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Heidi Conner, a mother of two, stands in front of the Xavier Charter School in Twin Falls Tuesday evening. Conner filed a formal complaint against the school because it denied enrollment to her two children.

Charter school under investigation

Mother claims children were denied enrollment because of their special needs

By Joshua Palmer
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The first charter school in Twin Falls to operate independently of the local school district is under investigation for denying enrollment to students with special needs.

The Idaho State Department of Education told the Times-

News that it is sending a complaint investigator to look into allegations that Xavier Charter School denied enrollment to students with special needs. Xavier cannot deny enrollment to students on a basis such as a student's need for special education services.

Twin Falls resident Heidi Conner filed the complaint.



To see copies of the complaint against Xavier Charter School, as well as Idaho Charter School Commission policies on open enrollment, go to **Magicvalley.com**

which alleges that the school's director, Clady Fulcher, pressed Conner into relinquishing her children's enrollment to the charter school because of their special needs.

Conner has a daughter who is autistic and a son who has been diagnosed with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. Three witnesses, which included a developmental therapist and service coordinator for Conner's daughter, signed the complaint to verify that the allegations were true.

I had already received acceptance letters for both my kids, but I wanted to introduce the team of people (a therapist and two service coordinators)

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Three residents concerned about the environmental impact of dairies spent Tuesday

On the prowl for foul



Alina Hassa of Idaho Concerned Area Residents for the Environment measures ammonia levels near dairies Tuesday morning in Jerome County.

Citizens take dairy odor testing into own hands, but what do results mean?

By Matt Christensen
 Times-News writer

JEROME — It's down in Jerome County and while many folks rise to the scent of brewing coffee and hot breakfasts, three environmentalists seek a more repugnant wake up.

Jerome activist Lee Halper and Alma and Shavonne Hassa, of Idaho Concerned Area Residents for the Environment, cruise the county's back roads sniffing for dairy odors in the back of their green station wagon sits a \$50,000 contraption that measures ammonia levels in

ambient air.

These environmentalists and several county residents are raising a stink over dairy odors in Jerome County. They say the state is doing little to quell agriculture odors. They also say their device, called the Ceres UV Hound, shows dangerous levels of ammonia are present near dairies that produce foul odors.

Others aren't so sure about the danger. There are no state or federal standards for ammonia in rural ambient air. The federal Environmental Protection Agency acknowledges ammonia is a dangerous chemical but is unsure of the

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See how the Ceres UV Hound is used to measure ambient ammonia.



risks it presents in air near dairies.

The environmentalists make four stops Tuesday morning along county roads near Bob



The Ceres UV Hound is a \$50,000 device that calculates ammonia in the area by using a UV light to measure odor gas signatures in a light spectrum.

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Strong economy fuels city revenues

Yet T.F. building permits down since 2005

By Jared S. Hopkins
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The city's growth rate is declining. The cost of covering it is not.

Next year's city budget is expected to climb more than 5 percent to \$39.8 million. City officials say it's due to a strong economy that might result in lighter taxes, but comes as federal regulations and high turnover among city employees make it tougher to meet demands.

The city has slowed from its recent record population growth — as indicated by how Twin Falls is expected to issue less than half the total building permits in 2007 than in red-hot 2005, according to a budget summary by Twin Falls City Manager Tom Courtney.

The preliminary budget was presented to the Twin Falls City Council on Monday. City staff and council members have several

weeks to form and approve a final document.

The budget includes increases for projects reflective of the wear-and-tear of growth — like \$500,000 for improving Falls Avenue West, \$150,000 for a wastewater improvement project and construction for the south and north parts of Washington Street.

"The budget addresses a lot of the issues that are growth-related that we've fallen behind on," said Twin Falls Mayor Lance Clow.

Clow said that property tax revenues are strong enough that he expects the tax rate to be lowered in hopes of offsetting some of the recent county property assessments some residents claim are too high.

Other notable changes include \$5,000 for fireworks — a \$10,000 decrease from 2006 — and an additional \$50,000 for park development.

The city wants approval on items related to, but separate from, the budget.

• Ways to fund projects that cost between \$100,000 and \$200,000, since a recent

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Nuke planner submits CUP application

Watchdog group criticizes company's ethics

By Matt Christensen
 Times-News writer

BRUNEAU — The permitting process is underway for a proposed nuclear power plant in Owyhee County, as an Idaho watchdog group continues to blast the company and its plans.

Alternate Energy Holdings, a company that plans to build Idaho's first commercial nuclear power plant, submitted a conditional-use permit application Monday to Owyhee County Planning and Zoning.

The door is now open for the company to pursue federal licensing as the county reviews the permit, and a public comment period is also expected to begin soon.

This latest development marks another success for the fledgling company — it announced last month it had

received a \$3.5 billion funding commitment from a New York investment firm — despite heavy opposition from environmental organizations such as nuclear watchdog Snake River Alliance.

SRA says the company and its associates are shady at best. For example, AEH President and CEO Don Gillispie announced the plan was coming to Idaho on the same time he contacted any-

one at the county level. AEH's major financing firm has mostly funded smaller projects such as ice-cream parlors, as reported by The Associated Press. And the company's primary consultant, Mark Pecchenino, resigned in January from an Ada County position days after an investigation determined he'd violated the county's ethics policy.

Pecchenino was doing business in Elmore County the same time he became an Ada County employee. His supervisors admitted they knew

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Answering the call M-C first-responders feel the burden in hot July; Declo fire chief loses full-time job

By Cassidy Friedman
 Times-News writer

RUPERT — Declo Fire Chief John Pons pulled into the parking lot of Ace Hardware at midmorning June 14, with five minutes to his shift, when his pager buzzed.

That sent him high-tailing from his full-time job to his secondary one.

Thirteen minutes later, Pons helped carry a 21-year-old pregnant woman,

whose head was bleeding after being trapped in her rolled sport utility vehicle, on Interstate 84. When he was finished, Pons turned around and went back to work.

In four years of employment with Ace, Pons had often left work to respond to emergencies. Ace, along with local farms and other businesses, excuses employees who are volunteers or paid first-responders at the cost of them missing work.

But somehow the understanding

between Pons and the store broke down.

When Pons returned to work later that morning, the assistant manager fired him.

"They told me I was done right there," Pons said. "To pack my stuff and go. It wasn't fair."

Pons did not call into work until after he responded to the crash. He said "usually when he arrived late to work it was because of his obligations as a fire chief.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

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 Tomorrow: A few degrees cooler, but temperatures will still be warm. Highs in the 90s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

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.
 An evening with "History Detectives" host, Elyse Luray, 7 p.m., Herrett Center, CSI, Twin Falls, no cost (limited seating), (208) 737-7328.
Loe Blessing's play "A Body of Water", presented by the Company of Fools, 7 p.m., Liberty Theater, Hailey, \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$15 for students, (208) 578-9122 (one hour before curtain time).

BUSINESS

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 Canada of Idaho Department of Labor/Labor and Wage Division, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Connor's Cafe, Interstate 84 exit 208 and Highway 27, Heyburn, 678-9165 or 677-4872, ext. 2.
Ribbon cutting for Create-a-Critter, 10:30 a.m., Magic Valley Mall, Twin Falls, 734-1414.

GOVERNMENT

Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 140 Kentucky St., 352-1117.
Pfizer School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library, 700 Stevens, 326-359.
Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., Hagerman Senior Center, 340 E. Lake, 837-6636.
Sun Valley City Council, 3 p.m., City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road, 622-4438.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

MUSEUMS

Centennial Observatory free solar viewing, 1 to 3 p.m.; and **Faulkner Planetarium "Sky Quest"**, 2 p.m. (with live sky tour to follow), Herrett Center, CSI, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

FOUR-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

JULY 19, 20, 21 — "Noises Off," presented by Buhl West End Theatre, 7:30 p.m., Buhl High School Auditorium, \$6 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens, 490-1992, (also July 27, 28).
JULY 19, 20, 21 — Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of "Oklahoma," 7:30 p.m.; and July 21 at 2 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley, \$8, 677-2787; (also July 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, Aug. 2, 3, 4).
JULY 20 — The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary public dance, 8 p.m., D.A.V. Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls, \$2 donation, 734-5208.
JULY 21 — The Cattle Fire trio, featuring music performed on Irish whistle fiddle, concertina, Irish bagpipes, Irish bouzouki, bodhran and mandolin, 7 to 9 p.m., Vinifera Vine, 138 Main Ave. S., downtown Twin Falls, 731-2726.
JULY 22 — "Music from Stanley," live concert/radio show series with James Orr and Darin Schaffer, 4 to 7 p.m., Redfish Lake Lodge, near Stanley, no cost, 484-9117.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

JULY 20 — A fundraiser for Specialist Cody Sibbett of Paul, includes a raffle (for a mountain bike, barbecue grill, portable sitting by Banner Images and more) to raise money for the family, 5 to 10 p.m., at Doc's Pizza on the Square, Rupert. Doc's will provide table service; all tips and a portion of sales go to the Sibbett family, \$1 for raffle ticket, 219-9783 or 670-3553 to purchase tickets.
JULY 20 — "Family Friendly" Benefit Concert for Trooper Chris Glenn, featuring Idaho's "Official Cowboy Entertainer" Rudy Gonzales, and sidekick, "The Cowboy Saddle Maker" Terry Rekow, 5:30 p.m. doors open and no-host bar; 7 p.m. Cowboy Rudy Show and Concert; and live auction to follow, Stampede Civic Center, Nampa, \$20 per person, all proceeds to the Trooper Chris Glenn family, 830-8851/830-9721, or 989-6481 for tickets.
JULY 21 — Merchant's market, includes yard sale, extra produce, antiques and crafts, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wendell City Park, \$7. Save Our Sign fundraiser, bring personal materials, 536-6159 or 536-6111.
JULY 21 — Twin Falls High School Swim Team fundraiser car wash, includes information about the swim team, 10 a.m. at the D.L. Evans Bank parking lot, corner of Falls Avenue and Lakes Boulevard, 208-734-8583.
JULY 21 — Jarbidge Legacy, with music and storytelling by Richard Elycan and Mary's Special Child dinner around the campfire, 6 to 10 p.m., at the Sawmill Campground north of Jarbidge, (open road, no delays), donations to the Jarbidge Arts Council, (775)488-2352.
JULY 22 — St. Theres Little Flower Catholic Church "Fiesta Fundraiser," includes authentic Mexican food, drink (non-alcoholic), fruit stands, a dunking tank, music, dance and a raffle, 8:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Freedom Park, Burley, proceeds to benefit church, 678-4539.
JULY 22 — Twin Falls County Democrats Summer Picnic, old-fashioned fun and food, 1:30 p.m., Twin Falls City Park at the

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Residents raise stink over dairy odors

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Idaho awarded for drop in food stamp errors

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has been awarded \$485,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for finding the number of errors in its food stamp system. Only 4.6 percent of food stamp payments in 2006 were either too much or too little, compared to 8.3 percent in 2005 and more than 11 percent in 2003.

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ON THE NET

Watch a video about environmentalists testing for ammonia in the air near Jerome dairies.

See a photo gallery of the protest against the liquor at the local office of Sen. Mike Crapo.

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NATION/WORLD



Brazilian plane skids into gas station

SAO PAULO, Brazil — A plane with 176 people aboard crashed and burst into flames in Sao Paulo on Tuesday after skidding off a runway that has been criticized as being too short in a driving rain, the nation's airport authority said.

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Democrats force all-nighter on Iraq

WASHINGTON — Dozing was optional, debating mandatory in the Senate's all-night session on the war in Iraq. Six months after taking control of Congress, Democrats insisted on the marathon, hoping to dramatize their opposition to the war. Even so, they appeared unlikely to gain the votes needed to advance troop withdrawal legislation.

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SPORTS

Ex-CSI pitcher Carr earns another win

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Former Twin Falls High School and College of Southern Idaho freeballer Nick Carr notched his second win of the season last Friday as he and the Brooklyn Cyclones topped the Tri-City (N.Y.) ValleyCats 16-7. Carr allowed four earned runs off nine hits scattered through five innings of work.

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Falcons' Vick indicted by federal grand jury

RICHMOND, Va. — Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick was indicted Tuesday by a federal grand jury on charges related to illegal dogfighting. Vick and three others were charged with violating federal laws against competitive dogfighting, procuring and training pit bulls for fighting and conducting the enterprise across state lines.

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Steroids found in Chris Benoit's body

DECATUR, Ga. — Pro wrestler Chris Benoit had more than 10 times the normal level of testosterone in his system when he hanged himself in his home after killing his wife and 7-year-old son last month.

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COMING TOMORROW



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Finally, The Book arrives
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OPINION MINI EDITORIAL

GOP risks losing moderates
 It is the Idaho independent voters in the primaries that have kept the Idaho Republican Party in power so long. With their moderating influence, the Republicans have been able to find common ground with the majority of Idahoans. With closed primaries, they will lose this solid footing with Idaho voters.

— WILL WHITE, Twin Falls

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 who are familiar with what my kids' needs are," Conner said. "But when I met with Cindy, she told me that the school wasn't able to work with my kids because they had special needs."
 Conner said Fulcher refused to provide a formal letter stating why Xavier was denying enrollment in her two students.
 According to the complaint, Fulcher said that if Conner enrolled her students in Xavier, the school would put the students on a bus to the nearest elementary school. Witnesses also verified that Fulcher yelled at Conner, saying that her daughter "will need step foot in one of my classrooms."
 Xavier did not return repeated phone calls and interview requests from the *Times-News* reporter according to the school's Web site. Xavier is a public school that does not discriminate against any student because of special needs.
 Melissa McGrath, commu-

nications officer for the State Department of Education, said the department could not comment on the complaint because it is under investigation. However, she wrote in a statement that "charter schools are public schools and as such, are required to follow the same federal laws regarding special education that all other public schools are required to follow."
 Officials say most parents do not know that charter schools are required to follow the same laws as public schools; therefore few parents actually file formal complaints against charter schools.
 According to the Department of Education only four formal complaints have been filed against charter schools in Idaho since 2001 — not including the complaint against Xavier.
 "My whole reason behind this is not to put the school out of business because I think it's philosophies are a great alternative," Conner said. "But what I don't want is for it to be doing business like it is."

Odor

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 Barton Road. They pop the hatchback, and immediately the fount registers ammonia readings ranging from 4.7 to 20.7 parts per million.
 The highest readings gathered by Halper and the lasses come near dairy-waste compost piles, about 50 feet from the station wagon. Lower readings register near cow-feeding areas. Residential homes are within 500 yards of all their stops.
 About a mile into Gooding County, they park between fields of alfalfa and corn. Here, more than a mile from the nearest dairy, the fount measures zero. Alma Hasse sprays window cleaner containing ammonia near the fount, and the reading spikes to 4.0 ppm.
 At the Jerome County

Courthouse, the reading is also zero and spikes again with the window-cleaner test.
 Alma Hasse says the fount tests prove dairies stink, and she says the levels of ammonia in the odors are dangerous.
 Even if ammonia is present, its relationship to odor is sketchy, says Iona Sheffield, a University of Idaho professor who is a proponent of another device, called the Nasal Ranger, that he says better detects stench, not just gases like ammonia.
 "There's no statistical relationship between ammonia and odor," he said. "It's that simple."
 The dairy odor issue in Idaho, however, is far from straightforward.
 In July 2007, Idaho State Department of Agriculture formed a committee of gov-

ernment representatives, industry folk and researchers to establish odor standards. But the committee never reached a consensus on the numbers. The committee did agree to accept the Nasal Ranger as the ISDA odor-measuring device.
 But since then, ISDA has done little regarding odors. The department hasn't discussed odors in three years, even though a law is on the books that requires the agency to set standards.
 The EPA this month began a two-year study that measures gas emissions, including ammonia, at 24 confined-animal feeding operations across the county. But even when that study concludes, it's unclear

whether ammonia standards will be set at the federal level, said Dave Ryan, a Washington, D.C., spokesman for the EPA.
 For now, a vague clause in the Idaho Code is the only guideline. It defines an offensive odor as something in "excess of levels accepted with accepted agricultural practices."
 Studies are underway in Idaho to gauge air-quality emissions at dairies, said Mary Patten, head of ISDA's dairy bureau. But politics within the department are preventing the odor committee from reconvening, he hinted.
 "It's probably time for (ISDA) to take a good hard look at this," Patten said. "I will say that."

Volunteers

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 Rural communities rely on the accessibility of 9-to-5 workers like Pons for their protection. The workers in turn rely on the good will and a strong line of communication with their bosses.
 Facing an outbreak of firestorms in the area this month, the Paul fire chief has sent on average 13 volunteer firefighters to 10 calls in the last 16 days.
 "That's more calls than (there were) days," said Randy Sutton, the full-time paid fire chief. Sutton supervises 18 volunteers responsible for the western end of the county — about 250 square miles.
 In June, Sutton's crews responded to 37 calls — mainly grassfires.
 The burden on local volunteers to respond to the rising number of fires this season is great. In this week and last, commissioners in Minidoka and Cassia counties have approved emergency bans on all outdoor fires.
 "The rash of fires in the last 20 days (has) become a little burdensome," said Minidoka County Chairman Duff Singman. "We thought we could save three or four fires a month."
 But what happens when the system — the understanding — is under duress?
 "It wouldn't look good," Sutton said, who added that the ordeal between Ace Hardware and Pons has raised

concerns among volunteers. "You would see a lot of black country out there. I don't know what this community would do."
 Ace's manager, Quinn Montague, declined to comment on Pons' dismissal, citing confidentiality.
 "John has worked with us for quite a few years and he's gone on quite a few calls," said Montague. Ace has employed other volunteer firefighters in the past, he said. "Obviously for a few years we have not stopped anyone from going to fires. We haven't changed our policy."
 On July 6, the Friday in which raging winds tore through the Magic Valley, Sutton needed every volunteer onboard fighting fires.
 "We had four fires burning," he said. "Two by lightning and two man-caused, controlled burns that went sour in the wind."
 What drew Pons to Ace Hardware in the first place was the franchisee's willingness to work with him around his volunteer schedule, he said. Not all of his 12 volunteers' bosses allow them to leave work for emergency calls.
 Those who do have that relationship with their bosses are "a little cautious taking off work now," Pons said.
 "Most of the guys, they know their employers," Pons said. "I thought I knew mine, too. I thought they understood ... but I guess I was wrong."

Budget

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 court case now makes doing so more difficult. Options include adopting impact fees or buy-in fees or increasing water and sewer rates each just over \$2. Last year, water rates rose 7.5 percent and the sewage rates 5 percent.
 Funding for improvements to salaries, including a 4 percent increase for performance-based pay and an extra 2 percent raise for most salaries competitive. Courtney said that city jobs are in a competitive labor market and most Magic Valley businesses are experiencing similar roadblocks.
 The payroll bumps, city officials say, would help lower high employee turnover. During a two-year period, the city hired 90 employees within its 256 full-time staff. The city is also budgeting a net total of seven new positions.
 "If we want to assure we have people to be sure we hire good people, and we are hiring those people," said Courtney. "It just takes us longer to find those people."
 There are two projects the city included in a budget summary but is not seeking funding for.
 "A new maintenance facility for the golf course — estimated to cost between \$350,000 and \$400,000, it is expected to be funded privately and leased to the city.
 A city hall annex — the city is looking to lease the building at the southwest corner of Second Avenue South and

Idaho Street.
 Water continues to be a concern for the city, including the city's requirement to comply with federal arsenic standards for drinking water by 2011.
 The city currently has four options for new water sources, although none were named in the budget summary. The city names a \$65 million citywide, pressurized irrigation system if no sources can be found during the next year.
 In July 2007, Idaho State Department of Agriculture formed a committee of gov-

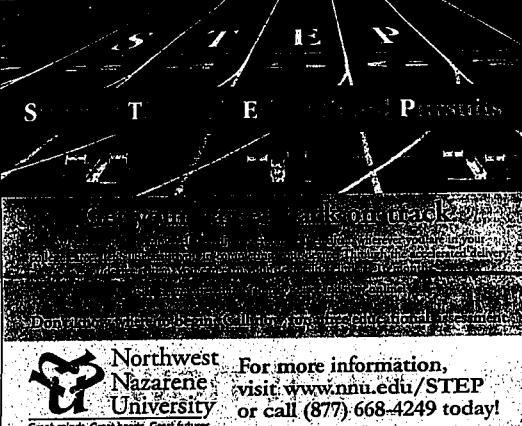
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Plant

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 about his dealings but were unaware it violated the policy.
 "I had planned on resigning anyway," Pecchenino said Tuesday.
 Elmore County officials wrote Pecchenino a letter of recommendation shortly after his resignation, lauding his integrity. "I am credible and I do good work," Pecchenino said.
 SRA isn't so sure. "This guy was caught moonlighting," said

Ester Ceja, outreach director at the watchdog group. "And he's supposed to have ethics!"
 AEI stands by Pecchenino, said Martin Johnson, a spokesman for the company.
 The public is yet to officially weigh in on controversial plans for the nuclear plant, but that will soon change. A public comment period is expected to include 20 public meetings begins soon, though dates for the meetings are yet to be scheduled.

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NATION

New intel report: Al-Qaida's expanding resources pose heightened threat to U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al-Qaida is using its growing strength in Pakistan and Iraq to plot attacks on U.S. soil, heightening the terror threat facing the United States over the next few years, intelligence agencies concluded in a report unveiled Tuesday.

At the same time, the intelligence analysts worry international cooperation against terrorism will be hard to sustain as memories of Sept. 11 fade and nations' views diverge on what the real threat is.

In the National Intelligence Estimate prepared for President Bush and other top policymakers, analysts laid out a range of dangers — from al-Qaida to Lebanon's Hezbollah to non-Muslim radical groups — that pose a "persistent and evolving threat" to the country over the next three years.

The findings focused most heavily on Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network, which was judged to remain the most serious threat to the U.S. The group's affiliate in Iraq, which has not yet posed a direct threat to U.S. soil, could do just that, the report concluded. Al-Qaida in Iraq threatened to attack the United States in a Web statement last September. National Intelligence Council Chairman Thomas Fingar warned that the group's operations in Iraq are getting portable, firsthand experience in covert communications, smuggling, improvised explosive devices, understanding U.S. military tactics and more.

The Iraqi affiliate also helps al-Qaida more broadly as it tries to energize Sunni Muslim extremists around the globe, raise resources and recruit and indoctrinate operatives — including for homeland attacks," according to a declassified summary of the report's main findings.

