 fine; \$72.50 costs; 180 days in jail with three suspended; three months probation.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Randi K. Bingham, 21, Buhl; frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; dismissed by prosecutor. Angela L. Sweet, 26, Twin Falls; under the influence of a controlled substance in a public place; dismissed by prosecutor; lack of sufficient evidence.

Rita Aguiar, 25, Twin Falls; use of telephone to harass/make obscene phone calls; dismissed by prosecutor. Michelle L. Glandon, 33, Twin Falls; domestic battery; dismissed by prosecutor.

Freddie G. Folk, 35, Twin Falls; violation of protection order; dismissed by prosecutor.

Andrew P. Knefel, 21, Buhl; possession of a controlled substance; amended to frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; dismissed by prosecutor. Toby J. Turner, 32, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; dismissed by prosecutor.

Misdemeanor acquittal

Bryson L. Miller, 16, Twin Falls; failure to stop/leave the scene of an accident; amended to failure to notify upon striking fixtures on highway; found innocent.

Civil filings

Miguel Gutierrez vs. State of Idaho. Seeking post conviction relief for his 2004 rape conviction.

tion stating ineffective assistance of counsel, due process violations, miscarriage of justice, and prosecutorial misconduct. State of Idaho, Industrial Commission vs. Gordon Homes LLC, Gary H. Nelson. Seeking judgment against the defendant for \$3,200 plus additional penalty accruing if matter should be contested; defendant be enjoined and restrained from operating a business with employees while any default exists; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff alleges that defendant has failed to provide workers' compensation insurance for his employees.

Child support cases

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services have filed claims against the following: James M. Caanan Steel. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$155 monthly support plus 50 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance. Enrique Lopez. Seeking establishment of paternity; 64 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance.

Jose A. Ramirez. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$314 monthly support plus 64 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$13,401 for uncovered medical costs.

Enrique Lopez. Seeking establishment of paternity; 64 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance. Jose A. Ramirez. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$314 monthly support plus 64 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$13,401 for uncovered medical costs.

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Juan A. Limon Jr. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$436 monthly support plus 71 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$5,962.31 for uncovered medical costs. Shellil A. Panagan. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$173 monthly support plus 50 percent

of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance. Miguel A. Bautista. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$473 monthly support plus 60 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance. Michael L. Connell. Seeking establishment of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$275

monthly support plus 45 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$1,542.98 for uncovered medical costs.

Divorces filed

Kara N. Hall vs. Dominic A. Hall. Paul W. Jones vs. Angela D. Jones. Shauna L. Reeves vs. David B. Reeves.

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Volunteer — The Idaho Department of Insurance Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors program is in need of a volunteer for data entry. A computer will be provided for data entry in the office, and training will be provided. Call Tamara Stricker or Nora Wells at 736-4713.

Volunteers — The Idaho Department of Insurance Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors program is in need of volunteers to assist individuals receiving Medicare in understanding benefits, options and choices. Training will be provided. Call Tamara Stricker or Nora Wells at 736-4713.

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

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers program is in need of volunteers that are familiar with Quick Books. Help is needed bi-

Want to help?
This special service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, ext. 4764, before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday for Sunday publication. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Call weekly to retain your request.

monthly for a few hours. Call interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 733-6333.

Respite — Volunteers are needed to give respite to elderly home-

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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 — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Program is in need of volunteers to tutor English as a second language or be a social/cultural ambassador to a new family. For information, call Shannon at 736-2166. To donate items, bring them to the office at 1526 Highland Ave. E. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office is

closed from noon to 1 p.m. **Drivers** — Disabled American Veterans are 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 678-3599.


Volunteers — Hospice Visions Inc. is in need of volunteers for their new program, Eleventh Hour Angels. They are in need of volunteers who feel they can spend

time with patients who are in their final hours of life. Training will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 25 at their office, 209 Shoup Ave. W. Call interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 735-0123.

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HANSEN — Hansen Elementary School announced its honor roll for the second semester of the 2006-07 school year. The students who earned As or Bs include: third grade, Keith Chedeloin, Keana Engle, Ty Gardner, Jason Lopez, Marina Mendoza, Angelica Mireles, Juliana Ramos, Julia Viveros; fourth grade, Mikaila Brownfield, Luz Clara Dominguez, Alan Gil, Jenna Harris, Jimmy Lasso, Tyler Lovvitt, Madison McClure, Tristan Neira, Jordan Pfeiler, Alfredo Sanchez; fifth grade, Adriaan Brownfield, Madison Burk, Jovany Covantes, Destiny Day, Adam Denney, Caleb Gunnell, Brandi Hutzar, Alex McMurlin, Dayana Vega, Meagan Wilkins, Tyson Wilkins; and sixth grade, Luis Cervantes, Heidi Funk, Ryan Ann Funk, Alex Neira, Drew Parker, Katherine Sanchez.

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Buhl outfielder Josh Benedictus is congratulated by teammates after hitting a home run during the Tribe's victory over Highland Saturday in Buhl.

Tribe rolls in sweep

Benedictus, Owen go deep in Game 1 blowout

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

BUHL — Allyn Reynolds isn't letting the Tribe run wild yet. The restraints have been loosened though.

The Buhl American Legion Baseball Class A team that felt its way through the early parts of the season with a focus on small ball brought out the big lumber Saturday afternoon, sweeping the visiting Highland Razorbacks 8-1 and 13-1.

The Tribe pounded out 21 hits in 12 innings of play and connected on eight extra-base knocks off the Razorbacks' young pitching staff.

"At the beginning of the year, the hitting wasn't there so you adjust your

game," Reynolds said. "We told them, 'When you guys start showing us you can play some bigger ball, we'll let you take some more free swings.' They're starting. There's a couple of guys seeing the ball well."

One of those guys is standout third baseman Austin Laing. The Treasure Valley Community College-bound Laing finished 2-for-3 with a double, two runs and an RBI in the first game before finishing 2-for-2 with two doubles, three runs and three RBIs in the second contest. Laing's production in the third spot of Buhl's order kept two-out rallies going for the Tribe in both the second and third innings of Game 2.

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Former Atlanta Braves player Hank Aaron eyes the flight of the ball after hitting his 715th career homer in a game against the Los Angeles Dodgers in Atlanta, Ga., on April 8, 1974. Dodgers pitcher Al Downing, catcher Joe Ferguson and umpire David Davidson look on.

Aaron, Bonds faced hatred on the way to historic homer marks

By Greg Beacham • Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Hank Aaron chased baseball's career home run record in 1974 in a steady soundtrack of racist taunts and epithets. Some fans booed him from the outfield bleachers. Others challenged him to fights.

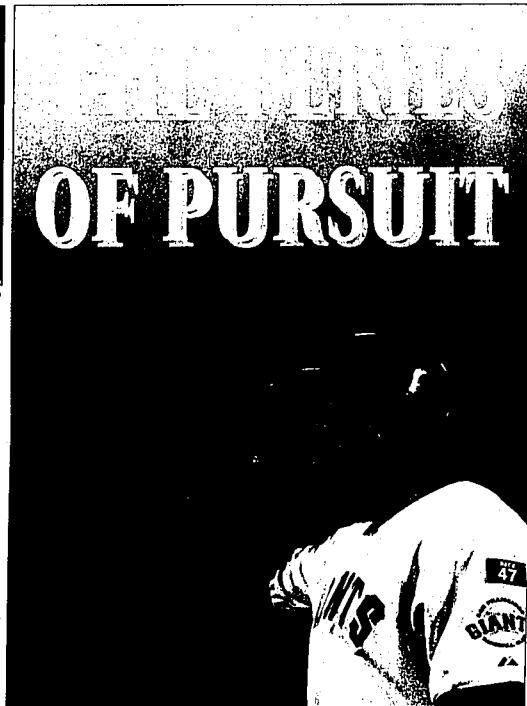
And that was just at his home games in Atlanta. Road games actually were a respite for Aaron, who was mostly cheered and honored away from Georgia as he closed in on Babe Ruth's mark. He played in front of thousands of empty seats and a handful of haters in Atlanta until he got within one homer of the record.

More than 33 years later, Barry Bonds faces his own matrix of pressures, prejudices and criticism as he closes in on Aaron's 755 career homers. The home crowd greets him nightly with unconditional adulation, but he is the most reviled man in whatever city he visits.

The written death threats and insults hurled at Aaron were a result of his pivotal role in the racial politics of the South. Bonds' perils stem from the specter of steroid abuse that has surrounded his last decade in the majors — as well as Bonds' career-long arrogance and seeming indifference to everyone but himself.

But neither slugger's quest for one of the sports world's most hallowed records has been an entirely pleasant experience.

Aaron acknowledged he barely survived his chase with his sanity and love of baseball intact. He smoked and fretted during semi-sleepless nights in lonely hotels under fake names, and he occasionally couldn't help thinking about everything that could go wrong in a stadium full of people each night — especially after receiving the death threats that eventually



San Francisco Giants outfielder Barry Bonds is closing in on Hank Aaron's record of 755 career home runs.

"The stuff that Barry has to go through, that wouldn't be fun."

— San Francisco Giants first baseman Ryan Klesko

sparked a wellspring of public support for his quest.

If Bonds feels particularly strained by his pursuit, he hasn't let it show. Though he speaks constantly of mental and physical exhaustion, he has been saying much the same things for a decade. His off-field demeanor and game-day approach haven't

changed — still humorous, still aloof and still ruthlessly effective.

"The stuff that Barry has to go through, that wouldn't be fun," Giants teammate Ryan Klesko said. "He knows how to handle it, though. He's a professional, and that's what it comes down to."

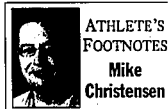
The threats on Aaron's life

begun to arrive in earnest in the early days of the chase, both by mail and phone. As he got closer, they steadily increased in numbers and specificity — everything from the city and the time purported assassins would hit, right down to what the killer would

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Thoughts to fill a midsummer sports drought

Admitt it. Unless you're a diehard baseball fan, midsummer is the worst time of year to be a sports fan. Actually, even if you are a follower of pro baseball, July is far from exciting. With the MLB's mid-season regular season dragging out, things won't actually get interesting until September and October.



ATHLETE'S FOOTNOTES
Mike Christensen

But this time of year does provide a valuable service. It's the calm before the storm of fall sports rolls in. The lack of interesting sports to read about and watch — see ESPN's lineup of spelling bees, poker and food eating contests as proof — allows folks to focus on getting whipped into a frenzy over football and other fall offerings.

By late August, we'll be flooded with all levels football, volleyball, soccer and numerous other sporting events. In the coming weeks, the *Times-News* will post a new online poll at magicvalley.com seeking your favorite of the fall. Be it high school football, College of Southern Idaho volleyball, prep soccer, college football or something else, you can make your voice heard.

Virginia Undhjem has a simple way of determining when she's played a good round of golf. On Thursday's final day at the 2007 Ladies Magic Valley Amateur at Jerome Country Club, she did just that. The Twin Falls resident followed an opening-round score of 80 with a 73 to win her 25th title at the event, which marked its 60th anniversary this year.

"I just really played well," said Undhjem, 75. "Anytime I can shoot under my age, it's a good round."

While Undhjem often shoots in the low 70s at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course, she said doing so on a course she'd played only one other time in the past two years was "a nice accomplishment."

As for defending her title next summer, Undhjem said, "As long as my health holds out, I plan to keep playing as long as I can."

Tonight, ESPN will air the 2007 ESPY Awards. But the program won't offer much drama. The awards show was taped on Wednesday and all the winners were released to the media and published Wednesday night and Thursday. Boise State brought

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Watch the Broncos win their ESPY Awards

Boise State's football team won awards for best game and best play at the 2007 ESPY Awards, which will air tonight on ESPN from 7-9 p.m., MDT. The Broncos upset

Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl on a two-point conversion using the Statue of Liberty play, which was taped at Hollywood's Kodak Theatre on Wednesday, will air again on July 20 at 8 p.m.

Winners in all but two categories were determined by online fan voting. ESPN said a record 12.5 million votes were cast.



Twin Falls Nationals second baseman Jason Byce, 12, yells as he throws the ball to first base for an out Saturday during the Cal Ripken state championship game against Idaho Falls.

CAL RIPKEN BASEBALL Two area teams take 2nd at state tourney

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A pair of Twin Falls teams made it to their respective title games at the Cal Ripken Idaho State Championships Saturday at South Park before falling short. The Twin Falls Nationals advanced to the final in the 12-year-old, 70-foot bases tournament, but fell 10-5 to Idaho Falls, Menzwhite. The Twin Falls Patriots dropped a 12-2 game to Meridian in the 11-year-old title game. The Twin Falls Americans didn't make it to the final day

of play in the 12-year-old, 60-foot bases tourney, which was won by Meridian.

The Patriots will move on to regional competition in Eugene, Ore., later this month. The Nationals were invited to take part in their regional tourney in Nampa in two weeks as a wild card entry, but haven't yet decided if they'll accept the invitation.

After falling behind 3-0 to Idaho Falls, the Nationals rallied to within 5-4. But from there, "the floodgates opened," according to Nationals coach Todd Jones.

SPORTS

Gerdemann decries doping after taking stage and lead

L.F. GRAND-BORNAND, France (A) — Linus Gerdemann had already finished celebrating his first Tour de France stage victory before sounding a loud drumbeat from the winner's circle: It was can and should be won clean.

The 24-year-old German, riding in his first Tour, captured the leader's yellow jersey as cycling's premiere event entered three days in the Alps with Saturday's seventh stage.

Gerdemann's T-Mobile team has been scarred more than most over doping revelations, and has responded in the past year by enacting some of the toughest anti-doping policies in the sport.

Gerdemann clocked 4 hours, 53 minutes, 12 seconds. Inigo Landais of Spain was second, 46 seconds back. David de la Fuente of Spain was third, 1:39 back.

Overall, Gerdemann leads Landauze by 1:24 and De La Fuente by 2:45, and will don the yellow jersey Sunday for the second of three punishing Alpine rides. The 102.5-mile stage from Le Grand Bornand to Tignes features six climbs — including an uphill finish.



Linus Gerdemann of Germany strains as he pedals in the last kilometers of the ascent of the Colomère pass during the 7th stage of the 94th Tour de France cycling race between Bourg-en-Bresse and Le Grand Bornand, French Alps, Saturday. Gerdemann won the stage and took the overall lead on Saturday.

Gerdemann is the second rider to don the yellow jersey this year, after Swiss rider Fabian Cancellara held it for the first eight days. Cancellara finished 22:27 behind on Saturday.

In post-race news conferences on Saturday, Gerdemann used the word "clean" at least six times. He spoke

about blood tests he had undergone. He decried the harm done by doping in the sport, and said he understood fans have doubts.

"It's really hard for young riders to take the responsibility now," Gerdemann said. "But the sport gave a lot to me in the past — and now I think it's the right moment to give something back to the sport."

It was a fresh voice at an event where many riders and staffers refuse to discuss doping or get short-tempered even when the word comes up — saying they want to focus only on "the sport."

T-Mobile has sought publicly to stake out the high ground. "I don't want to say that just T-Mobile is a clean team," Gerdemann said. "I think many teams realize that the old-school way is not the way anymore — but for sure, we have to show the way forward and more."

The team's former star, 1997 Tour winner Jan Ullrich, was disqualified from racing on the eve of the start of last year's Tour after his name turned up in a Spanish blood-doping investigation. In recent months, several for-

mer riders from the Telekom team — as T-Mobile was formerly called — admitted to doping in the 1990s.

The team and Tour organizers are eager to boost up young riders like Gerdemann — a potential heir to the torch of a new era.

"It's the fresh air we were hoping for, with a team that has taken exemplary care," Tour director Christian Prudhomme said.

The ride into the Alps has been expected to weed out the potential favorites in the three-week race, but two time trials and the Pyrenees also lurk down the road.

Gerdemann won by speeding out from a group of breakaway riders during the 123-mile ride from Bourg-en-Bresse to Le Grand Bornand, featuring a winding ascent up La Colomère Pass, the first category 1 climb this year.

After last year's climb of the 10-mile La Colomère ascent, 2006 Tour winner Floyd Landis tested positive for synthetic testosterone after the 17th stage. An arbitration panel is deciding whether Landis should be allowed to keep his title.

GOLF ROUNDUP

Mickelson back in front at Scottish

LUSS, Scotland — Phil Mickelson mastered a strong wind to shoot a 3-under 68 Saturday for a one-stroke lead over Gregory Haret of France after the third round of the Scottish Open.

Mickelson has a 54-hole total of 12-under 201. Haret, one of two co-leaders after two rounds, shot a 70. The other co-leader, Jose Manuel Lara, shot a 74 to drop five strokes off the pace.

Steve Webster of England shot a 69 and is third, three strokes back of Mickelson.

"The difficult thing about the wind today was that it was a crosswind on a lot of holes," Mickelson said. "I was fortunate to get the ball in play off the tee. That was the key for me. It made for a much easier round."

Ernie Els finished with 71 after four birdies and four bogeys to share sixth place with Lara and Mikko Ilonen.

Mickelson's round included a walk into the water at the third hole as his second shot hit the green and spun back into a pond. He wore water-proof pants to hit his submerged ball out to eight feet and holed the putt for a birdie.

Green leads John Deere

SILVIS, Ill. — Australian Nathan Green moved a step closer to his first PGA Tour victory, shooting a 3-under 68 in the third round of the John Deere Classic and maintaining a one-stroke lead.

Green is 15-under 198 through 54 holes and withstood pushes by 2005 Masters runner-up Tim Clark (66) and Jonathan Byrd (65). Clark is 14



Phil Mickelson eyes a putt during the Scottish Open at Loch Lomond, Scotland, Saturday.

under after finishing with three straight birdies, and Byrd was two strokes off the lead.

Green, a 32-year-old from New South Wales, Australia, had never led a PGA Tour event after two rounds, until he shot 63 on Friday to go 12 under. That gave him a one-stroke lead over Carl Pettersson and Jason Dufner, and the momentum carried into the third round.

Pak two strokes in front

SYLVANIA, Ohio — Se Ri Pak birdied the last hole to maintain a two-shot lead over hard-charging Morgan Pressel in the third round of the Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic.

Pressel had eight birdies in a 7-under 64 to put pressure on the four-time Furr champion, who carried a five-stroke lead over the field through 36 holes — and was seven shots ahead of Pressel.

Pak added a third-round 69 to her opening 63 and a 68 and is at 13-under 200. Pressel's 64 followed rounds of 68 and 70 and left her at 202 after a blistering day at Highland Meadows Golf Club.

