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Padraig Harrington wins British Open.

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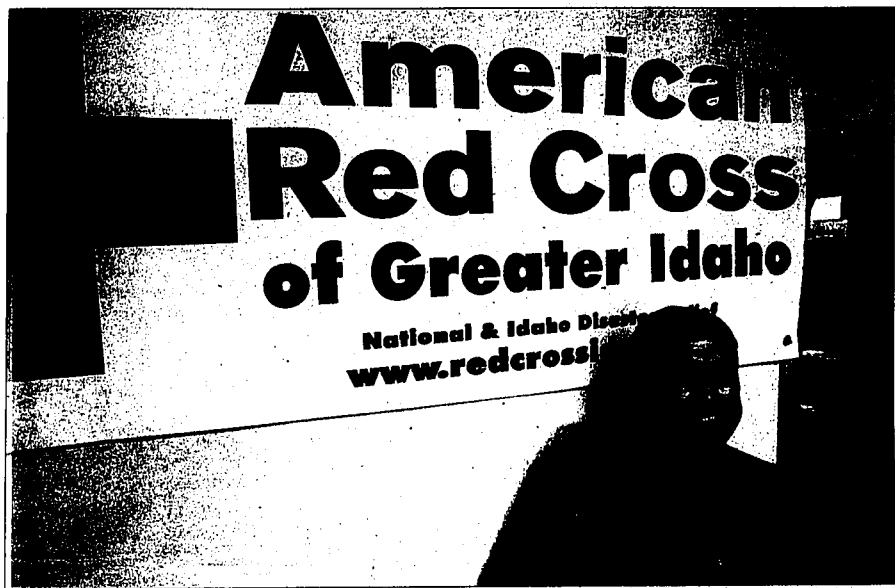
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VOLUNTEERS TAKE OVER

American Red Cross of Greater Idaho

National & Idaho Disaster Relief www.redcross.org



Larry Gósbay, a Red Cross volunteer, stands next to the organization's banner Tuesday afternoon inside the Twin Falls office before receiving training on the company's computer system.

Changes at Red Cross spook area agencies

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Whitney Beem may be nearing the end of her days with the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho. But rather than worry about how her volunteers will manage without her in the Magic Valley, she's spending her time preparing them to take the reins.

"This is their chance to really... maybe take a little more ownership," said Beem, the former director of the agency's Twin Falls office who will step down Aug. 3 as part of the state agency's attempts to save money. "They have come so far in the last couple of years. I

told them I feel like a mother chick and I'm ready to push them out of the nest." We are all invested in the health of the communities we live in. But groups like the Salvation Army and donors such as Con Paulos are concerned that that investment isn't enough, and that the Red Cross, traditionally the lead agency in emergencies such as the July 6 fires around Shoshone, won't be able to maintain its role when its management moves to Idaho Falls.

First in, last out

"Whatever the Red Cross says to do you do, because they know what

they're doing," said Millie Cawthra, the southern region director for Catholic Charities of Idaho.

Though her organization focuses more on counseling and family assistance than disaster relief, Cawthra said, it helped those in Shoshone displaced from their homes. The group doesn't have the resources for direct services, she said, and partnerships with groups such as the Red Cross are vital.

The area needs the Red Cross, Cawthra said, and she is far from the only person to stress the agency's leading role.

Jackie Frey, director of emergency

services for Twin Falls County, said the Red Cross serves an important role as a communications hub for relief work in the area, something she's not sure an all-volunteer staff will be able to maintain.

"It's an impossibility for volunteers to be asked to do that," she said. "Those are management roles, and that was why it's so critical that Whitney stay in that role."

Counties across the region are working with church groups such as Southern Baptist Relief to ensure they will have shelters and other important

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Financial woes haunt Red Cross Job cuts are latest cost-saving effort

By Nick Coltrain Times-News writer

BOISE — Between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006, almost 200 Idaho families lost their homes to disasters — almost 200 families that may have children, jobs, pets and homes full of memories.

The American Red Cross of Greater Idaho was there to help. The heads of the state chapter say the Red Cross will still be there to help — only now it'll be with half the paid staff members, the latest cut in an effort to eliminate yearly shortfalls of up to about \$700,000.