In addition, analysts stressed the importance of al-Qaida's increasingly comfortable hideout in Pakistan that has resulted from a hands-off accord

between Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf and tribal leaders along the Afghan border. That 10-month-old deal, which has unraveled in recent days — gives al-Qaida "new opportunities to set up compounds for terror training, improve its international communications with associates and bolster its operations."

The assessment shows how the threat has changed.

Just two years ago, the intelligence agencies considered al-Qaida's various "franchises" decentralized offshoots, with bin Laden mostly providing ideological direction.

Fingar said his experts believe bin Laden and his top deputy are hiding in Pakistan. "There is no question that the ungoverned character of the space is a major factor in the Taliban's and al-Qaida's and other extremist groups' ability to hide — hide in plain sight," he said.

National Intelligence Estimates are the most authoritative written judgments of the 16 spy agencies of the U.S. government. These documents reflect the consensus long-term thinking of top intelligence analysts.

Tuesday's publicly disclosed judgments are part of a more expansive, still-classified document, approved by the heads of all 16 intelligence agencies on June 21.

Analysts — who concluded the U.S. now faces a "heightened threat environment" — painted an increasingly familiar picture of al-Qaida: A group

focused on high-profile attacks against political, economic and infrastructure targets, while striving to cause mass casualties and dramatic destruction.

FBI Deputy Director John Pistole said the bureau does not know of any al-Qaida cells in the United States, although his agents continue investigating such questions. The estimate said international counterterrorism efforts since 2001 have hampered al-Qaida's ability to attack the United States again, while also convincing terror groups that U.S. soil is a tougher target.

Charles Allen, the Department of Homeland Security's top intelligence official, said the department felt changing the nation's threat level, which remains at yellow, or "elevated" — the middle of a five-point scale. Airlines remain one step higher, at orange.

Even as authorities warn of dangers in the U.S., analysts concluded the threat is more severe in Europe. The problem could touch the United States directly, Fingar noted, because of the ease of travel between Europe and here.

The White House sought to downplay the report's worries about the future of international counterterrorism cooperation. Bush's homeland security adviser, Frances Fragos Townsend, said the administration isn't concerned about being abandoned by allies. Cooperation is "actually as strong as it's ever been," she said.

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Veterans Affairs chief resigns

As Murray hails Nicholson's departure, Craig defends him

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Veterans Affairs James Nicholson resigned Tuesday and said he would leave by Oct. 1, ending a tenure marked by the largest data breach in federal government history and sharp criticisms of the care given injured veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.



Nicholson

In an interview, Nicholson said his first considered leaving his post at the government's second largest department in February and recently made the decision final, in part because he will turn 70 next year. "It is a good time — if there ever is a good time — to leave the VA," Nicholson said, adding he was not asked to step down.

Nicholson steps down

LEAVING ABRUPTLY: Veterans Affairs Secretary Jim Nicholson resigned Tuesday and said he will return to the private sector. **CRUCIAL TIMING:** Nicholson most recently headed a task force charged with making immediate improvements to health care in which he pledged to take "personal responsibility." **TRANSITIONING:** Nicholson would work to facilitate a transition until Bush finds a replacement. His resignation takes effect no later than Oct. 1.

— The Associated Press

"There were no frustrations causing me to think about resigning. ... This job is so big and our mission is so multifaceted that there are always frustrations, so that was not a factor."

Senior managers at VA and officials of veterans groups, however, said the resignation came as a complete surprise. A few employees who saw his video conference said Nicholson became emotional during the announcement. The agency has faced con-

siderable criticism for its treatment of injured Iraq and Afghanistan veterans as they transition from the military health care system to the VA's, and for its chronically slow processing of disability claims by injured or sick veterans from all eras. Critics complain about lost paperwork, a shortage of VA caseworkers, a backlog of 400,000 pending disability claims and long waits for initial appointments in the VA health care system.

The criticism grew louder

earlier this year when The Washington Post revealed decried conditions and poor outpatient treatment of wounded troops at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, although that facility is run by the Pentagon, not the VA.

"I was surprised at the number of people, even the number of members of Congress, that thought Walter Reed was a VA hospital," Nicholson said. "So it did have an impact on us." President Bush tapped Nicholson to lead a cabinet-level task force that studied how to improve the care of returning veterans. VA leaders came under fire for awarding \$3.8 million in bonuses to top executives in fiscal 2006 — a time when the department was struggling to clear its backlog of disability claims and expand care for a spike in the number of newly injured veterans returning from overseas.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Patty Murray said she was pleased at the resignation of Veterans Affairs chief Jim Nicholson, who stepped down Tuesday amid complaints about the Bush administration's handling of soldiers injured in battle.

Murray, D-Washington, a senior member of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee, said Nicholson's departure gives President Bush a chance to appoint a true advocate for veterans, rather than "an apologist for this administration's failures to plan." In a statement clearly aimed at Nicholson, who served as chairman of the Republican National Committee from 1997 to 2000, Murray said the next VA secretary "must have a record of being a strong and independent voice for veterans — not someone being rewarded for political loyalty." But Sen. Larry Craig, R-

Idaho, a former Veterans Affairs chairman, defended Nicholson, saying he did a "great job" despite being hampered by the ongoing Iraq war which placed huge demands on his agency.

"Secretary Nicholson has fought hard to improve care for those dealing with traumatic brain injuries" and post-traumatic stress disorder, Craig said, noting that Nicholson recently directed the VA to hire more outreach coordinators to make sure those returning from Iraq and Afghanistan get needed care. Nicholson also approved over 60 new community clinics to bring VA care closer to the nation's veterans, Craig said. Murray has battled with Nicholson over problems ranging from conditions at psychiatric wards at the VA hospitals in Seattle and Tacoma to delays in locating and building a new VA health clinic in Washington state.

Extra servings of fruits, vegetables fail to prevent breast cancer's return

By Carla K. Johnson
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Hopes that a diet low in fat and chock-full of fruits and vegetables could prevent the return of breast cancer were dashed Tuesday by a large, seven-year experiment in more than 3,000 women.

The government study found no benefit from a mega-veggies-and-fruit diet over the U.S. recommended servings of five fruits and vegetables a day — more than most Americans get.

Researchers noted that none of the breast cancer survivors lost weight on either diet. That led some experts to suggest that weight loss and exercise should be the next frontier for cancer prevention research. The study appears in Wednesday's journal of the American Medical Association.

"It sends us back to the

drawing board," said Susan Gaspur of Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine, who wasn't involved in the new study but co-wrote an accompanying editorial in the journal.

"Should we really have focused on dietary components like fruits, vegetables and fat?" Gaspur asked. "Or should we be focusing in addition to diet, on lifestyle factors including physical activity and weight?"

For now, the message for the 2.4 million breast cancer survivors in the United States is that they don't need to go overboard on veggies, researchers said. "This should really lift some of the guilt if women are feeling, 'I'm just not doing enough,'" said study co-author Marcia Stefanick of Stanford University.

The research was kicked off by a \$5 million grant from the late Wal-Mart heir John Walton

and got an additional \$30 million in support from the National Cancer Institute.

Walton wanted to support a scientific study so cancer survivors wouldn't have to "rely on folklore," said John Pierce, head of cancer prevention at University of California, San Diego, who led the research.

Earlier research on whether a healthy diet prevents breast cancer has shown mixed results. The new study was designed to be more rigorous. In this experiment, all the women had been successfully treated for early stage breast cancer. Their average age was 53 when the study began.

A group of 1,537 women were randomly assigned to a daily diet that included five vegetable servings, three fruit servings, 16 ounces of vegetable juice and 30 grams of fiber. In most cases, a serving equaled a half-cup. French fries and iceberg lettuce couldn't be counted as vegetables.

The women were allowed to eat meat, but were told to get no more than 15 percent to 20 percent of their calories from fat, a goal they ultimately were unable to achieve.

"That's a tough diet," said Pierce, who ate that way himself along with his staff and the women in the study.

As a comparison, another 1,551 women were assigned to get educational materials about the importance of eating five servings of fruits and vegetables a day.

The women in both groups kept food diaries regularly, but not daily, through the course of the study. During the next seven years, the cancer returned in about the same proportion of

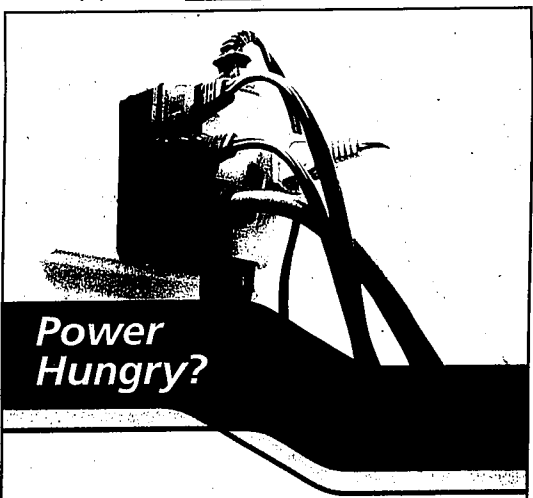
women in both groups: 256 women (16.7 percent) of the women on the special diet and 252 women (16.9 percent) in the comparison group. About 10 percent of both groups died during that time, most of them from breast cancer.

It didn't matter whether the breast cancer was the most common type — fueled by hormones — or not; the special diet didn't prevent the cancer from coming back. Those results run counter to a previ-

ous study by different researchers that suggested low-fat diets may help prevent the return of the type of breast cancer that is not linked to hormones.

In the mega-veggies group, the women changed their eating habits substantially, mostly by increasing fruits and vegetables to as much as 11 servings a day. They failed to meet the fat target, but did eat 13 percent less in fat calories than did the comparison group.

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EDITORIAL

Challenges aplenty await new hospital CEO

New St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center CEO Mark Schwartz talked about autonomy during his first interview in Twin Falls last week. That's good, because autonomy is very likely to be the biggest single issue of his tenure.

Autonomy, of course, for the local hospital, which became part of St. Luke's Health System last year. St. Luke's Magic Valley has its own board of directors and its own administrator, but few at the hospital and even fewer in the community are clear about who, exactly, calls the shots.

Nobody doubts that St. Luke's Health System CEO Ed Dahlberg will be Schwartz's boss, but how much independence will a new administrator coming into a community with which he isn't familiar have to make decisions that benefit Twin Falls?

Schwartz's predecessor John Kee, who is moving to an administrative job with St. Luke's Health System, had a measure of leverage because he was integral to the discussions that led to Magic Valley Regional's move from county ownership into the St. Luke's fold.

The worst thing for Twin Falls, in our judgment, would be for Schwartz to become just an intermediary between the corporate office in Boise and the hospital he is running.

His track record would suggest otherwise. Schwartz spent 21 years at Aurora Medical Center in Hartford, Wis., where he presided over his hospital's transition into the Aurora Health Care system and years of growth that expanded its structure.

"The culture that exists within the local hospital can't be dismissed," he told the *Times-News* last week.

But dealing with that culture — and the community around it — could be challenging before the new hospital opens in 2010. It is the \$150 million that St. Luke's plans to spend enough to build the kind of hospital Twin Falls wants? Can Schwartz make the new facility attractive enough to local doctors to head off future competition from private same-day surgery centers — or for other lucrative health-care services?

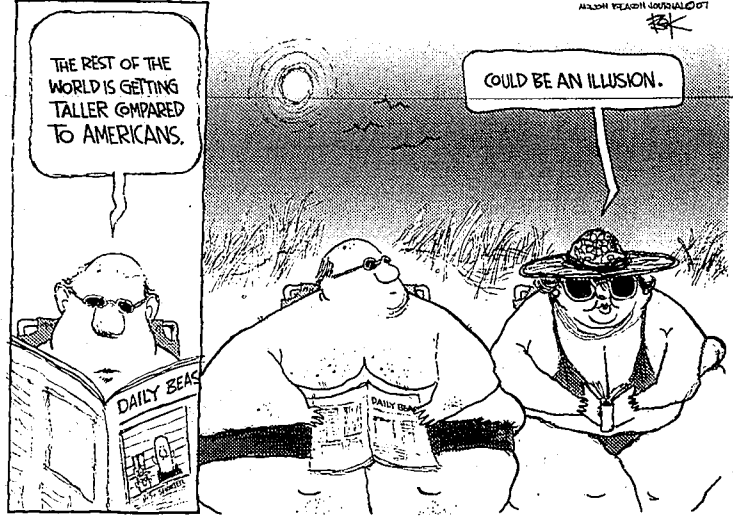
And what will happen the first time St. Luke's Health System decides to make a significant change in the type of services offered at Magic Valley Regional?

In short, Schwartz's agenda will be full of unfinished business. Management acumen will be important, but so will interpersonal relationships — both with key players in the Twin Falls health-care community and with St. Luke's headquarters in Boise.

With the exception of Kee's short tenure under St. Luke's, nobody has ever before run a private hospital in Twin Falls whose owners lived miles away. We hope Schwartz is up for the challenge.

Our view:
Incoming St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center CEO Mark Schwartz faces a delicate balancing act between the St. Luke's Health System and the needs of Twin Falls.

What do you think?
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Bush unwavering on Iraq, as is Tolstoy

I spent the first four days of last week interviewing senators about Iraq. The mood ranged from despondency to despair. Then Friday I went to the Roosevelt Room in the White House to hear President Bush answer questions on the same subject. It was like entering a different universe.

Far from being beleaguered, Bush was assertive and good-humored. While some in the administration may be looking for exit strategies, he is unshakably committed to stabilizing Iraq. If Gen. David Petraeus comes back and says he needs more troops and more time, Bush will scrounge up the troops. If Petraeus says he can get by with fewer, Bush will support that, too.

Bush said he will let Petraeus' views unfettered by the Pentagon establishment. He feels no need to compromise to head off opposition from Capitol Hill and is confident that he can rebuild popular support. "I have the tools," he said.

I left the 10-minute session thinking that far from being worn down by the past few years, Bush seems empowered. His self-confidence is the most remarkable feature of his presidency. Senators will be taken as evidence by many that Bush is delusional. He's living in a



cocoon. He doesn't see or can't feel how badly the war is going and how awfully he has performed.

But Bush is not blind to the realities in Iraq. After all, he lives through the events we're not supposed to report on: the trips to Walter Reed, the hours and hours spent weeping with or being rebuffed by the families of the dead.

Rather, his self-confidence survives because it flows from two sources. The first is his unconquerable faith in the rightness of his Big Idea. Bush is convinced that history is moving in the direction of democracy, or as he said Friday: "It's more of a theological perspective. I do believe there is an Almighty, and I believe a gift of that Almighty to all is freedom. And I will tell you that is a principle that no one can convince me that doesn't exist."

Second, Bush remains energized by the power of the presidency. Some presidents complain about the limits of the office. But Bush, despite

all the setbacks, retains a capacious view of the job and its possibilities.

Conservatives are supposed to distrust government, but Bush clearly loves the presidency. Or to be more precise, he loves leadership. He's convinced leaders have the power to change societies. Even in a place as chaotic as Iraq, good leadership makes all the difference.

When Bush is asked about military strategy, he talks about the leadership qualities of his top generals. Before, it was Gen. Abizaid and Casey. Now, it's Petraeus and Odierno.

When Bush talks about world affairs more generally, he talks about national leaders. When he is asked to analyze Iraq, he talks about Maliki, With Russia, it's Putin. With Europe, it's Merkel, Sarkozy, Brown and the rest.

He is confident in his ability to read other leaders: Who has courage? Who has a chip on his shoulder? And he is confident that in reading the individual character of leaders, he is reading the tablet that really matters. History is driven by the club of those in power. When far-sighted leaders change laws and institutions, they have the power to transform people.

Many will doubt this, but Bush is a smart and com-

peting presence in person, and only the whispering voice of Leo Tolstoy holds one back.

Tolstoy had a very different theory of history. Tolstoy believed great leaders are puffed-up popinjays. They think their public decisions shape history, but really it is the everyday experiences of millions of people which organically and chaotically shape the destiny of nations — from the bottom up.

According to this view, societies are infinitely complex. They can't be understood or directed by a group of politicians in the White House or the Green Zone. Societies move and breathe on their own, through the jostling of mortalities and habits.

Politics is a thin crust on the surface of culture. Political leaders can only play a tiny role in transforming a people, especially when the integral fabric of society has dissolved.

If Bush's theory of history is correct, the right security plan can lead to safety, the right political compromise to stability. But Tolstoy is right, then the future of Iraq is beyond the reach of global summits, political benchmarks and the understanding of any chief executive.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Officers in WinCo shooting deserve our support

To Shieena Box: Logan Brizez was not shot for uplifiting. He was shot for pointing a loaded firearm at two police officers.

Any citizen in the same situation has the same rights — self-defense. If those two officers wanted to go home that night, they had one choice.

Our local police agencies use deadly force as a last alternative. They have demonstrated that time and time again. If they can, they back off and wait.

I feel sorry for Logan's family, but Logan brought the situation on himself. It's time for community support for our law enforcement. If we want to be safe in our homes, we have to support our police to do whatever needs to be done. My wife, Anita, and I would like to thank the two

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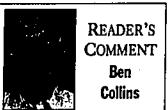
officers involved at WinCo. Thank you for putting yourselves between us and danger and protecting us. We do know what you're going through in the aftermath of this situation and appreciate your sacrifice. DANNY CRAFTON Hansen

Proposal hardly a land giveaway

Transferring 5,693.27 acres of federal public land identified in the Central Idaho Economic Development and Recreation proposal does not translate into a "giveaway." A giveaway, in my opinion, is when you give something up and get nothing in return.

Obtaining three new wilderness areas — Hemingway, Sawtooth, White Cloux and Jerry Peak — totaling 131,765 acres along with a new 503,737-acre Boulder-White Cloux Management Area is tremendous return for such a small acreage of public land. Not only that, four wilderness study areas (now treated the same as wilderness) totaling 131,616 acres will not be studied further but will be released back into the public domain and managed for multiple use by the respective agencies — Bureau of Land Management, Sawtooth National Recreation Area or the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

The impression given in recent editorials would have one believe the 5,693.47 acres of federal public land would "rip the heart out" of the SNRA. I can understand their concern, but "let's put the perceived "giveaway" in perspective.



First of all, most of the land being transferred is BLM (97 percent) — all outside the SNRA. Forest Service land proposed to be transferred amounts to 165.47 acres (3 percent). All but 3.47 acres of Forest Service land — 162 acres — surrounds the town of Stanley. And yes, the 165.47 acres is part of the SNRA. Blaine County gets the 3.47 acres in three parcels: one for the school bus turnaround, one for a Smiley Creek fire station and transfer site and one for the Smiley Creek well used for fire protection.

Likewise, the remaining 162 acres surrounding Stanley is broken down into three parcels: Parcel A (eight acres) to be conveyed to the city of Stanley for four home sites. This parcel is also within the city limits of Stanley. Parcel B (86 acres) is to be conveyed to Custer County for development of 10 home sites, and

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Parcel C (68 acres) is to be conveyed to the city of Stanley for development of law enforcement housing primarily for seasonal workers that find it almost impossible to find a place to live during the height of the recreational season. Furthermore, the development of the 165.47 acres must meet the standards for the use, subdivision and development of privately owned property within the 750,000-acre SNRA.

Regardless of what some critics say, the additional land will be an economic boon to Stanley that is completely "landlocked" by federal land. The lion's share of BLM land (3,732 acres) will go primarily for land needed for development and economic expansion in the Chiew area. Also, the city of Mackay will get 319 acres; Blaine County, 444 acres; the city of Clayton, 33 acres; and the state of Idaho, 1,000 acres. To top it

all off, there is a \$13.5 million appropriations package tied to the legislation that will provide trail construction, maintenance and other major improvements in the Stanley area as well as funds for managing the new wilderness and management areas.

Last but not least, the CIEDRA legislation may be the last best chance to resolve more than 30 years of contentious debates over the Boulder/White Cloux issues. Rep. Simpson is right when he says that it is time to put these old debates to rest and move ahead to a stronger, more secure economy in the rugged, beautiful and productive heart of Idaho.

Ben F Collins of Blaine is a retired federal land manager, having spent 31 years with the Bureau of Land Management and retiring as Las Vegas district manager in 1993.

Is Harry Potter an allegory for war on terror?

Here's some news — "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" is a huge hit. And so the question: Why?

OK, "Pottermania" is not really news. Every year or so, a Harry Potter movie sells a billion dollars' worth of tickets worldwide, as another billion in books and merchandise flies off the shelves.

True to form, this latest film, according to boxoffice Mojo.com, grossed \$140 million in its first five days, the sixth-highest take in movie history.

Now let's return to the question, why so popular? Roger Ebert, film critic for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, seems perplexed: he gave the film just 2 1/2 stars, lamenting that the Potter flicks have become more "serious" over the years, sighing for when they were "a little more whimsical." In fact, the Potters have grown darker. The first in the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," based on J.K. Rowling's 1997 novel, was filmed before Sept. 11 — at ease, it was lighter in tone. Since then, big wars have erupted, and the books and movies reflect that eruption, as grief mingles with laughter.

Specifically, "Order of the Phoenix" echoes World War II: As in 1930s Europe, evil forces are gathering in Harry's world, just as he himself is growing



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into duty-minded manhood. "If Voldemort is building up an army," the teenager says, "then I want to fight." Yet a key character in the film, evocatively named Cornelius Fudge, is too blintz to see the looming danger. As *Y* Burr, film critic for *The Boston Globe*, explains: Fudge ends up "looking very much like the Neville Chamberlain of this fictional universe." Chamberlain, of course, was the British prime minister who thought he could "appease" Hitler and so avoid war. Ever since, Chamberlain has epitomized myopia and weakness — in

contrast to his far-seeing and stout-hearted successor, Winston Churchill.

So now we can see why "Potter" does so well: It appeals to multiple audiences. Kids can enjoy all the magic and special effects, even as older audiences — including the youngsters who have been growing up in the real world, alongside Harry in his real world — can appreciate the larger meanings and historical parallels.

Today, in 2007, we are in a war. Several wars, in fact, from Afghanistan to Iraq — to wherever in the world a terrorist might be lurking. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., is correct when he says, as part of his presidential stump speech, that we must confront, whether we want to or not, "the transcendent challenge of our time, which is the struggle against radical Islamic extremists." At some level, all

Americans, even the young 'uns, understand the truth in McCain's words. It's possible to argue the strategy and tactics of — and even the most apt name for — "The Global War on Terror." It's even possible to argue over the origins of the current war, whether Sept. 11, for instance, was an unprovoked attack, or "blowback" from past American policies. But what's not possible to dispute is that we are in a war now. There are people around the world who are waking up every morning determined to kill us. Some are undoubtedly already here in America. And that's the reason, of course, so many of us were opposed to McCain's ill-fated immigration bill: If we are in a death-struggle against unborn enemies, we need to close the borders immediately — not waiting for a "comprehensive" approach please, to those who still strangely hanker for unrestricted transit across frontiers.