Although Pak is just 23, the Sunday's final pairing will feature a final of Fame qualifier and one of the sport's rising young superstars. Pak has won 23 tournaments including five majors, while the 19-year-old Pressel became the youngest

major champion in LPGA history when she took the Kraft Nabisco Championship in April.

Eaks shoots 62 at Dick's

ENDICOTT, N.Y. — R.W. Eaks had an eagle, a hole-in-one and birdied five of his final 10 holes, smiling all the way en route to a career-low 62 to surge into the second-round lead at the inaugural Dick's Sporting Goods Open.

Eaks finished one shot off the En-Joie Golf Club course record held by Fred Funk, Hal Sutton and Robert Gomez, and was at 11-under 133. That was one shot ahead of Monday qualifier and tour rookie Bruce Vaughan (64) and two shots ahead of Scott Hoch (66).

Rhoden surges at Tahoe

STATELINE, Nev. — After struggling in the U.S. Senior Open a week ago, Rick Rhoden was back in his element Saturday — atop the leaderboard of the celebrity golf tournament he's won six times.

The former major league pitcher went birdie-birdie-eagle during one stretch on the way to a 5-under 67 worth 51 points in the modified Stinger scoring system at the 18th annual American Century Golf Championship at Lake Tahoe.

Ex-NHL great Grant Fuhr was second with 48 points, followed by former quarterback Chris Chandler and Mark Tipton with 47 headed into Sunday's final round at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course. — The Associated Press

Woods' pursuit of green jackets and claret jugs

The Associated Press

Tiger Woods never posted any of Harry Vardon's feats on his bedroom door.

His career has always been about Jack Nicklaus and that benchmark of 18 professional majors, and Woods has made incredible strides in his first decade on the PGA Tour. He captured the career Grand Slam at age 24, two years sooner than Nicklaus. He won back-to-back titles at the Masters, and one-third of his majors have come from Augusta National, just like Jack.

But along with a closet full of green jackets, Woods is starting to assemble quite a collection of claret jugs.

Woods' record at the 138th British Open with a chance to become the first player since Peter Thomson in 1954-56 to win golf's oldest championship three straight times.

If he's successful, that would give him as many jugs as jackets. Nicklaus and Vardon share the record for most titles (6) in a single major.

For all the fixation over Woods and Augusta National, his presence at the British Open has become equally daunting. Could he reach Vardon's record at the British Open before Nicklaus' mark at the Masters?

It's possible his dominance lies more on the linksland than amid the azaleas. "I will say this: The British Open Championship is my

favorite major," Woods said. "I just love the history, tradition and atmosphere. You need patience and imagination to play well."

Thomson has watched Woods develop a game suited for links golf but wouldn't be the least bit surprised if he goes on a dominant run.

"He'll have a run for 10 or 15 years during which he'll win at least half of them, maybe a few more," Thomson said from his home in St. Andrews. "I'm assuming he goes about it in the way he does — very golfer, maybe even a tennis player, who applied himself in such a way that Tiger has."

Nick Faldo, who won the Masters and British Open three times each, helped Woods into his first green jacket in 1997 and always figured that would be his domain. Now, he's not so sure.

"That's a tough one," Faldo said. "You've got to believe that everything about him is set up for success. But he has this great ability now to adapt, as he did at Hoylake, where strategy golf came in."

Augusta National has added nearly 500 yards since Woods won his first green jacket by a record 12 shots. And with improved technology, from drivers to shafts to golf balls, Woods no longer has exclusive rights to power.

The British Open has always been more about brains than brawn, the often overlooked strength of the world's No. 1 player.

Thoughts

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home awards for best game and best play. Maybe someday ESPN will follow the example of virtually every other awards show on the planet and carry the ESPN's on a live broadcast. That would at least create some drama for viewers rather than making the show itself feel rather anticlimactic.

Finally, a word of congratulations to the Magic Valley Soons, who clinched their second straight American Softball Association U14 state title last week. The Soons will defend their 2006 Western Region championship later this week in Couer d'Alene. Considering the team has outscored foes 300-49, recorded 18 shutouts and compiled a .424 team batting average, hardly surprising.

Today's regional crown is in the near future. The Soons aren't the Magic Valley's only champions on the diamond. Next is today's Your Sports on page C5 for more on our area winners.

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Tribe

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Game 2 starting pitcher Casey Murray struck out seven batters and recorded the first six outs of the game by strikeout. It was also a terror at the plate, finishing 1-for-4 with a triple, three runs and two RBIs. Murray was a key cog in Filer High School's 2007 run to the Class 3A state baseball tournament. While the 27-7 (10-6 Area C) Tribe won't be as much of a possession underdog as that Filer team, Murray said, "Baseball's a trick game. You never know what's going to happen."

It's OK coming in as underdogs because you never know, Murray said. "Baseball's a trick game. You never know what's going to happen." Josh Benedictus and Gaige Owen provided the firepower in the first game as each connected on solo home runs. Benedictus' blast in the bottom of the fifth was tracking for foul ground before it came off the left-field foul pole, 315 feet from home plate. Tanner Leckey picked up the Game 1 win, allowing one run on six hits while striking out four.

"That, we thought, was our strength all year," Reynolds said of Bull's pitching. "And with four 18-year-old pitchers, it better be your strength." Bull will face a tougher task

LOCAL ROUNDUP Area golfers in hunt at IGA finals

IGA Men's Championship

On Tuesday when it hosts perennial power Upper Valley for a 5 p.m. doubleheader. That showdown could have major implications on the postseason standings as the two teams, along with Jerome, Bear Lake and Twin Falls jockey for position near the top of the Area C standings.

"This year it could go any way," Loring said of the Area C tournament. "Last year, everyone was banking on us, Jerome and Upper Valley, but this year it could go any way. We don't have all the 19-year-olds that we've had back in the past. Just no one's overpowering."

"I think Jerome has the edge right now, but I think everyone's pretty even."

Table with 2 columns: Game 1, Game 2. Lists players and scores for various teams.

IGA Women's Championship

Everyone is trailing Boise's Ryan Bendwall but a number of Magic Valley golfers are in the hunt at the 2007 Idaho Golf Association Championships at Purple Sage Golf Course in Caldwell. Bendwall followed an opening-day 68 with a round of 65 Saturday to take a five-stroke lead over second-place Gilbert Lyles Jr.

Jerome's Zacy DeKruyf is in the hunt for a first-flip title with a two-day total of 139. Halley's Matt Mendler is within striking distance at 140. Cody Faught shot a 63 on the first day, but dropped off with a 78 on Day 2. Tolver Latham has a two-day total of 143.

The third round of the tournament will be played today.

Table with 2 columns: Game 1, Game 2. Lists players and scores for various teams.

IGA Youth Championships

Baseball Spartans fall to Reds

RUPERT — The Minico Spartans suffered a pair of home losses against the Idaho Falls Reds on Saturday, falling 11-5 and 22-13. Minico totaled 23 hits on the day, but also suffered through nine errors.

"It was just a bad day at the baseball field," said Minico assistant coach Eric Runyon. Chris Joyce took the loss in Game 1, while Dalin Beltran got the loss in Game 2. Offensively, Connor Douglas had two dou-

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A recipe to make the MLB all-star game even better

By Dan Connolly
The Baltimore Sun

During his annual All-Star Game luncheon with baseball writers last week, commissioner Bud Selig got a little bit of a specific line of questioning. And this one had nothing to do with Barry Bonds.

He was asked about potential changes to make baseball's All-Star Game a better sell — for fans and for TV viewers. And Selig quickly pointed out that though baseball's player showcase could be tweaked, it still is by far the most popular all-star game among the major sports.

The esteemed former car dealer is right on both accounts — it is better than any other all-star game. And it can be tweaked.

Here are a few suggestions on how to drum up more interest in the midsummer classic, which was viewed by a solid 31.4 million TV viewers on Tuesday.

- Start it earlier: This is a no-brainer. And the same goes with all postseason games, too. Because of all the pomp and circumstance in San Francisco, the first pitch on Tuesday was at 6:54 p.m. in the east. And the nail-biting ending — a one-run game, bases loaded, two outs — came at exactly midnight Eastern.
- That's just ludicrous. It takes three hours to play a baseball game these days. It's going to drag on. We may not like that, but we get it.
- However, there is no logical reason that the first pitch can't

be at 7:05 p.m. EST — or even 7:30. That means a little less in advertising dollars? Sure. But it'll be made up for in buzz the next morning, when most Americans can say they actually saw the ending.

One of the primary arguments for the late start is to be fair to the West Coast. Yet I can attest that nearly 44,000 San Franciscans had no problem packing AT&T Park by about 4:30 Pacific Time Tuesday.

They'll adjust — and they'll still have time for a late dinner after the game goes off the air.

• Take away player input: There are arguments each year about which deserving major leaguers were snubbed. That's part of the fun of the all-star game. And it's unavoidable, even if rosters are expanded from 32 to 40. One way of getting more

deserving players on the rosters, however, is to take the vote out of the players' hands. It sounds crazy, since those who actually play the game should know best — and that's why they were given power to pick a chunk of each league's reserves.

But, truthfully, the players are too busy — an all-star game doesn't care enough — to analyze the numbers and pick the best at that particular time. So they often go with players they respect the most, and that's how guys like Boston's Manny Ramirez and Atlanta's Brian McCann got in without having superlative 2007s.

The fans have done a solid job recently picking starters. Keep it that way. Then allow the manager of each all-star squad to pick the remaining

23 for each roster (not counting the final, on-line-voted all-star, which can still be handled by the fans). That allows managers to have a little more freedom, and perhaps avoids glaring snubs.

Also, continue the rule that requires one representative from each team. It's harder to build a fair roster, but it also provides a specific reason to watch for fans from Tampa Bay, Kansas City and yes, Baltimore and Washington.

• Add a reliever: I've been on this bandwagon since the 2002 All-Star Game ended in a tie. Create a 33rd spot on each roster for a non-closing reliever.

It serves two purposes. First, it provides insurance for extra innings. Secondly, it gives props to outstanding setup men or middle relievers

who otherwise are overshadowed by starters and closers.

Going in, the selected relievers will know they'll only pitch if the game goes into extra innings. Otherwise, they'll just be uniformed spectators. Still, they'll get all the All-Star perks.

• Give it international flavor: Want to get the players really pumped up while improving ratings and merchandise sales worldwide? Once every three years, take away "American" and "National" and replace it with "USA" and "World."

That's right, throw away the conventional formatting every third year and make it a mini-Major League Classic for Futures Game. Put America's best against the top international players in the big leagues.

Dodgers top Giants in 12 innings

Bonds still stuck on 751

SAN FRANCISCO — Derek Lowe held Barry Bonds hitless in three more at-bats and struck out on 751 home runs in his 13th straight game against the Los Angeles Dodgers as they won their 10th straight game in San Francisco on Rafael Furcal's sacrifice fly in the 12th inning of an 8-7 victory Saturday.



Los Angeles Dodgers players Andre Ethier, left, and Matt Kemp, right, greet their teammates after the Dodgers beat the San Francisco Giants 8-7 in 12 innings in San Francisco, Saturday.

Bonds is 0-for-11 in his career against Lowe. He also struck out in the seventh inning against Joe Beimel and grounded out in the 11th against Mark Hendrickson in his first 0-for-5 game since Sept. 26, 2005.

Bonds hitless in his last 13 at-bats and has not homered since July 3 at Cincinnati, remaining four shy of tying Hank Aaron's record of 757.

Bonds did walk to lead off the ninth against All-Star closer Takashi Saito and scored the tying run on Pedro Feliz's two-out hit single.

Cubs 9, Astros 3

CHICAGO — Ted Lilly won his fourth straight start. Aramis Ramirez had four RBIs and Alfonso Soriano hit a three-run homer for the Cubs.

Lilly (9-4), who hasn't lost since June 5, gave up four hits and a run over eight innings to help Chicago win for the 14th time in 18 games. The left-hander walked one, struck out seven and added a run-scoring

single in the sixth for his third major league RBI.

Soriano followed with his 16th to left, his team-leading 16th of the season, to finish Roy Oswalt (8-6).

Phillies 10, Cardinals 4

PHILADELPHIA — Jimmy Rollins, Ryan Howard and Aaron Rowand homered, Pat Burrell added four RBIs and Philadelphia avoided its 10,000th loss again.

Howard had four hits, Rollins and Burrell had three hits apiece and Chase Utley knocked in two runs for the Phillies, who had 14 hits a day after compiling a season-high 23. The highest-scoring team in the National League scored in a run in five of the first six innings.

Calvin Hamels (11-4) matched Chicago's Carlos Zambrano as the only 11-game winners in

effectively into the eighth inning, leading the Marlins past the Nationals.

Jeremy Hermida and Josh Willingham also connected against rookie Matt Chico (4-7) when he dropped to 0-5 on the road.

Brewers 2, Rockies 1, 10 innings

MILWAUKEE — Pinch-hitter Tony Graffanino's bloop single scored Geoff Jenkins from third with one out in the 10th inning, and the Brewers beat the Rockies despite losing All-Star Ben Sheets to a sprained finger on his pitching hand.

Derrick Turnbow (2-3) pitched a scoreless 10th for the Braves.

Braves 5, Pirates 4

ATLANTA — Jeff Francoeur hit a bases-loaded single with two outs in the ninth inning Saturday night, pushing the Braves past the Pirates.

Willie Harris led off the ninth with an infield single that bounced off reliever Shawn Chacono's foot, and Harris moved to second on Yunel Escobar's sacrifice. Edgar Renteria popped out before Chacono (4-2) issued an intentional walk to Chipper Jones.

The runners advanced to second and third on Chacono's wild pitch to Andrew Jones, who walked on a 3-2 pitch. Francoeur then hit a 2-1 pitch up the middle to drive in the winning run.

Bob Wickman (2-2) worked a scoreless ninth for the victory. Andrew Jones hit a two-run homer for Atlanta.

— The Associated Press

Mets 2, Reds 1

NEW YORK — Tom Glavine earned his 298th win with a superb performance, and Lestands Millers' tiebreaking single with two outs in the eighth inning sent the Mets over the hump.

Glavine (8-6) allowed only two hits, including Brandon Phillips' homer, in eight innings. He struck out five and walked none, improving to 27-12 against Cincinnati. The two-time Cy Young Award winner is closing in on becoming the 22nd major league pitcher to win 300 games.

Marlins 5, Nationals 2

MIAMI — Miguel Cabrera hit one of Florida's three home runs and Sergio Mitre pitched

Matsuzaka roughed up in Red Sox win

BOSTON — David Ortiz hit his first home run at Fenway Park since April, and Eric Hinske and Jason Varitek also homered for the Boston Red Sox to help Daisuke Matsuzaka overcome a rough outing and beat the Toronto Blue Jays 9-4 on Saturday night.

Matsuzaka (11-6) was charged with four runs on nine hits and two walks, striking out two in six innings for his fourth win in five decisions. The Japanese right-hander has given up 10 runs in his last two starts after allowing a total of six runs in his six starts before that.

Troy Glaus and Aaron Hill each had a single, a double and a homer off Matsuzaka, driving in three runs in the sixth to help the Blue Jays erase a 4-1 deficit. But Varitek hit a two-run homer with nobody out in the bottom half to chase Dustin McGowan (5-5) and start a five-run rally that broke the game open.



Boston Red Sox pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka delivers a pitch against the Toronto Blue Jays during Saturday's game at Fenway Park in Boston.

Kansas City used four relievers with Octavio Dotel pitching the ninth for his ninth save in 12 chances.

Gil Meche (6-6) allowed five runs and eight hits, striking out five and walking one.

Yankees 6, Devil Rays 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Bobby Abreu homered and drove in a season-high five runs, helping Chien-Ming Wang overcome a shaky first inning to win his seventh straight decision with a victory over the Devil Rays.

Abreu hit a two-run homer in the fifth inning. Hideki Matsui also went deep for the Yankees against rookie Andy Benoit. Benoit received an intentional walk to 500 for the second time in three nights.

Orioles 7, White Sox 6, 10 innings

BALTIMORE — Nick Markakis singled home the winning run with two outs in the 10th inning for Baltimore.

Cedric Miller and Jay Payton homered for the Orioles, who trailed 5-1 in the sixth and 6-4 in the ninth.

Facing Charlie Haeger (0-1), Corey Patterson led off the 10th with a single, stole second and advanced on a fly ball before Brian Roberts received an intentional walk. With the infield drawn in, Chris Gomez grounded out. Markakis then grounded a single between shortstop and third to win it.

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American League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Boston	55	35	.611		+64	W1	30:15	25:20	12:6
New York	44	50	.500	10	+73	W1	26:18	18:26	10:8
Toronto	44	46	.489	11	+55	L1	25:19	18:27	10:6
Baltimore	40	50	.444	16	+55	W2	21:28	19:28	6:4
Tampa Bay	35	55	.389	20	+8	L1	20:26	15:29	7:11

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Detroit	53	35	.602		-73	W1	25:19	28:16	4:4
Cleveland	53	37	.589	1	+55	L1	32:13	21:24	9:9
Minnesota	48	43	.527	6 1/2	+4	W3	25:20	23:33	8:7
Chicago	40	49	.449	13 1/2	+55	W2	21:22	21:28	4:4
Kansas City	39	51	.433	15	+55	W1	20:28	19:23	10:8

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Los Angeles	54	35	.607		+55	W1	30:13	24:22	14:4
Seattle	50	37	.573	3	+84	L1	28:16	22:21	9:9
Oakland	44	47	.484	11	+8	L6	23:23	21:24	10:8
Texas	38	51	.427	16	+64	L1	22:22	16:29	11:7

National League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
New York	50	40	.556		-44	W1	25:20	25:20	8:7
Atlanta	46	44	.513	1 1/2	+4	W3	24:21	25:21	4:11
Philadelphia	49	41	.544	1	+5	W3	24:21	22:23	8:7
Washington	48	43	.523	1 1/2	+64	W1	26:26	25:22	9:9
Florida	37	53	.411	13	+84	L1	19:27	18:26	9:9

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Milwaukee	50	40	.556		-37	W1	31:14	19:26	8:7
St. Louis	46	43	.517	3 1/2	+73	W2	22:21	24:22	8:4
Chicago	40	47	.460	8 1/2	+55	L2	21:22	19:25	6:9
Pittsburgh	40	50	.444	10	+55	L2	22:24	18:26	5:10
Houston	39	52	.429	11 1/2	+55	L2	24:22	15:30	9:9
Cincinnati	37	54	.407	13 1/2	+64	L1	20:26	17:28	7:11

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB	LD	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Los Angeles	51	40	.560		+64	W3	26:20	25:20	5:10
San Diego	49	39	.557	1 1/2	+46	L2	25:20	24:19	6:9
Arizona	48	45	.527	3	+8	W1	26:19	22:24	8:7
Colorado	45	43	.500	5 1/2	+73	L1	28:19	19:26	10:8
San Francisco	38	50	.432	11 1/2	+55	L3	21:23	17:27	5:10

> First game was a wild card

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Friday's Games

Toronto 6, Boston 5	Cleveland 5, Kansas City 4
Baltimore 2, Chicago White Sox 0	Tampa Bay 6, N.Y. Yankees 4
Minnesota 5, Oakland 3	Detroit 6, Seattle 3
L.A. Angels 2, Texas 1	

Saturday's Games

Boston 9, Toronto 4	Kansas City 6, Cleveland 5
Baltimore 7, Chicago White Sox 6, 10 Innings	N.Y. Yankees 6, Tampa Bay 4
Minnesota 4, Oakland 3	Texas at L.A. Angels, late
Detroit at Seattle, late	

Sunday's Games

Kansas City (Do La Rosa 7-9) at Cleveland (Carmona 10-4), 11:05 a.m.	Washington 14, Florida 10
Chicago White Sox (Contreras 5-10) at Baltimore (Osion 6-7), 11:05 a.m.	Cincinnati 8, N.Y. Mets 4
Toronto (Mussina 4-6) at Tampa Bay (Jackson 1-9), 11:40 a.m.	Colorado 10, Milwaukee 6
Toronto (Lincecum 1-3) at Boston (Beckett 12-2), 12:05 p.m.	L.A. Dodgers 9, San Francisco 1
Colorado (Hook 5-0) at Minnesota (Boggs 8-6), 12:10 p.m.	
Houston (McGriff 4-6) at L.A. Angels (Wheeler 6-5), 1:15 p.m.	
Detroit (Felder 10-3) at Seattle (Werner 2-6), 2:05 p.m.	