The cost of disaster relief — the Red Cross' primary responsibility — stacks onto other services the five state branches offer, such as first-aid and CPR classes and the help getting overseas military personnel home in times of family emergency.

Then there are overhead costs, such as renting office space and paid administrative workers. The cost eventually became too much for the Idaho Red Cross. Since the non-profit's fiscal year in 2001, it has never come closer than about \$45,000 to ending the year in the black. A more normal year ends with a deficit closer to \$400,000.

In fiscal year 2006, the annual debt became so bad the national Red Cross needed to give about \$1.15 million to bail out its Idaho chapter.

"Simply put, it's expense outpacing revenue," said Glenn Lockwood, interim chief operating officer for the state Red Cross office. "You have high expectations for the community and how they help the Red Cross, and those expectations weren't met. So, you make some changes and hope for a better turnaround." The Idaho Red Cross has been making cost-cutting changes since 2001 to meet fairly standard public donations.

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Federal program enriches cell phone companies that operate in rural areas

By John Dunbar Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A decade-old telephone tax intended to help bring affordable service to rural areas has instead turned into something quite different: a bottomless and politically protected well of cash for cell phone companies that do big business in rural America.

Over the past four years, there has been nearly a tenfold increase in government-ordered subsidies paid to a few "competitive" providers — cellular phone companies paid by the fund to offer service in rural areas where an existing carrier already receives a subsidy.

Now there are new calls for change, driven by the dramatic increase in money flowing to the cellular companies competing for rural business. Payments have gone from \$131 million in 2003 to an expected \$1.1 billion this year, according to an Associated Press analysis.

Increased demands by these carriers recently pushed the fee paid by telephone customers to the highest level in program history.

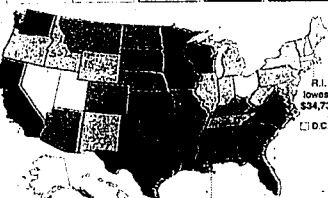
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Phone "tax" to rural America

The Universal Service Fund (USF) subsidizes wireless companies to provide service in rural areas. More than \$4 billion was dispersed to telephone companies in 2006.

USF payments, in millions, 2006

\$0 to \$25.0 25.1 to 50.0 50.1 to 75.0 75.1 to 100.0 100.1 and more



NOTE: Puerto Rico and Guam are not shown. Mississippi received \$278 million from the USF, the highest for all states.

SOURCE: Universal Service Administrative Company

Wildfires threaten training range at Mountain Home

By Keith Ridler Associated Press writer

BOISE — A wildfire in southern Idaho that grew by an estimated 200 square miles in 24 hours threatened facilities at an Air Force training range on Sunday, fire officials said.

The lightning-caused Murphy Complex of fires covered about 886 square miles and was burning less than a mile from a training range of Mountain Home Air Force Base. The range north of Murphy Hot Springs is used by pilots before heading to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Officials with the base's security and fire departments on Sunday declined to

comment about what type of facilities, if any, were at risk or how vulnerable they might be.

Chick Dickson, an information officer for the fire, said trucking and southern radar facilities were at risk, but was not sure what else was on the range.

"When a fire moves as quickly as this one does,

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today

Tonight

Tuesday



Partly cloudy, warm and hazy

High 96



Partly cloudy and slow to cool off

Low 64



Seasonal weather with passing clouds

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MINI-CASSIA

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Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of "Oklahoma," 7:30 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley, \$8, 677-2787.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

Elmore County Fair and Rodeo, Elmore County Fairgrounds, Glens Ferry, (208) 587-6220. Lincoln County Fair and Rodeo, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Shoshone, 886-2408 or 487-3273.

GOVERNMENT

Lincoln County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111 W. 5 Shoshone, 886-2173. Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, Burley, 878-7302. Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 150 S. Fourth E., Mountain Home, 587-2129. Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main, 934-4841. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700. Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 S. Rupert, 436-7111. Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7274. Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N., 728-7801. Halley City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall, 115 Main St. S., 788-4221.