And with all due respect to former Vice President Al Gore, we might as well just say it bluntly: Muslims with atomic weapons are a greater threat to America than global warming. When kids see "Harry Potter," they should be thinking first about defending their country, and their civilization,

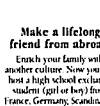
against evildoers wielding weapons of mass destruction. After that's taken care of, they can then worry more about carbon dioxide.

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LETTER

YMCA articles did not tell the whole story

Four YMCA employees quit and it's ongoing news! Actually, one moved out of state, one's still employed in a different capacity, one part-timer planned to retire and one was a new part-time employee. Only one was a senior staff, and she moved. Scott Standley is not the director; Karen Jachimowski is. The aquatics director was hired on July 10 prior to the "secret" meeting that was printed in the paper (before being shared with the board or chief executive officer).

The SEBIT Analytics' information is not accurate and not designed for public release. The national Y consultants finished July 12. This Y made amazing progress under Karen's leadership. Our Y now meets National YMCA standards for the first time, operates three facilities, has expanded programs, financial stability and accountability, and a five-year strategic plan with yearly goals and objectives for every employee. An anonymous survey was done at recent staff training — 92 percent of the employees described their jobs as good or great and 8 percent as fine. I've been affiliated with the Twin Falls Y for 30 years under four CEOs, served three years on a regional YMCA board, four years on the National YMCA board of directors and National Program Committee.

Karen may be tough, but she's good at what she does. I believe she's the first woman director at our YMCA, and a lot of people are impressed with her, including the National YMCA. She's a certified CEO, well-trained, hard-working, dedicated and exemplifies the core values of the Y.

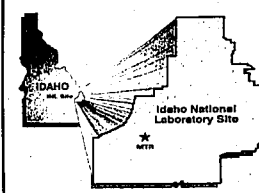
An article about Gertie's supervisor charged with 11 felony counts of rape with teenage female employees was secondary to the second misleading, large Y article.

Our YMCA has a capable board of directors to deal with Y issues, not committees, media or *Times-News* readers who are given limited and misleading information.

WONNA STALLEY
Twin Falls
Editor's note: Donna Stalley is a YMCA board member. In one previous story, the *Times-News* identified Scott Standley as the director of the board for the YMCA. His official title is president of the board of directors. The items noted by Stalley about the four resignations were reported in detail in the *Times-News* June 27 story.

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Public comments sought for decommissioning of the Materials Test Reactor facility



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Alternative 3 is the recommended alternative. The MTR EE/CA will be available on the Idaho Clean Up Project homepage at <http://idaho cleanup project.com>. The EE/CA is also posted to the INL Administrative Record and is available for public comment through August 11, 2007. The INL Administrative Record can be found on the Internet at <http://tax.inl.gov> and hard copies are available to the public at the following locations:

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Written comments on DOE's plan can be submitted online at www.idaho cleanup project.com or mailed to: Bill Harker, U.S. Department of Energy, P.O. Box 1625 MS 1222, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415-1222, harkerws@id.doe.gov

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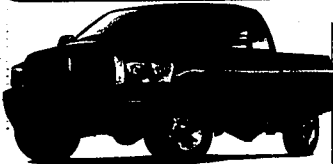
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CSI IN THE MAJORS

Carr earns second win; Van Elderen still sizzling

Times-News

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Apparently that fastball-slider combination is pretty nasty in the pros, too.

Former Twin Falls High School and College of Southern Idaho fireballer Nick Carr notched his second win of the season last Friday as he and the Brooklyn (N.Y.) ValleyCats 18-7. Carr allowed four earned runs off nine hits scattered through five innings of work. Carr struck out six ValleyCats batters in the win.

Carr has been part of the 20-7 Cyclones hot start, posting a 2-0 record and 3.80 ERA over his first five starts for first-place Brooklyn. Carr is tied for third among New York-Penn



Nick Carr

League pitchers in strikeouts, and has fanned 31 batters in 23 2-3 innings pitched.

More importantly, this once-wild Carr seems to have found improved control over his pitches. He has walked only eight batters on the season.

Carr was a draft-and-fellow signee with the New York Mets organization, signing shortly before the 2000 MLB Draft after the Mets selected him in the 41st round in 2005. He finished his first pro season with a 3-3 record

and 4.88 ERA in 12 appearances for the Kingsport (Tenn.) Mets.

Carr played one year at CSI, posting a 5-3 record and 2.19 ERA for a Golden Eagles team that finished the 2005 season with a 41-19 record. He was the Twin Falls Braves' staff ace as a junior and senior, and posted a 17-4 record over his final two years of high school ball.

MLB

Brandon Duckworth,

RP Kansas City Royals
Duckworth remains on the disabled list after suffering a rib injury in a June 13 appearance against the St. Louis Cardinals. He is 2-3 with a 2.94 ERA in 18 appearances this season

for the Royals, who are 39-53 through Monday.

Scott Eyre, RP Chicago Cubs
Eyre has been solid in his last three appearances for the Cubs, pitching a combined 2-2-3 shutout innings. Eyre has lowered his season ERA to 6.46 and has struck out 27 batters in 28 relief appearances for the 48-43 Cubs.

Class AA

Christian Colonel, 3B,

Tulsa Drillers (Rockies)
Colonel had one of his best recent games on Monday, going 2-for-4 with a double, a home run and two RBIs in a 5-1 win over the Springfield (Mo.)

Cardinals. He has been one of Double-A's top hitters and is hitting .310 with 31 doubles, 10 home runs and 52 RBIs. The Tulsa (Okla.) Drillers are 10-13 in the Texas League North Division second-half standings.

Kody Kirkland, 3B,

Seawolves (Tigers)
Kirkland drove in three runs in Sunday's 10-2 win over the Bowie (Md.) Baysox to up his season RBI total to 40. Kirkland, playing for the Erie (Pa.) Seawolves, is hitting .221 with 10 home runs and 42 runs scored. The Seawolves are 53-40 on the season and one game behind first-place Akron, Ohio.

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STANDING THE TEST OF TIME

56

Joe DiMaggio owns the longest hitting streak in Major League Baseball at 56 games



511

Cy Young holds the Major League Baseball record with 511 pitching victories



100

Will Chamberlain set the NBA single-game scoring mark with 100 points

HR record about to fall, but there are plenty more out there

By Eddie Fells
Associated Press writer

Ibabe Ruth's career home run record lasted more than 38 years. Hank Aaron broke that in 1974 and his mark has been on the books ever since.

Soon, Barry Bonds will surpass Aaron and — on deck, Alex Rodriguez is already positioned to eclipse Bonds in a few years and become the next great home run champ.

With all the debate surrounding Bonds' chase to his 756th career homer, which will put him ahead of Aaron and give him one of baseball's most time-honored records, some questions arise about sports records in general: Which are the most impressive? Most venerable? Most difficult to break?

"We're in a society of 'big,'" said Joe Theismann, the retired quarterback whose streak of 163 straight starts for the Redskins ended when Lawrence Taylor gruesomely snapped his leg on "Monday Night Football."

"I live in my own little world of consistency and durability," Theismann said.

Not surprisingly, the records that impress him most are Brett Favre's streak of 237 straight starts for a quarterback, and Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak back in 1941.

Top sports records

BASEBALL
Career home run record — Babe Ruth (1714), 1935-1974. Hank Aaron (755), 1957-present.
Single-season home run record — Babe Ruth (60), 1927-1961. Roger Maris (61), 1961-1998. Mark McGwire (70), 1998-2001. Barry Bonds (73), 2001-present.
Consecutive games played — Lou Gehrig (2,130) 1939-1995. Cal Ripken (2,632), 1995-present.
Hitting streak — Willie Keeler (45), 1897-1941. Joe DiMaggio (56), 1941-present.
Pitching victories — Cy Young (511), 1911-present.

BASKETBALL
Single-game NBA scoring record — Will Chamberlain (100), 1962-present.
NCAA championship game shooting percentage — Bill Walton (21-for-22, 95 percent), 1973-present.

When Bonds surpasses Aaron's record, it figures that DiMaggio's streak will stand with Cal Ripken's 2,632 consecutive games streak as the two remaining "definitive" records in baseball.

FOOTBALL
Single-season rushing record — O.J. Simpson (2,003), 1973-1984. Eric Dickerson (2,105), 1984-present.
Single-season touchdown passes — Dan Marino (48), 1984-2004. Peyton Manning (49), 2004-present.
NFL team winning percentage — 1972 Miami Dolphins (17-0, 1.000), 1972-present.

GOLF
Major championships — Jack Nicklaus (18), 1973-present, dating to year he won his 12th major to surpass Walter Hagen as all-time leader.
Consecutive PGA Tour events won — Byron Nelson (11), 1945-present.

TRACK AND FIELD
Long jump world record — Bob Beamon (29 foot, 2 1/2 inches), 1968-1991. Mike Powell (29 feet, 4 1/4 inches), 1991-present.

Cy Young's record of 511 pitching victories is 96 years old and will probably never be broken because the game has changed. In his day, pitchers started

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Vick indicted by federal grand jury

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick was indicted Tuesday by a federal grand jury on charges related to illegal dogfighting.

Vick and three others were charged with violating federal laws against competitive dogfighting, procuring and training pit bulls for fighting and conducting the enterprise across state lines.

The indictment alleges that Vick and his co-defendants began sponsoring dogfighting in early 2001, the former Virginia Tech star's rookie year with the Falcons.

It accuses Vick, Purnell A. Peace, Quanis L. Phillips and Tony Taylor of "knowingly" sponsoring and exhibiting an animal fighting venture "of conducting gambling, as well as buying, transporting and receiving dogs for the purposes of an animal fighting venture."

Telephone messages left at the offices and home of Vick's attorney, Larry Woodward, were not immediately returned.

A woman who answered the phone at the home of Vick's mother said the family knew nothing about the charges.

On July 7, federal authorities conducted a second search of the Surrey, Va., property owned by Vick that is the center of the dogfighting investigation.

According to court documents filed by federal authorities earlier this month, dogfights have been sponsored by "Bad Newz Kennels" at the property since at least 2002. For the events, participants used dogs traveled from South Carolina, North Carolina, Maryland, New York, Texas and other states.

Fifty-four pit bulls were recovered from the property during searches in April, along with a "rape stand," used to hold dogs in place for mating; an electric treadmill; and a piece of carpeting, the documents said.

Steroids found in the body of dead wrestler

The Associated Press

DECATUR, Ga. — Pro wrestler Chris Benoit had more than 10 times the normal level of testosterone in his system when he hanged himself in his home after killing his wife and 7-year-old son last month. But did that have anything to do with the slayings?

"I think it's an unanswerable question," said Dr. Kris Sperry, Georgia's top medical examiner. "Test results released Tuesday neither bolstered nor entirely debunked speculation that anabolic steroids might have led Benoit, a wrestler with a family-man image, to commit the shocking crimes. Some experts believe steroids can cause paranoia, depression and violent outbursts known as 'roid rage,'" but Sperry noted that there is no consensus.

Steroids were found in the Benoit's gated home, but Sperry there was no evidence

of any besides testosterone in the wrestler's body, and nothing to indicate that he had played a role in the deaths of Nancy and Daniel Benoit.

Even the high levels of testosterone should not be overanalyzed, Sperry warned. They could indicate the wrestler was being treated for "testicular insufficiency," he said.

In the end, he said, authorities will never know whether the steroids could have caused the murderous outburst. Benoit strangled his wife, suffocated 7-year-old Daniel, placed Bibles next to their bodies and then hanged himself on the cable of a weight machine June 22.

The testosterone, a synthetic version of the primary male sex hormone, appeared to have been injected shortly before Benoit died, Sperry said. Benoit's body also contained the anti-anxiety drug Xanax and the painkiller hydrocodone, authorities said.



Tiger Woods pauses during practice for the British Open Golf Championship at Carnoustie, Scotland, Tuesday.

Imagine this: Tiger goes for three in a row

The Associated Press

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — The 18th hole at Carnoustie stretches 499 yards, a straight shot that must clear the Barry Burn off the tee and on to the approach to the green. On some days at the British Open, it can be reached with a big drive and a short iron.

Not this day. That's why Tiger Woods was aiming sideways. Fearing he might not clear the burn into the 30 mpga gusts, Woods hit a 2-iron about

THE OPEN
Carnoustie 2007

wrist-high toward the opposite fairway and found short grass. Then came another 2-iron whistling under the wind, back toward the 18th fairway. "That left him one more 2-iron to the green, but this one drifted just enough to the right to catch a bunker."

It was only a practice round, but it was an example of how players must use their imagination to figure out how to get

to the green, no matter how unconventional it might be.

And it explains why Woods considers the British Open his favorite major championship.

"I love playing over here, because it allows you to be creative," Woods said. "Augusta used to be that way. The U.S. Open is obviously not. The PGA is kind of similar to a U.S. Open setup. Over here, you can create shots. You get to use the ground as an ally."

The ground was his best friend a year ago at Royal Liverpool.

After a few rounds on the dry fairways, Woods realized he was better off leaving his driver off in the bag. He hit it only once over four rounds, opting for irons short of the bunkers and long to mid-irons into the greens. The strategy worked to perfection, and Woods captured the claret jug for the second straight year.

He arrived at Carnoustie with a chance to win the Open, but it was not accomplished by only four other players at a

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SPORTS

Vinokourov's hopes of victory fade in last Alpine stage



George Hincapie of the U.S. strains as he climbs the pack the Gallier pass during the 9th stage of the 94th Tour de France between Val d'Isere and Briancon, French Alps, Tuesday. Juan Mauricio Soler Hernandez of Colombia won the stage and Michael Rasmussen of Denmark retained the overall lead.

BRIANCON, France (AP)—A favorite to win the Tour de France, Alexander Vinokourov's title hopes are fading fast. The injured cyclist fell more than eight minutes behind leader Michael Rasmussen in Tuesday's ninth stage, the last of three stages in the Alps. Juan Mauricio Soler became the latest Colombian to show climbing prowess at the Tour, attacking in the last of three major ascents and holding off a pack of chasers to win the stage. Soler, a 24-year-old Colombian competing in his first Tour for the newcomer Basso world team, finished the 99.1-mile ride from Val d'Isere to Briancon in 4 hours, 14 minutes, 24 seconds.

"I'm really happy ... Winning a stage is a dream," Soler said. Rasmussen, a Dane who took home the polka-dot jersey of the Tour's best climber the last two years, leads a thinning pack of 100 cyclists after the Alps ployed too much for some. His ambitions are growing to hold on to the leader's yellow jersey, which he took in the second Alpine stage Sunday. His main rivals did little during Tuesday's climbs. Only a few managed to make up some ground. Alejandro Valverde of Spain, who placed second after Soler, gained 16 seconds against Rasmussen and is second overall — 21 minutes, 35 seconds back.

Valverde, who crashed out of last year's Tour with a broken collarbone, leads a strong Caisse d'Epargne team and has slipped up as perhaps the biggest threat to the 33-year-old Dane's ambitions. Ivan Mayo, a strong Spanish climber, was third overall and 2:39 behind crossing the finish line along with Rasmussen. Vinokourov was aching in both knees after a crash Thursday. The Astana team leader briefly dropped back to get an anti-inflammatory pill from the race doctor during Tuesday's stage. "I did what I could. The team worked well again, and tried to reduce the gap," Vinokourov said on France-2 television. "It was another horrible day to me," he said before breaking into tears. Vinokourov, who was third in the 2003 Tour of Spain, lost another 2:42 to Rasmussen and now trails by 6:05 overall in 21st place.

Riders face two time trials — frequently where fortunes change and Vinokourov is strong — and three grueling days in the Proveses next week that could shape the outcome. Other title aspirants also lost ground. Russia's Denis Menchov lost 2:49 to Rasmussen and was 7:10 back, and 2006 runner-up Oscar Peralo was 2:12 behind, trailing by 6:36 overall.

Tribes splits with Upper Valley

BURL — The Buhl Tribe and Upper Valley found a way to get two games in between Tuesday's showers in Buhl. The tribe won the first game 10-9 before heavy-hitting Upper Valley won the second 16-4 in five innings. The Tribe trailed 8-0 through five in the first game, but benefited from 10 walks in the final two innings to take the one-run lead. "They gave it to us," Tribe head coach Allyn Reynolds said. "We didn't beat them. They gave it to us." Gauge Owen picked up the win in two innings of relief of Trent Craner. Upper Valley's late pitching woes negated three home runs. Upper Valley's bats stayed hot in the second game as Kord Miller's grand slam led the charge. Trent Craner hit a solo home run, while Nick Hamilton doubled for 22-8 (19-7 Area C) Buhl. Despite the split, Tribe head coach Allyn Reynolds wasn't happy with his team's performance on Tuesday. "I told our kids that if we're going to define ourselves as a going team, good teams show up in big ballgames and play good baseball. We didn't," Reynolds said. "The Tribe travels to Idaho Falls this Friday and Saturday taking on the Idaho Falls Rockies and Idaho Falls Rangers over the weekend."

Game 1, but Marsh Falls was able to break a 10-1 tie in the bottom of the seventh for the win. Kenny Koopman, Justin Praegeritz and Nate Bobrowski all doubled in the loss. Dee Fleck picked up the Game 2 win, scattering three runs on six Marsh Falls hits. Fleck also tripled, while Travis Cooley and Brett Walgnotto doubled in the win. The 29-26-2 Area C Tigers are back in action Saturday at Bear Lake.

Young Spartans fall short. REXBURG — The Minico Spartans American Legion baseball team had some mixed results against Madison on Monday and Tuesday. The varsity-level players split a twinbill Monday, taking the opener 7-2 and losing the nightcap 10-9. The Young Spartans went up Tuesday for a scheduled nine-inning game that went seven innings with Madison winning 16-5. Minico (12-15) visits the Idaho Falls Reds at 4 p.m. today.

T.F. AA games cancelled

TWIN FALLS — Tuesday's scheduled doubleheader between the Class AA American Legion Baseball Twin Falls Cowboys and Highland Ironbacks was cancelled due to rain. The Cowboys are trying to reschedule the game with a tentative date of this Friday.

Hillcrest sweeps Cowboys

IDAHO FALLS — The Class A Idaho Falls Cowboys' late-season skid continued Tuesday as host Hillcrest swept them 6-2 and 16-9. The losses drop the Cowboys to 22-16 on the season and 17-11 in Area C play. The Cowboys had a chance to take a top-four seed heading into the upcoming Area C Tournament, but Tuesday's losses likely ended that dream. "We took ourselves out of there today," Cowboys head-coach Devin Kunz said. "We didn't deserve to win. The kids are young, the kids are tired. There's no excuses, but we're just not playing well."

Jerome splits on road

AMERICAN FALLS — The Jerome Tigers picked up a rare split Tuesday, losing to host Marsh Falls 11-10 before rebounding for a 11-3 Game 2 win. The Tigers opened the day with a six-run top of the first in

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Class A advanced

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Class A

Ryne Reynolds, RP Rome Braves (Braves) Reynolds, a former Wood River (High School) star, has been a go-to reliever for the Rome (Ga.) Braves this season. The 22-year-old righty is 3-3 with a 2.45 ERA and three saves in 26 appearances. He has been a strikeout machine, fanning 53 batters in 44 innings pitched. Rome is 19-15 in the South Atlantic League Southern Division second-half standings.

Class A short season

Jordan Latham, SP Boise Hawks (Cubs) Latham continues to provide Boise with solid, if not spectacular, relief performances. The former CSI ace is 0-0 with a 3.77 ERA in nine appearances for the 12-15 Hawks, who have moved into first place in the Northwest League East Division standings. Opposing batters are hitting .241 against Latham on the season.

Zito wins, but Bonds hitless

CHICAGO — Dave Roberts walked with the bases loaded to break a tie in the eighth inning and Barry Zito won for the first time in seven starts as San Francisco ended a five-game losing streak with a 4-2 victory over Chicago on Tuesday night. Barry Bonds, who didn't start the last two games, lined out as a pinch hitter two hits before Roberts walked to stretch his slump to 0-for-21 and remained at 751 homers, four behind Hank Aaron's career mark. Zito (7-9) didn't walk a batter and struck out for the first time since June 4 in a 7-2 Philadelphia. He had dropped four straight decisions. Randy Winn had three hits and Omar Vizquel added an RBI single in the eighth for San Francisco. Derek Lee hit his second homer in three games for Chicago, tying the game at 2 with a solo shot in the sixth. The Cubs had won four straight.



San Francisco Giants pinch hitter Barry Bonds reacts after swinging for a strike against the Chicago Cubs Tuesday in Chicago.

20 days on the disabled list in June with a tied arm, struck out and walked two to win for just the third time in 10 starts. Macay McElreedy once lining and Todd Jones pitched the ninth for his 24th save.

Reds 6, Braves 5

ATLANTA — Bronson Arroyo shut out Atlanta for seven innings, and Jeff Keppinger capitalized on a rare start by hitting a two-run double. Arroyo (4-10) matched his season high with nine strikeouts.

Astros 4, Nationals 2

WASHINGTON — Carlos Lee hit a two-run homer, rookie Hunter Pence added a debreaking solo shot, and Roy Oswalt made his first relief appearance in more than a year for Houston. Brad Lidge pitched the ninth for his first save since Sept. 28, 2006, and the Astros ended a seven-game road losing slide.

Yankees 3, Blue Jays 2, 10 innings

NEW YORK — Robinson Cano singled home the winning run in the 10th inning after Toronto closer Jeremy Accardo balked home the tying run in a wild ninth. Accardo's meltdown cost Hoy Hildreth his 11th win but he stymied the Yankees for seven innings. Aaron Hill's tiebreaking double off struggling reliever Kyle Farnsworth in the eighth gave Toronto a 2-1 lead.

Rockies 6, Pirates 2

PITTSBURGH — Josh Fogg scattered five hits over seven innings as Colorado handed Pittsburgh its fifth straight loss. James Carroll reached base for the first time in four games and Garrett Atkins had three hits for the Rockies (47-46), who moved a game over .500 by taking the first two games of their series with Pittsburgh and clinched their first winning series at PNC Park.

Brewers 3, D'backs 2

MILWAUKEE — Tony Graffanino tied the game with a homer in the fourth and Corey Hart's sacrifice fly later in the inning gave Milwaukee the lead. Arizona lost its seventh straight on the road.