Monday's Games

Kansas City at Boston, 5:05 p.m.	Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 5:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 5:05 p.m.	Texas at Oakland, 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Seattle, 8:05 p.m.	

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 6, Houston 0	Washington 14, Florida 10
Philadelphia 13, St. Louis 4	Cincinnati 8, N.Y. Mets 4
Atlanta 8, Pittsburgh 3	Colorado 10, Milwaukee 6
Arizona 8, San Diego 3	L.A. Dodgers 9, San Francisco 1

Saturday's Games

Chicago Cubs 9, Houston 3	L.A. Dodgers 8, San Francisco 7, 12 Innings
Philadelphia 10, St. Louis 4	Atlanta 5, Pittsburgh 4
Milwaukee 2, Colorado 1, 10 Innings	Florida 5, Washington 2
N.Y. Mets 2, Cincinnati 1	San Diego at Arizona, late

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh (Maholm 5-1) at Atlanta (Carlye 3-2), 11:05 a.m.	Washington (Sabatino 6-9) at Cleveland (Carlye 3-2), 11:05 a.m.
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Colorado (Hook 5-0) at Minnesota (Boggs 8-6), 12:10 p.m.	Colorado (Hook 5-0) at Minnesota (Boggs 8-6), 12:10 p.m.
Houston (McGriff 4-6) at L.A. Angels (Wheeler 6-5), 1:15 p.m.	Houston (McGriff 4-6) at L.A. Angels (Wheeler 6-5), 1:15 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Fernandez 10-3) at San Francisco (Levy 9-6), 2:05 p.m.	L.A. Dodgers (Fernandez 10-3) at San Francisco (Levy 9-6), 2:05 p.m.
San Diego (Tomko 5-3) at Arizona (Wheeler 6-5), 2:40 p.m.	San Diego (Tomko 5-3) at Arizona (Wheeler 6-5), 2:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Walshright 7-7) at Philadelphia (Eaton 8-5), 4:05 p.m.	St. Louis (Walshright 7-7) at Philadelphia (Eaton 8-5), 4:05 p.m.

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Cincinnati at Atlanta, 5:05 p.m.	Colorado at Pittsburgh, 5:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 5:05 p.m.	San Francisco at Milwaukee, 5:05 p.m.
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Five-run rally that broke the game open.

4, Athletics 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Carlos Silva allowed two hits pitching into the seventh inning. Michael Young hit a pair of runs and the Twins held on to beat the Athletics.

Luis Castillo, Joe Mauer and Jason Tyner each had two hits for the Twins, who have won the first three games of the series and entered the night trailing Detroit by seven games in the AL Central.

Joe Blanton (8-6) allowed 10 hits in 7-2 innings and took the loss for the Athletics, who started the night 10 1/2

games back in the AL West.

Silva (7-10) had allowed 10 earned runs in his last 10 1-3 innings, but kept the ball down most of the night.

Royals 6, Indians 5

CLEVELAND — Emil Brown hit a three-run homer in the third inning and the Royals hung on to beat the Indians.

The Royals built an early 5-0 lead off ace C.C. Sabathia (12-4), but needed strong work from their bullpen to seal the win.

— The Associated Press

Your Scores

BOWLING

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TUES. NO TAP
MEN'S SERIES: Myron Schroeder 685, Maury Miller 646, Victor Hagood 630, Gerald Lins 629.
MEN'S GAMES: Myron Schroeder 272, Ed Duty 244, Gerald Lins 240, Victor Hagood 236.
LADIES SERIES: Linda Vining 614, Shirley Griffiths 596, Betty Wortgow 583, Maureen vanBuren 570.

THURS. NO TAP
MEN'S SERIES: Ray LaPointe 483, Dennis Seckel 575, Jan DeVries 570, Mike Starr 527.
MEN'S GAMES: Ian DeVries 231, Ray LaPointe 209, Dennis Seckel 211, Jerry Seabolt 209.
LADIES SERIES: Michele Seckel 487, Ann Shepherd 487, Gail Knight 483, Lori McKinley 440.
LADIES GAMES: Gail Knight 197, Ann Shepherd 181, Lori McKinley 172, Michele Seckel 169.

MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS
YOUTH ADULT
MEN'S SERIES: Joe McClure 553, Robert Watkins 548, Vance Mason 528, Charles Lewis 526.
MEN'S GAMES: Joe McClure 223, Jason Reeves 210, Robert Watkins 209, Charles Lewis 199.
LADIES SERIES: Kathy McClure

431, Robin Mason 350.
LADIES GAMES: Kathy McClure 155, Robin Mason 129.
BOYS' SERIES: Kyle Mason 500, Trevor Wakley 480, Dominic Curtis 410, Michael Jenkins 318.
BOYS' GAMES: Kyle Mason 198, Trevor Wakley 186, Dominic Curtis 150, Michael Jenkins 114.
GIRLS' SERIES: Kaitlyn Simpson 492, Steve Reeves 448, Ali Churchman 323, Brooke Newlin 226.
GIRLS' GAMES: Steve Reeves 202, Kaitlyn Simpson 177, Brooke Newlin 130, Ali Churchman 112.

TUES. MIXED
MEN'S SERIES: Chet Stone 713, Byron Waymont 6443, Marc Owens 637, Mike Goodson 625.
MEN'S GAMES: Byron Waymont 256, Chet Stone 256, Marc Owens 225, Blaine Ross 223.
LADIES SERIES: Melissa Straub 501, Shannon LeMaster 497, Angie Waymont 459, Marie Stewart 433.
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MON. NITRO
 SERIES: Robert Watkins 622.
GAMES: Robert Watkins 221, Kyle Schroeder 202.

YOUTH SOFTBALL Sooners repeat as state champs

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Sooners are simply dominant. After winning every tournament they entered this summer, the Sooners traveled to Coeur d'Alene last weekend to defend their American Softball Association U14 state championship from 2006. They cruised to the repeat title with four shutout wins, including an 8-0, five-inning victory over the Coeur d'Alene Crush in the championship game.

The state triumph sends the Sooners to the national tournament in Stockton, Calif., in late July. But before that, the Sooners will aim to defend their 2006 Western Region championship by returning to Coeur d'Alene for tournament action beginning Friday. The team, which has players from Filer, Jerome, Buhl, Twin Falls and Kimberley, routed the Thrashers 10-0 to open tournament play on Monday. Makers recorded seven strikeouts and gave up just two hits. Another shutout, this time a 4-



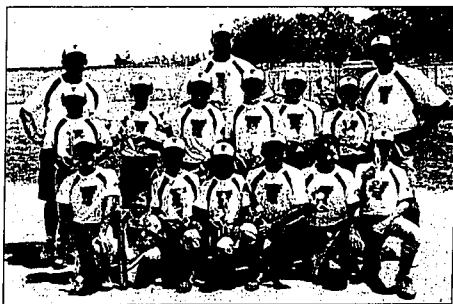
Pictured, from left, front row, Baylee Allison, Nellie Makings, Jensen Upton, Averie Schroeder, Mikkayla Corder and Brianna Bishop; second row: Shawn Kuest, Katie Azevedo, Katherine Hunter, Mackenz Jasper, Kyle Kuest, Whitney Carlton and T.J. Surrage; back row: coaches Richard Azevedo, John Sudik and Jamie Carlton.

0 win over the Idaho Ice followed to put the Sooners in the title tilt. Magic Valley limited the Crush to one hit and the Sooners pitchers totaled 11

strikeouts on their way to the championship. At the plate, Whitney Carlton and Katherine Hunter both went 2-for-2. On the season, the 35-3

Sooners have a team-bating average of .424. They've outscored their opponents 300 to 49 and have pitched 18 shutouts.

YOUTH BASEBALL



Pioneers win U10 Cal Ripken state title

Pictured are members Twin Falls Pioneers team which won the Idaho State U10 Cal Ripken championship last week in Jerome. From left, front row: Robert Montoya, Jason Bride, Kade Meyerhoeffer, Chandler Greenfield, Spencer Smelser and Braden Stutzman; second row: Cody Root, bat boy Kaden Stutzman, Zach Martinis, Austin Hagi, Kaleb Jones, Hunter Elam and Landon Jones; back row: coaches Alan Stutzman, Cole Greenfield and Kevin Jones. The Pioneers now move on to the Pacific Northwest Regional Tournament in Lewiston, Mont., July 18-21.

YOUTH SOFTBALL



Terror takes fourth at state

The Twin Falls Terror U10 softball team place fourth at the state tournament last weekend.

Pictured, from left, from row: Bethany Myers, Kaitlyn Merritt, Brynli Bartlett, Taylor Johnson, Kennedy Truller and Courtney Ellis; back row: Coach Sherry Ellis, Kelly Jund, Taryn Skahili, Megan Hinojos, Avery Gaines and coach Ron Hinojos.

CHEERLEADING

Filer cheer squad wins honors at camp



TWIN FALLS — The Filer High School cheerleading squad, pictured below, attended the U.C.A. Cheer Camp June 26-29 at Albertson College of Idaho in Caldwell. Three Wildcats, pictured at left, Erica Farnsworth, Kelsi Holloway and Brook Lawley, qualified for the all-star cheer squad at the camp. Filer also won several team awards including first place in cheer for extreme dance routine and second-place honors in Superior Award for routines and home pom.

Leadership awards voted on by the other cheer teams and the camp staff went to Filer along with recognition as most spirited team on Rock 'n' Roll Day.

MOTOCROSS



Brower earns a spot at national championship motocross race

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Brandon Brower of Heyburn, a 19-year-old dirt bike racer, recently qualified for the largest amateur motocross race in the world.

Brower will compete in the 26th annual Air Nautiques/AMA Amateur National Motocross Championships at Loreta Lynn's Ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tenn., July 30 through Aug. 4.

Brower, who started riding when he was 2 years old, was one of the more than 20,000 riders nationwide who spent

four months trying to net one of the 1,300 championship qualification berths.

The top finishers in area and regional qualifiers earned a berth into the national championship race at Loreta Lynn's.

Brower has won numerous races in the past 15 years and competes nearly every weekend at races around the nation, but a win at the championship series would mark the pinnacle of a decorated amateur motocross racing career.

"The Amateur Nationals at Loreta Lynn's is the event every motocross racer in the

country wants to compete in," event director Tim Cotter said. "A win at the Amateur Nationals can serve as a springboard to a lucrative professional motocross career."

Many of America's top professional motocross racers won AMA Amateur National Championships at Loreta Lynn's. A victory at this race is so valuable that last year, teenager Josh Hill from Yoncalla, Ore., was rewarded with a six-figure pro contract from the Factory Yamaha Racing Team after winning an Amateur National Championship.

SLOW SUMMER

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By Michelle Locke
Associated Press writer

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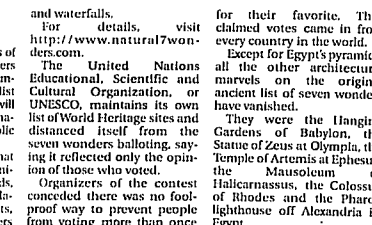
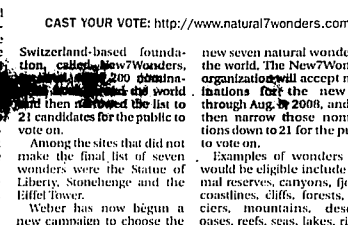
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The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO, maintains its own list of World Heritage sites and distanced itself from the seven wonders balloting, saying it reflected only the opinion of those who voted.

Organizers of the contest conceded there was no foolproof way to prevent people from voting more than once



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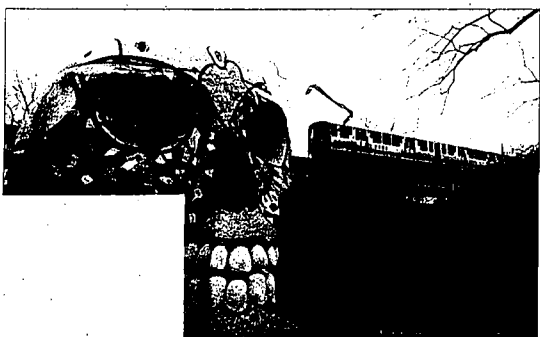
After Wrigley Field, beyond the Sears Tower and off Michigan Avenue there are 120 Windy City neighborhoods waiting to be discovered

By Tom Uhlensbrock
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

CHICAGO — Al Walavich saved the best for last on a walking tour of Graceland Cemetery, where Chicago's royalty is buried.

"You want to see my favorite inscription?" he asked, leading the way to a modest flat monument in a crowded piece of ground.

"The name beneath was a mere 20 years old when he died."



Features 'Niki in the Garden,' a display of monumental outdoor sculptures by

Summer in Chicago

Conservatory
What: The exhibit "Niki in the Garden" displays more than 30 monumental outdoor sculptures by Niki de Saint Phalle. Massive in scale, the whimsical works include animals, mythical figures, totems, sports heroes and her trademark Nanas—oversized, often dancing, figures of women celebrating life.

Where: The conservatory is at 300 North Central Park, 15 minutes west of downtown Chicago. A free shuttle train will run from the downtown Randolph-Wabash train station straight to the conservatory and back on weekend afternoons.

When: Through Oct. 31.

How much: The conservatory is free, but there is a \$5 suggested admission while the exhibit is on the grounds.

Information: Call 1-877-244-2246, or visit www.cityofchicago.org/tourism.

The Field Museum
What: "Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries" features breakthroughs in paleontology, including newly discovered fossils and advanced computer technology. The centerpiece is a diorama of a 120-million-year-old Mesozoic forest in China with more than 35 species of dinosaurs, mammals, fish, reptiles and insects.

Where: The museum is at 1400 South Lake Shore Drive on Lake Michigan, at the south end of Grant Park.

When: Through Sept. 3.

How much: The exhibit requires a timed-entry ticket that must be purchased in combination with basic admission to the museum. The total cost is \$25.

Information: Call 1-312-922-9410, or visit www.fieldmuseum.org.

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Bucktown got its name.
There were 63 Polish churches in the city, Jacobson said, and our first stop was at St. Hedwig's Church, which celebrated its first Mass on Dec. 8, 1888. The church's congregation was split, literally, by an expressway that cut through the neighborhood in 1960.

"The building of that highway cut off a lot of the Poles, who decided to move," Jacobson said. "When the church first opened there were 1,400 families, mostly Polish. Now there's a little bit of everything. The whole nature of the church has changed."

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Bucktown's for goats
The tours rotate neighborhoods, and the motor coach was heading to the side-by-side historic communities of Bucktown and Wicker Park during my weekend visit. I hopped aboard. Marshall Jacobson was the local guide and James was the driver who negotiated the big bus through the little streets.

Jacobson explained that Bucktown was populated by Polish immigrants who flooded into Chicago in the 1890s and settled at the outskirts of the city. "A huck was a milk goat, and this was a farming area," he said. "They used to call it the 'goat prairie,' and that's how

Tahoe

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including world-class destinations like Squaw Valley USA and the Heavenly Ski Resort.

Revenue totals are still being compiled, but "we do know that we did take somewhat of a hit this year on the lack of snow," said Kaler.

The fire may not put a significant dent in the overall econo-

my because it likely will prompt a flurry of rebuilding, said Cynthia Kroll, a senior regional economist at the University of California, Berkeley's Haas School of Business.

"Once the fire is out, unless a really major area has been taken out, the local business recovers pretty quickly and, in fact, there's often an infusion of new dollars from the rebuilding," she said.

Kaler said ad campaigns are planned to get the message out that South Lake Tahoe is open for business. And areas on the lake's north shore have already sent out notices that roads are open and the usual summer events are still on — including the American Century

FEARLESS TRAVELER NYC hotels for a song

By Elissa Lebowitz Poma
Special to The Times-News
Washington Post

Q: Can you suggest some reasonably priced hotels within walking distance of Lincoln Center in New York?

A: To stay near Lincoln Center, you won't have to settle for cheap seats to the opera to afford a nearby hotel. You can sleep blocks from the performing arts center even on a limited budget. Daily room rates in Manhattan averaged \$267 last year, according to NYC & Company, the city's tourism office, but some hotels near the Upper West Side institution are a fraction of that. Here are some options within a half-mile of Lincoln Center.

• The 200-room Hotel Belleclaire (250 W. 77th St., 877-468-3522, www.hotelbelleclaire.com) from \$109 double with shared bath, \$169 with private bath) is super chic, with modern dark-wood furniture and stylish bedding. It's 10 blocks from Lincoln Center.

• Eleven blocks from Lincoln Center, the Millbrook Hotel (242 W. 76th St., 800-833-9522, www.millbrookhotel.com) from \$139) has 120 studios, junior suites and one-bedrooms, all with kitchenettes. The hotel also has a fitness center and access to a nearby swimming pool.