Devil Rays 8, Angels 3

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Ty Wigington went 4-for-4 for the Devil Rays to tie the Tampa Bay record with eight consecutive hits. Wigington drove in one run with a fifth-inning single off Eric Santana (6-11) and another with a single off Chris Boockvar in the seventh.

Marlins 4, Cardinals 0

MIAMI — Hanley Ramirez drove in three runs and Rick Vander Horst pitched five sharp innings for Florida.

Indians 6, White Sox 5, 11 innings

CLEVELAND — Ryan Garko hit a game-tying pinch-hit home run in the ninth and singled home the winning run in the 11th for Cleveland. The Indians' 28th come-from-behind win, and 15th in their final at-bat, kept them one game behind first-place Detroit in the American League.

Records

Continued from page B1. Not so, says Derek Jeter of the Yankees. "I don't think that can be broken," Jeter said. "It's hard enough to play for a week, man, let alone for 14 years." Of course, every sport defines record-setting greatness in different ways. Among basketball's greatest records are Wilt Chamberlain's 100-point game in 1962 and Jerry West's 95 percent (21-for-22) shooting effort in the 1973 national title game. Walton's feat came in the midst of another impressive record, albeit on the team level — UCLA's 88-game winning streak from 1971-74. "UCLA's winning streak, that's my greatest thrill," said former Notre Dame coach Digger Phelps, who, of course, coached the team that snapped the streak. "That and Dinwiddie's 56-game hitting streak." Football has Favre's consecutive games streak. Dan Marino's 61,361 yards passed and Jerry Rice's 1,549 pass receptions (among other records). All, however, are relatively modern. Eric Dickerson's 2,105 yards rushing holds up well — it's 23 years old and was accomplished during the 16-game schedule era. Same, however, say O.J. Simpson's 2,003 yards in 1973 were more impressive because they came in a 14-game season. "It's just that don't know I have no idea," Rice said when asked which record impressed him the most. In hockey, Wayne Gretzky holds the record for most career goals (894). Probably more impressive is that he holds the records for holding records. According to the latest count, he currently owns or shares 60 regular-season and playoff records. In golf, the record most fans know about is Jack Nicklaus' 18 majors. Tiger Woods taped accounts of the Golden Bear's accomplishments on his bedroom wall as a kid and dreamt of surpassing Nicklaus. He's at 12 heading into this week's British Open and it seems like only a matter of time before he breaks it. The golf record that may never be broken, however, is Byron Nelson's string of 11 consecutive wins on the PGA Tour back in 1945. Woods made a run at that record, but his streak snapped at seven.

Records

Continued from page B1. More often and bullpeners were an afterthought, meaning starters got almost all the decisions. Young's number, however, isn't part of the baseball lexicon the way Dimaggio's is and the record is broken. Lou Gehrig's old consecutive-games streak of 130 — once was. Both had to do with consistency more than power. Dimaggio has stood the test of time: only one player, Pete Rose, has gotten past 41 in the 65 years since. Gehrig's record lasted 43 years, and when Ripken passed it and set the new mark, he posted a number that may never be broken. Last month, Baltimore shortstop Miguel Tejada broke one of Ripken's longest consecutive-games streak. The longest current streak of games played now belongs to Juan Pierre, who was at 364 through last weekend. "It was able to do it, certainly Ripken said. 'I wasn't superman by any means, and it takes a special set of circumstances, a little bit of stubbornness and a lot of luck, and it can be done.'"

SCOREBOARD

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GAME PLAN

LOCAL AMERICAN LEAGUE BASEBALL
VERMILION - vs. **FRANCE**, stage 10, **Talbot to Madsen**, 6 p.m.
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
IBS - Cincinnati at Atlanta **7:00 p.m.**
WGN - St. Francisco at Chicago **8:00 p.m.**
ESPN - Super bantamweights, **Chaz Cortez (28 1/2)** vs. **Mike Olson (19 0/0)**, at Boston

TV SCHEDULE

ESPN - Super bantamweights, **Chaz Cortez (28 1/2)** vs. **Mike Olson (19 0/0)**, at Boston
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Smith's Dairy soon to be Clover Leaf

By Kari Mathews
Times-News correspondent

BUIH — Smith's Dairy will soon get a new name and look. The long-standing pink landmark will undergo several changes as new owners Bill and Donna Stoltzfus take over operations. Soon the locally famous Smith's Dairy, started in the 1940s, will take on another historic Magic Valley name: Clover Leaf Creamery, after a prize-winning Buih dairy from the early 1900s. What makes the change so

exciting, said Bill Stoltzfus, is that he will be able to monitor the whole production process. "We have control of the milk from the cow to the bottle," he said. "We want the best quality we can have." His daughter, Olivia Butterworth, who is running the operation with her parents, said quality is what will make Clover Leaf special. The creamery's 70 cows are pasture-fed, she said. Pasture-fed cows will set Clover Leaf Creamery apart, said James Reed, co-director of Idaho's Bounty Food Co-op

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— Bill Stoltzfus, owner of Smith's Dairy, soon to be called Clover Leaf

in Hagerman, which will sell Clover Leaf products. But for Bill Stoltzfus, his immediate focus is getting and keeping production up

Web-based co-op prepares for business

HAGERMAN — Idaho's Bounty, an Web-based local-foods cooperative, is in its final organizational stages. It should be up and running within a few months, co-director James Reed said. The coop is already serving 60 families on a trial basis to work out any kinks. For more information about Idaho's Bounty, visit www.idahobounty.org.

and running. "We've got visions," he said. "There will be a consolidation of home delivery with possible centralized drop-off points, Stoltzfus said, as well as a few other improvements. Buying Clover Leaf was just

a "makes-sense kind of a thing," he said. And, he said, despite the changes and remodeling, "It's worth it."

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Market Watch

July 17, 2007

Dow Jones Industrials	+20.87	13,971.55
Nasdaq composite	+14.99	2,712.20
Standard & Poor's 500	-.15	1,549.37
Russell 2000	+1.42	849.89

Stocks of local interest		
Con Agri	26.80	▲ 23
Dell Inc.	29.19	▲ 24
Idacorp	31.37	▲ 27
Lithia Motors	23.97	▲ 71
Micron	13.85	▲ 13
Supervalu	47.50	▲ 00

Commodities		
Aug. Oil	74.02	▼ .13
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Live cattle	92.42	▲ .07
Aug. gold	665.90	▼ .40

For more, see page B5

HALLOWED GROUND

Stocks end mixed as Dow crosses 14,000; buyout news adds to market's momentum

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average swept past 14,000 for the first time Tuesday after a mostly tame inflation reading gave investors reason to extend an extraordinary — but perhaps questionable — Wall Street rally.

The stock market's best-known indicator crossed 14,000 in the first half-hour of trading though it didn't close above that level. It did, however, manage its fourth record close in as many sessions. The Dow rose as high as 14,021.95, having taken just 57 trading days to make the trip from 13,000. Broader market indicators closed mixed.

Stocks have risen fairly steadily since the spring amid a continuum of buyout news and evidence that despite higher fuel prices and the ongoing problems in the housing market and mortgage lending industry, consumers are spending at a moderate pace. Analysts are still finding room for growth. With the Federal Reserve ever vigilant about inflation, any news that prices are rising at a moderate pace has added to the market's momentum, as it did Tuesday.

The release of generally upbeat earnings reports also helped reassure a market that had worried that a slowing economy and rising energy prices could cut into corporate profits.

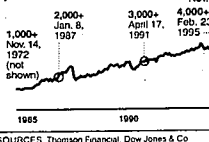
But the Dow's latest accomplishment does raise questions about whether investors are buying more on specula-



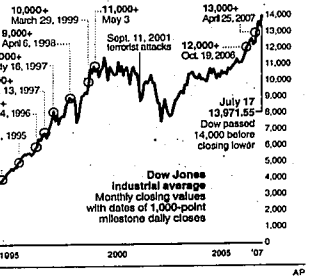
ABOVE: A new high for the Dow Jones is seen on a billboard in Times Square in New York, Tuesday. LEFT: A trader with permits while working on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Tuesday. The Dow Jones industrial average swept past 14,000 for the first time Tuesday after a relatively tame inflation report gave investors reason to continue a recent run-up that began in earnest last week.

Dow continues steep climb to new ground

During the mid-to-late '90s, the Dow Jones industrial average passed eight 1,000-point milestones in less than five years. After closing above 11,000 in May 1999, it would take the blue chip index more than seven years to attain 12,000.



SOURCES: Thomson Financial; Dow Jones & Co.



tion that large-cap multinationals continue to drive this market," said Peter Dunay, an investment strategist with New York-based Leach Capital Management. "For the moment, the momentum and

strength is so good. You can't fight it." Other observers were more upbeat about the market's recent advance. "You have the Dow moving up above 14,000 and it did not

take that long, but you also have Nasdaq participating," said Quincy Krosby, chief investment strategist for The Hartford, noting that the market's rise appears broad-based.

Wholesale inflation declines, industrial production rises

Housing confidence hits 16-year low

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Wholesale inflation posted a better-than-expected reading as both food and energy costs retreated in June. Industrial production rebounded as well, but homebuilders' confidence fell to the lowest level in 16 years as the housing slump persisted.

Reports released Tuesday painted a picture of an economy that is emerging from last winter's severe slowdown

despite the continued weakness in housing. And in what will be welcome news at the Federal Reserve, the recent acceleration in inflation caused by a surge in energy and food costs appears to be abating.

The Labor Department's Producer Price Index fell by 0.2 percent last month following a 0.9 percent surge in May. It was the first decline since January and a much better showing than the small rise that had been expected. Gasoline prices fell for the first time since January and food costs dipped for a second month in a row.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve reported that industrial output rose by a solid 0.5 percent in June, led by strong growth in manufacturing, which is bouncing back following a period of weakness when the year began as businesses struggled to work down a backlog of unsold goods.

However, housing, the economy's major weak spot, continued to be a problem in early July as the National Association of Home Builders dropped to a reading of just 24, the lowest level since January 1991, during the last major housing correction.

Ky. farmers trying to keep up with demand for hay

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — There's been no lull in demand for David Glover's hay crop from livestock producers with stunted pastures and hungry herds. "I've gotten calls from everywhere," said Glover, who delivered a tractor-trailer load of alfalfa in Tennessee on Monday and planned to haul another load to Alabama on Tuesday.

A drought in the Southeast has heightened demand for hay from producers like Glover. The downside is that a double whammy of bad weather in Kentucky curtailed production. First an April freeze, then

a dry spell left Glover with only a third of his normal grass hay yield and about half of his usual alfalfa production.

"If you got it baled up, you don't have any problem selling it," said Glover, who farms in Todd and Christian counties near the Tennessee border. In Kentucky, where 55 percent of the hay crop was rated poor or very poor by a crop-reporting service on Monday, the state is trying to hook up farmers needing hay with those looking to get rid of it.

The names of buyers and sellers who call a toll-free "Hay Hotline" will be listed on the state Department of Agriculture's Web site.

Cross-match for unemployment benefits stops fraud

BOISE — All claims for unemployment benefits in Idaho are being cross-matched with information on file at the Social Security Administration.

The system was set up by the Idaho Department of Labor. It has further enhanced the security of the unemployment insurance program and will prevent criminals from illegally obtaining benefits while deterring others from attempting to claim even more, state officials said Tuesday.

Under the agreement implemented on a pilot basis this spring and extended statewide in July, information submitted by every unemployment insurance benefit claimant is checked against the records of the Social Security Administration. If the number, name and date of birth do not match, a stop is put on the claim and the claimant is advised to check with Social Security to correct discrepancies.

"Our goal is to protect the integrity of the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund, keep employer costs down and ensure workers will receive benefits if they are laid off," Labor Director Roger B. Madsen said.

— compiled from staff reports

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Table of Mutual Funds with columns for Name, Share Class, and various performance metrics.

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COMMODITIES REPORT

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Market on Thursday... Cheese prices for various types of cheese.

POTATOES

Market on Thursday... Potato prices for different grades.

LIVESTOCK

Market on Thursday... Livestock prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep.

METALS/MONEY

Market on Thursday... Metal prices for gold, silver, and platinum.

BEANS

Market on Thursday... Bean prices for various types.

GRAINS

Market on Thursday... Grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of New York Stock Exchange data including market summary and active stocks.

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

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A hot day in a store for today and then will be partly cloudy. Highs around 100.
Tonight: Temperatures remaining warm overnight with a few clouds possible. Lows in the middle 80s.
Tomorrow: The heat will not be as intense Thursday but it will still be warm. Highs in the 90s.

BURLEV/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Warm temperatures expected with partly cloudy skies Highs in the 90s.
Tonight: The warm will continue into the overnight with a few clouds possible. Lows in the middle 80s.
Tomorrow: A few showers cooler, but temperatures will still be warm. Highs in the 90s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS.
 The atmosphere should be a little drier today, so afternoon thunderstorm development is not likely. Today will be the very warm, and tomorrow will be a touch cooler.

BOISE
 They Highs: 83 to 92 | Tonight's Lows: 61 to 69
 Temperatures are going to be hot today with high dip readings expected. Although slightly cooler tomorrow, temperatures will continue to be hot, and conditions will be dry.

NORTHERN UTAH
 Moisture remains trapped in the area, so this moisture along with hot temperatures will promote isolated thunderstorm development for today.

Idaho Falls
 Today Highs/Lows: 89 to 102 | 81 to 84

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
 "You can't finish a sentence, don't look back at it long, and you don't know how you might see things. Mistakes are lessons of wisdom. The past is a warning. The future is yet in your power."
 — Regg Middlekauff, 1981 NBA MVP and 12-time champion

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
A hot day on tap with partly cloudy	Continued warm overnight	A few clouds with warm weather	Misty sunny skies warm temperatures	A sunny and hot day	Partly cloudy skies but still hot
High 101	Low 65	93/57	95/62	97/64	90/66

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature Today: 101, High: 101, Low: 65, Record: 106 (1998), Lowest: 20 (1950)
Precipitation Today: 0.00, Record: 0.00 (1998), Lowest: 0.00 (1998)
Humidity Today: 45%, Record: 100% (1998), Lowest: 10% (1998)
Barometric Pressure Today: 30.1, Record: 30.5 (1998), Lowest: 29.5 (1998)
Sunrise and Sunset Today: 5:17 AM, 8:11 PM
Pollen Count Today: 11448 PM
U.V. INDEX Today: 6 (Moderate), High: 6, Low: 4
Moonrise and Moonset Today: 12:02 AM, 11:40 PM
Regional Forecast (Table with 10 cities)
National Forecast (Table with 10 cities)
World Forecast (Table with 10 cities)

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	High	Low
Boise	93-101	88-95	101	65
Idaho Falls	89-102	81-84	102	81
Blackfoot	85-92	78-85	92	78
Butte	82-89	75-82	89	75
Coeur d'Alene	80-87	73-80	87	73
Elgin	78-85	71-78	85	71
Hammond	76-83	69-76	83	69
Shoshone	74-81	67-74	81	67
Timber Lake	72-79	65-72	79	65
Wilder	70-77	63-70	77	63

NATIONAL FORECAST

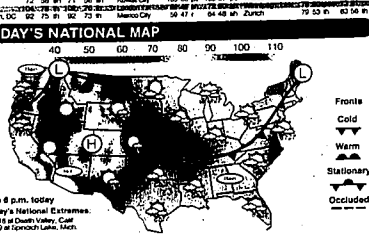
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Los Angeles	75-82	68-75	82	68
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Edmonton	70-77	63-70	77	63
Winnipeg	68-75	61-68	75	61



Big East tries to build on breakout season

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — Big East pride is overflowing these days. Coming off the best season of the post-Miami era — and maybe the best season the league has ever had — the Big East has even greater aspirations in 2007.

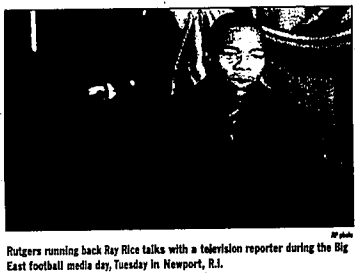
Their national title talk in West Virginia and Louisville. Rutgers expects to graduate from lovable upstart to perennial contender. And South Florida is emerging as the fourth big-time program in the Sunshine State.

The Big East has four players with Heisman Trophy buzz in Louisville's Brian Brohm. Rutgers' Ray Rice and West Virginia teammates Pat White and Steve Slaton.

It'll be next to impossible for the conference to replicate in 2007 the positive energy and excitement the league generated in 2006, when in consecutive weeks in November the biggest game in the country was a Big East matchup.

The next step is to maintain the success so it's not such a big deal when the league does well.

"We kind of want to get away from that Cinderella story," South Florida coach Jim Leavitt said Tuesday during Big East media day, echoing the sentiments of commissioner Mike Tranghese.



Rutgers running back Ray Rice talks with a television reporter during the Big East football media day, Tuesday in Newport, R.I.

"We don't have to prove ourselves anymore. We are a solid BCS conference."
 — South Florida coach Jim Leavitt

"We're a BCS conference and the strongest point we can make. I think, is that we don't have to prove ourselves anymore. We are a solid BCS conference. Maybe one of the better ones, maybe not. But we're in the room. We're solid in the room. There's no going back."
 Louisville, West Virginia and Rutgers put the Big East's best on display for nationally televised audiences to see in November.

First the Mountaineers and Cardinals faced off in a Thursday night matchup of undefeated teams in Louisville. The Cardinals won 44-34.

The next Thursday in New Jersey, the Cardinals and undefeated Scarlet Knights met, and Rutgers won a 28-25 thriller.

"I think the rest of the country took a hard look and said, 'These people are pretty good,'" Tranghese said.

It hardly mattered that Rutgers was upset the following week at Cincinnati, ending any chance for the conference to have a team play for the national title. The Big East was back, no longer easily dismissed as the worst of the BCS leagues.

The Big East punctuated its regular season by going 5-0 in bowl games, including league champion Louisville's Orange Bowl victory over Wake Forest.

When the final AP rankings came out, Louisville (No. 6), West Virginia (No. 10) and Rutgers (No. 12) were ahead of Miami and Virginia Tech, the two former Big East powers whose departure to the Atlantic Coast Conference after the 2003 season nearly killed the league.

Even in the offseason, the Big East scored major victories. Rutgers coach Greg Schiano was pursued by Miami, and Alabama made a run at West Virginia coach Rich Rodriguez, but both decided to stay with their burgeoning programs.

West Virginia and Louisville have replaced Miami and Virginia Tech as the Big East's top dogs. The Mountaineers are the favorite to win the league, taking the top spot in the preseason media poll.

Top Rutgers assistant charged with assault

LONG BRANCH, N.J. — Rutgers top assistant football coach Chris Demarest was charged with assault after an altercation in a bar at the Jersey shore.

Demarest was arrested early Saturday. Sgt. Mike McGlennon said Tuesday.

The name of the alleged victim has not been released, but McGlennon confirmed published reports that it was a woman who was in a relationship with Demarest.

The 32-year-old Demarest is free on bail of \$2,500. He'll be required to appear in municipal court, but a date had not been set, McGlennon said.

Demarest has been the defensive secondary coach at Rutgers for three years. In March, he was promoted to assistant head coach. Before coming to Rutgers, he was defensive backs coach at North Carolina State from 2000-2003 and a graduate assistant at Florida State from 1998-99.

Demarest did not return a phone message left at his office Tuesday.

Head coach Greg Schiano was in Rhode Island for Big East media days.

dition that includes bleeding from his brain stem."

Nutt is in Fayetteville and not in the hospital, university spokesman Kevin Trainor said, but his condition "could be life-threatening."

"The school said Nutt would not coach this season and was unlikely to coach in the future." A news conference is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, when Houston Nutt is expected to meet with reporters.

"Our first and only priority at this point is to see that Danny's health is fully restored," Houston Nutt said in a statement. "Our family is grateful for all the thoughts and prayers of Razorback fans during this trying time."

Bail set for Gopher charged with rape

MINNEAPOLIS — Ball was set at \$25,000 Tuesday for a Minnesota cornerback accused of raping a woman who investigators say had consumed so much alcohol that she was physically helpless and unresponsive.

Dominic Jones, 20, made his first court appearance on a charge of third-degree criminal sexual conduct stemming from the April 3 incident which investigators say was captured on video by a cell phone.

Hennepin County District Judge Peter Cahill said that while Jones is out on bail, he can have no contact with the victim, or with two witnesses in the case. The judge also said Jones, of Columbus, Ohio, must abide by the law, make court appearances and check in with a probation officer.

— The Associated Press

Woods

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championship title that dates to 1880. The last was Peter Thomson in 1954-56.

Thomson, a savvy Australian, is now a member of the Royal & Ancient and expects to see Woods posing with the claret jug Sunday.

"He has a chance to win

eight in a row," said Thomson, who won five times and was runner-up three other times. "If I could do it, surely he could."

Woods seemingly has owned every tournament since turning pro. He won at Bay Hill four straight years, and he has won five times at Firestone and Torrey Pines. He won three

straight years at Muirfield Village, and those four green jackets came from Augusta National.

Those courses were predominantly about power.

The links courses used at the British Open require brains, even at a 7,421-yard course like Carnoustie.

This is where Woods first

experienced links golf, as a 19-year-old amateur at the Scottish Open. He opened with a 69 in the first round, and it was all uphill from there. Woods finished at 3-over-293 and tied for 48th.

"I absolutely loved it," Woods said. "It was the first time I could actually use the ground."

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THE NEW BOX LUNCH

A bento box holds promise of harmonic nutrition

By Andrea Sachs
The Washington Post

Sure, to pack your next alfresco lunch you could turn to paper or plastic — and risk the likely leaks and messes when the apple mashes into the sandwich and the chips smash all to pieces.

Or you could picnic in a more stylish, more efficient, more artful way. Take a cue from the Japanese and assemble a bento box. The Asian lunchboxes are designed like curio cases — imagine a more graceful TV dinner tray or a grown-up baby sitting — with subdivided or even stacked sections that hold various mini-dishes.

Yes, even adults appreciate giving food some boundaries, especially when fresh apricots and salmon dripping in lime-soy sauce are next-door neighbors.

"A paper sack is so anticlimactic," says Yukari Pratt, a food writer recently based in Tokyo. "In a bento box, everything is protected. Each thing has its own place."

Yet bento boxes are more than just a clever way to segregate the sauced items from the hot from the cold. They are exemplars of the Japanese concept of *mingei*, the marriage of form and function. And for those determined to eat a rainbow of foods, squeeze in their five-a-day or control their portions, the boxes can double as important nutritional tools.

"When you look at the bento box, nine times out of 10 you know that you are getting a balanced, nutritional meal," says Pratt, 40, who prepared her own bento boxes for lunch when she worked at the Takashimaya department store in Tokyo a few years ago. "But it is also aesthetic."

The items displayed in a bento box follow a formula, albeit a creative one. The arrangement usually includes a heap of rice accompanied by a selection of vegetables, meat, fish or eggs. Each prepared food inhabits its own compartment, though sometimes the rice

The bento palette

Based on traditional Japanese cuisine, the concept of *goshiki* (five colors) calls for the cook to include at least one dish from each color group, thereby creating a meal that meets various nutritional needs and is pleasing to behold.

THE COLOR AND INGREDIENTS:

Red or orange

Carrots, kabocha squash, red bell peppers, umeboshi (pickled apricots), dried cranberries, akajiso (also known as red shiso), kidney beans, adzuki beans, tomatoes, salmon, pork, beef, oranges, tangerines, watermelon, strawberries, raspberries, apples, salsa

White

Rice, enoki mushrooms, daikon, tofu and soy products, cauliflower, feta cheese, white beans, potatoes, bamboo shoots, turnips, renkon lotus root, white fish, chicken, onions, white sesame seeds, bean sprouts, pears, leeks, garbanzo beans, hummus, jicama

Black (also purple or brown)

Black olives, mushrooms (shiitake, maitake, portabella), sea vegetables of kombu, hijiki, wakame or nori, black sesame seeds, eggplant, gobo (burdock root), red cabbage, grapes, prunes, raisins, black cherries, grape leaves, figs, plums, blackberries, blueberries, purple cabbage, tapenade

Yellow

Pineapple, yellow beans, eggs, sweet potatoes, sweet corn, grapefruit, nectarines, peaches, lemons, yuba, squash, plantains, bananas

Green

Broccoli, spinach, green beans, green bell pepper, cucumbers, asparagus, aonjiso (also known as green shiso), fava beans, cabbage, sprouts, broccoli rabe, edamame, scallions, nira (chives), kiwi, celery, kale, Brussels sprouts, zucchini, pesto

THE SECOND RULE:

Try to employ gyoji, or five different cooking methods. Choose from: grilling, frying, simmering, steaming, pickling and boiling.

SOURCE: Yukari Pratt

might cohabit with others. (The main dishes and rice go in the larger sections; side dishes are placed in the smaller spaces.)

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Bento recipes

JAPANESE-STYLE FRIED CHICKEN

4 servings
The secret to juicy chicken is to fry it twice, says food writer Yukari Pratt: The second time, the meat finishes cooking and the skin gets nicely crisped. For best flavor, allow the chicken to marinate for 30 minutes to 1 hour. For best results, you'll need a thermometer to check the temperature of the cooking oil.

This recipe makes enough chicken for 4 dinner portions. If you're making it just to include in a bento box lunch, figure on 3 to 4 pieces per box, or 8 bento box portions' worth.

2 pounds boneless, skin-on chicken, preferably dark meat
6 tablespoons sake
3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce

1 tablespoon ginger juice (from grated ginger root)
1 tablespoon sesame oil
1/4 to 1/2 cup cornstarch
Vegetable or canola oil, for frying

1 large lemon, quartered, for garnish

Cut the chicken into bite-size pieces, trying to keep the skin intact. In a bowl, combine the chicken, sake, soy sauce, ginger juice and sesame oil. Allow to marinate for 30 minutes to 1 hour. Discard the marinade; place the chicken in a resealable plastic food storage bag and add 1/4 cup cornstarch. Close and

shake to coat evenly but lightly; add up to 1/4 cup cornstarch as needed. Shake any excess cornstarch from the chicken.

Have ready a large plate lined with paper towels.

Add enough vegetable or canola oil to fill at least 4 inches of a large pot; heat on the stove-top to 320 degrees. Working in batches, add the chicken and cook for a few minutes, just until it starts to float on the surface. Use a slotted spoon or Chinese spider (long-handled metal basket spoon) to transfer it to the paper towel-lined plate, for no more than 2 minutes if possible.

Increase the temperature of the oil to 355 degrees. Return the chicken to the pot and cook for 1 to 2 minutes, or until it turns a dark color and is cooked through. Transfer to the paper towel-lined plate.

To serve, garnish with quartered lemons.

HIJIKI SEA VEGETABLE WITH CARROT

4 servings
If you like seaweed salad, you'll like this one, too. From food writer Yukari Pratt.

3/4 ounce dried hijiki (sea vegetable/algae)
3 cups very hot water
1 small carrot, ends trimmed

1 tablespoon vegetable or canola oil
1/2 cup Kombu Dashi (see following recipe)
1 tablespoon sugar
1 tablespoon mirin
1 1/2 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce
2 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds

Combine the dried hijiki and water; allow the vegetable to rehydrate for 15 minutes. Cut the carrot into very thin strips (julienne) and then cut into short pieces. Drain the water from the hijiki.

In a large saute pan, heat the oil over medium heat until it shimmers. Add the carrot and cook for a minute or two, just until its color darkens slightly. Add the kombu dashi, hijiki, sugar, mirin and soy sauce; cook for 5 to 10 minutes, until the liquid evaporates. Sprinkle with the sesame seeds and turn off the heat.

NUTRITION — Per serving: 91 calories, 1 g protein, 9 g carbohydrates, 6 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 288 mg sodium, 1 g dietary fiber.



Photo by JEFF CROW/For The Washington Post
A bento box might include: Japanese-Style Fried Chicken, colorful prepared foods from a favorite Asian market, rice with peas, Kabocha Squash with Miso, and lightly pickled cucumbers and wakame sea vegetable.



A Western-style bento box with zucchini, fresh fruit, a wheat berry salad, corn on the cob and fried chicken.

Where to buy a box of your own

You can build a box for your bento, much as the Japanese did centuries ago, or more easily, buy one. The boxes come in a variety of materials (lucifer, aluminum, plastic), shapes (oval, square, round) and sizes (suitable for a single diner or an extended family).

Some even come with chopsticks and a protective sleeve. You can start a collection and have a different bento box for every occasion, season or flavor fancy.

For bento boxes sold online, check Karin Japanese Trading Corp.; www.karin.com. Buy4AsianLife.com (www.buy4asianlife.com), Cherry Blossom Gardens (www.cherryblossomgardens.com), Ektron (www.ektron.com) and Laptop Lunches (www.laptoplunches.com).

This vegetarian box includes a grilled vegetable sandwich and pineapple, black bean soup and a Caprese salad.



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Bento

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To ensure a healthful balance as well as an artist's palette, the boxes should contain at least one dish in each of five color groups: red or orange, yellow, green, white and black, dark purple or brown. The concept of *goshiki*, or five colors, is based on ancient principles of Japanese cuisine, some of which are rooted in Buddhism.

Indeed, planning your bento can be like a fun party game, or a kindergarten class. For red-dish items, opt for carrots, kabocha (Japanese squash) or pickled apricots; for yellow, consider sweet potato, takuan (pickled daikon radish) and scrambled eggs. Green is easy: broccoli, spinach, green peppers, asparagus. Ditto for white: tofu, rice, chicken orzo. Items for black include Japanese eggplant, sesame seeds or seaweeds such as hijiki or kombu.

"It's also a great way to use up your leftovers," suggests Pratt, a graduate of the French Culinary Institute in New York City who now lives in Missoula.

The second rule of bento boxing: Employ a range of cooking techniques, another means of pleasing the taste buds and the calorie counters. Foods should be grilled, fried, simmered, steamed, pickled and/or boiled. For example, a box could include grilled mackerel, fried rice, a boiled egg, a pickled plum and a fresh tamagete for dessert.

You don't want everything to be fried," Pratt says. "It's not like Chicken McNuggets."

None of this needs to be burdensome. Typical recipes for bento box items — such as our Kabocha Squash With Miso or Hijiki Sea Vegetable With Carrot — call for a handful of ingredients and 15 minutes of prep. The sections of the boxes could even be filled with the help of a market that sells high-quality prepared foods.

These days, the word roughly translates as a picnic or box lunch) is so pervasive in Japan that you can ride a train or plane, walk into a workplace cafeteria or pop into a 7-Eleven market that stocks the familiar, takeout containers. Yet they

"People like the idea that their food doesn't touch and that it helps them control portions, eat slower and appreciate food."

— Linda Neumann, co-owner of Teasim in Washington

aren't a modern invention. Bento appeared in its most primitive incarnation in Japan centuries ago, when the country's populace was involved mainly in farming, fishing and fighting — occupations that require stamina. During those times, workers would pack their rice lunches in bamboo, oak or magnolia leaves and eat their meals on-site during a midday break. Eventually, the boxes became sturdier, made of wooden materials, wicker or woven willow.

The containers evolved into objects of art and beauty during the decorative Edo period (1603-1868), when quotidian wares once hidden in the cupboard were elevated to coveted showpieces.

The boxes seemingly were designed by both painters and poets, with floating fans, delicate blossoms and ethereal landscapes embellishing the lacquer exteriors. Around that time, new shapes also appeared, such as the *hangetsu* box, or half-moon, and the multi-tiered *Shokado*, modeled after the decorative Edo period (1603-1868), when quotidian wares once hidden in the cupboard were elevated to coveted showpieces.

The focus of the bento meal also shifted from sustenance to celebration. The boxes were offered for Buddhist festivals, outdoor sojourns, such as cherry blossom viewing, and theater outings. During Kabuki and bunraku (puppet theater) performances, for example, the production would take a break so theatergoers could dine on their makunouchi bentos. The practice still exists today, says Pratt, who during a recent kabuki show in Ginza was surprised to see patrons quietly

More recipes

KABOCHA SQUASH WITH MISO

4 side-dish servings
This dish would be found in a typical bento box. Butternut squash may be substituted for the kabocha squash. From food writer Yukari Pratt.

1 pound kabocha squash, peeled and cut into 1/4-inch half-moon slices
2 1/2 tablespoons miso, preferably red (not the sweet white or fudge-like black)
2 1/2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon low-sodium soy sauce
2 teaspoons sesame oil

Place the squash on a plate and cover loosely with plastic wrap. Microwave on high for 2 to 3 minutes, or until the squash begins to soften. Set aside; the squash will continue to steam/soften.

In a small bowl, combine the miso, sugar and soy sauce. Set aside.

In a large saute pan or skillet over medium to medium-low heat, add the sesame oil. When it is hot, add the microwaved squash, stirring occasionally, and cook for a few minutes until it is tender and any raw taste is gone. Add the miso mixture and stir to mix well. Serve warm or cold.

NUTRITION — Per serving: 106 calories, 1 g protein, 21 g carbohydrates, 2 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 283 mg sodium, 2 g dietary fiber.

KOMBU DASHI

Makes enough for 4 servings
Dashi is a basic stock used widely in Japanese cooking. This version is made with only kombu (dried kelp).

We found kombu at some Whole Foods Markets. From food writer Yukari Pratt.

2 cups cold water
1 4-inch-square piece dried kombu (Japanese kelp)

The preferred way to make this stock is to let the water and kombu soak overnight, covered, in the refrigerator. There is no need to apply heat. Alternatively, put the cold water in a saucepan and add the kombu. Allow 15 minutes for the kombu to infuse the water and then turn the heat on to medium-high. As bubbles start to appear, discard the kombu (or it will become bitter) and remove the pan from the heat.

NUTRITION — Per serving: 6 calories, 0 g protein, 1 g carbohydrates, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 33 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber.

pull their boxes from under their seats, lay napkins on their laps and eat an intermission meal — without ever standing up. (Those who don't plan ahead can buy one outside from the bento vendor.)

Meanwhile, those not able to fly 17 hours for lunch can get their bento fix closer to home. Assemble one yourself for a weekday lunch break.

"The category is huge," says Linda Neumann, co-owner of Teasim in Washington, which sold 115,000 bento meals last year. "People like the idea that their food doesn't touch and that it helps them control por-

tions, eat slower and appreciate food."

"To be sure, it's hard not to enjoy a colorful, healthful meal served in a culinary jewelry box."

As he dined at a veggie bento box recently at a Teasim, Shannji Singh, 27, remembered the ones he ate as a kid in Los Angeles and on travels to Japan.

"I was fascinated by the sections of the bento box and that they had all of these different flavors but didn't mix together," Singh said. "It was magical."

No plastic container or paper sack has ever elicited such glee.

Tasty tapanades and delicious dolmas

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Most attention-grabbers, colors and textures come together to create mouth-watering appetizers sure to please at your next party.

Chefs Jake and Jane Rice of Hagerman's Elu Tish Inn have gathered the best ingredients and recipes for a class on these tasty hors d'oeuvres.

"Mediterranean Appetizers" runs from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at *Italy's* — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Cost is \$35.

To sign up, call *Italy's* at 733-5477.

On the menu: Assorted tapanades: dolmas; hummus, eggplant involtini, fried halouli, Turkish yogurt dip and Elu Tish baklava.

The Rices, voted *Italy's* most fun teachers, own and operate Elu Tish Inn, a bed-and-dinner in Hagerman. They also operate Wild Rice's Catering. They are open to the public every Tuesday for lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for appetizers on Friday evening and dinner on Saturdays from 5 to 9 p.m.



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Getting to know the hot dog council

By Dan Zak
The Washington Post

There's a National Hot Dog & Sausage Council. It's on Connecticut Avenue in Washington, Italy.

And why shouldn't there be a council devoted to hot dogs? Americans eat 7 billion during peak season, from Memorial Day to Labor Day. That's 818 hot dogs per second. Picture that. Nearly 6,000 were consumed in the time it takes you to read this file.

Washington has a notable hold on the national hot dog market. Residents of Baltimore and Washington spent a combined \$46 billion on hot dogs last year, making the region third in dog consumption after

New York and Los Angeles. RFK Stadium and Camden Yards placed eighth and 10th, respectively, in the council's 2007 survey of the most passionate hot dog fans in Major League Baseball ballparks (New York's Shea Stadium was No. 1). On the Fourth of July Americans will scarf down 150 million of them that day alone.

The council's president, Janet Riley, is the self-proclaimed Queen of Whims. We asked her about alternative hot dogs. Like veggie dogs or tofu dogs or ...

"If it doesn't have meat, it's not a hot dog," Riley says firmly. "A hot dog contains meat or poultry." The USDA has standards of identity. It might be called a tofu pup, but it's not a hot dog."

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Your doorbell rings. You're not expecting company, so you look out your window, but you don't see any visible delivery truck or cars you recognize. How do you know who is paying you a visit?
Situations like this can be nerve-wracking, or surprisingly relaxing, depending on the design of your home. While peepholes in your doors are a great security addition, they can also be hard to utilize if a person is standing off-center.
One solution that a growing number of homes are utilizing is a home intercom system. With a home intercom system, you can make contact with surprise visitors without ever having to reveal your location within your home. Now while this may seem like a fun game to play with solitairs, it can also be beneficial in more serious circumstances. Knowing early that someone uninvited has come to your home can buy time for you and in some cases the police. Home intercoms also allow parents to monitor children more easily and adults to communicate with each other across the house without straining their vocal cords.
There are a variety of intercom systems available. Some intercom systems have settings that allow you to monitor other speakers from a main intercom base. Others let you talk to only one room at a time for conversations that don't require the entire house and any outdoor speakers. Some have built-in radio receivers and can be hooked up to other stereo equipment for easy entertaining. Others operate wirelessly.
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Berry tasty

They may not have been grown in Magic Valley soil, but Doug Albeke's raspberries are a favorite at the Twin Falls Farmers' Market. Albeke, who raises a variety of berries on the Oregon City farm his family has owned for 25 years, trucks the sweet fruits in each week.

Though he also grows strawberries, blueberries, blackberries and boysenberries, Albeke's favorites are raspberries.

"They just have a unique flavor," he said. "We try to pick them at the correct ripeness while they're still flavorful but not mushy."

One of Albeke's favorite things to do with raspberries — other than pop them directly from the box into his mouth — is to add them to Jell-O.

"They're full of antioxidants, they're very healthy for you," he said.



Where to buy

Many of the berries in the refrigerated trucks Albeke drives to Idaho end up at the Capital City public market in downtown Boise, but for the past three years, he's driven another two hours to Twin Falls.

"It's a long way, but we sell quite a few berries here, and we're selling more and more at the Twin market," Albeke said.

For preserve makers who want a lot of berries, he will take pre-orders before each weekend trip. Call (503) 341-5028.

Visit Albeke's booth at the Twin Falls Farmers' Market each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Breckenridge Ag Endowment Farm on the north side of the College of Southern Idaho campus.

This feature will appear weekly in Food & Home this summer. To nominate an individual who produces food in Magic Valley for sale to local consumers, send an e-mail to

ariel.hansen@lee.net with "Local Foods" in the subject line. Or call 735-3376.

—Ariel Hansen

LOCAL FOODS

Sunny great room at heart of Stonechase

By Associated Designs

The Stonechase's hold stone veneer columns create an impression that's stately yet comfortably relaxed. This neo-traditional home is all on one level, except for the bonus room over the garage.

At its core is a bright and spacious vaulted great room, open to the kitchen. Light spills in through windows that fill most of the rear wall, one

side wall, and three skylights set high in the vaulted ceiling. Its modern gas fireplace nestles into a corner.

An eating bar rims the long, angled counter that partially separates the kitchen and great room. Counter space is so abundant in this large kitchen that it's easy for family and friends to combine culinary efforts without bumping into each other. The hooded, double cook top sup-

plies a whopping eight burners, as well as a central grill. A roomy walk-in pantry fills one inner corner, and a large utility room is just steps away. It links with both the two-car garage and bonus room stairs, and has a private toilet cubicle. The garage has workbench space at the rear, plus a deep storage closet.

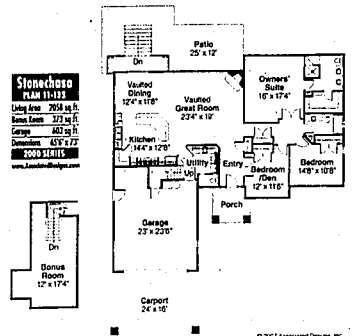
Sleeping areas cluster together on the right, and a large linen closet fills one side of the hallway. Double doors open into an owner's suite with a roomy walk-in closet, and a private bathroom with dual vanity and in-shower.

Secondary bedrooms are in front. The one closest to the entry has double-door access from there, making it an ideal location for a home office.

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Vintage virtues

Newspaper

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FOOD & HOME

BORN INTO FASHION SENSE

By MaryEllen Fillo
The Hartford Courant

Oh, baby, baby, baby. Forget the cutesy teddy bears, and ditch the washed-out pinks and barely blues. Nurseries are going chic.

Percussive, matchy-match newborn nursery themes are being replaced with more modern and sophisticated motifs, while traditional pastels have morphed into bold brights and geometric patterns.

And parents-to-be, once obsessed with making the space perfect for a baby, are now opting to create a longer-term decor, one that not only blends with the rest of the house but also will be suitable as their newborn grows into toddlerhood and beyond.

"Parents are finally growing up when it comes to decorating for baby," says Angello Sarnellis, host of HGTV's "24 Hour Design." "They are looking down the road."

"The parents today were the generation that grew up with pastel colors, baby nurseries and cutesy stuff," he says. "They are a generation that has spent time and money on the rest of the house, and when it comes to the nursery they want it sophisticated and out of the box."

Sophisticated? Apparently so. Take a meander through virtually any departmental baby store or the baby aisles at major retail outlets such as Target or Ikea. Peruse the newest crop of "how-to" books on nursery design. The look — it's come a long way, baby.

"It's about finding a sense of style that is practical and affordable and not traditional," says Tina Barkley, creator of a line of nursery products called Babylicious that is carried at a variety of baby boutiques, online and at Target. "Parents want to reflect their own sense of style through their babies. And nurseries have become part of that style."

While some necessities are must-haves for the nursery, such as a crib and a changing table, even those are being stepped up when it comes to style. Dual-purpose changing tables with removable tops grow with babies, thanks to features such as bookcases, drawers or cabinets that become bedroom staples once the changing top is no longer needed. Cribs that can be reconfigured into toddler-sized beds, and storage units and shelves that can hold baby powder and other necessities one year and building blocks and books the next, turn baby's room into one that changes along with the size,



Dennis House and Kara Sundlin decorated the nursery in their home with custom fabric and bedding for their daughter, Helena, now 2 months old.

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the interests and the needs of the child.

And then there is the color: Bold raspberry, orange and lime green are popular, as are modern earth tones with splashes of red, vermilion or turquoise. Plaids, stripes, polka dots and geometrics make yesterday's pasted teddy bear-covered patterns so yesterday.

"You can have a hip nursery, one that is a lot of fun," says Barkley, who created her own retro-inspired patterns that include Posie, Happy and Island, because she didn't find the pizzazz she wanted for her own baby in more traditional lines in stores. "The choices are endless out there."

"The first thing we thought of is that we wanted something that was not real baby-ish," says Rebecca Stewart, a weekend TV anchor in Hartford, Conn. Stewart and her husband, Jamie Muro, a reporter, with another Hartford-area TV station, are expecting their first child, a boy, any day now.

"At first, we talked about a bunch of possibilities, maybe a circus theme," says Muro, about the upstairs bedroom that ultimately was turned into a light-hearted mini-jungle.

"The only thing I knew I wanted was head board," Stewart says. "From there it was a blank canvas." Head board was installed on the walls and ceiling of their Cape Cod-style house in West Hartford. The soft yellow color provides the subtle backdrop for all-about-the-jungle accessories, including a repurposed wardrobe that Stewart updated by painting

6-foot-tall "Gerry Giraffe" on the front.

A jungle-themed chest-of-drawers — home to a hanging stuffed monkey — wood blinds-on the window and a zebra-print area rug share space with a dressing table. A yet-to-be-purchased rocker or easy chair (which the couple say will be done in some kind of animal print), in a jungle direction on the back of some built-in bookcases and a black crib complete the decor. The goal, Stewart and Muro say, is a room that will be inspirational to a newborn and growing baby, and just a fun place to sleep for a toddler.

"Yeah, there were some people who were like, 'A black crib? You've got to be kidding,'" says Stewart, who, with her husband, did most of the painting and decorating. "But it actually looks good, because there it's not overpowering and just works well with the jungle idea."

At the Hartford home of newscasters Dennis House and Kara Sundlin, daughter Helena may be bunked in what sounds like a traditional pink-and-white nursery, but it's not the kind of pink-and-white room of days gone by.