• The Park Savoy (150 W. 51st St., 212-65-5755, www.parksavoyhotel.com) from \$134 (double) is six blocks from the performing arts center and a block from Central Park. The 105 rooms are small and amenities are few, but the location makes the simple setting worth it.

For more hotel options: NYC & Co., 212-694-1200, www.nycvisit.com.

Weigh the pros and cons of travel insurance

By Eileen Ambrose
The Baltimore Sun

We see terrorist attacks at airports, record airline delays and bankruptcies among travel providers. No wonder people are buying so much travel insurance.

But is all that spending — \$1.3 billion in 2005, at least twice the annual figures before Sept. 11, 2001 — worth it?

Not necessarily.

You may already have coverage for some of your travel concerns. And considering that the typical policy runs 4 percent to 8 percent of the cost of your trip, that can be a sizable sum to buy what you already have.

"We're not huge fans of travel insurance," says Greg Daugherty, executive editor of Consumer Reports.

Travel insurance reimburses nonrefundable travel expenses if you, say, cancel your trip because of an illness or your flight is delayed or canceled. It can cover medical bills, lost luggage or meals when flights are hours late. Many policies, too, will reimburse the cost of a canceled trip if a terrorist act occurs in the city of your destination.

"People are more concerned when they travel today and 9-11 opened a lot of eyes," says Brian Link, president of the U.S. Travel Insurance Association. "We've had increased security and delays that go with that."

While travel insurance might duplicate coverage you already have, that's not to say you should never buy it.

The best argument for a policy is the medical care benefit, particularly if you're not in the best of health and traveling abroad. Medicare — insurance for those 65 and up — won't pick up medical bills outside the United States, except in very limited situations. Even younger travelers may find that their health insurance won't cover them outside the country.

And if you have to be airlifted out of the Australian outback or some other far away place because of a medical emergency, it could cost you well into the tens of thousands of dollars if you don't have insurance.

Some travel experts also suggest insurance is worthwhile if you're being saving up

for an expensive trip for years and you don't want to lose money if you suddenly can't go or your cruise line goes out of business.

Indeed, there's another reason to buy the insurance: Peace of mind.

"Anyone who is so nervous and can't sleep should buy it," says Robert Hunter, director of insurance for the Consumer Federation of America.

Everyone else: "Save the money on travel insurance and get a nice meal," Hunter says.

So before shelling out what could be several hundred dollars, consider what you're worried about. Last August, a medical emergency? Living to cancel because of the flu? Then see if you already covered for these events.

Most travelers buy insurance to protect themselves in case they must cancel the trip because of a family illness or loss of a job, or if a trip is canceled on them because their tour operator went belly up. If you think you might have to do the canceling, contact the airline or travel provider to find out its cancellation policy, says Sandy Preager, Kansas insurance commissioner and president-elect of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Preager, for example, says she recently canceled a trip because of a death of a close family friend.

"I was able to get a full refund without travel insurance," she says. "The airline was very understanding."

But when she canceled another flight with a different airline because of a back injury, she lost her money. "It's hit or miss," she says.

Lost, stolen or damaged luggage may be covered under a variety of sources. Federal law requires airlines to compensate you for lost or damaged baggage. You'll get reimbursed for the depreciated value of your lost items, not what it costs to replace them.

You can shop online and compare prices and terms at www.insuremytrip.com. For instance, a 67-year-old taking a three-week cruise to Alaska can find insurance packages ranging from about \$244 to \$554; a 25-year-old on the same trip would pay \$135 to \$283 for coverage.

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As the fires raged, ash fell like black snow on Tahoe's waters. But firefighters gained ground as winds dropped.

Because Lake Tahoe is so large there won't be any immediate changes in water quality, said Jeff Cowen, community liaison for the Tahoe Regional Planning

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But the cumulative effects of fire runoff carried into the lake by streams over the coming months is a concern because it includes nutrients that feed algae growth, which can turn the water from its signature clear blue to green, he said.

The lake has been losing clarity at a rate of about a foot a year for 30 years, to a current underwater visibility of 70 feet. It's a trend officials have been trying to reverse in recent years. The planning agency will be working with the U.S. Geological Service and the federal forest service to monitor streams and establish erosion control and reforestation.

The bumpy start to summer comes after a winter which, according to the annual May 1 snow survey, ended with a snowpack that was just 29 percent of normal.

The surrounding Sierra Nevada is home to about a dozen ski resorts.

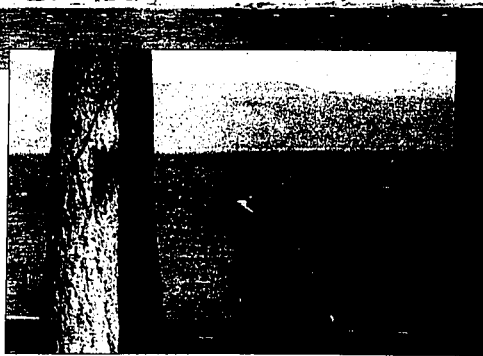
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According to a tally of around 100 million votes cast by people around the world over the Internet and by cell phone text messages, the contest was won by the Statue of Christ Redeemer.

The campaign to pick the seven new wonders was begun in 1999 by Swiss adventurer Bernard Weber. His

CAST YOUR VOTE: <http://www.natural7wonders.com>

Switzerland-based foundation, called New7Wonders, has a list of 200 nominees for the world's seven wonders of nature and then narrowed the list to 21 candidates for the public to vote on.

Among the sites that did not make the final list of seven wonders were the Statue of Liberty, Stonehenge and the Eiffel Tower. Weber has now begun a new campaign to choose the

new seven natural wonders of the world. The New7Wonders organization will accept nominations for the new list through Aug. 6, 2008, and will then narrow those nominations down to 21 for the public to vote on.

Examples of wonders that would be eligible include animal reserves, canyons, fjords, coastlines, cliffs, forests, glaciers, mountains, deserts, oases, reefs, seas, lakes, rivers

and waterfalls.

For details, visit <http://www.natural7wonders.com>.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO, maintains its own list of World Heritage sites and distanced itself from the seven wonders balloting, saying it reflected only the opinion of those who voted.

Organizers of the contest conceded there was no foolproof way to prevent people from voting more than once

for their favorite. They claimed votes came in from every country in the world.

Except for Egypt's pyramids, all the other architectural marvels on the original ancient list of seven wonders have vanished.

They were the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, the Statue of Zeus at Olympia, the Temple of Artemis at Ephesus, the Mausoleum of Halicarnassus, the Colossus of Rhodes and the Pharos lighthouse off Alexandria in Egypt.

Let's go to Chicago:

After Wrigley Field, beyond the Sears Tower and off Michigan Avenue there are 120 Windy City neighborhoods waiting to be discovered

By Tom Uhenbrock
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

CHICAGO — Al Walawich saved the best for last on a walking tour of Graceland Cemetery, where Chicago's royalty is buried.

"You want to see my favorite inscription?" he asked, leading the way to a modest flat monument in a crowded piece of ground.

The man beneath was a mere 50 years old when he passed away in 2005. Neatly carved in his granite marker was this: "Couldn't wait for the Cubs to win it."

Big cities like Chicago are full of such gems, but a visitor can't find them unless a friendly native leads the way.

That's the gist behind Chicago Neighborhood Tours, a creation of the city's tourism division. Visitors sign up and take a guided visit by bus and on foot to neighborhoods like Historic Bronzeville, Hyde Park, Little Italy or Ukrainian Village.

A companion program offers special interest tours. You can visit the city's magnificent churches, eat your way through ethnic communities or follow Walawich through the tombstones and see where the McCormicks and the Medills, the Palmers and the Pullmans were entombed in digs worthy of the pharaohs.

Not everybody resting in peace in Graceland was famous. Walawich takes visitors to see the markers of Zoraster Culver and Thunsidea Wagner Reubold just because he likes their names. "Sounds like some wild Yalryric," he said of Thunsidea.

"Does that design look familiar?" he asked of a triangular shape engraved on a marker for two men. "Yep, the Star Trek symbol. These guys were Trekkies."

Patricia Sullivan, manager of the tours program, said it started a decade ago with four tours, and now has 23. Last year, some 3,500 people took the tours. Neighborhood tours last four hours, with a stop for refreshments. It costs \$25 for an adult, \$20 for seniors and children through 18. Special interest tours are a little longer with lunch and are \$50 and \$45.

The tours leave at 10 a.m. on Saturdays, year-round, from the Chicago Cultural Center at Randolph Street and Michigan Avenue. To make reservations, call 1-312-742-1190, or visit www.chicago-neighborhood-tours.com. Group tours also are available.

"People are familiar with North Michigan Avenue and The Loop," Sullivan said. "But the city is made up of 77 communities and more than 120 neighborhoods. We try to look at the ethnic neighborhoods or those with historical interest."

"The most popular tours, like the churches and the taste of the neighborhoods," fill up fast. The tours had been offered only on Saturdays, but this year the program has added "summer-time sampler tours" on Thursdays, May 31 through Aug. 30.

"We do three neighborhoods in three hours on the motor coach for \$20 — no refreshments, no lunch," Sullivan said. "The special-interest tours give a more in-depth look than the neighborhood tours."

"We do Greek Chicago, led by a couple active in the Greek community," she said. "We learn how and why the Greeks came to Chicago, visit a Greek church, the Hellenic Museum, have a Greek lunch. It's not just for the special interest history cemeteries tours, we bring a box lunch and



Garfield Park Conservatory this summer features Niki in the Garden, a display of monumental outdoor sculptures by Niki de Saint Phalle.



A family is reflected in the shiny underside of the Cloudgate sculpture.

to have a picnic in the cemetery."

Walawich, who gave me an abbreviated cemetery tour, had one final surprise: "If you like, I'll take you over to my grave," he said.

After a short walk through the monuments, he turned and said, "You're almost standing on my head."

"Sure enough, the marker at my feet said 'Son, Albert R. Walawich, May 29, 1948.' The departing date was blank."

Backtown for goats

The tours rotate neighborhoods, and the motor coach was heading to the side-by-side historic communities of Bucktown and Wicker Park during my weekend visit. I hopped aboard, Marshall Jacobson was the local guide and James was the driver who negotiated the big huss through the little streets.

Jacobson explained that Bucktown was populated by Polish immigrants who flooded into Chicago in the 1830s and settled at the outskirts of the city. "A buck was a male goat, and this was a farming area," he said. "They used to call it the 'goat prairie,' and that's how

Bucktown got its name."

There were 63 Polish churches in the city, Jacobson said, and our first stop was at St. Helwig's Church, which celebrated its first Mass on Dec. 8, 1888. The church's congregation was split, literally, by an expressway that cut through the neighborhood in 1960.

"The building of that highway cut off a lot of the Poles, who decided to move," Jacobson said. "When the church first opened there were 1,800 families, mostly Polish. Now there's a little bit of everything. The whole nature of the church has changed."

Although the Polish influence was evident in names like Paluski Park and Gogolinski-Trofimuk Funeral Home, the neighborhood has evolved over the years. By the time we stopped for pizza at a restaurant on funky Damen Avenue, the city blocks were filled by a lively mix of restaurants, nightclubs and young residents in high-top orange tennis shoes and spiked hair the same color. At Wicker Park, we took a stroll through the shaded streets lined by vintage mansions. "Mike Royko, Suds Terkel, the writer Nelson Algren lived in Wicker Park," Jacobson said. "They called this street 'beer barrel avenue' because a lot of the beer barons lived here."

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Summer in Chicago

Conservatory

What: The exhibit, "Niki in the Garden" displays more than 30 monumental outdoor sculptures by Niki de Saint Phalle. Massive in scale, the whimsical works include animals, mythical figures, totems, sports heroes and her trademark Nanas — oversized, often dancing, figures of women celebrating life. **Where:** The conservatory is at 300 North Central Park, 15 minutes west of downtown Chicago. A free shuttle train will run from the downtown Randolph-Wabash train station straight to the conservatory and back on weekend afternoons. **When:** Through Oct. 31. **How much:** The conservatory is free, but there is a \$5 suggested admission while the exhibit is on the grounds. **Information:** Call 1-877-244-2246, or visit www.cityofchicago.org/tourism.

The Field Museum

What: "Dinosaurs: Ancient Fossils, New Discoveries" features breakthroughs in paleontology, including newly discovered fossils and advanced computer technology. The centerpiece is a diorama of a 230-million-year-old Mesozoic forest in China with more than 35 species of dinosaurs, mammals, fish, reptiles and insects. **Where:** The museum is at 1400 South Lake Shore Drive on Lake Michigan, at the south end of Grant Park. **When:** Through Sept. 3. **How much:** The exhibit requires a one-entry ticket that must be purchased in combination with basic admission to the museum. The total cost is \$25. **Information:** Call 1-312-922-8410, or visit www.fieldmuseum.org.

The Art Institute of Chicago

What: "Perpetual Glory: Medieval Islamic Ceramics from the Harvey B. Pitlorik Collection." The Chicago collection has assembled what is generally regarded as the finest private collection of early Islamic ceramics in the world. The more than 100 works range in date from the 9th through the 15th centuries. **Where:** The institute is at 111 South Michigan Avenue. **When:** Through Oct. 28. **How much:** The exhibit is free with general admission of \$12 for adults, \$7 for students, seniors and children 12 to 18. **Information:** Call 1-312-443-3600, or visit www.artic.edu.

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FEARLESS TRAVELER

NYC hotels for a song

By Elissa Leibowitz Poma
Special to The
Washington Post

Q: Can you suggest some reasonably priced hotels near walking distance of Lincoln Center in New York? A: To stay near Lincoln Center, you won't have to settle for cheap seats to the opera to afford a nearby hotel; you can sleep blocks from the performing arts center even on a limited budget. Daily room rates in Manhattan averaged \$267 last year, according to NYC & Company, the city's tourism office, but some hotels near the Upper West Side institution are a fraction of that. Here are some options within a half-mile of Lincoln Center:

- The 200-room Hotel Belleclaire (250 W. 77th St., 877-168-3522, www.hotelbelleclaire.com) from \$109 triple with shared bath. \$169

with private bath) is super chic, with modern dark-wood furniture and stylish bedding. It's 10 blocks from Lincoln Center.

Eleven blocks from Lincoln Center, the Millburn Hotel (212 W. 76th St., 800-833-9622, www.millburnhotel.com) from \$139 has 120 studios, junior suites and open-to-air bedrooms, all with kitchenettes. The hotel also has a fitness center and access to a nearby swimming pool.

The Park Savoy (158 W. 59th St., 212-245-5755, www.parksavoyhotel.com) from \$134 (double) is six blocks from the performing arts center and a block from Central Park. The 105 rooms are small and amenities are few, but the location makes the simple setting worth it.

For more hotel options: NYC & Co., 212-404-1200, www.nycvisit.com.

Weigh the pros and cons of travel insurance

By Eileen Ambrose
The Baltimore Sun

We see terrorist attacks at airports, providers of flights and bus tickets, among other people are buying so much travel insurance.

But is all that spending — \$1 billion in 2006 — worth the annual figures before Sept. 11, 2001 — worth it?

Not necessarily. You may already have coverage for some of your travel concerns. And considering that the typical policy runs a percent to 8 percent of the cost of your trip, that can be a sizable sum to buy what you already have.

"We're not huge fans of travel insurance," says Greg Daugherty, executive editor of Consumer Reports.

"Travel insurance reimburses nonrefundable travel expenses if you, say, cancel your trip because of an illness or your flight is delayed or canceled. It can cover medical bills, lost luggage or meals when flights are hours late. Many policies, too, will reimburse the cost of a canceled trip if a terrorist act occurs in the city of your destination."

"People are more concerned when they travel today and 9-11 opened a lot of eyes," says Brad Piekole, president of the U.S. Travel Insurance Association. "We've had increased security and delays that go with that."

While travel insurance might seem like coverage you already have, that's not to say you should never buy it.

The best argument for a policy is the medical care benefit, particularly if you're not in the best of health and traveling abroad. Medicare — insurance for those 65 and up — won't pick up medical bills outside the United States, except in very limited situations. Even young travelers may find that their health insurance won't cover them outside the country.

And if you buy the airlift-coverage part of the Australian outback or some other far away place because of a medical emergency, it could cost you well into the tens of thousands of dollars if you don't have insurance.

Some travel experts also suggest insurance is worthwhile if you're saving up

for an expensive trip for years and you don't want to lose money if you suddenly can't go or your cruise line goes out of business.

Indeed, there's another reason to buy the insurance: Peace of mind.

"Anyone who is so nervous and can't sleep should buy it," says Sherry Hunter, director of insurance for the Consumer Federation of America.

Everyone else: "Save the money for travel insurance and get a nice meal," Hunter says.

So before shelling out what could be several hundred dollars, consider what you're buying. And if you're buying insurance for the Consumer Federation of America.

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Then see if you already covered for these events.

Most travelers buy insurance to protect themselves in case they might cancel the trip because of a family illness or loss of a job, or if a trip is canceled on their own because their car or house is damaged.

If you think you might have to do the canceling, contact the airline or travel provider to find out its cancellation policy, says Sandy Proeger, Kansas insurance commissioner and president-elect of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Proeger, for example, says she recently canceled a trip because of a death of a close family friend.

"I was able to get a full refund without travel insurance," she says. "The airline was very understanding."

But when she canceled another flight with a different airline because of a back injury, she lost her refund. "It's lost or missed," she says.

"Lost, stolen or damaged luggage may be covered under a variety of sources. Federal law requires airlines to compensate you for lost or damaged baggage. You'll get reimbursed for the depreciated value of your lost items, not what it costs to replace them."

You can shop online and compare prices and terms at www.insuremytrip.com. For instance, a 67-year-old Alaska cruise for 14 days ranges from about \$241 to \$554; a 25-year-old on the same trip would pay \$135 to \$283 for coverage.

Tahoe

Continued from page C6 including world-class destinations like Squaw Valley USA and the Heavenly Ski Resort.

Revenue totals are still being compiled, but "we do know that we did take somewhat of a hit this year on the lack of snow," said Kaler.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT
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 Maintenance Person Monthly flexible position available at Warren House. Assisted Living Residence for older adults in Burley. Exp. with grounds, building exterior/interior, equipment, safety manuals, etc. Flexible daytime hours. Apply at Warren House 1301 Barnett Street Burley, ID

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GRAPHIC DESIGNER

The Wood River Journal

The Wood River Journal, located in the Sun Valley area of Idaho, is looking for a Graphic and Page Designer to join our team. Proficiency in Quark and Photoshop is a must. Candidates must have newspaper or print experience in a high-paced and deadline oriented work environment. This is not a web design position. This position is available immediately. College grads with school newspaper page design and advertising design experience are encouraged to apply. Candidates must be detail oriented and have good proofreading skills. The Wood River Journal is an award winning weekly newspaper that has been in publication for 125 years. The Journal offers benefits, which include health insurance, paid vacations and holidays, and a 401k plan.