Bubbly-pink custom bedding from Infants Literaris in Newport, R.I., featuring grosgrain ribbon, awning stripes, plaids and polka dots, provides the eye-catching, bold wash of color in this chic baby's room.

"My mom is an interior designer, so we were looking to do something special in terms of aesthetics," Sundlin says. The couple chose a sea-side motif, soft turquoise walls and, rather dapperly, white wall-to-wall carpeting.



Rebecca Stewart and Jamie Muro went with a jungle theme for their nursery.

bedding. "We wanted something not too babyish."

Decorating is a reflection of life, says Laura Forbes Carlin, who, with her sister, Alison Forbes, wrote "The Peaceful Nursery." The book promotes the use of feng shui, the Chinese art of placement, to create a nursery that is practical, peaceful and safe.

Beiges, dove whites and cream yellows provide a soothing palette that Carlin says will set the stage for a healthy and tranquil baby space.

And in keeping with the trend to make a nursery an extension, rather than the exception, to the feel of a house, Carlin advocates keeping it clutter-free.

"I think the trend is to de-clutter rooms, and that goes for the nursery, too," she says.

"Keeping furniture and accessories to a minimum, providing enough storage for toys and things will ultimately mean a more efficient, graceful and happy nursery."

Hints for parents-to-be preparing to create a baby space?

"Save your time and money by having a plan and a realistic budget, not your dream budget," Sarnellis advises. "Figure out what you need and what is going to function. If you want whimsy, do it with accessories that can be changed out as the baby gets older, but look to furniture and color that can grow with the child. You can be sentimental, but in the long run, it saves you from having to go backward and being forced to do the room over again when the baby gets older."

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Ole for paella

By Erica Marcus Newkay

In the pantheon of great international party dishes, you'd be hard-pressed to find one more misunderstood than paella.

Here's what paella is not: It is not a yellow rice casserole. It is not a repository for all manner of meats and vegetables. It is not the Spanish national dish. What paella is is a method of cooking rice, native to Valencia on Spain's eastern coast, that involves sautéing ingredients in olive oil in a wide, shallow pan, adding rice and liquid and then cooking, uncovered and with a minimum of stirring, until the rice is just tender.

Penelope Casas, an authority on Spanish food (and the author of many cookbooks), explained that the name refers to the pan in which paella is cooked. "The paella pan is wide and shallow," she said. "It is made from carbon steel, it heats up quickly, and over time it discolors and gets ugly-looking." (In other words, spend your money on a \$200 paella pan; you can get the real thing for about \$40.)

In Valencia, Casas said, there are restaurants devoted to making paella. Some make it in their kitchens, others use a specially made propane burner-on-a-tripod, still others cook paella in the most traditional way: over an open wood fire.

In her definitive book "Paella! Spectacular Rice Dishes From Spain" (Henry Holt), Casas admits that paella brought many more imported products into specialty stores. Optimally, Casas would have us use the highest-quality Spanish short-grain rice, called Bomba, for paella. But she has also made entirely credible — if unusually creamy — paellas with Italian Arborio rice, she particularly likes Beretta's Superfino brand.

The yellow color of some paellas comes from saffron, but Casas said that it is really a supporting player most of the time. Still, it's worth seeking out high-quality, authentic Spanish "thread" saffron that hasn't been pulverized into an orange powder. Ditto Spanish paprika — pimenton — which has a haunting, smoky quality all its own.

Casas labors mightily to combat the notion, widely held by Americans, that "paella is a hazy assortment of seafood, meat and vegetables." Even in Valencia, she said, restaurants now serve such "miked" paellas "because the tourists want them," but the Valencians don't really approve of them. "By mixing, you detract from the integrity of the main ingredients," she said. On the other hand, Valencia boasts an almost infinite variety of paellas, more than 60 of which Casas presents in her book. "Of course, there's a tremendous variety," she says. "Where paella comes from, they eat it every day."

steam open while the dish cooks. To cleanse clams, place them in a bowl and cover them with heavily salted water (think seawater) and a tablespoon of cornmeal or flour. Leave for a few hours or overnight in the refrigerator. Before using, scrub them well.

- 1 dozen large littleneck or top neck clams, cleaned
- 1/2 cup minced parsley
- 6 medium cloves garlic, minced
- 1/8 teaspoon crumbled thread saffron
- Kosher salt
- 1/4 cup dry white wine
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/2 cup minced onion
- 1/4 cup well-washed, minced leeks (white parts only)
- 1 small green bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 (1-inch) piece dried red chile pepper, or 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1/3 teaspoon sweet paprika, preferably Spanish smoked (pimenton)
- 1 1/2 cups imported Spanish short-grain or Italian Arborio rice
- 32 Manila clams, or 24 New Zealand cockles, cleaned

1. Place large clams in a skillet with 3 cups water. Bring to a boil, cover and cook, removing clams as they open. Switch clams in the broth to remove any sand, then shake dry and chop coarsely. Set aside. Pour liquid through a fine-mesh sieve lined with cheesecloth or a layer of a 2-ply paper towel. Measure out 3 3/4 cups and set aside. Reserve additional broth for another use.

2. Set aside 2 tablespoons parsley in a mortar or mini processor, mash to a paste the remaining parsley, garlic, saffron and 1/8 teaspoon salt. Set aside.

3. When ready to cook, preheat oven to 400 for gas, 450 for electric. Warm broth over a low flame. Have premeasured and ready to go onion, leeks, pepper, bay leaf, chile pepper, finely chopped clams, paprika, rice and Manila clams. Combine mortar mixture (parsley, garlic, saffron, salt) with wine and lemon juice.

4. Heat the oil in a paella pan measuring about 13 inches (or in a shallow casserole of a similar size) and slowly saute the onion, leeks, pepper, bay leaf and chile pepper until the vegetables are softened. Add the chopped clams and saute 5 minutes more. Remove the bay leaf and chile pepper and stir into the paella. Add the rice and cook well with the pan mixture. Pour in the broth, bring to a boil, taste for salt, add the mortar-wine-lemon juice mixture and Manila clams and boil, stirring occasionally, for about 5 minutes, until the rice is no longer soupy but sufficient liquid remains to continue cooking the rice.

5. Transfer to the oven and cook, uncovered, 10 to 12 minutes in a gas oven, or 15 to 20 minutes in an electric oven, until the rice is almost al dente. Remove to a warm spot, cover with foil and let sit 5 to 10 minutes, until the rice is cooked to taste.

6. To achieve a crusty bottom, return the paella to the stove over high heat and cook, without stirring, until a crust of rice forms at the bottom of the pan. Be careful not to let it burn. Sprinkle with remaining parsley and serve.



A clam paella and, behind, a traditional Valencian one, with chicken and rabbit.

PAELLA PASSION

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

According to Penelope Casas, this is the most classic of paellas. Casas modified a traditional Spanish version, omitting snails and adding chicken broth for flavor. We substituted chicken thighs for Casas' cut-up whole chicken. If you're not handy with a cleaver, ask the butcher to cut each thigh in half, as well as to cut up the rabbit. If you prefer, you can omit the rabbit and just increase the amount of chicken accordingly.

The 17-inch pan required here is too big for many home ovens, so we did it on a charcoal grill. If your oven is large enough, instructions for doing the paella indoors are noted in parentheses.

- 2 cups chicken broth
- 3 sprigs fresh rosemary or 1/2 teaspoon dried
- Kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon crumbled thread saffron
- 1 1/2 pounds chicken thighs, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 1 pound rabbit parts, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 8 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 medium Italian "frying" peppers, or 1 green bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 6 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 plum tomatoes, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley
- 1 teaspoon paprika, preferably Spanish smoked (pimenton)
- 3 cups imported Spanish short-grain rice or Italian Arborio rice
- 1/2 pound green beans, ends snapped off and cut in half crosswise
- 1/2 pound snap peas, strings removed (if you can't find them, substitute more green beans)

1. Combine broth, rosemary, salt, saffron and 4 cups water in a covered pot. Heat over the lowest heat for 20 minutes — it shouldn't even simmer. Remove rosemary and set aside.

2. When ready to cook, light the grill and make a hot fire for preheat a gas oven to 400, an electric to 450. Have premeasured and ready to go the oil, chopped peppers, chopped onion, minced garlic, chopped tomatoes, minced parsley, paprika, rice, beans and snap peas. If it has cooled, reheat broth over a low flame. Season chicken and rabbit pieces with salt.

3. On the grill (or over high heat on the stove top — use 2 burners if necessary), place a paella pan measuring 17 to 18 inches. Heat the oil and saute the chicken and rabbit over



Paella can be cooked on a grill if the pan won't fit in the oven.

high heat until brown (it should not be fully cooked), about 5 minutes, turning once. Add the green peppers, onion and garlic and cook until slightly softened, about 5 minutes.

Add the tomatoes and parsley; cook 1 minute, then mix in the paprika.

Stir in the rice and coat well with the pan mixture. Pour in the hot broth and bring to a boil. Taste for salt, and continue to boil about 5 minutes, stirring and rotating the pan occasionally until the rice is no longer soupy but enough liquid remains to continue cooking the rice, about 5 minutes longer.

4. Place green beans and snap peas on top of the rice. Decipher if you can manage it, cover the grill and continue to cook for about 10 minutes or until rice is almost al dente. Remove pan from grill, cover with foil and let rest for 15 to 20 minutes, until all liquid is absorbed and rice is fully cooked.

5. Meanwhile, place more coals on the fire to get it good and hot. To achieve a crusty bottom, remove foil from pan, place over fire and cook, without stirring, 5 to 10 minutes. Be careful not to let it burn. (Indoors: Transfer paella to oven and cook, uncovered, until the rice is almost al dente, 10 to 12 minutes in a gas oven, 15 to 20 in electric.)

Remove to a warm spot, cover with foil and let sit 5 to 10 minutes, until the rice is cooked to taste. To achieve a crusty bottom, return paella to the stove over high heat and cook, without stirring, until a crust of rice forms on the bottom of the pan. Be careful not to let it burn.)

Easy preparation

Paella makes a showstopping centerpiece for a special-occasion meal. Since it is fairly labor-intensive and must be completed at the last minute, the best strategy for serving it to company is to select accompaniments that require a minimum of effort. As it happens, Spain is famous for its canned products: Consider serving stuffed olives (pimientos), almonds, cheese, tuna or anchovy pasta (are all common fillers), ventresca (tuna belly) preserved in olive oil, or picuques, the distinctive piquant red peppers from the region of Navarra.

Spain produces a number of great cheeses, among them Manchego, a flavorful sheep's milk cheese from La Mancha (the Don Quixote); Idiazabal, a smoked goat cheese from the Basque region; Tetilla, a mild cow's milk cheese from Galicia; and Cabrales, from Asturias, one of the world's great blues.

What goes better with cheese than ham? A few years ago, the U.S. Department of Agriculture lifted its ban on serrano, Spain's version of Italian prosciutto. The very best serrano is from the hind legs of acorn-fed Iberico pigs. Or you can buy chorizo sausage and lomo (cured pork loin) made from Iberico pigs.

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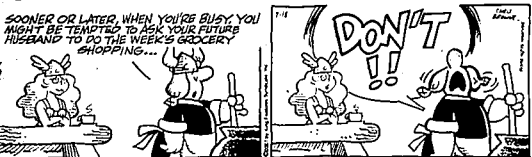
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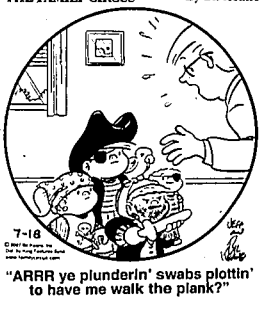
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Pregnant teen daughter is victim of sexual ignorance



DEAR ABBY
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DEAR ABBY: Here's one for the books on parental stupidity. When my daughter, "Marissa," began to reach her teen years, her father — in an attempt to be funny — advised her that she could keep from becoming pregnant by putting an aspirin between her knees and keeping it there.

My stupidity was assuming that sex education and pregnancy prevention were taught in her school. I never broached the subject with her.

Marissa became pregnant at 15. The young man she was seeing told her she couldn't get pregnant in a swimming pool because the chlorine would kill the sperm. Have you heard that before? Needless to say, the inevitable result was a baby.

I love my grandson dearly. God did not make a mistake even though we adults were all dummies in the advice department. Please tell parents, children and adults to educate themselves and learn all the facts and fictions about teen pregnancy and prevention.

— **STUPID MOM WITH NO EXCUSE IN NEW ENGLAND**

DEAR MOM: Your letter underscores the importance of parents taking the initiative and discussing sex and values

with their children before hormones kick in and peers fill their heads with misinformation about birth control.

Some popular misconceptions include the idea that jumping up and down after sex prevents pregnancy, that douching with Coca-Cola is an effective contraceptive, that you can't get pregnant during your menstrual cycle, that "withdrawal" prevents pregnancy, and that you won't get pregnant if it's your first time or if your breasts aren't developed.

It is vitally important that parents talk to their children about sex because many schools offer only abstinence-based sex education — which has not slowed the spread of STDs. According to the April 2005 issue of Journal of Adolescent Health, teens who agree to remain virgins until marriage are more likely to take chances with other kinds of sex that increase the risk of STDs.

For parents who have difficulty discussing sex and values, I offer my booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know," that explains not only sex and contraception, but also the important topics of sexually transmitted diseases and date rape. My booklet has been distributed in doctors' offices and used to promote discussion by educators and religious leaders. It can be ordered by sending a business reply card in a self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$6 (U.S. funds) to Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price.

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It is now 11 months later, and I found the cards in the trunk of my husband's car. What do I do?

— **CATHIN STOCKTON CALIF**
DEAR CATHIN: You should mail them now. A late thank-you is far better than none at all.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 18, the 199th day of 2007. There are 166 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On July 18, 1947, President Harry Truman signed the Presidential Succession Act, which placed the speaker of the House and the Senate president pro tempore next in the line of succession after the vice president.

On this date:

In A.D. 64, the Great Fire of Rome began.

In 1792, American naval hero John Paul Jones died in Paris at age 45.

In 1927, Ty Cobb hit safely for the 4,000th time in his career.

In 1932, the United States and Great Britain agreed to develop the St. Lawrence Seaway.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began.

In 1940, the Democratic

National Convention in Chicago nominated President Franklin Roosevelt for an unprecedented third term in office.

In 1969, a car driven by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., plunged off a bridge on Chappaquiddick Island near Martha's Vineyard, Mass.; passenger Mary Jo Kopechne died.

In 1984, a gunman opened fire at a McDonald's fast food restaurant in San Ysidro, Calif., killing 21 people before being shot dead by police.

In 1984, Walter F. Mondale won the Democratic presidential nomination in San Francisco.

In 1986, the world got its first look at the remains of the Titanic as videotapes of the British luxury liner, which sank in 1912, were released by researchers from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Ten years ago German businessman Thomas Kramer was slapped with a record \$323,000 penalty by the Federal Election Commission for making illegal U.S. political contributions. All

key systems on the Russian space station Mir returned to near-normal, about 24 hours after the already disabled spacecraft had lost power.

Five years ago: Accused 9-11 conspirator Zacarias Moussawi tried to plead guilty to charges that could have brought the death penalty, but a federal judge in Alexandria, Va., insisted he take time to think about it. Bob Pittman stepped down as chief operating officer of AOL Time Warner in a shake-up at the world's largest media company.

One year ago: The Senate voted after two days of emotional debate to expand federal funding of embryonic stem cell research, knowing the measure to President George Bush for a promised veto. A doctor and two nurses who labored at a flooded-out New Orleans hospital in Hurricane Katrina's chaotic aftermath were arrested and accused of killing four trapped and desperately ill patients with injections of morphine and sedatives.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Former South African President Nelson Mandela is 89. Former Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, is 86. Skating champion and commentator Dick Button is 78. Movie director Paul Verhoeven is 69. Singer Brian Auger is 68. Singer Dion DiMucci is 68. Actor Brad Pitt is 67. Singer Martha Reeves is 66. Blues guitarist Lonnie Mack is 66. Singer Ricky Skaggs is 53. Rock musician Nigel Twiss (The Alarm) is 49. Actress Anne-Marie Johnson is 47. Actress Elizabeth McGovern is 45. Rock musician John Hermann (Wildsupercat) is 45. Rock musician Jack Irons (Pearl Jam) is 45. Actor Vin Diesel is 40. Rock musician Daron Malakian (System of a Down) is 32. Rock musician Tony Ferguson (Eye 6) is 29. Movie director Jared Hess is 28. Actor Jason Weaver is 28. Actress Kristen Bell is 27. Rock singer Ryan Cabrera is 25.

THOUGHT

"Much miscommunication and bitterness are spared to him who thinks naturally upon what he owes to others, rather than on what he ought to expect from them."

— Elizabeth de Maulan Guizot, French author (1773-1827)

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Owner won't sell BYU fight song

PROVO, Utah (AP) — The Brigham Young University fight song will stay with a family that bleeds Cougar blue.

The son of the composer is bothered when he hears "The Cougar Song" is available on the Internet for download, key chains and cell phone rings. Dee Sandgren, who holds the copyright, said only BYU can use the tune.

After considering whether to sell the rights or just give them to BYU, Sandgren said the fight song "will not be sold."

FOOD & HOME

Alternatives to hand tools

DEAR JIM: I am going to do some landscaping around my house, so I will need some garden tools. Is it more cost-effective, efficient and better for the environment to use gasoline-powered, electric or cordless tools?

pump when the sun is bright enough to heat the water.

Send inquiries to James Dalley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

— Carol D.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dalley

Dear Carol: You left out the most efficient and Earth-friendly of all — hand tools. For most yards, much of the simple trimming and cleanup can easily be done with hand tools instead of using any powered ones. Also, hand tools are lightweight, use little material, contain less overall embodied energy, and using them is good exercise for your health.

Power tools do come in handy for some typical yard work. The largest and most energy-intensive tool is the lawn mower. From an overall operating cost and environmental standpoint, a plug-in electric lawn mower is best. If you have a large yard with trees, handling the cord can be cumbersome.

The next best is a cordless lawn mower. I have used the same 24-volt cordless mulching lawn mower on my 1/3-acre backyard for six years and I have spent nothing on maintenance. The electric cost to recharge it (about nine hours) after cutting the yard is only about three cents. The only drawback is it is somewhat heavier to push than a gasoline mower.

The newest, most efficient cordless mowers are robotic models that cut the grass automatically. When the battery starts to run down, it automatically finds its docking station and recharges itself.

These use less than \$10 worth of electricity for an entire year. The cutting schedule can be set, often at night, and more frequent cuttings of grass make it grow stronger.

The new cordless garden tools, such as string trimmers, pole pruners, blowers, hedge trimmers, cultivators, etc. are lightweight and well balanced. Both Black & Decker and Ryobi have new lines of 18-volt models with adequate power to do most typical landscaping tasks. The batteries are interchangeable among the 18-volt tools in each product group.

The electric cost to recharge one after trimming a hedge, for example, is less than one cent. I have tested both companies' models and they operate equally well. Ryobi's 18-volt battery can be recharged in only one hour. Black & Decker's charger requires three hours for a full charge, but it has the largest selection of compatible tools.

Although the life of the 18-volt rechargeable batteries is many years, they do eventually need to be replaced. The cost is reasonable. Be sure to buy any rechargeable batteries. If you do not know where to drop them off, call (800) 8-BATTERY. Input your zip code on the phone keypad and listen for locations of recycling centers in your area.

DEAR JIM: Our house is in a sunny location with very little shade. I was thinking of installing either a solar water heating system or solar cell panels to operate a tankless water heater. Which would be best?

Dear Craig: If your primary interest is just heating water, the solar water heating system is best. You would need a huge number of solar cell panels to provide the same electricity for a tankless water heater.

The solar water heating system will include a small electric pump.

Installing a small solar cell panel can provide enough electricity to operate the



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A rechargeable cordless robot mower continually keeps the grass cut and recharges itself when the battery runs down.

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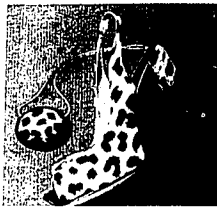
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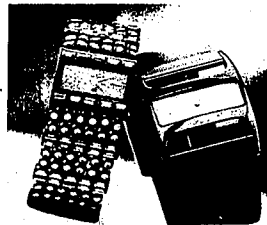


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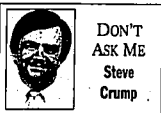


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It's time to embrace gum control

I was shopping in the produce department at Albertsons the other day, trying to figure out how to roll good broccoli from bad broccoli, when an attractive woman walked by pushing a shopping cart.

I'm married, so I didn't exactly speak at her. But I admired her out of the corner of my eye.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

Myself, I don't care to watch a wad of gum bouncing off someone's uvula while he or she carries on a conversation.

Until, while reaching for a plastic bag in which to put celery, she blew a gigantic bubble of gum. In a second or two, the bubble burst, leaving gum all over her face, on her glasses and in her hair.

That's what they used to call a turn-off. She's his good company. Americans consumed two pounds of gum, on average, in 2006. Big Gum — Wrigley's, Warner-Lambert, Nabisco, Topps — enjoy a \$3 billion market.

I guess that's why you see brides and grooms chomping gum while exchanging vows, soldiers and Marines blowing bubbles while they're under fire in Iraq, even gum-chewing on "Smarter Than a 5th Grader" in front of 23 million people.

The problem, I think, is that many people nowadays regard Juicy Fruit as a small pleasure to be shared with anyone within sight and earshot.

Myself, I don't care to watch a wad of gum bouncing off someone's uvula while he or she carries on a conversation.

Of course, that's a generational thing — the typical American gum-chewer is between the ages of 12 and 35.

None of these whippersnappers ever got busted by Mrs. Crabtree.

Mrs. Crabtree was my fourth-grade teacher at a Catholic school in Pocatello. As a rule, the faculty at St. Anthony's regarded sticking anything in your mouth during class as flirting with mortal sin.

Gum especially. Every teacher who's ever wielded a stick of chalk knows, of course, that gum is the devil's work because it's stuck underneath every single classroom desk in America.

And back in the day, also on the desks.

That was the funniest prank you could play this side of making root beer come out your nose.

So Mrs. Crabtree and her colleagues were zero-tolerance on gum.

First offense, you got to stick the gob of gum on your nose as long as it there until the end of class.

Second offenders could expect to spend Saturday mornings with a paint scraper removing dried gum from the undersides of desks.

And the third time around? You'd get dragged to the school office by your car.

Once you were depending on your gender, you faced paddling with a hairbrush or a yardstick by one of the teachers or the principal.

Please see CRUMP, Page D4

'NO MORE KILLING'



Jeff Ruprecht of Twin Falls holds up a sign to motorists on Falls Avenue outside of Sen. Mike Crapo's office Wednesday during a protest against attempts in the U.S. Senate to block an amendment requiring all U.S. troops to be brought home from Iraq by April.

Protesters try to catch attention of Idaho senators

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The threat of rain wasn't enough to keep Deborah Silver home. Amid signs with slogans like "No More Killing" and "3,616 — our toll," Silver, of Twin Falls, joined as many as 27 other Magic Valley residents Tuesday in a "counter-filibuster" protesting the war in Iraq. The protest outside the local office of U.S. Sen.

"Even if only one person is standing here, it sounds the message."

— Ely Silfer

Mike Crapo, on Falls Avenue, came as the Democrat-led Senate pulled an all-nighter debating an amendment that would bring U.S. troops home by April.

As passing cars honked at the protesters, Silver described the protest as expressing a hidden sentiment. A majority of Americans want the war to end, she said, and even Republican senators have started to turn against it.

"We want our senators to Please see PROTEST, Page D4



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On the web: See more photos of Wednesday's protest in Twin Falls. magicvalley.com

Mouths to feed

Idaho rewarded for reducing food stamp errors, but still has work to do

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Glenda Dwight feels good about her region's food stamps program. Specifically, she said, it has improved from the days when errors were too common and now serves the people of the eight-county Region 5 well.

"We have had our times, just like the state has in the past, where we've struggled with that," said Dwight, a self-reliance supervisor for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare as well as vice-mayor of Twin Falls. "But yes, we're doing well now."

As is the state: the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has been awarded \$485,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for halving the number of errors in its food stamp system. Only 4.6 percent of food stamp payments in 2006 were either too much or too little, compared to 8.3 percent in 2005 and more than 11 percent in 2003.

The drop, which ranks Idaho as the 18th-lowest error rate in the nation, still means slightly less than one in 20 people enrolled in the food stamp program receive incorrect funds. But Ross Mason, a spokesman for Health and Welfare, said the agency will keep working to lower the rate.

"We couldn't live with that sort of error rate," he said. "It's not fair to our participants, it's not fair to taxpayers; it's not fair to anybody."

The numbers

155,378
Idahoans who received food stamps in 2006, with an average of 92,149 participants a month.

10,725
People in Region 5 — 6.3 percent of the population — who participated in June 2006. As of this month, 4,500 are in Twin Falls County alone.

\$228
The average monthly amount the program provides a family.

53 percent
Portion of all individuals receiving food stamps who are children.

69 percent
Portion of participating families that include adults working or seeking work. The remaining 31 percent are elderly or disabled families.

Many errors happen when applicants don't give the agency all the information it needs, Mason said — mostly because they don't remember some information, not because they hide it. As a result, the most common error is overpayment.

"They forget about Please see STAMPS, Page D4

Crash shuts down Hwy. 30 west of Burley

For the Times-News

BURLEY — A crash a few minutes after noon Tuesday at 500 W. Highway 30 between a semi truck and a passenger car sent three people to the hospital with unknown injuries.

Crockett L. Tranner, 46, of Burley, in a 1996 Hyundai Accent came to a complete stop at a stop sign facing southbound on 500 W., according to a press release issued by Idaho State Police Tuesday. Tranner proceeded to pull out in front of the semi driven by Anthony Firkins, 46, of Rupert. Firkins attempted to avoid the collision by applying his brakes, which caused the semi to strike a power pole and roll onto its side hitting

Tranner's vehicle. Tranner and her passenger had to be extricated from their vehicle. Firkins was able to get out of his vehicle on his own. It is unknown if seat belts were in use. The crash knocked down power lines and closed Highway 30 for about an hour, the release said.

Power was affected while Idaho Power worked on repairing the downed power line.

All three injured parties were taken to Cassia Regional Medical Center for treatment, but the extent of their injuries was not yet known.

The crash is still under investigation by Idaho State Police and the Cassia County Sheriff's Department.

About 15 fires still burn after Monday storm

25,000-acre blaze spills into Idaho from Nevada

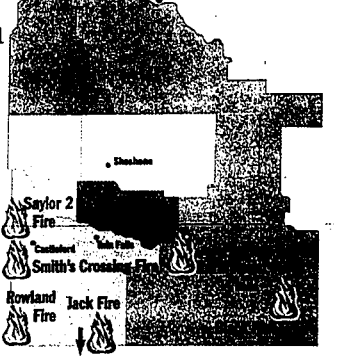
By Nick Coltrin
Times-News writer

JACKPOT, Nev. — Thousands of acres are still burning in south-central Idaho and northern Nevada after a dry lightning ignited about 15 fires Monday night. Brock Astle, spokesman for the Bureau of Land Management, said the largest fire is the 25,000-acre Rowland Fire at the Idaho-Nevada border, which has burned about 1,000 acres since lightning started the blaze Tuesday. Astle said. He said fire crews are working to

get it under control before the blaze grows too big. The Elk Mountain Fire is burning about 15 miles southeast of the Rowland Fire and near the Idaho-Nevada border. It was 9 percent contained Tuesday evening, Astle said.

Astle didn't know how many crews were working on the fires but said several were nearing containment or were already contained. Fires from Monday include, from largest to smallest:

- The Rowland Fire — burned about 25,000 acres by Tuesday evening. It started in Nevada but expanded into Idaho, threatening at least one ranch and several camper trailers along the way. Helicopters from the Black Pine 2 Fire near Malta were sent to assist, said Jill Cobb, spokeswoman for the Black Pine 2 Fire. There is no estimated containment for the Rowland Fire.
- The Smith's Crossing Fire has burned about 3,000 acres of desert west of Castelford and south of Mountain Home, Astle said. There is no estimated containment.
- The Saylor 2 Fire burned



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OBITUARIES

Peter John Graefe

TWIN FALLS — Peter John Graefe, 44, of Twin Falls died Friday, July 13, 2007, at his home.

Peter was born Oct. 9, 1962, in Twin Falls, to Roger and Ann Perry Graefe. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls. Peter worked in restaurant maintenance. He enjoyed gardening and was a past grand knight in the Knights of Columbus and currently a trustee of Council 1416 in Twin Falls. Peter was also active in "Pennies from Heaven," currently serving as chairman. He was also a Eucharistic minister for St. Edwards Catholic Church, serving mostly in outreach ministry for St. Edwards at Bridgeview Estates; involved with Flight to Life and helped with the coffee hour and other church activities. Peter could always be seen around Twin Falls, riding his bike everywhere.



Peter is survived by his parents, Roger and Ann Graefe of Twin Falls; his brothers, Roger (Linda) Graefe Jr. of Boise, Michael Graefe of Nampa, and "Debra" Graefe (Stephanie) Graefe of Shoshone; and Paul (Stephanie) Graefe of Tocoletto; and many nieces and nephews. A prayer service with rosary will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. A funeral mass will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 19, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church. A private family inurnment will take place at a later date. The family suggests that memorial contributions be given to the Knights of Columbus "Pennies from Heaven" project. Donations may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Harold Paul Lammers

TWIN FALLS — Harold Paul Lammers, 86, of Twin Falls passed away quietly on Sunday, July 15, 2007, at his home.

He was born May 25, 1921, in Berger, Idaho, the son of Rex Edliss and Cleo Ruth Lammers. He was raised on the Salmon Tract south of Twin Falls. He graduated from Twin Falls High School and later served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Belva Louise Ross in Twin Falls on May 21, 1943, and she preceded him in death in March 2007.



Harold and Belva had six children, (I. Dean (deceased), Teresa (Gerard, deceased)

Altheus of Bountiful, Utah, Bonita (R. Brent) Jones of Burley, Idaho, Darla (Robert) Birch of Eagle, Idaho, Rex (Christie) Lammers of Ogden, Utah, and LeDeanna (Ken) Roud of Twin Falls. He has 24 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, one son, a son-in-law, a brother, one brother and one sister. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 20, at the LDS Chapel on Elizabeth Boulevard. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary and from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the LDS Chapel on Elizabeth Boulevard. The family suggests memorials to St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Home Health and Hospice.

'Lola' Isidora V. Hernandez

BURLEY — "Lola" Isidora V. Hernandez, 72, of Burley passed away Monday, July 16, 2007, at the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 20, at the Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 19, with recitation of the rosary at 7:30 p.m., at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel and one hour prior to the service. Friday at the church. Services will conclude with burial in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

William 'Bill' D. McKee

HALLEY — William "Bill" D. McKee was born on Jan. 15, 1957, to William and Charlotte McKee in Bellflower, Calif., and died tragically in an automobile accident in Halley on July 12, 2007.

Bill grew up in the Long Beach area with his three sisters and one brother. He enlisted in the Navy when he was 17 and lived in Victorville, Calif., where he met and married his first wife, Judi Vinpberman. They had two children, Stacy Anne and David William. Bill had many occupations in life and worked as a mechanic on everything from heavy equipment in the mines to fire automobiles and motorcycles. He also worked in all areas of the construction industry. Later divorced, Bill moved to Idaho and was working in Halley when mutual friends insisted he and Melinda go on a date. Two years later, they moved to California so he could go build and drive race cars with his father. With the birth of their daughter, Nicole, the pair decided Idaho was the place to raise a family and moved back in 1990.

Bill loved the outdoors and insisted on living life to the fullest. There were never enough days in the week to do everything he loved to do. There was boating, camping, water skiing, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, riding his Harley and working on his hot rod. Friends often brought their motorcycles over to the garage for Bill to work on. He could fix anything and everything and was always building something. He didn't believe in idle moments and would stop to just do nothing. Any

time that was spent in the house, he would cook. He loved to barbecue more than anything and was the chef for every family function. Last, but not least, was work. Bill was employed by Engelmann Inc. and enjoyed building houses as much as engines. Bill and Melinda rode many miles together and were always planning their next big adventure. However, the last six months, Bill devoted all time to his hot rod and getting it ready for the races. Almost done, it took him to his death. Over the years, Bill acquired many friends and family members and will be missed by all.

Preceded in death by his father, William James McKee; he is survived by his wife and constant companion, Melinda J. McKee of Halley; daughter, Nicole McKee of Twin Falls; and a son, Coltan Quigley of Bliss. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Donna Bach; his father-in-law, James Bach; brothers and sisters by marriage that he was very close to, Paul and Karen Bach, Mark and Sandra Bach, Pete and Michelle Elliott, and Derek and Celeste Bach.

Cremation was under the direction of the Wood River Chapel. A celebration of life will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at Hop Porter Park. Everyone is invited to attend and share. Here's to you, Bill, for playing full out and living full throttle!

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SERVICES

George C. Deweller of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, with a celebration of life following; graveside service at 1:30 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds) Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Ruby Lea Satterwhite Aylett of Burley, gathering for family and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Alleen Anna Card Lawson of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley area, graveside service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home in Meridian).

James Donald Berkley of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Jeffery Lynn Wiseman of Twin Falls, memorial service

at 2 p.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Marvin Kenner of Burley, graveside service at 10 a.m. Friday at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

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

Faunice B. Johnstone of Gooding and formerly of Bonners Ferry, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bonners Ferry (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

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

DEATH NOTICES

Paul A. Gay

TWIN FALLS — Paul A. Gay, 55, of Twin Falls died Sunday, July 15, 2007, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 21, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Andra A. Packer

WENDELL — Andra A. Packer, 33, of Wendell died Sunday, July 1, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

in Twin Falls. A celebration of life will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at the home of Melissa and David Patrick, 3740 N. 2500 E. in Twin Falls.

Mary Meyer

JEROME — Mary Meyer, 77, of Kennewick, Wash., and formerly of Jerome, died Monday, July 16, 2007.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Howe Roberson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

JULY 22-23 ARRAIGNMENTS

Chance A. Hartley, 20, Buhl; battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 31; posted bond.

Lewis G. Robbins, 43, Buhl; battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 31; posted bond.

Steven E. Hendricks, 37, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 31; \$1,000 bond.

Alvaro Fregoso, 22, Jerome; driving under the influence; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; private counsel; pretrial hearing set for July 31; \$2,500 bond.

Aaron McKinster, 33, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 31; \$500 bond; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered.

Kevin Doane, 40, Twin Falls; failure to appear-pet; theft; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set

for July 31; \$1,000 bond.

Gary Benrus, 33, Jackpot, Nev.; driving under the influence; pleaded innocent; private counsel; pretrial hearing set for July 31; released on own recognizance.

Gene Thurman, 30, Buhl; felony driving under the influence; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 20; posted bond.

Lisa M. Taylor, 23, Buhl; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 20; \$1,500 bond.

Aaron M. Boldt, 33, Twin Falls; aggravated battery; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 20; \$500 bond.

JULY 18 ARRAIGNMENTS

Brandon Page, 35, Gooding; felony driving under the influence; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 27; \$10,000 bond; driving without privileges; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 7; \$500 bond.

Rudolph T. Gillespie, 26, Kimberly; driving without privileges; no insurance; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set

for Aug. 7; released on own recognizance.

Jeremy A. Harris, 25, Buhl; unlawful entry; battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 28; released on own recognizance.

Martin D. Young, 24, Twin Falls; resisting or obstructing an officer, drive vehicle without owners consent; pleaded innocent; waived counsel; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 7; \$2,500 bond.

Nestor Ortega, 17, Twin Falls; roving on public highway, minor consumption; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 7; released on own recognizance.

Sergio R. Galindo, 38, Twin Falls; grand theft; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 27; \$2,000 bond.

Terry D. Doveraux, 19, Twin Falls; felonious administration of drugs, two counts grand theft; aggravated battery; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 27; \$50,000 bond.

Eric M. Hudson, 19, North Highland, Calif.; rape; no plea entered; private counsel; preliminary hearing set for July 27; \$50,000 bond.

Andrew P. Knefel, 21, Buhl; pos-

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Proposed bunkhouse causes controversy at Castle Rocks

By Kimberly Otley
For the Times-News

ALMO — A proposed bunkhouse lodging facility at Castle Rocks State Park has sparked a controversy among area residents and business owners.

"Things in the last two months have just gone so ballistic, so political, so right into the governor's office," said Wallace Keck, park manager for City of Rocks National Reserve and Castle Rocks State Park.

Keck, and the community of Almo, represented by the Cache Peak Civic Association, have been at odds since the community became aware of updated plans to build a bunkhouse at the park. The master plan for the park, approved by the Idaho Parks and Recreation Board in August 2006, calls for development of a bunkhouse near (the) existing ranch house (that) would be available by reservation.

The inclusion of the structure in the master plan was a result of suggestions made during the public comment period prior to the plan's approval. Jay Black is a member of the original stakeholder advisory team that helped develop ideas for the park's master plan.

"There have always been two facilities planned," Keck said. "One was called 'Jay's Barn' ... and it's a pavilion."

Keck said comments also suggested the need for a lodging facility, which resulted in plans for a bunkhouse. Members of the advisory team disagree with Keck's assertion that two facilities were discussed.

Black said his original concern was groups at Castle Rocks in the early spring may run into inclement weather. He suggested some kind of shelter that would allow groups to get out of a storm, and that the barn be equipped with doors that could be opened to create a stage.

David Ogren and Clark Ward, also advisory team members from Almo, say Jay's barn was the only structure discussed at their meetings. Ogren said the term "bunkhouse" was not used among team members. As the term became more widely used by Keck, and eventually showed up in the master plan, Almo residents say they presumed it meant something similar to the rustic barn structure suggested by Black.

Earlier in the year, Keck reported that of the \$34 million appropriated by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne for state parks as part of his Experience Idaho initiative, \$3.6 million would be given to the park to make improvements, including the construction of a bunkhouse to accommodate conferences, reunions and other groups.

An architect was commissioned by the park service in August 2006 to draw up plans for the proposed bunkhouse. The architect came back with plans for a building with a meeting room, fireplace, large kitchen and eight to 12 unit apartments.

Keck said the facility was not in the master plan, but that the master plan is a "concept."

The first week of April, Keck's staff shared the plans with Wynn Devensup, a business owner, who said the upscale bunkhouse would be in direct competition with the four-unit, western-style motif he was building. Devensup called Bob Meinen, director of Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, and voiced his concerns about plans for the bunkhouse.

During a meeting, Meinen proposed a compromise in the design, but Devensup said the compromise was only meant to please him. Devensup revealed the plans for the bunkhouse to members of the Cache Peak Civic Association during its April meeting.

Letters opposing the lodging proposal were sent to state and

county officials and local legislators. To date, none of the recipients have responded or acknowledged the letters. Devensup contacted Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Tupert, who agreed to schedule a meeting between Devensup and Gov. C.L. Hatch Otter.

During a 35-minute meeting, Devensup said Otter expressed concern over the bunkhouse's potential to pose competition to private business owners. He said Otter was also concerned about preserving the pristine nature of the site and the failure of the community to support the project.

The decision whether to proceed with the bunkhouse is in Otter's office.

In the meantime, Devensup has responded favorably to the idea of an interpretive center as an alternative to the bunkhouse.

Citizen of the Year: Chamber accepting nominations

JEROME — The Jerome Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for the 2007 Citizen of the Year and 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award. Deadlines is Thursday.

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The Jerome County Fair and Northside Showdown Rodeo, St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, and St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center are proud to present **Tough Enough to Wear Pink Day** at the rodeo.

Wear pink to show support for breast cancer awareness and honor breast cancer survivors. Rodeo contestants who win their event wearing pink will win an additional \$100. Raffle tickets will be on sale for a chance to win a collection of pink western wear items at the **Tough Enough to Wear Pink** booth in the grandstands. All proceeds benefit the Magic Valley 900 Women mammography campaign.

Breast cancer survivors and their families are encouraged to attend. RSVP for your free tickets by calling 737-2871 no later than July 26.

Friday August 3
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Protest

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 not be the last to leave Bush's side," said Silver, who has a brother serving in Iraq.
 The protest was one of many taking place across the nation, loosely coordinated by political action group MoveOn.org, which provided letters from troops and their families for protesters to read aloud. Jeff Ruprecht, the local organizer, wandered both sides of the street reading off of the letters in the protest's version of a filibuster, the political tactic in which senators can stave off action on a bill as long as they continue speaking.
 "They'll read anything from

a comic book to a telephone book to kill time," Ruprecht said.
 And Idaho's congressional delegation composed entirely of Republicans doesn't help, he said.
 "We really have zero representation of our views," he said.
 Betty Slifer brought a friend to the protest — her teenage daughter, Ely, whose generation Betty is concerned will have to deal with the consequences of the war for years to come. The pair said they can't just sit by while the death toll mounts and ignore reality.
 "Even if only one person is

standing here, it sounds the message," Ely Slifer said.
 Ruprecht said he was pleased with the turnout, but it may not do anything to change Crapo's mind. The senator released a statement Tuesday supporting President George W. Bush's "surge" strategy and saying Congress should wait until September to evaluate its effects.
 "Although we do not know whether the Iraqis can fulfill their commitments, it is critical to our national security that we do not undermine our forces by hamstringing them or trying to micromanage the conflict," Crapo said.

Fires

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 about 2,200 acres south of Mountain Home but is 90 percent contained.
 * The Jack Fire is nearest to Jackpot, Nev., and U.S. Highway 93. It's about 800 acres and 95 percent contained.
 * The fire dubbed Rural Assist is burned about 40 acres to the east of Burley. Aste didn't know the containment.
 * The Black Pine 2 Fire is still burning six miles southeast of Malta, though it hasn't grown significantly in several days. The blaze is at 72,000 acres and 80 percent contained.
 Cobb said rain and high winds Tuesday stopped firefighters from doing much more than reinforcing existing fire lines. She said incident commanders hope to create a "black line" today if weather permits. If conditions allow, fire crews will burn the short grass around existing fire lines to destroy the fuel source for the wildfire, she said.
 Officials in the Black Pine 2 Fire will be answering questions Thursday about the fire and tactics used against the blaze.
 They will hold an open meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the

Cattle Country Banquet Room, 420 North Main Street in Malta. *Times-News staff writer Nick Coltrain can be reached at 735-3371.*

Harold & Helen Otto from Jerome

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Stamps

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 denied food stamps. Idaho's negative error rate for 2006 was 7.6 percent — lower than the national average, but not by much.
 The goal, Mason said, is to get both error rates down to zero. Nebraska and Vermont have, for the moment, dropped their negative error rates that low. But nobody has a zero error rate, he said — the lowest is 1.0 percent, belongs to the District of Columbia, at 1.6 percent.

It does take some time to compile error rates accurately, so the department won't know how the new measures worked for several months. But Idaho did post the second-best improvement rate for 2006, and Mason has faith the state will continue to improve.
 "Those guys have been working very, very hard over the last couple of years."

Nate Poppino can be reached at npoppino@magicvalley.com.

Benefit concert for Trooper Chris Glenn

NAMPA — A benefit concert for Trooper Chris Glenn will be held Friday at the Nampa Civic Center.
 Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for inspection of silent auction items and a no-host bar.
 Following the 7 p.m. Cowboy Rudy Show and concert, there will be a live auction hosted by auctioneer Ted Wheeler.
 This fundraising event features cowboy entertainer Rudy Goshels, along with his sidekick Terry Bekov.

The Cowboy Rudy Show is good, clean cowboy entertainment with fast pace cowboy humor, songs, stories and cowboy poetry.
 Tickets are \$20 per person and are available by calling Rhonda at 830-8851, Sam at 631-9305, Julie at 830-9721, or Jason at 989-6481.
 All proceeds go to the Trooper Chris Glenn family.
 If you wish to donate items for this auction, contact Sam Ketchum at Idaho State Police Training, 884-7241.

Crump

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 Then they'd phone your parents, who would show up with faces even redder than yours.
 Let me put it this way: If Wrigley's had to depend on an alumnus of St. Anthony Catholic School, they'd be selling auto parts now.
 Years later, I happened to be in a movie theater in Pocatello that was showing "The Right Stuff," the saga of the Mercury astronauts and their rivalry with fighter jocks like Chuck Yeager.
 As Yeager, played by Sam Shepherd, is about to step into the X-15 aircraft to break the sound barrier, he turns to a friend and says, "Lend me a

stick of Beaman's, will you? I'll pay you back."
 "Fair enough," his buddy says.
 Mrs. Crabtree gasped loud enough to be heard three rows over. I thought she was just impressed by the derogatory of the legendary Yeager, but she turned to her husband and exclaimed, "They let him chew gum in a rocket!"
 I hope the Air Force made Yeager stay late and scrape Beaman's off the bottom of the control panel.
Times-News columnist Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@magicvalley.com.