EOE
 Candidates should send resumes and examples of their work to Try Spaulding, C/O Graphic Design, PO Box 888, Halpern, ID 83333 or e-mail to publisher@woodriverjournal.com
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211 Medical

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LAW ENFORCEMENT
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213 Professional

Developmental Specialist/ IBI Professional
We are currently seeking full-time 40 hour/week developmental Specialist to complete assessments and social observations, etc. Candidates include: BS degree, experience working with adults or kids with disabilities. experience a plus. Qualified candidates to S.I. Start 2007 Ave J, Suite E Twin Falls, ID. johnson@start.com

213 Professional

LSW, MSW, or RN
needed to work in an outpatient mental health clinic. Benefits avail after 90 day probation period. Salary DOE
Contact Bill at 208-312-1857

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Part time position for Planning & Zoning Administrator. Hours to be set by board of commissioners and administrator. Salary negotiable. Role of supervisor and applications are available in the clerk's assistant, publishing and Zoning budget is also available.
Closes July 23rd at 12:00 P.M.
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This year will be our best. Classifieds: 733-0921

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PROFESSIONAL PSR Specialist.
BA degree. Starting \$15/hr. Call 208-478-3350

214 Retail

View line Classifieds online at www.magleviewline.com

0215 Sales

SALES
-Monroe Building Supply in Twin Falls is now hiring for the positions of Inside Sales, Contractors Sales, Cabinet Dept, Floor Covering Dept, & Accounting All applicants must apply in person and provide resume of 8th grade skills please!
Only serious applicants need be considered.
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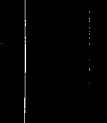
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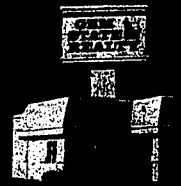
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PORTO
\$119,900 Barley MLS#98100800
3 bedrooms, 1.75 baths Overlook yard, huge
backyard, great lot, & finished
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\$119,900 Twin Falls MLS#98130606
3 bedrooms, 1 bath Daring home with huge
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\$120,000 Twin Falls MLS#98104862
Located in front of the
Magic Valley Mall
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PORTO
\$124,900 Twin Falls MLS#98130713
3 bedrooms, 1 bath N of I-20
in country setting
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PORTO
\$125,000 In the heart of Buhl, MLS#98130555
Beautifully finished 3 bds, views, new tile floor
Great lot
Stacy Shelton 308-1101

PORTO
\$134,900 Twin Falls MLS#98130842
2 baths, 2 half baths Great home on large corner lot
2 acres +/- Ready to move into. 20' driveway, good
kitchen, fireplace, 737-3918, 737-3915

PORTO
\$139,900 Twin Falls MLS#98125662
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Possibility for a duplex
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\$139,900 Kimberly MLS#98125642
3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths Cute home with great
iron and landscaping
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1 bedroom, 1 bath N of I-20
46' x 20' garage
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PORTO
\$154,900 Twin Falls MLS#98121433
3 bedrooms, 2 baths The Colonial by
Woburns Royal Line
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PORTO
\$155,000 Twin Falls MLS#98131723
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Great home, great location
GREAT PRICE!
Rob Adair 737-3385 or 737-3930

PORTO
\$159,900 Twin Falls MLS#98129223
3 bedrooms, 2 baths NE neighborhood, 2.5
baths lot in great area, great lot
Kathi Schrader 737-9919 Sun 737-3917

PORTO
\$170,000 Twin Falls MLS#98110456
4 bedrooms, 2 baths Full of ownership-Title
only & country
Total Cunniff 731-9812 737-3925

PORTO
\$189,900 Twin Falls MLS#98133000
4 bedrooms, 2 baths Very attractive home on
large lot Open floor plan
Vicki 208-6400 Doris 420-8770

PORTO
\$194,900 Twin Falls MLS#98127835
4 bedrooms, 2 baths Viewpoint-Sub
Excellent condition large backyard
Rox Freeman 420-8417 Kathy Partridge 420-8484

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25 acre Great home, excellent
View location
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4 bedrooms, 2 baths "The Santa" by Woburns
Home in Sun, lot by
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\$229,900 Kimberly MLS#98110430
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As a Great potential
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths Well kept
low-maintenance property
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\$249,900 Twin Falls MLS#98130443
3 baths, 2.5 baths Newly renovated kitchen
& bath with hard wood
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2 square foot home
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths Gorgeous 1/2 acre lot
brick, new, vinyl flooring, view!
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\$299,900 Jerome MLS#98125252
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Beautifully main-
tained home & sleep with screen
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\$309,900 Twin Falls MLS#98130977
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths Newly renovated kitchen
& bath with hard wood
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kitchen, Main bedroom, 1/2 acre lot, covered
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1/2 acre of 40' driveway
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\$400,000 Jerome MLS#98130349
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PORTO
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4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths Custom home in desir-
able location, 2.5 acres, 1/2 acre
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PORTO
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5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths Terrific home-Great loca-
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Caraway Center 420-3381 Caraway Center

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- Spectacular home, 2.2 acres, 1/2 acre
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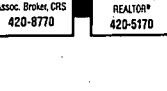
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 - 4. Pit Cross chocolate and white female adult, black collar, Starline St.
 - 5. Doble female adult, chocolate/tan, Ostrich St.
 - 6. Pit female white adult, Ostrich St.
 - 7. German Shepherd male adult, mostly tan Wlaback, silver & black collar, Earl Dr.
 - 8. Shepherd Chow Cross black & tan male adult, So. Washington St.
 - 9. Rot Cross black and tan male adult, 4th Ave. West.
 - 9. German Shepherd female adult, black & tan. Kanaka Rapids, Buhl
 - 10. Chocolate Lab male adult, Sunfist Blvd. North.
 - 11. Red Heeler Cross female adult, Shony Lane.
 - 12. Hound Cross female adult, white & tan, Lady Bug Collar, Perrino Bridge.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff: If my partner opens one club and my subsequent responses show that I also have an opening bid, can she use the Gerber four-club convention to ask for aces, or should she use Blackwood? The clubs were bid only once by the opener and not rebid.

nents, doubles are cards, or take out. But doubles of no-trump are business, and as soon as you start to double for penalties, subsequent doubles are always penalties. Additionally, when the opponents come into your auctions, it would be a shame not to be able to check them — especially when your side has a known fit so that a takeout double would make no sense.

ANSWER: My advice to you about using Gerber is the same as the advice Punch gave to a young man about to marry: Don't! Seriously, though, use the Gerber jump to four clubs only following an opening or overcall in no-trump or after opener's one-no-trump rebid. Gerber is relevant only when four no-trump would be natural and invitational after a no-trump bid.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Holding ♠ Q-7-3, ♥ Q-4, ♦ K-Q-9-6-3, ♣ K-10-3, I heard my partner open 2♣ and the next hand overcall one spade. I bid two diamonds, and my partner joined in with two hearts. Is that a reverse, showing real extras, or does it not define my partner's range? In an upside-down hand, Mitchell, S.D.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I held ♠ A-Q-J-7-3, ♥ Q-9-5-2, ♦ 7-4, ♣ A-10-3. My RHO dealt and opened one diamond. I passed, my LHO responded two clubs, my partner doubled, and my RHO passed. Which major should I bid, and why?

ANSWER: This is not a reverse; the sequence shows a hand with clubs and hearts, but might be only 4-4 and minimum. Your partner's two-heart bid was made under pressure and says only that he has four. I'm not in love with your hand; I'd just bid two no-trump now and not be too concerned if partner passes. Even if your side has 25 HCP, you have not made game yet — or even two no-trump!

ANSWER: I'd bid neither. Instead, I'd bid either two diamonds — partner, pick a major — planning to raise to three, or if you think that is natural, I can bid three clubs, an unequivocal cue-bid to convey the same message.

Dear Mr. Wolff: Ron Klinger ("Bridge Basics") and Eddie Kantar ("Bridge for Dummies") say that a double of any no-trump bid is for penalties, and a double of a suit-bid below game is generally for takeout. I've heard players maintain that any double of a bid below game level is for takeout. Who is right?

ANSWER: Whenever a suit has been agreed upon by your oppo-

ANSWER: I suggest you play that strong jump shifts and strong twos are forcing for one round even if they give you game. If your partner won't do that, then play that after a strong artificial two-club opening, the response is forcing for one round. One of these sequences must be played as forcing.

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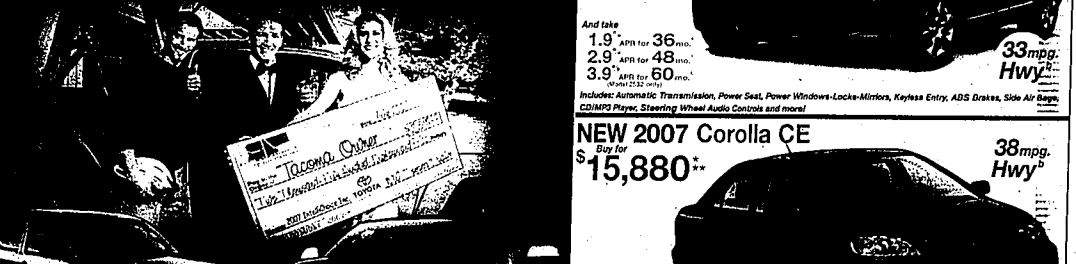
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It takes a miracle worker

By Susan Brink
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — In a tiny apartment just west of Fairfax Avenue, Shiane Simmons shouted for juice. Just the first sound came out: "Ju. Ju. Ju." Her mother held firm. "No," she said. "Water," Shiane spat at her, then ran into her bedroom.

Shiane is 15 and autistic. When she was diagnosed at age 4, she was deemed "high functioning," which meant she was not retarded and could be taught to communicate. But she has never received what is now considered the gold standard of care: 20 to 30 hours a week of intense behavioral, occupational and speech therapy for as long as necessary during the school years. "No one would call her high-functioning anymore. She's regressing," says her mother, Diane Murphy. "I feel like I'm in a tunnel, screaming for help."

Barely three miles away, Marty Martin, age 8 and also diagnosed as high-functioning autistic, sat quietly in the front of his class at 3rd Street Elementary School. "Pick up your yellow highlighters," said his teacher. Almost as though a conductor had raised a wand, there was an ensemble swoosh as the arms of 19 of the 20 second-graders simultaneously reached toward their desktop pencil cups.

Marty was the lone student who did not respond.

Then Emilia Theradajaja, a full-time aide for the boy, whiskered quietly in Marty's ear, and pointed to the pencil cup. Marty picked up the highlighter. He doesn't always participate with the class, but with Theradajaja's help, he's at least working parallel to his classmates.

He has been sitting still for more than two hours, something his mother, Areva Martin, could only begin to imagine. "Even a year ago, for him to sit for an hour was not possible," she says.

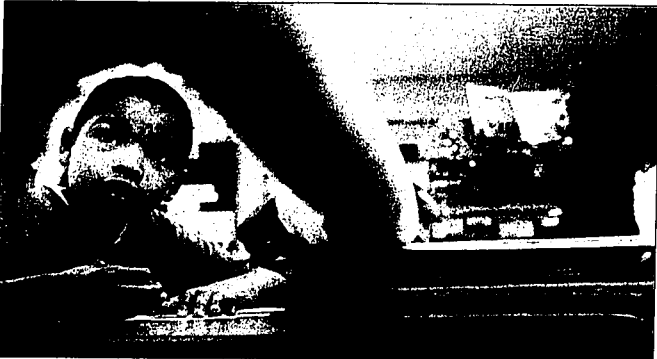
According to the state Department of Education, Mary and Shiane are two of more than 34,000 children in California public or specialized schools with autism, a developmental disability that affects a person's ability to communicate and socialize. Local public school districts are responsible for education costs even for children who cannot be mainstreamed, or placed in regular classes. Since the 2000-01 school year, overall enrollment in the state's public schools has gone up by about 2 percent, while the number of enrolled children with autism has more than doubled.

Together, Marty and Shiane represent a socioeconomic divide that no equal-opportunity law has been able to bridge.

Poor and minority kids with parents who don't know how or whom to pressure get fewer services — and get them later — than middle-class and wealthy kids with assertive parents. Black and Hispanic children with autism are one to two years older than white children before they're diagnosed.

In Los Angeles, it took white kids an average of four visits to specialists over four months to be diagnosed with autism; black children required 13 such visits over 10 months, according to 2005 legislative testimony of Robert Hendren, executive director of the University of California, Davis, MIND Institute.

"It's like dealing with insurance companies every day of your life," Areva Martin says. "If you're a single mother, how do you do that? The children in



Marty Martin, 8, attends regular classes at Third Street Elementary School in Los Angeles with the help of an aide. His mother, Areva Martin, teaches poor local families how to get appropriate instruction for their children.



Visit the Times-News Web site for more information about autism, including a story about parents raising autistic triplets and how minority parents are getting the care their children need.

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those worlds are lost."

So she has put herself smack in the middle of the special education fracas, fighting on two fronts. One is for her own child. And for the last two years, she also has been teaching some of the poorest families in Los Angeles how to be just as pushy for their kids as she has been for hers.

She and Donna Ross, also a mother of an autistic child, co-founded the Special Needs Network. They take their spiel to churches, auditoriums and libraries in the city's poorest neighborhoods. They've talked to more than 1,000 family members, mostly black and Hispanic, about their rights, and how to make sure their children get an appropriate education.

"Learn to say, 'I'm prepared to launch a legal battle over this,'" Martin told a group of parents last spring at the Faithful Central Bible Church in the Inglewood.

"I still meet families whose kids are 5 or 6, and they don't have any services yet," she says. "On a micro level, there's still a lot of despair and helplessness. But on a macro level, things are

starting to happen."

It was at just such a meeting, after crossing her fingers and saying a prayer that her salvaged Pontiac wouldn't break down on the way, that Diane Murphy met Martin.

For close to a year, Shiane has been out of school. When she attended, she was spending nearly two hours each way on a school bus and, after multiple stops, often became too agitated to settle down. Instead of being in classes, she has spent her days careening from bedroom to gallery kitchen and back in her mother's two-bedroom apartment. Shiane's hair has grown from a near crew cut to an Afro. Since she snipped her braids because she hated the way washing, combing and brushing felt. Children with autism can have multiple sensory problems, balking at touch or sound.

Murphy's tiny apartment barely contains the teenager's energy — and 260-pound, 5-foot-2-size.

"She's started spitting," says Murphy, her calm more a measure of helplessness than of peace. "When I'm out at the grocery store, I can see it coming."

Shiane spits at strangers. At home, she spits at the television set, her stuffed monkey, her picture book dictionary or her mother. "She can't communicate, and she's frustrated," says Murphy.

Early and consistent therapy might have improved Shiane's behavior. Though experts say that it's never too late for treatment to have some effect, learning becomes harder as children get older. The infant brain is, in a way, overloaded with potential learning circuits, says Sally J. Rogers, professor of psychology and behavioral sciences at the MIND Institute. The brain prunes away those potential circuits that don't get used. For children like Shiane, it is the language and communication circuits that get pruned.

John Nolte, an attorney with the California Association for Parent-Child Advocacy, sees the loss in children who have fallen through the cracks for years. "Some of these older kids are bumping up against their last chance to learn to read," says Nolte. "Schools are in this nightmare phase. They have young kids coming in who can benefit a lot. But they also have kids who are over the hill, like kids, 180 pounds or more, who have no way of communicating."

Staying out of school, as Shiane has done, is never supposed to happen, says Gloria Lopez, director of Instructional Initiatives for the Los Angeles Unified School District. Because of confidentiality laws, Lopez couldn't comment on a specific case. But when parents and the district don't agree, the law requires a due-process hearing to settle the difference.

Until an agreement is reached, the student is supposed to continue attending the last school agreed upon. Lopez says it's rare that parents decide to send their children home rather than keep them to school, even one they believe is not appropriate.

For Murphy, getting Shiane ready for school as early as 5 a.m. for long bus rides became too grueling a daily fight.

Martin helped Murphy navigate this latest educational hurdle. As an attorney, she took on Shiane's case, accompanied Murphy to a mediation with the school district and helped iron out an agreement for Shiane to enroll at the Sunrise School in the Sherman Oaks

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Autism resources difficult to access

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

It can't be easy to have a child you suspect might be autistic. There is anxiety and fear, and what you want are answers and help — good luck.

In seeking information about autism resources in Magic Valley to include in this story, it took this reporter much longer and many more phone calls than I expected.

A quick Google search turned up the Idaho Autism Association, but the phone number listed went to a private residence.

I called the Department of Health and Welfare in Twin Falls (736-2182), but they didn't have a comprehensive list of resources they could give me. They did refer me to their Internet site, www.idahofound-der.idaho.gov — it focuses on services for children from birth to 3 years old with developmental delays.

After leaving a message on the voicemail of the Autism Society of America's Treasure Valley Chapter (336-5676, or autism@caebonne.net), I got a call back from former court president Michelle Tierney, a Tampa resident.

"She confirmed that my experience trying to find resources was not unusual," she said. "It is difficult for families to get information and support," she said, especially when the agencies they reach don't specialize in the assistance that family needs. Often, the callers get referred from one agency to another, she said. "It's really frustrating for people who are trying to get information to get bounced around."

Tierney said she has often answered calls and e-mails from Magic Valley residents asking her for assistance, support or referrals to agencies and doctors. There isn't an active support group in Magic Valley, she said, but she knows of people who are trying to start one.

"We've had people who have been diagnosed for over a year, and they've just heard about us," she said. She attributes this to a lack of communication between the agencies that help families dealing with autism.

Idaho Parents Unlimited is another group based in Boise that addresses the needs of children with disabilities, their families and care providers. They can be reached at (800) 242-4765 or www.pulidaho.org. They regularly hold workshops addressing autism.

Community Partnerships of Idaho, in Rupert, handles disability services as well as providing other rehabilitation services (436-6878). Tierney said, "I wish I had a little more information to give you," she said, with a rueful chuckle.

"I feel like I'm in a tunnel, screaming for help."