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Buhl library to host Harry Potter event

BUHL — The Buhl Public Library will host a Harry Potter event from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, 215 Broadway Ave. N.
 The library is paying homage to that wizard of words, J.K. Rowling, whose books have brought resurgence in family reading and book discussion.
 July marks the premiere of the fifth Harry Potter film and the debut of the last Harry Potter book, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.
 The library is encouraging

children and parents to come dressed as their favorite character from the books. There will be craft projects, Quidditch, prize drawings and food. Take a stroll through the wonders of Diagon Alley (craft). See what there is to explore, have a taste test at Honeydukes of Bertie Botts Every Flavor Beans. Stroll through the Portrait Gallery or

take lessons in astronomy, the history of magic (Harry Potter trivia) and divination (guessing the secrets of book 7).
 Buhl Rainbows 3-11 group will do face painting to get ready for Quidditch on the front lawn (bring your own broom, if you can).
 For more information, call 543-6500.

Chip sealing continues today in Twin Falls

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Sharpshooter husband of slain Wyoming singer dies of self-inflicted gunshot wound

By Head Editor Associated Press writer

LARAMIE, Wyo. — A military sharpshooter accused of killing his estranged wife as she sang at a bar died Tuesday night after being found with a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the chest, police said.

Wyoming Army National Guardsman Dustin Munnis was found by a search team shortly before 8 p.m. MDT and was flown to Vinson Memorial Hospital in Laramie, where he was pronounced dead, said Cheyenne police Lt. Mark Munari.

Munnis, 36, apparently shot himself as searchers closed in on him, Munari said. Authorities had been looking for Munnis, 36, in a canyon area north of Laramie near where his pickup was spotted late Monday. He was found in a trailer about 15 miles north of Laramie, near where police had been searching, Munari said.

Munnis' estranged wife, Robin Munnis, 46, was dining with a classic-rock and country group at the Old Chicago restaurant and bar early Saturday when a bullet pierced a plate glass door and hit her in the head, killing her.

Witnesses at the hospital

where Munnis was taken said they saw a body covered in a tarp being taken out of a helicopter.

"We were standing outside, and we saw a helicopter come in pretty fast and land," said Evan Maurer, who was helping to install networking and telephone lines at the emergency room. "About eight guys in fatigues, looked like National Guardsman or Army, jumped out with M-16s."

"They grabbed a body out of the copier and started carrying it," Maurer said.

Munnis was charged with first-degree murder earlier Tuesday.

The Munnises were recently separated, and Robin Munnis had contacted police just hours before the shooting to complain that he was making harassing calls to her cell phone.

Investigators said it was unclear whether the shot that killed her came from the restaurant parking lot, about 25 yards away, or from an open green space, roughly 100 yards off.

Witnesses told police that a pickup truck matching the one owned by David Munnis was seen leaving the scene.

A handwritten note, of about six pages, addressed to

"Everyone," was found at Munnis' home, police said Tuesday. "I'm calling it a near-confession," Cheyenne police Capt. Jeff Schulz said. "He does not come out and say, 'I did it.'"

The police spokesman would not give details.

On Monday night, Munnis' truck was found in rugged mountains north of Laramie, about 50 miles west of Cheyenne. Police said they believed that Munnis, a devoted hunter and outdoorsman, fled into terrain where his training and experience could give him the advantage.

Munnis has been a member of the Wyoming Army National Guard since 2003,

and was a 2001 graduate of the Army Sniper School at Fort Benning, Ga., according to the National Guard.

"Apprehending a man with that kind of sniper skill and the weaponry he has available to him is an extremely dangerous type of proposition," Schulz said earlier.

Munnis was assigned to an infantry regiment at Ft. Campbell, Ky., according to Lt. Col. Kevin V. Arata, public affairs officer with the U.S. Army Human Resources Command.

Arata said he couldn't determine from Munnis' military records if he was ever in combat.

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Lack of resources hamper fire crews

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Federal crews unleashed an aerial attack on a 2,000-acre wildfire that was threatening hundreds of homes on the southwest edge of Reno on Tuesday and burning heavy timber in a protected wilderness in a neighboring national forest.

No homes had burned and no evacuations were ordered Tuesday, but Washoe County officials issued a local declaration of emergency to its hopes of getting additional resources to fight the fire.

Firefighters also were battling an estimated two dozen lightning-sparked fires ranging in size from a few acres to 5,000 acres stretching across northern Nevada from north of Reno to about 200 miles east near Battle Mountain.

And in northeast Nevada's Elko County, one fire about 10 miles northwest of Wells had burned about 4.5 square miles and another about 20 miles west of Wells had burned about 6 square miles.

"With winds gusting up to 30 mph, fire crews in Reno were hampered by a shortage of fire engines and other equipment due to the large number of fires burning in the West."

"We have a lot of fires throughout the state. We're all up against the same resource crunch," Reno Fire Department spokesman Steve Frady said.

In addition to 240 personnel on the ground, five air tankers and three helicopters were dumping water and retardant on the Hawkens fire that broke out about 2:30 p.m. Monday. It

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Bombing at protest kills 15 in Pakistan

The Washington Post

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — At least 15 people died and more than 40 were wounded Tuesday in a suicide bombing targeted at a group of demonstrators gathered in the heart of the Pakistani capital Tuesday night to demand an end to President Pervez Musharraf's eight-year rule.

The attack threw Pakistan into even greater disarray following a week in which a deadly raid by army commandos at a radical Islamabad mosque provoked revenge attacks across the country's volatile northwest. Intense turmoil in Pakistan has claimed more than 200 lives this month alone.

Islamic fighters have declared war on the government, aiming to overthrow it with violence. The moderate Musharraf opponents who gathered Tuesday night say they also want to oust the general, but through upcoming elections. They were rallying in support of Pakistan's former chief justice, who was removed from his post by Musharraf.

It was not immediately clear who was behind Tuesday's attack. Some of the protesters who witnessed the deadly bombing blamed Islamic extremists, but others pointed the finger at Musharraf himself. Late Tuesday night, hundreds of protesters from the targeted rally converged on a nearby hospital, where they chanted anti-government slogans as the bodies of their colleagues were wheeled out on stretchers.

"We hold the government responsible for this whether it was a security lapse, or a deliberate intimidation tactic designed to send us a message," said Saif-ur-Rahman Latif Khosa, a member of the opposition Pakistan People's Party. "This was a targeted attack meant to forestall the movement for the chief justice, but we will not be deterred."

The bomb, which sent body parts flying dozens of yards away and shattered windows at a nearby market, seemed aimed at members of the PPP, the nation's largest opposition group. The party's exiled leader, former prime minister Benazir Bhutto, has been one of Musharraf's most outspoken critics.

But Bhutto also supported the government raid against Islamabad's Red Mosque, and has been reported to be in negotiations with Musharraf about a power-sharing arrangement. Tuesday's attack could have a significant impact on these talks, depending on who is ultimately blamed.

In a statement released Tuesday night by Bhutto's office, the PPP expressed "apprehension that a hidden hand was creating anarchy in the country with a view to pave way for imposing emergency."

Senate Democrats force all-nighter on Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dozing was optional, debating mandatory in the Senate's all-night session on the war in Iraq.

Six months after taking control of Congress, Democrats insisted on the attention-grabbing marathon, hoping to dramatize their opposition to the war. Even so, they appeared unlikely to gain the votes needed to advance troop withdrawal legislation blocked by Republicans.

"Our enemies aren't threatened by talk-a-thons, and our

troops deserve better than publicity stunts," said Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Republican leader.

McCormack and many other Republicans favor waiting until September before considering any changes to the Bush administration's current policy. They have vowed to block a final vote on the Democrats' attempt to require a troop withdrawal to begin within 120 days.

"We have no alternative except to keep them in session to explain their obstruction,"

said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada.

So far, the legislation has drawn the support of three Republicans, Sens. Gordon Smith of Oregon, Olympia Snowe of Maine and Chuck Hagel of Nebraska.

With a test vote set for Wednesday — capping a day and night of debate — Democratic officials conceded they were likely to get 52 or 53 votes at most. That's well short of the 60 needed to force a final vote on the measure.

While the issue was momen-

tous — a war now in its fifth year costing more than 3,600 U.S. troops their lives — the proceedings were thick with politics.

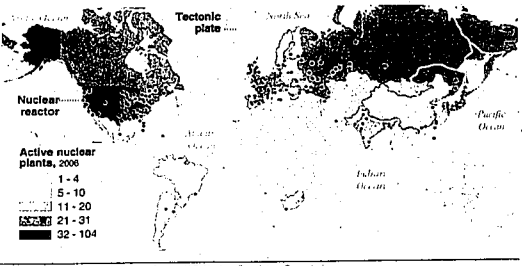
MoveOn.org, the anti-war group, announced plans for about 130 events around the country to coincide with the Senate debate, part of an effort to pressure Republicans into allowing a final vote on the legislation. A candlelight vigil and rally across the street from the Capitol, was prominent among them, with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.,

expected to attend. Inside the Capitol, the session shined up as the Senate's first all-nighter since 2003. Then, as now, the Senate staff wheeled about a dozen coats into a room near the chamber for any lawmakers needing them.

But the political roles were reversed. Four years ago, Republicans demanded votes on Bush's judicial nominees, and Democrats filibustered to avoid certain confirmation of several conservative appointees.

Fizzures and fusion

Nearly 450 active nuclear power plants exist in the world, many of them in close proximity to fault lines, particularly in Japan where more than four tectonic plates converge.



SOURCES: International Nuclear Safety Center; U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Dozens of problems found at nuclear plant struck by deadly quake in northern Japan

KASHIWAZAKI, Japan (AP) — A long list of problems including radiation leaks, burst pipes and fires — came to light Tuesday at the world's largest nuclear power plant, a day after it was hit by a powerful earthquake.

The malfunctions and a delay in reporting them fueled concerns about the safety of Japan's 55 nuclear reactors, which have suffered a string of accidents and cover-ups.

"They raised the alert too late. I have sent stern instructions that such alerts must be reported seriously and swiftly," Prime Minister Shinzo Abe told reporters in Tokyo. "Those involved should repent their actions."

Kashiwazaki-Kariwa is the world's largest nuclear plant in power output capacity, Japan's nuclear plants supply about 30 percent of the country's electricity, but its dependence on nuclear power is coupled with deep misgivings over safety.

The power plant suffered broken pipes, water leaks and spills of radioactive waste when it was hit by the earthquake Monday, the plant's operator said.

Signs of problems, however, came first not from the officials, but in a plume of smoke that rose up when the quake triggered a small fire at an electrical transformer.

It was announced only 12 hours later that the magnitude 6.8 tremor also caused a leak of about 315 gallons of water containing radioactive material. Officials said the water leak was well within safety standards. The water was flushed into the sea.

The company also said a small amount of radioactive materials cobalt-60 and chromium-51 had been emitted into the atmosphere from an exhaust stack.

Later Tuesday, it said 50 cases of "malfunctioning and trouble" had been found. Four of the plant's seven reactors were running at the time of the quake, and they were all shut down automatically by a safety mechanism.

Officials said there was no harm to the environment, but acknowledged it took a day to discover about 100 drums of low-level nuclear waste that were overturned, some with the lids open.

Kensuke Takeuchi, a spokesman for Tokyo Electric Power Co., which runs the plant, called the malfunctions "minor troubles."

Across town, more than 8,000 residents hunkered for their second night in shelters. The death toll — nine, with one person missing — was not expected to rise significantly. Most of the newer parts of town escaped major damage.

For residents, thousands of whom work at the plant, the controversy over its safety compounded already severe problems, which included heavy rains and the threat of landslides, water and power outages, and spotty communications.

"Whenever there is an earthquake, the first thing we worry about is the nuclear plant. I worry about whether there will be a fire or something," said Kiyokazu Tsunajima, a tailor who sat outside on his porch with his family, afraid an aftershock might collapse his damaged house.

"It's frightening, but I guess we are used to it," said Ikuo Sato, a young mother who was spending the night in a crowded evacuation center near her home, which was without water or power.



A rescue worker searches for quake survivors Tuesday in Kashiwazaki, Japan.

Brazilian plane skids off runway into gas station

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — A plane with 170 people aboard crashed and burst into flames in Sao Paulo on Tuesday after skidding off a runway that has been criticized as being too short in a driving rain, the nation's airport authority said.

There were no immediate reports of deaths by authorities, but a witness said he saw one charred body as flames shot into the sky and clouds of black smoke billowed into the air after the crash.

The Tam Airlines Airbus A320 skidded off the runway at Congonhas airport, then crossed a busy road at the height of rush hour in South America's largest city before slamming into a gas station, said Jose Leonardo Braga, a spokesman with airport authority Infraero.

Tam worker Elias Rodrigues Jesus, walking

near the site just as the crash happened, told The Associated Press that the jet exploded in between the gas station and a warehouse owned by Tam.

"All of a sudden I heard a loud explosion, and the ground beneath my feet shook," Jesus said. "I looked up and I saw a huge ball of fire, and then I smelled the stench of kerosene and sulfur."

Jesus said he saw one charred body, and Globo TV reported that at least seven people were being treated for injuries, some of whom were Tam workers who were in building.

Tam Linhas Aereas flight 3054 was en route to Sao Paulo from the southern Brazilian city of Porto Alegre with 170 passengers six crew members. Tam said in a statement.

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206 Drivers

DRIVER Semi Driver needed for hauling hay, straw, beans & corn. Exp with ton balls a plus. For more info call 208-431-4539

DRIVERS (2) Drivers for Hay Hauling. 2 yrs min exp. Contact Brad at 208-539-8747

DRIVERS Backhauls Operator and CDL Driver positions available. Pay DOE. Ask for Paul 208-734-1154 or 208-263-1568

DRIVERS Eureka Construction 1974 Eldridge Ave. Twin Falls, Idaho

DRIVERS "TOP GUN" Truck Drivers at Level 1 Class "A" CDL Instruction 733-6556

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EASY # 67

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-10.

208 Farm

FARM
Cowboy wanted year round position. Call before 5pm. 208-356-7931

MECHANIC
Needed for farm. Call before 5:00. 208-538-5494

View the Classifieds online at www.magnificaily.com

209 General

GENERAL
Intelligent Employment Solutions is looking for a bilingual/ bicultural Assistant in the Twin Falls office. This is a full time position to start immediately. This person needs to be able to multi-task, have computer skills, and have great customer service. Please bring in a resume or apply in person at 1201 Falls Ave. E. Suite 24.

AUTOMOTIVE
Auto Body Technician All positions starting immediately. Top pay! 208-735-4814
Idaho Collision Repair 3390 Lane Rd. Unit A Kimberly, Idaho

CAREGIVER
Caregivers needed for local Alzheimer & dementia facility. All positions available. With competitive wages and training. Previous care giving exp. is preferred. To Apply contact Lisa at Rosetta Assisted Living 208-735-4922 or apply in person at 1177 Eastridge Court Twin Falls

GENERAL
Assembly Multihand Positioning systems in accepting applications or FT employment. Mechanical & plus. Full, positive work environment. We offer competitive wages and benefits. Apply at 839 Albin Ave. E., Burley, 8am-5pm DOE.

GENERAL
Blue Labor Country Club is now hiring for the following positions:
-Servers Bar
-Attendants
-Accounts
-Receivable Clerk
Apply in person at Blue Lakes Country Club or call 208-733-2339

GENERAL
Material Taster for concrete, asphalt and roofing. Willing to train for concrete. Computer and record keeping skills necessary. Must be able to lift up to 40 pounds. Short term or long term. Pay up to \$10.00. Apply in person at 754 N. College Rd., Suite B, Twin Falls or for more information.

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GENERAL
Northwest Design is hiring for Press Operator. Must be able to work on a job for reliable, self-motivated individuals with developmental disabilities. Person will assist in all aspects of basic life skills. Background check required. Must be 18 years of age with valid drivers license and insurance. 208-735-4922. Apply at 200 2nd Ave. N. Suite E Twin Falls or call 208-735-4922 or email info@nwdesign.com or www.nwdesign.com or www.nwdesign.com

GENERAL
Franklin Building Supply Plant is looking for a few good people. We are currently hiring for:
-Roof Truss Builders and Sawyers.
We have new state of the art equipment & need experienced individuals to join our team. F.B.S. is an equal opportunity employer which offers a competitive wage and excellent benefits.
Please apply in person at 515 West Main in Jerome. See Terry or Angel.

GENERAL
Get a jump on summer fun and start earning money today!
Day & Swing Shift Positions Available

No Sales Involved
Base Pay Tip Up To \$11.00 an hour
All Paid Training!
Flexible Scheduling - You Pick the Days You Want to Work
Shift Start Times Coincide with School Schedules
Bonuses offered on monthly basis
Fun, Positive work environment
Employee Owned - Best time job or career!

Apply at 840 Meadows Dr #1 Twin Falls or call (208) 735-6601
Walking distance from CSII

209 General

CHILD CARE
Childcare Preschool Teacher, FT/PT Mon-Fri. Exp req. 735-2000

GENERAL
Warehouse
-Sales
-Clerical
-Food Processing
-Sheet Metal Worker
-Air Conditioning
-Tech HVAC
-Welder
-Receptionist
-Typist
-Accountant
-Metal Construction
Twin Falls 733-3730
Jerome 324-9000
Burley 878-4040
www.personnelinc.com

GENERAL
Kids grown? Experience the rewards of being a Comfort Keeper, helping care for seniors in their homes. Flexible schedules, benefits. Join our growing family. In Twin Falls area or 434-8888 in the Burley area. To apply contact Lisa at Rosetta Assisted Living 208-735-4922 or apply in person at 1177 Eastridge Court Twin Falls

GENERAL LABOR
We are looking for General Labor in Twin Falls, Idaho and Coalingo, CA. We are looking for hard working, dependable individuals able to lift up to 40 pounds. Short term or long term. Night shifts available. Pay up to \$10.00. Apply in person at 754 N. College Rd., Suite B, Twin Falls or for more information.

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-All Clientele Provided
-No Payback
-Hog Salary Reviews
-Comm. & Bonuses
-Paid Vacation
-Health/Dental Ins
-Work PT or FT
-Management Opport.
-CSA License req.
A Fun, Upbeat Place to Work!
Call 735-1200 for a confidential interview

HOTEL
PT Server. Nights & weekends. Apply in person at Red Lion Canyon Springs 1327 E. Main, N

MAINTENANCE
Person needed for 36 unit apartment complex in Burley. 20 hrs/week per week. Call 543-2740

MAINTENANCE
Maintenance person needed immediately. Please call 324-5857 for more details

MEDICAL
ATTENTION CNA'S
Parke View Care & Rehab has a great career to offer you!!!
As a premier Health Care Facility we offer:
- Competitive salaries and benefits
- Continuing education assistance
- Distance travel differential
We would like you to become a part of our team at Parke View Care & Rehab 2303 Parke Ave., Burley, ID 83818

PROFESSIONAL
Environmental Health Specialist (EHS) for South Central District Health, Bellevue, FT, to assist in food/day care inspections, septic/land programs in Blaine/Carnas counties. Position provided. Competitive pay. Qualifications apply online at <http://dhr.idaho.gov> for EHS1 (407547004837) and/or EHS (407544518800) by July 27. Starting salary range \$14.65 - \$22.10/hr - Plus Competitive Benefits!
For questions, call Eddy Garbutt, 737-5912, or Kathryn Egbert, 737-5941. EOE/AA, Veteran's prof.

GENERAL
CLEAR SPRINGS FOODS
Security Officer (PART-TIME)
Clear Springs Foods, Inc. is accepting applications for employment for a part-time security officer to patrol facilities nights, weekends and holidays. Applicants pass a drug test is mandatory. Ability to work overtime between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, Monday-Friday at the Processing Operations office located 7 miles north of Blaine on Clear Lakes Grade.
Clear Springs Foods, Inc. Processing Operations 1573-A Clear Lakes Road • Huhl, Idaho 83316 An Employee-Owned Company AA/EEO/DFW/DV

GENERAL
The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for a part time (30-hrs/week) or full time (40-hrs/week) position. Beginning monthly wage is \$11.54 with prorated benefits. Responsibilities include-coordination of on-site adult and youth recreation programs, facility scheduling, field preparation, training and scheduling seasonal officials and field crews. Required: HS Diploma or GED, 2 years experience in recreation with some supervisory experience, valid driver's license.
You may obtain more information and a City of Twin Falls application at www.tfid.org, the Human Resource Office, located in City Hall, 321 2nd Avenue East, or by phoning (208) 735-7288.
The City of Twin Falls is an Equal Opportunity Employer, Drug Free Work Place. Closing date is 08-03-07

STAR WEST SATELLITE
\$30,000/yr!
Assistant needed to help manage remote office!
Health Ins & 401k
Experience in satellite installation needed
Visit website @ www.starwestsatellite.net
Fax resume to: 208-461-2108 OR Email to: manager@starwestsatellite.net

209 General

MAINTENANCE
Part-time or Full-time Maintenance person for home & residential properties. Must be bondable and have tools. Fax resume & wage requirements to 208-734-4166

PhoneBase Research
PhoneBase Research currently has immediate openings in our interviewing department. This position involves conducting public opinion polls over the telephone. PhoneBase Research offers:
- \$50 Signing Bonus
- Flexible evening, day and weekend hours.
- \$7.59 an hour
- Casual dress code work environment
- Monthly interviewer incentives
- Ability to sales or solicit
To apply stop by our office at 840 Meadows Dr. Ste #2 in Twin Falls or call us at 208-736-2551

RESTAURANT
Cooking person \$6hour plus tips Prasa's The Plus Cuisine 428 2nd Ave E

RESTAURANT
Sook restaurant is seeking for the following positions:
-Host/Hostess
-Waitress
-Kitchen Help
-Till Position
Call 208-735-5777 or 208-316-3493
Pick up applications: 562 North Blue Lakes Twin Falls, Idaho

SALES
Robertson Supply is seeking a motivated individual to fill the position of Outside Sales Representative. Must have knowledge of plumbing & industrial supply. Excellent benefits, competitive wages and advancement opportunities. Bring resume and apply in person at 208-734-9195.
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WEST ♠ A K 7 ♠ J 9 8 ♠ 9 7 6 ♠ K 3 2

EAST ♠ Q 8 2 ♠ A ♠ 10 8 5 3 ♠ 9 8 5 4

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South holds: ♠ J 4 ♠ Q 10 7 3 2 ♠ A K 2 ♠ Q J 10

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