Diane Murphy, mother of Shiane



Shiane Simmons, 15, during recreation time at Sunrise School in Sherman Oaks, Calif. Once considered a "high-functioning" autistic, she didn't get consistent therapy in her early years and still struggles to communicate.

Autistic children in schools: Legal rights vs. budgets

By Susan Brink
Los Angeles Times

The public school enrollment of autistic children, whether born into privileged or impoverished circumstances, has gone from a trickle to a flood. Their legal rights are cranking up against strapped school budgets.

Under two federal laws — the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Rehabilitation Act, both passed in the 1970s and revised over the years — all special-needs children, including those with autism, are entitled to a free and appropriate public school education in the least

restrictive environment. And, science shows, the sooner children with autism get treatment, the better their odds of reading, learning and eventually living independently.

A breakthrough discovery, released Feb. 18 in the online publication of the journal Nature Genetics, could mean that some day medical science might pinpoint the disorder in infancy or even before birth. Researchers homed in on the genes behind autism, putting an early DNA test within reach.

But today, it's rare for a child to be diagnosed before age 2, even in the best of circumstances. Five years and one

month is the mean age at which children with autism are diagnosed, according to a study in the Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics.

That's a full 13 months, on average, after a child is first brought for evaluation by a qualified professional, says Lisa Wiegans, behavioral scientist with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and author of the study.

Of the 115 children in the study, one quarter were not diagnosed until they entered school — and even then, it was not the first order of business in kindergarten. Those chil-

dren were diagnosed at an average of 6 years and 2 months.

The picture is even worse for some minority children. The average age of diagnosis for a black child with autism, according to a December 2002 study in the Journal American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, was 7.5; for a Hispanic child, 7.6; and for a white child, 6.3.

Educating children with severe autism can cost a school district as much as \$100,000 a year. The average cost to educate an autistic child in California is \$11,907. School districts across the country, many struggling with the

basics of teaching all kids to read, write, add and figure out where Ohio is on a map, are stymied by the cost of special education.

In the 2003-04 school year, for example, the Las Virgenes Unified School District in California spent almost \$900,000 in legal fees, much of it to resolve one autism-related case that went before Los Angeles Superior Court, according to a 2005 report prepared by the California Association of Suburban School Districts.

In tiny Ojai, Calif., with 40 autistic students in its public schools, the district spent \$400,000 in 2004-05 on autism-

related legal costs, the report found. The collision of limited school budgets and growing numbers of children with special needs is producing not only costly lawsuits, but also delays in treatment and hard feelings all around.

"It turns dense people into ogres," says state Sen. Don Perata, D-Oakland, a former high school teacher who formed a task force to provide an accurate statewide picture of autism.

"We've seen school systems using every trick in the book, every interpretation of the law, to avoid having to accept financial responsibility for these children," Perata says.

FAMILY LIFE

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizens 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 \$5.50 for children under 12.

Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Monday: Beef stew, fresh vegetables, bread, fruit bowl, banana.

Tuesday: Hamburger deluxe, macaroni salad, baked beans, watermelon, dessert.

Wednesday: Sloppy joes, vegetable, spinach salad, fruit salad, muffin, carrot cake.

Thursday: Hawaiian chicken, red potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, fresh fruit, pork pudding with cookie.

Friday: Sweet-and-sour pork with rice, vegetables, salad, bread, fruit pie.

Activities: Sunday: Ballroom dancing, 2 to 5 p.m.

Monday: Bridge club, 1 p.m. Quilting.

Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon.

Wednesday: Quilting, 9 a.m. Board meeting, 1 p.m. Gene Fiddlers.

Folk Dance Club, 7:30 p.m. Friday: Quilting, 1 p.m. Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon.

Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Lunch served at noon Monday through Thursday; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for under 60.

Sunday buffet at 1 p.m.; \$4.50 for seniors, \$5.50 for under 60; \$5.50 for 12 and under.

Monday: Mexican chicken soup, turkey sandwich.

Tuesday: Creamed chicken over noodles, vegetables, salad, fruit, dessert.

Wednesday: Ham slices, sweet potatoes, vegetables, fruit, salad, dessert.

Thursday: Fried chicken, potatoes and green vegetables, salad, birthday cake, ice cream.

Friday: Pork chops 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. Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m. Farmers Market and spud-munch, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

3 p.m. Birthday dinner, noon Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

Flier Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.

Monday: Sloppy joes on a bun, later Tot's, tossed salad, corn, sliced peaches, lemon bars.

Wednesday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, tossed salad, bread, dessert.

Thursday: Chicken strips, oven potatoes-mixed vegetables, tossed salad, hot rolls, ice cream pie.

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Thursday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

Monday: Bacon-wrapped Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, pickled beets, fruit, cookies.

Tuesday: Polish sausage, sauerkraut, Tater Tot's, fruit medley, cream puffs.

Wednesday: Sweet and sour chicken over rice, Oriental veggie, apple-carrot salad, fruit medley.

Thursday: Meatloaf potatoes and gravy, broccoli, sunshine salad, rice pudding.

Friday: Hash brown casserole with ham, country vegetables, fruit, little apple pies.

Monday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Gene State Fiddlers Pinochle and bingo, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m.

Bingo, 7 p.m., early bird, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: SilverSneakers fitness class, 10:30 a.m. Commission of the blind, 12:30 p.m.

John and Dick entertaining Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Friday: SilverSneakers fitness class, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

130 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 under 60, \$2.50 for children under 12.

Menus

Monday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, macaroni salad, fruit.

Wednesday: Pizza, fresh melon cup. Friday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, cake, ice cream.

Activities

Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

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: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.; \$1 per player.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

Monday: Chicken Alfredo fettuccine, herb-crusted carrot salad, garlic bread, custard.

Tuesday: Hoagie sandwiches, chips, pineapple-cabbage salad, cake.

Wednesday: Grub salad, fruit, french bread, cookies.

Thursday: Pit ham, scalloped potatoes, brussels sprouts, three-bean salad, rolls, Texas sheet cake.

Activities

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild one, 6 p.m.

Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Bridge, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m. Thursday: Quil society, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m.

Music with the fiddlers, 12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m. Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m. Bowling, 1:30 p.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.

Menus

Monday: Ham, potatoes, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert.

Wednesday: Chicken with mango sauce, potatoes, vegetable, salad, fruit, bread, dessert.

Friday: Potato bar with chili, cottage cheese, green salad, rolls, dessert.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden

Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors and \$5 for non-seniors. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Dinners are cooked and bread baked days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

Menus

Tuesday: Liver and onions or meatloaf, vegetables, coleslaw, fruit.

Thursday: Chicken sandwich, potato salad, green beans, salad, fruit.

Activities

Wednesday: Bake day 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

210 N. Hall St. W., Shoshone

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menus

Tuesday: Chicken strips, stir-fry vegetables, steamed rice, green salad, topioca pudding.

Wednesday: Cheeseburger, Spudsters, potato salad, chocolate cream pie.

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green salad, garlic sticks, fruit, cookies.

Activities

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday: Pancake breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.; public invited, \$4 per person.

Richfield Senior Center

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menus

Monday: Ham and beans, green salad, fried potatoes, corn bread, fruit, cookies.

Thursday: Ham sandwich, potato-cheddar soup, coconut cream pie.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Monday: Swiss steak, green beans, coleslaw, rolls, strawberry shortcake.

Horoscope

Jeraldine Saunders

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make important changes during the week to come. New breakthrough may offer breakthrough insights or give you a chance to show off your skills.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Turn a confrontation into compromise. A minor conflict can make you aware of which buttons need to be pushed to please a romantic partner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): During the morning you might encounter trouble through later this week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Maintaining confidentiality could become a bone of contention. You may be mesmerized by mysterious allure and compel to investigate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): There are new ideas, technologies, and insights that can help you become more efficient, happier and more prosperous. Get in touch with important ambitions today.

chicken fillet, broccoli, green salad, rolls, peanut butter cookie.

Thursday: (Carter) Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, copper carrots, hot rolls, green salad, German chocolate cake.

Friday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, copper carrots, hot rolls, green salad, German chocolate cake.

Activities

Monday: Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m. Dinner at the Pioneer, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Wednesday: Board meeting, 8:30 a.m.

Yoga, 5:15 p.m. Thursday: Jackpot day trip, 7:30 a.m.

Carey birthday dinner Friday: Sing-a-long, 11:45 a.m.

Halley birthday dinner Saturday: Carey parade

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Finances are available by phoning the center at 366-2057. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Menus

Monday: Taco lasagna, peas, carrots, Texas toast.

Tuesday: Tater Tot casserole, broccoli, squash, whole wheat bread.

Thursday: Barbecue chicken, potato wedges, mixed vegetables, peaches and cottage cheese, whole wheat bread.

Activities

Friday: TOPS, 9 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 most days. Suggested donation for the meal is \$4 and \$2 for 10-58; \$3 for 60 and above and \$2 for children under 10.

Menus

Tuesday: Polish sausage, sauerkraut, hash browns, tossed salad, fruit, zucchini bread.

Wednesday: Shepherd's pie, carrot and celery sticks, fresh fruit salad, cake.

Friday: Pork roast with gravy, potatoes, carrots, applesauce, biscuits, fruit crisp.

Activities

Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV videos and visiting available 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday: Trip to Oakley to

see "Oklahoma"

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St. Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Monday: Chili dogs, potato soup, chips, vegetables, ice cream.

Tuesday: Cheeseburger, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, roll, jelly-O.

Wednesday: Green Chile burritos, rice, beans, salad, ice cream.

Thursday: Lasagna, Texas toast, corn, green salad, cheese cake.

Activities

Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.

Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. SHHA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwedman at 436-9107 or Kity Andrews at 878-0727 for appointments.

Friday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley

Monday: Spaghetti, green beans, french bread, tossed salad, cherry crisp.

Tuesday: Hot dogs with sauerkraut, peas, red jell-O salad, cookie.

Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, corn, mixed jell-O salad, roll, applesauce cake.

Thursday: Enchiladas, rice, beans, green salad, peach cobbler.

Friday: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, summer vegetables, bread sticks, Waldorf salad.

Activities

Monday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise

Tuesday: Pool Wednesday: Pool

Radio show, 9:56 a.m. Exercise

Community bingo, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Hearing aid check Exercise

Thursday: Pool Exercise

Community pinocle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m.

Friday: Pool Exercise

Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Dog comes between boyfriend and son

DEAR ABBY: I have started seeing a guy I love very much. I'll call him "Mitch." We spend a lot of time together. I have spent with him while my 2-year-old son, "Caleb," visits his daddy.

I recently introduced Caleb to Mitch, and last weekend we both stayed at Mitch's place. The problem is Mitch has a large dog that is very territorial and protective and isn't used to company. The dog, "Crusher," has shown aggression toward me, but it's nothing we couldn't handle. However, the dog is now being aggressive toward Caleb.

Mitch and I have resorted to separating the two when Caleb is over. "Separating" I mean we have brought a few of Caleb's toys and his TV to set up in a room just for him. The problem is, Caleb is in the room with the dog closed most of the time, while Crusher runs free in the house.

Abby, my son's life was turned upside down when my husband and I divorced. Now he has had to adjust to a life when that he's with Mitch and me. He must be carried around for fear of the dog. I haven't come out and asked Mitch to get rid of the dog, or even to limit him when we are in the house. Is this something I have



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

a right to ask?

Mitch has been a bachelor all his life, and I'm afraid if I confront him about this he will feel I am making him choose between me and his dog. Please give me some advice. —TORN INTWAIN OKLAHOMA

DEAR TORN: It is your duty as Caleb's mother to make sure that he is safe at all times. Your little boy is only 2 and can't speak on his own behalf. Shutting a child alone in a room "most of the time" isn't protecting him — it's neglect. If you do not confront your boyfriend about his dangerous animal, you are choosing him and his dog over your son!

The wrong criterion is being confined. When Caleb was attacked the first time, your boyfriend should have volunteered to confine his dog. That he didn't is appalling. That you said nothing is worse. As a mother, your child's interests must come before your love interest.

DEAR ABBY: How would you handle someone who shuns sick people? My mother-in-law does not like sick people and goes out of her way to shun them.

When my husband and I were planning our wedding, my mother was terminally ill, and his mother said some negative things about my mother attending our wedding. Recently, our son had minor surgery, and when my husband called to talk his mother about it, she said, "I'll be calling," and hung up.

Do I just accept this is how she is and move on, or should I ask my husband to talk to her? If you print this, please do not use my name.

—OFFENDED IN VIRGINIA DEAR OFFENDED: All right, your mother-in-law is tactless. However, she is also public about being around anyone who is sick or possibly in pain. Unless she would be willing to get treatment for her phobia — which I strongly doubt — you should accept her as she is. Her quirk is unfortunate, but not all that uncommon.

P.S. What goes around usually comes around. Let's hope when her time comes, she goes quickly, because with her track record, it doesn't look like she'll have much company.

Hidden desires might be frustrated, Capricorn

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Horoscope

Jeraldine Saunders

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): There are new ideas, technologies, and insights that can help you become more efficient, happier and more prosperous. Get in touch with important ambitions today.

your own actions — but you can receive assistance from me. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will get further by concessions than through obstinacy. Channel desires into something that pleases a significant other.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Hidden desires may be frustrated. Once you air your discontent or bring things out in the open you will find that irritation disappears.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have accumulated lots of useless things. During the week ahead find ways to restore possession and your inner self to a bright, like-new condition.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may shine in the spotlight by the end of the week and may receive applause for originality and daring. Don't be foolhardy or take chances today.

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TWIN FALLS — Does your child go around dusting for fingerprints or examining tire treads?

... send them to "CSI at CSI," a College of Southern Idaho class for children in grades 5 through 8 inspired by the CBS television show CSI (Crime Scene Investigation).

In each two-day session, students will take part in the collection of evidence and crime scene photography, and will

develop theories about what took place in "mock" crime scenes. The "whodunit" class will be held July 16 and 17 from 9 to 11 a.m. The class will be repeated July 25 and 26 from 9 to 11 a.m.

The classes will be held in Canyon 202 on the CSI campus. The instructor is Brett Reid, with support from law enforcement students, and the cost is \$49. Supplies are included in the cost of the class.

For more information or to register, call 732-6442.

Autism

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neighborhood, a specialized day school for children with disabilities, after quitting her former school last spring. The new agreement with the district allows for Silante to be placed up in a cub at a van, at district expense, with only the driver and an aide in the vehicle.

Such victories can seem rare in poor communities.

"When one of Martin's students heard that black children were

diagnosed with a year and a half later than white children, there were mumbles of "more like five years around here," and "add three years to that if you're in South Central."

Immigrant kids with autism or learning disabilities, Nolte says, are often overlooked because teachers think they have a language problem. Black children, he says, are often dismissed as having behavioral problems.

The district has expanded outreach programs to parents

in poor communities, says Pat Grayson-DeJong, autism specialist at LAUSD. The district holds an annual special-education family resource fair to educate parents, and offers \$5,000 bonuses for credentialed special-education teachers to work in underserved areas. Those teachers get an additional \$5,000 bonus if they stay for three years.

"The picture is changing, and that has a lot to do with parents getting on board and saying, 'Something has to be

done,'" Grayson-DeJong says. "There's so much more today than just a few years ago, but there's a long way to go."

Martin says that in theory, the educational services are available to everyone since the 1975 federal law. But school districts are not required to tell parents what is available. "I represent families who have never heard of any of it," she says. "Nobody is obligated to tell anyone about anything. So how would you even know these services exist?"

Who we used to be

"Oh, I love that dress," I say to my sister Claire. "Is that new?"

She shoots a glance at her husband James. "See what I mean?" she says to him.

He bangs his head in defeat. I have no idea what's going on. I'm not supposed to love the dress? The dress is not new? "I've seen this dress at the last three weddings," Claire says. "And even you don't remember."

"I'm sorry," I say.

"It just proves my point," she says. "I'm irrelevant."

"Oh, darlin' —" I say, consolingly.

"You're irrelevant, too," she says again. "We're the stars. We're the boring people the bride and groom had to invite. That's who we are. That is who we are."

Well, now. And here I was looking forward to this wedding. My nephew Tom is the last of my brothers, four kids to walk down the aisle. My brother-in-law is more than a decade older than me and Claire, and so he's well ahead of us with these life passages. Our kids are still young grade-schoolers, while his are in their 20s, off making their way in the world.

"We used to be the people everyone came to watch," Claire says. "John used to drag his kids to our events, wedding, graduations, we were the focus. Now we're the watchers. We're background. We're wallpaper."

"Good heavens!" I say, looking in James' eyes.

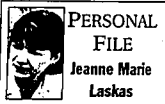
"You deal with her," he says. "I don't know why you think I'm depressed about this," Claire says. "I'm not! It takes the pressure off. No one will notice us. We don't have to be friendly. No one cares what the rickety old aunts do. All the focus will be on the young kids. We used to be them, you know. WE USED TO BE THEM! We are no longer them."

We are rickety old aunts. Jeze. I sort of wish Claire would go ahead and be a rickety old aunt without me.

I was planning on being young and somewhat relevant at this wedding, if only in that I've volunteered to watch over my pants, both of them, so I don't have lived long enough to proudly wear the "rickety old" badges.

At the reception, we all get placed at Table 1, which is the most impressive except that it's the one farthest away from the band because everyone knows my dad can't stand loud music. He mutters something about the need to bring back the accordion while we watch the action on the dance floor. My nephew is beaming, and his bride, Elise, is gorgeous, and both of them are so funny, and their friends are adorable, spinning together, clapping and sweating and loving each other.

Soon enough, my parents' turn down the volume on their hearing aids, which, they say,



PERSONAL FILE
Jeanne Marie Laskas

helps. They go on about not understanding the loud music of today, but by now, it's already yesterday. Claire says: "We like this music! We like it!" the same way we once talked about The Monkees. With that, she gets up to dance. She goes right in there with the youngsters, while I stay back with my parents, thinking about how I now am a person who, thanks to Claire, uses words such as "youngsters." The band is fantastic, jumping through cars as if nothing ever happened, as if 30 years of music were just one sound — a pitty pitty you ya da da, a fabulous night on the moon, moon, moon, baby! I need your love — all of which is right, is right, is exactly as I understand it.

But then: When was the last time you heard a real anthem? Nas, the millionaire, the mansion? When was the last time you heard your boy Nas rhymin' slower on schedule, but always on time. The hip-hop sequence. I don't understand it. But I refuse to not like it so as not to become a person with a hearing aid to run down.

For Claire, she appears to be doing the same. But I am seated here safely in the background, where rickety old aunts belong. Claire is out there trying to find the beat, which she can't, but she apparently believes herself so irrelevant as to be invisible. Or maybe she is determined to become relevant. Oh, dear. She has her hands out, like rap stars do, the middle fingers in, the bouncing hand. Oh, Lord, save us all, she is going up to the stage. She is engaging the rapper she is rapping with the dude, or whatever hip-hop people do, she is mouthing lyrics she does not know. She is rickety, old, rapping aunt, and my nephews are holding their hands over their eyes while the rest of the crowd claps for the happy lady gettin' down with the sound.

This hood taught me golden ways/Made me, truly this is what I made me/Break me, not a thing's gonna break me. My mother is going up to the stage, her hearing aid, has her neck craned, trying to get better look. "Is that Claire? Is that your sister? Is she OK?" "She is OK," I tell my mom, who can't hear. She is ... M.C. Claire. On behalf of the music industry, and my family, I am happy to report that this transformation is temporary. For that lifestyle, I'm that spot/I'm that kid by the number spot./That's my past that made me hot.

"Like that dress she has on," my mother says. "When did she get that dress?"

Defining what 'Milky Way' really means

Go outside at midnight on the next clear night and, provided you're in a location without too much starlight around, you should be able to see a hazy band of light arching overhead. It's the Milky Way, but the term "Milky Way" can cause a bit of confusion.

Prior to the invention of the telescope, no one knew what the Milky Way was. Its indistinct appearance inspired the Latin name "via lactea" ("milk road"). Galileo's telescope revealed multitudes of stars too faint to be seen with the unaided eye, like a distant city night whose street lights are too dim to stand out individually.

The analogy is an apt one,



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

because the Milky Way really is a sort of city. Like a city, most of the buildings (stars) are concentrated in the middle. This downtown can be seen in the south in this time of year, where the Milky Way is noticeably wider.

Actually the Milky Way comprises not just the distant stars of the "via lactea" but every star visible in the night-time sky. They along with the Sun, which lies in the galactic

Sky calendar through Saturday:

- Planets:
Mercury: ENE, extremely low
Mars: ESE, mid-sky
One hour after sunset:
Saturn: WNW, extremely low
Venus: W, extremely low
Jupiter: S, low
Moon: Between Venus and Saturn tomorrow evening.
First quarter next Sunday, 12:29am.

suburbs) are all part of our stellar city. But the Milky Way goes well beyond the cloud band of light in the summer-time night sky and the visible

stars. Dust scattered throughout the galaxy (visible as dark lanes in the main band of the Milky Way) hides all but a fraction of the whole galaxy, even when viewed through powerful telescopes. The rest — including stars, dust, gas, black holes, and invisible dark matter — can only be detected with longer wavelengths of energy like infrared and radio, and indirectly through their gravitational effects on the parts that aren't hidden.

The confusion, therefore, is understandable. "Milky Way" can mean the hazy glow of light, every star in the night sky, and/or the galaxy in which we live and its constituent parts, both visible and invisible.

STORK REPORT

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Emilliana Renee Vera, daughter of Rene and Arin Vera of Jerome, was born June 26, 2007.

Stormy Elisa Aguilar, daughter of Saul and Jessica Aguilar of Jerome, was born June 29, 2007.

Aydlin Leroy Hiatt, son of Jessica Chynabie Hiatt and Travis Leroy Hiatt of Jerome, was born June 29, 2007.

Neveah Anichela Andrade, daughter of Bonnie Josephine Larsen and Michael Lee Andrade of Buhl, was born June 29, 2007.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Ashton Grace Brown, daughter of Jennifer and Robert Brown of Fairfield, was born June 26, 2007.

Charles J. Michael, son of Dominique Rollins of Clotilde and Michael Hollins of Halley, was born June 27, 2007.

Latelcia Wade Hollis, son of Melissa and Walter Hoy of Halley, was born June 28, 2007.

Liam Patrick Nelson, son of Stefanie and Mark Nelson of Halley, was born July 1, 2007.

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Makenna Leigh Casner, daughter of Lindsey Kathleen Pimentel and Richard Lee Casner of Buhl, was born June 6, 2007.

Moliah Lynn Guzman, daughter of Kayla Ann Vest of Twin Falls, was born June 20, 2007.

Ryanmond Roy Boots III, son of Christie Joy Bay of Bliss, was born June 21, 2007.

Aryana Angel Tille, daughter of Angela Lee Decker of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2007.

Gage William Lee Vinquez, son of Laura Nicole Flynn and Gabriel Michael Vinquez of Twin Falls, was born June 22, 2007.

Braden Arin Nikolas McBride, son of Mary Margaret McBride of Twin Falls, was born June 26, 2007.

Bailey Rae Robison, daughter of Lauren Rae Robison and Douglas Hyrum Robison of Twin Falls, was born June 27, 2007.

Samuel Lynn Bonar, son of Janet Lynn Mayo and Stephen Douglas Bonar of Buhl, was born June 28, 2007.

Nikolina Mikke, daughter of Jolena Mikke and Darío Mikke of Twin Falls, was born June 28, 2007.

David James Allen, son of Angie Raquel Allen and Richard Dale Allen of Twin

Falls, was born June 28, 2007.

Kambren Denise DeRutter, daughter of Kami Rachelle DeRutter of Twin Falls, was born June 28, 2007.

Taylor Marie Gartner, daughter of Stephanie Marie Gartner and Heath Marvin Gartner of Filer, was born June 29, 2007.

Adrian Alfredo Moreno, son of Martha Moreno and Alfredo Moreno of Buhl, was born June 30, 2007.

Alden Zachary Power and Dylan Matthew Power, twin sons of Amber Loren Simon-Power and Michael Patrick Power of Jerome, were born July 3, 2007.

Freddie De La Cruz, son of Claudia Marie De La Cruz and Fred De La Cruz of Twin Falls, was born July 4, 2007.

Tristan James Kuhn, son of Erin Marie Kuhn and Aaron Clayton Kuhn of Twin Falls, was born July 4, 2007.

Kage Ward Resz, son of Leslie Ann Resz and Joshua James Resz of Dietrich, was born July 5, 2007.

Jonas Eli Ahrens and Noah Liam Ahrens, twin sons of Rochelle Lynn Ahrens and Tracy Alan Ahrens of Jerome,

were born July 5, 2007.

Brylei Reese Beorchia, daughter of Isabela Bde Beorchia and Romeo Kade Beorchia of Wendell, was born July 5, 2007.

Brody Jake Belliston, son of Melissa Ann Belliston and Jeremy Lane Belliston of Twin Falls, was born July 5, 2007.

Tucker Michael Taylor, son of Buffy Lee Taylor and Steven Robert Taylor of Jerome, was born July 6, 2007.

Geovanni Salinas Ramirez Jr., son of Judith Ramirez and Geovanni Salgado Ramirez of Twin Falls, was born July 6, 2007.

Myln Josephine Perotto, daughter of Alma Lydia Perotto and Christopher Dean Perotto of Twin Falls, was born July 6, 2007.

Angel Lalla Santos, daughter of Michelle Lynn Santos of Jackpot, Nev., was born July 6, 2007.

Hailey Anna Hoobler, daughter of Ana Joan Hoobler and Brandon Carl Hoobler of Kimberly, was born July 7, 2007.

Conrad Reagan Call, son of Brittany Dawn Miller and Justin Michael Call of Twin Falls, was born July 7, 2007.

James Matthew Ohlenschon, son of Wendy Lynn Ohlenschon and James Robert Ohlenschon of Jerome, was born July 8, 2007.

Elizabeth Annmarie Nelson, daughter of Desiree Jacynthe Benkals and Rodney Craig Nelson of Twin Falls, was born July 8, 2007.

Calden Calie Gee, son of Sarah Elizabeth Gee and Brandon Orman Gee of Hoyburn, was born July 8, 2007.

Katie Sue Berg, daughter of Amy Shantel Berg and Timothy Leon Berg of Twin Falls, was born July 9, 2007.

WEDDING

TERRY-STEVENS

BURLEY — Crystal Dawn Terry and Todd Stevens were married July 14 at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Randy and Nancy Terry of Burley.

The groom is the son of Carol Stevens of Pocatello and the late Robert Stevens.

The bride is a 2003 graduate of Declo High School and attends Boise State University pursuing a degree in elementary education. She is employed at Commercial Tire in Boise.

The groom is a 1999 graduate of Bear Lake High School and attends BSU in social work. He served a mission in Milwaukee, Wis., for The Church of Jesus



Todd and Crystal Stevens
Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is a member of the Idaho National Guard and served a tour in Iraq. He is employed at the Boys and Girls Club in Boise. The wedding ceremony was held July 14 at the Terry residence in Burley.

The couple will reside in Boise.

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THE ANDERSONS

TWIN FALLS — Larry and Retha Anderson of Twin Falls will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on an Alaskan cruise later in July with their children and grandchildren.

They were married July 14, 1952, in Elko, Nev., and their marriage was later solemnized at the Idaho Falls Temple.

The Andersons built, owned and operated Nu Life Contractors, Anderson's Camp and Anderson's RV before retiring.

He works part-time at Xtreme Motor Sports and RV.



Larry and Retha Anderson
They enjoy doing missionary work.

They have five children, 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren with two on the way.



THE SATTERWHITES

TWIN FALLS — Charles and Rosie Satterwhite will be honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 21, at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. The family requests no gifts.

Charles Satterwhite and Rosie Messinger were married Sept. 22, 1947, in Twin Falls, where they continued to live until moving to their farm south of Jerome. After many years of farming, they returned



Rosie and Charles Satterwhite
to Twin Falls.

He began working for the Twin Falls County Highway District in 1948 and transferred to the State Highway Department in 1954. He retired after 35 years in 1983. She raised their five children and received a nursing degree in 1973. She was a graduate of the first nursing class at the College of Southern Idaho and retired from nursing in 1985. While traveling and spending their winters in Arizona, they have made many new friends.



THE MAIS

BURLEY — William E. "Bill" and Ilene Mai of Burley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 7.

Bill Mai and Ilene Critchfield were married June 7, 1957, at the LDS Church in Oakley. They have lived in Burley since their marriage. He farmed



Bill and Ilene Mai

in the Strarrah Ferry area for 40 years. She worked for the Cassin County School District for 23 years.

They have three children, Eric Mai of Flintstone, Ga.; and Kall Carico and Kristen (Jesse) Campos, all of Boise. The couple has eight grandchildren.



THE DAYLEYS

HEYBURN — Fred and LaDean Dayley of Heyburn were honored at a garden party July 14 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

G. Fred Dayley and LaDean Durfee were married May 24, 1957, at the LDS Logan Temple in Logan, Utah.

They have lived in New Mexico, Utah and Idaho. He taught in the Minidoka County schools for 35 years. He was involved with the Boy Scouts of America for many years and taught skiing at Powderlle after retiring.



Fred and LaDean Dayley

She was a deputy clerk with the City of Heyburn for 23 years. Her hobby is crocheting afghans.

They are active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and have had many church callings. They served a church mission to Little Rock, Ark.

Their children are Dwayne (Kelly) Dayley of Fruitlands Kathy (Gary) Byington of West Jordan, Utah; Susan (Larry) Gee of Magna, Utah; and the late Kenneth Dayley. The couple has 13 grandchildren.



THE CRANNEYS

OAKLEY — K and Jennie Cranney of Oakley will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the Cranney's home, 1390 S. 600 W. in Oakley. The couple requests no gifts.



Jennie and K Cranney

They have lived in Oakley for 50 years, where he is retired from farming and ranching. They have served in the Boise Temple and served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Seoul, Korea. They have seven children, 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



THE MCCALLS

PAUL — Frank and Cheryl McCall of Paul will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the home of Frank and Cheryl McCall, 592 W. 200 N. in Paul.

Frank McCall and Cheryl Ann Simmonds were married July 21, 1957, at the Burley Methodist Church. They have lived in Paul for the past 50 years in the house



Frank and Cheryl McCall

Frank built. He farms with his two sons. She was a nurse and homemaker and is a partner in the farming operation. They have been active in many clubs and organizations and their church.

The event is hosted by their children, Jim (Laurie) McCall of Heyburn, Brent (Thera) McCall of Rupert and Bonnie McCall of Kimberly.

The couple has seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

THE THOMPSONS

JEROME — Bill and Marilyn Thompson of Jerome celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 26.

Bill Thompson and Marilyn Truscott were married May 26, 1957, in Twin Falls.

They have resided in Jerome, where they own Bill Thompson Trucking and also farm.

They have two children, Mike (Connie Jo) Thompson and Brian (Jane) Thompson, all of Jerome.



Bill and Marilyn Thompson

The couple has four grandchildren.

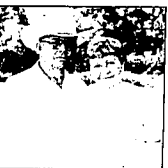


THE NEDDOS

MALTA — Alvin "Lindy" and Rosella Neddo of Malta celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and Alvin's 80th birthday on July 14 with a family barbecue in Malta.

Alvin Neddo and Rosella Tlch were married July 5, 1947, in Salt Lake City.

He was born and raised and he ranched in Malta his entire life. He enjoys cattle and horse and spending days in the mountains at Meadow Creek and Cold Springs. He has been active for many years in giving community service, flying airplanes, constructing model airplanes and gardening.



Alvin and Rosella Neddo

She moved to Idaho from Wisconsin in 1945. She worked for the Civil Aeronautical Administration for three years, U.S. Forest Service for 15 years and Utah River Electric Co-op for 24 years.

Her hobbies include travel, quilting, doing service for her church and yard work. They enjoy helping on the family ranch and participating in activities with their children, Lynette (Ron) Schwinn of Brigham City, Utah, and Tracy (Trey) of Malta.

The couple has four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

THE WADES

TWIN FALLS — Phil and Alice Wade of Twin Falls celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 14.

Phil Wade and Alice Harper met while working at Hughes Aircraft Company in southern California. They were married July 14, 1957, in Inglewood, Calif.

They resided in southern California until they moved to Twin Falls in 1991 to enjoy retirement.

Phil and Alice Wade

They are active members of First Baptist Church in Twin Falls.

The couple has four children, Karen (Ed) Mack of Kamuela, Hawaii; Terri (Lynn) Hunter of Shoshone; Robert (Cindy) Wade of Twin Falls; and Greg (Connie) Wade of Silver Valley, Calif. They have nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Their children honored the event by presenting their parents with a trip to the Hawaiian Islands.



THE VANEVERYS

PAUL — William "Bill" and Anna Mae VanEvery of Murrieta, Calif., will be honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the home of Frank and Cheryl McCall, 502 W. 200 N. in Paul.

William VanEvery and Anna Mae McCall were married Aug. 17, 1947, at the Rupert Methodist Church.

They have lived in several states. He was a counselor at King City High School and

taught civics and history. She worked at Casey Printing. After retirement, they traveled before settling in Murrieta. They have been active in the RV club, carving club and quilting club. The event is hosted by their children, Cheryl (Gus) Tanberg of DelMar, Calif.; Alane Rivera of LaMesa, Calif.; Nolan (KaraLyn) VanEvery of Reno, Nev.; and Nancy (Dom) Rossignol of Temecula, Calif.

The couple has eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



THE LANCASTERS

TWIN FALLS — Lee and Rosemary Lancaster of Twin Falls were honored at a luncheon July 7 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were married July 7, 1957, at First Baptist Church in Twin Falls.

He farmed in the Kimberly area, and she worked at the telephone company and American Oil. After his retirement in 1994, they moved to Twin Falls. They spend winters in Yuma, Ariz. They have been



Lee and Rosemary Lancaster

active in First Baptist Church in Twin Falls and Community Christian Church in Yuma.

The event was hosted by their children, Jeanne Lancaster of Pocatello and Don Lancaster of Twin Falls; and grandchildren, Amy (Mark) Boer of Boise, Chancy (Amy) Lancaster of Logan, Utah, Jini (Mike) Rinarid of Twin Falls, Jeremy (Bobbie) McCasland of Chubbuck and David Lancaster of Pocatello. The couple has 10 great-grandchildren.

WEDDING

HARRIS-WERBECK.

TWIN FALLS — Andrea Marie Harris and Jake David Werbeck were married May 26 at the Ascension Episcopal Church in Twin Falls.

Parents of the bride and groom are Jeff and Susan Harris and Dave and Cheri Werbeck, all of Twin Falls.

The Rev. Brian Thom officiated. Organist was Barbara Nix.

Rachael Jay, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. Brian Lobb, friend of the groom, was the best man.

Bridesmaids were Lindsay Schenck and Amy Baker, friends of the bride.

Groomsmen were Ryan Wagner and Peter Collins, friends of the groom.

Austin Lancaster, second cousin of the bride, was the ringbearer.

Buffy Ruffner of Lompoc, Calif., grandmother of the bride, was a special guest. A reception followed at Blue Lakes Country Club. Reception attendants were Emily Leck and Joelle



Andrea and Jake Werbeck

Lancaster, second cousins of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 2005 graduate of Willamette University in Salem, Ore.

The groom is a graduate of Twin Falls High and a 2002 graduate of University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash.

The couple resides in Kirkland, Wash., and both work for international import/export businesses. The groom has been accepted to HESB Business School and they will leave in August for Barcelona, Spain, to pursue a master's degree in international business.

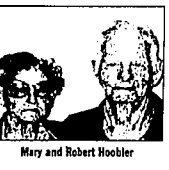


THE HOOBLEERS

FILER — Robert and Mary Hoobler of Filer will be honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the Assembly of God Church in Hansen.

Robert Hoobler and Mary Andrews were married July 23, 1947, in Sandpoint. They have lived in Filer for



Mary and Robert Hoobler

many years. He worked at the Amalgamated Sugar factory in Twin Falls.

She was a licensed practical nurse at Magic Valley Hospital.

The event is hosted by their nieces and nephews, Shirley Davis, Norman Rhoades and Alther Rhoades, all of New Mexico, and Raymond Rhoades of Oklahoma.

The couple has four grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Building a better dog house for your prize pooch

Newaday

Traveling with a companion animal doesn't mean you are doomed to overnights in chain motels that are snug-

gled up to highway off-ramps. Some bed and breakfasts — those fritata-serving, antique-filled enclaves — are getting more pet friendly, with off-leash play areas and doggie

beds in the rooms. Just don't let Rex chew on that heirloom oak sideboard. For a state-by-state guide, visit www.BnBFinder.com/PetsWelcome.

ENGAGEMENTS

BEHUNIN-POND

GOODING — Terry and Vanessa Behunin of Gooding announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Lyn Behunin, to Gregory Sillman Pond, son of Geoff and Felleen Pond of Idaho Falls.



Gregory Pond and Stephanie Behunin

Behunin is a 2006 graduate of Gooding High School and a sophomore at Brigham Young University-Idaho studying communications and graphics design.
Pond is a 2003 graduate of Hillcrest High School in Idaho Falls. He served in the Asacion Paraguay North Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and is now a sophomore at BYU-Idaho studying construction management.

CAMERON-LAMM

WENDELL — Mike and Lisa Cameron of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Marie Cameron, to Daret R. Lamm, son of Floyd Jr. and Lana Lamm of Wendell.



Daret Lamm and Heather Cameron

Cameron is a 2006 graduate of Wendell High School and attends the College of Southern Idaho studying elementary education.
Lamm is a 2004 graduate of Wendell High School and attends CSI studying to be a registered nurse.

COOK-PHILLIPS

RUPERT — Brad and Amy Cook of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Cook, to Chase Phillips, son of Sandra Phillips of Morgan, Utah, and the late Gary Phillips.



Chase Phillips and Amanda Cook

Cook is a graduate of Minico High School and Utah State University. She is employed at Landmark Companies Inc. in Logan, Utah.
Phillips is a graduate of Morgan High School and is a licensed detective officer at American Secure Title in Morgan, Utah.

The wedding is planned for Friday, July 20, at Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl. A reception will follow.

HALVERSON-ANDERSON

RUPERT — Kevin and Suzanne Halverson of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Dayna Halverson, to Carl Anderson, son of Daniel and Patricia Anderson of Elko, Nev.



Carl Anderson and Dayna Halverson

Halverson is a graduate of Minico High School and attends Boise State University majoring in political science. She is employed at Zeppolis Bakery.

Anderson is a graduate of Spring Creek High School in Elko and attends BSU majoring in education. He is Boise.

The wedding is planned for Friday, July 20, at Sweetheart Manor in Burley. A reception will follow from 7 to 9 p.m. The couple will reside in Boise.

KENDALL-KING

TWIN FALLS — Al and Marsha Kendall of Los Angeles announce the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Kendall, to Daniel Matthew King, son of Dan and Tammy King of Twin Falls.



Daniel King and Natalie Kendall

Kendall is a graduate of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. She is employed at Marriott Hotel in Provo.
King is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and served a mission to Brazil for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He attends BYU in Provo and is employed by the university.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 21, at the Los Angeles LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, July 20, at The White House in Twin Falls.

LEE-BATEMAN

TWIN FALLS — Henry and Becky Lee and Teri Lee of Melbourne, Fla., announce the engagement of their daughter, Krystal Lee, to Jed Bateman, son of Richard and Debbie Bateman of Twin Falls.



Jed Bateman and Krystal Lee

Lee is employed at Canyon Springs Chiropractic in Twin Falls.
Bateman is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and served a mission to Brazil for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Oakland, Calif. He is employed at Ferguson Enterprises in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 3 at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at the College of Southern Idaho rose garden.

MILLS-CARROLL

TWIN FALLS — Ron and Karen Mills of Stayton, Ore., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruthann Mills to Jacob Carroll, son of Tim and Jill Carroll of Twin Falls.



Jacob Carroll and Ruthann Mills

Mills is a graduate of Seattle Pacific University in Seattle with a degree in elementary education.

Carroll is a graduate of Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore., with a degree in computer science and business finance.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 12, in Twin Falls.

NANNENGA-JOHNSON

BURLEY — Scott and Julie Nannenga of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Raecana Nicole Nannenga, to Trevor George Johnson, son of Marya Lahoud of Sparks, Nev., and William and Tammi Johnson of Orangeville, Calif.



Trevor Johnson and Raecana Nannenga

Nannenga is a graduate of Kanab High School in Kanab, Utah, and Weber State University with a degree in human performance management. She is employed with Medifit Corporation in Salt Lake City.

Johnson is a graduate of South Whidbey High School in Langley, Wash. He served six years with the U.S. Air Force and is employed with Lockheed Martin at Hill Air Force Base.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 21, at Sweetheart Manor in Burley. A reception will follow at 7 p.m. at the Nannenga residence.

The couple will reside in Roy, Utah.

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The couple will reside in Roy, Utah.

PAULSON-FRENCH

RUPERT — Christina and John Paulson of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Alisa Marie Paulson, to Samuel Adam French, son of James and Karl French of Rupert.



Samuel French and Alisa Paulson

The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at Ponderosa Mountain Resort. A reception will follow.

RAINSDON-FLINT

TWIN FALLS — Gary and Lori Rainsdon of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Brittany Rainsdon, to Tyler Flint, son of Layne and Robyn Flint of Buhl and Marian and Troy Walker of Idaho Falls.



Brittany Rainsdon and Tyler Flint

Rainsdon is a graduate of Filer High School and received her associate degree from Brigham Young University-Idaho. She will begin her internship at Mountain States Platts in Buhl.

Flint is a graduate of Buhl High School and received his associate degree in computer science.

He served a two-year mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Costa Rica. He is employed at

The couple plans to attend BYU-Idaho in Rexburg in January.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, July 19, at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception will follow from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Filer Stake Center, 841 W. Midway.

STIGILE-SHULDBERG

HAZELTON — Alanna Stigile and David Shuldberg announce their engagement.



Alanna Stigile and David Shuldberg

Stigile is the daughter of Kelly Stigile and Marilyn Swain, both of Hazelton. She is a 2003 graduate of Valley High School and attends Idaho State University. She is employed with Farmers Insurance in Pocatello.

Shuldberg is the son of Keith and Jalene Shuldberg of Hamer. He is a 1998 graduate of West Jefferson High School and is employed with Juniper Homes Construction in Pocatello.

The wedding is planned for

6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at the Loft Wedding and Reception Center in Rigby. A reception will follow from 7 to 9 p.m. The couple will reside in Pocatello.

WARRICK-BALLESTERO

TWIN FALLS — Craig and DeAnn Warrick of Nampa announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn Warrick, to Eric Anthony Ballestero, son of Tony and Anna Ballestero of Twin Falls.



Kathryn Warrick and Eric Ballestero

Warrick is a 2005 graduate of Vallivue High School and attends the College of Southern Idaho.

Ballestero is a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High School and attends CSI. He is employed at Swensen's in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Friday, July 27, at the Boise LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at the Shilo Inn.

WEDDINGS

FINICUM-CRANE

KIMBERLY — Tawny Finicum and Lydon Crane were married July 6 at the St. George Temple in St. George, Utah.



Tawny and Lydon Crane

The bride is the daughter of Kelly Finicum and LaVay and Jeanette Finicum, all of Arizona.

The groom is the son of Dan and Shourina Crane of Kimberly.

The bride is a 2003 graduate of Timpview High School in Provo, Utah, and attends Idaho State University.

The groom is a 2001 graduate

DARRINGTON-DOWDLE

BURLEY — Nicki Darrington of Declo and Dr. Mark A. Dowdle of Burley were married June 29 at the Las Vegas LDS Temple.



Nicki and Mark Dowdle

The bride is the daughter of Maurice and Cathi Darrington of Missoula, Mont.

The groom is the son of J. Reed and Patricia Dowdle of Salt Lake City.

A garden reception was held July 6 at the home of Sen. and

THURSTON-EDGAR

BURLEY — Jazmin D. Thurston and Aaron Edgar were married July 5 at the Bountiful LDS Temple.



Aaron and Jazmin Edgar

The bride is the daughter of Kevin (Fuzz) and Julene Thurston of Burley. She is a graduate of Burley High School and attends Idaho State University.

The groom is the son of Dean and LaDean Edgar of Declo. He is a graduate of Declo High School and attends ISU.

A reception was held July 4 at the Thurston residence in Burley.

HURD-GAMBREL

KIMBERLY — Lindsay Renee Hurd and Casey Joe Gambrel were married July 14 at the Gambrel residence in Kimberly.



Casey and Lindsay Gambrel

The bride is the daughter of Ken Hurd of Hagerman and Patty Hurd of Jerome.

The groom is the son of Cliff and Nickie Gambrel of Kimberly.

Pastor Lawrence Vedder officiated.

Heidi Clark, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. Kaid Gambrel, brother of the groom, served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Hagerman High School and attended Linn Benton College

in Albany, Ore.

The groom is a graduate of Kimberly High and attended San Jose State University in San Jose, Calif. He is employed with Gambrel Construction. The couple will reside in Twin Falls.

ANDREW-JONES

GOODING — Rachel Jannette Andrew and Curtis Arthur Jones were married July 13 at the Bountiful Temple in Utah.



Curtis and Rachel Jones

The bride is the daughter of William and Brenna Andrew of Gooding.

The groom is the son of Colleen Jones of Kimberly and Allen Jones of Fort Collins, Colo.

The bride and groom attended Gooding High School.

A reception was held July 14 at the Andrew residence in Gooding.

MARSTON-LANDERS

PAUL — Melissa Marston and Jason Landers were married July 14 at the Crystal Ballroom in Boise. A reception followed.



Melissa and Jason Landers

The bride is the daughter of Michael and Barbie Marston of Boise.

The groom is the son of Dan and Dorene Landers of Paul.

The bride is a graduate of Borah High School and attends Boise State University pursuing a degree in elementary education. She is employed at the Boys and Girls Club of Ada County.

The groom is a graduate of

STOREY-MADSON

GOODING — Tisa Storey and Dustin Madson were married June 16.



Dustin and Tisa Madson

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Julie Storey of Gooding.

The groom is the son of Paul and Rose Madson of Gooding.

The bride and groom are 2006 graduates of Gooding High School.

They reside in Moscow, where he is employed and

attends the University of Idaho.

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 ramona@magvalley.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 of the event. With questions, call Ramona Jones at 735-3262.

Green learning

Helping the environment, from school garden to roof

By Margaret Webb Pressler
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — There are plenty of things you can do to help the environment. A great place to start is at school. Across the Northeast, students and school officials are tackling projects big and small to help our planet. KidsPost highlights some of their efforts.

Green buildings

More and more schools are being designed and used in ways that are friendly to the environment. These so-called green schools use less energy, cost less to run and are good for students.

The newly renovated Sidwell Friends Middle School in Washington has been awarded the highest rating by the U.S. Green Building Council for having a positive impact on the environment — a rare honor. Soon the school will treat and re-use its wastewater, saving hundreds of thousands of gallons of water per year.

The recycled water from sinks and toilets, which can't be used for drinking, will be colored blue, "so we know it's recycled, just in case it gets into the water fountains — not that it would," joked Sidwell student Emily Bernstein, 14. Water fountains will still use fresh city water.

Sidwell students are studying the building itself in science classes to help them learn first-hand the positive impact of green buildings. It's affecting how they view the world around them.

"If you see a (building) being torn down, you think, 'They're going to fill up a whole landfill with that,'" said Matthew Malone, 13.

At Suitland (Md.) Elementary, a garden courtyard collects and uses rainwater; the roof is angled away from the sun to keep it cool, and skylights and tall windows let in lots of natural light.

"You don't have to switch on the light switch all the time," said Rupert McCave, the county official guiding these projects.

Green schools tend to be sunnier and more inviting than older buildings. In fact, a study done in Washington state showed that students at green schools performed better and were absent less.

Green actions

Kathy Molina, a sixth-grade science teacher at H-B Woodlawn in Arlington,



libby Han, 12, and her classmates at H-B Woodlawn school in Arlington, Va., organized an electronics recycling drive in March. The kids collected 433 items in one day and gave them to the county for proper disposal. Shown are libby, right, and Grace Evans hauling a computer monitor.

Photo courtesy: libby Han

Va., teaches students about the environment. This year they taught her a thing or two.

Every year, Molina takes her kids to a nearby stream to monitor the environment and water quality. Then she encourages students to do a community activity for extra credit. "This one just happened to be the real deal this year," she said.

libby Han, 12, was bothered by the trash in the stream, especially the old cellphones the kids found. She did some research and learned that when electronic items such as phones, TVs and computers get thrown in landfills, chemicals seep into the ground and nearby water. "A lot of people don't

know how to recycle electronics," she said. libby and her classmates organized an electronics recycling drive in March for the school community. The kids collected 433 items in one day and gave them to the county for proper disposal. "I was so very much impressed that sixth-graders could take on solving such a big problem," Molina said.

The class won an award from Staples, and the office products chain asked the kids to help it organize an electronics recycling event of its own. County officials are now looking at ways to make it easier for residents to safely get rid of old electronics.

It was rewarding for the kids, but it

More ideas

Learn about the trees and flowers where you live and how you can reuse products to help the environment at www.abundantforests.org (click on "Plant It Forward"). There are things to make (including a scavenger hunt photo frame) and tips on what other kids and families are doing to be green.

wasn't easy.

"We all worked really hard, and it came together," libby said. "But I was pretty relieved that it was over."

How they did it

How H-B Woodlawn kids organized their recycling drive:

- They coordinated with Arlington County, Va., officials and mailed sign-up forms to H-B Woodlawn families.
- They made a list of items to be picked up at homes and mapped routes for drivers (parent volunteers).
- They collected the old electronics and loaded everything into a large "trash bin" they had ordered. The material was then delivered to the county for recycling.

Green school

- Some "green" features at Sidwell Middle School in Washington:
- Ceiling tiles are made of recycled newspaper.
 - Benches and wood shelves are salvaged from torn-down buildings.
 - Open windows let in air.
 - There are solar panels, solar chimneys and planter boxes on the rooftop.
 - Landscaping is done with plants and grasses native to the area.

An A for effort

- Environmentally friendly ideas at other Virginia schools:
- At Waste-Free Lunch Day at West Springfield Elementary, kids brought their lunches — using lunch boxes, real silverware and reusable containers.
 - Spring Hill Elementary in McLean created an outdoor classroom with benches and native plants, where kids can study habitat, conservation and wildlife.
 - The Ecology Club distributed energy-efficient fluorescent light bulbs at Franklin Middle School in Chantilly.
 - At Chantilly High School, new rules save paper by limiting filters to 10 locations.
 - Hunters Woods Elementary School for the Arts and Sciences in Reston collects Halloween pumpkins and puts them in compost bins.
 - Classes at Bailey's Elementary School for the Arts and Sciences in Falls Church are competing to collect aluminum cans.

Sports-to-do list during the summer

By Fred Bowen
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Almost every family and kid have a summer to-do list. That's the list of fun things they want to do now that school is over. It usually includes: Go on vacation ... Swim at the pool ... Sleep late ...

If you love sports, maybe you and your family should have a summer sports to-do list. Here are some things you could do:

• Go to a minor league baseball game. At minor league games, kids can sit closer to the action. And it's cool to say you saw some big leaguer when he was in the minors.

• If baseball isn't your sport, there are lots of summer league basketball games around if you want to see some hoops.

But all these things are just watching sports. Summer's long, warm days are perfect for playing sports. So here are some more things to put on your to-do list:

• Play catch. No matter what your favorite sport is, you will get better if you play catch for 15 minutes a day.

• Throw a baseball back and forth after dinner. Or toss a lacrosse ball around to practice your stick-handling. Passing a basketball or football will improve your hand coordination. Maybe you don't "play catch" in soccer, but kicking the ball around the yard or park will improve your dribbling.

• Take up a new sport. If you play soccer during the school year, maybe try tennis. Or set up a badminton net in the yard. Or get your golfer mom or dad to take you to the driving range to see if you are the next Tiger Woods or Annika Sorenstam.

Whatever you do, don't just sit around this summer. A recent study found that kids ages 8 to 18 spend an average of 6 1/2 hours a day on television, electronic games, computers, music and other media.

That's horrible, especially in the summer.

No, summer is the time to turn off the video games and to do the real games.

Fred Bowen writes KidsPost's sports opinion column and is an author of sports novels for kids.

Summer book club: 'Half Magic'

By Tracy Grant
The Washington Post

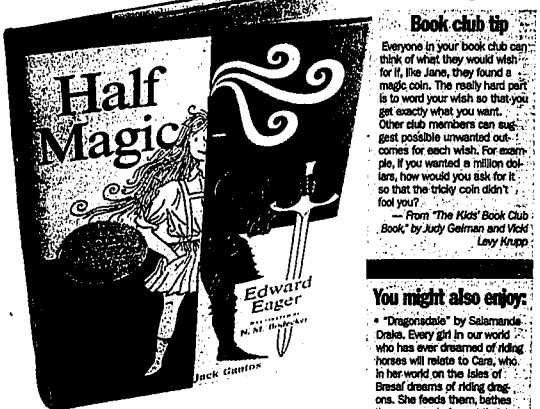
By Edward Eager, ages 7 and older

This book was written in the 1950s and takes place in England 30 years before that, but because magic (even half magic) is timeless, the story doesn't seem out of date.

"Half Magic" is about four children who are completely bummed because they don't get to go to the beach or the country during the summer. They must stay in the city with a surly babysitter while their mom works. One way in which this book shows its age is that there are no video games to keep Jane, Katharine, Mark and Martha busy. So the kids entertain themselves by going to the movies, playing make-believe games and going to the library.

It is on the way to the library on an early summer day that Jane, the oldest of the four, finds a glittering coin on the ground.

Later that day, hot and tired and bored, the children sit to rest. Jane, in frustration, wishes for a fire. Suddenly the children hear fire engines, see smoke and realize that a small children's playhouse in a neighbor's yard is spouting



Book club tip

Everyone in your book club can think of what they would wish for. If, like Jane, you found a magic coin. The really hard part is to word your wish so that you get exactly what you want. Other club members can suggest possible unwanted outcomes for each wish. For example, if you wanted a million dollars, how would you ask for it: so that the tricky coin didn't fool you?

— From "The Kids' Book Club Book," by Judy Gelman and Vicki Lay Krupp

You might also enjoy:

- "Dragonade" by Salamanda Drake. Every girl in our world who has ever dreamed of riding horses will relate to Cara, who in her world on the Isles of Brass dreams of riding dragons. She feeds them, bathes them, even makes out their babies; but her mother forbids her from doing what she wants most — ride like the wind. Ages 7 and older.
- Edward Eager wrote several novels for "Half Magic," including "Magic by the Lake," "Night's Castle" and "Seven-Day Magic." They are all fun, easy summer reads.

flames.

So the question is: Did Jane cause the fire or was it just coincidence?

The coin Jane found holds the answer, for it grants wishes — of a sort. Half wishes. Jane had actually wished that the house of a mean neighbor would catch fire.

The coin granted half of her

wish, setting the playhouse on fire.

As the kids take turns making wishes, they realize that figuring out how to word their wish precisely is half the fun and half the adventure.

After you've read this book, you'll have a new appreciation for the old saying "Be careful what you wish for!"