HEALTH

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., Twin Falls, no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$9 per class for non-insured, 733-4384. The American Red Cross blood drive, noon to 6 p.m., at the Rupert First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., 436-1344 for a blood donation appointment. "Overcoming Addiction and Anger," Theophistic Therapy basic training video, 1 p.m., Miracle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-9603. Adult Children Anonymous meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, (208) 250-5676. To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicalvalley.com or by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

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What causes Harry Potter's headaches?

As if Harry Potter didn't have enough to worry about, his frequent and debilitating headaches have gone undiagnosed over six books. Until now, that is. Thanks to the New England Center for Headache in Stamford, Conn., Harry's afflictions got full examination in a paper published in the June issue of Headache: The Journal of Head and Face Pain. SEE PAGE 21

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T.F. Police Department welcomes new officers

TWIN FALLS — If the Twin Falls Police Department seems full of young faces, don't worry: You're not just getting older. Since January 2005, 21 new officers — mainly first-time cops — have donned the city's uniform and begun patrolling the streets. On July 12, the department reached full staff for the first time in two years when Officer Matt Gonzales, 25, completed his six months of training. Before the splash of new blood, the Twin Falls Police Department was desperately hemorrhaging personnel. SEE PAGE A4

Officials happy about splash at Buhl pool

BUHL — Perhaps it's because of the heat, which maintains water at 82 degrees, it might be the freshly scrubbed and repainted pool walls, or the newly seal-coated restrooms. Or maybe it's the new non-slip deck around and the kid-friendly and comfortable wooden spectator chairs that are drawing more and more people to the Buhl City Pool. SEE PAGE A4

YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

IDAHO/WEST

Heat plagues northern Nevada firefighters

RENO, Nev. — Firefighters had to contend with more hot, dry weather Sunday as they fought 20 wildfires that had blackened more than 700 square miles, or 455,600 acres, across northern Nevada. SEE PAGE A9

Logging industry short laborers in N. Idaho

COEUR D'ALENE — After two decades of downturns and a perception that logging is a dying industry, companies in northern Idaho have the trees but are short on workers. SEE PAGE A9

Sheriff concerned about response times

COEUR D'ALENE — The public's safety is at risk because northern Idaho's Kootenai County is so short of deputies that there aren't enough available to quickly respond to calls, according to Sheriff Rocky Watson. SEE PAGE A9

3 arrested in alleged international drug ring

ROSEBURG, Ore. — Three more men have been arrested on charges resulting from an investigation into what federal prosecutors say was a multimillion-dollar international drug ring. SEE PAGE A9

NATION/WORLD

State Dept. takes blame for passport mess

WASHINGTON — If the current passport mess is rare among government foul-ups: A top federal official has publicly taken the blame and expressed regret. SEE PAGE A6

Sales soar for newest Harry Potter book

NEW YORK — It is the richest going-away party in history. "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows," the seventh and final volume of J.K. Rowling's all-conquering fantasy series, sold a mountainous 8.3 million copies in its first 24 hours on sale in the United States, according to Scholastic Inc. SEE PAGE A6

Turkish voters stick with Muslim-led party

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Turkish voters Sunday handed the Islamist-influenced ruling party a decisive victory in parliamentary elections, rewarding it for stewardship of the country's robust economy but raising the specter of bitter new quarters over the feared erosion of Turkey's secular traditions. SEE PAGE A10

SPORTS



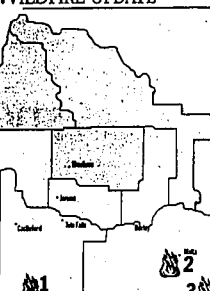
Harrington wins British Open

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Padraig Harrington finally learned the lesson of Carnoustie, surviving a calamitous finish in regulation and a tense putt for bogey on the final hole of a playoff to win the British Open on Sunday. SEE PAGE B1

Bonds sits out series finale in Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE — Barry Bonds' pursuit of the home run record will resume back in San Francisco on Monday night. Bonds has 753 home runs, two from tying Hank Aaron's record, and will have the chance to make history back home in the Bay Area where he's hit so many of his milestone home runs. SEE PAGE B1

WILDFIRE UPDATE



- 1. Murphy Complex: This fire complex includes the previously reported Rowland and Elk Mountain fires. Very active fire behavior is observed. Several communities have been evacuated. Numerous towns, ranches and the Mountain Home Air Force Base training range facilities are threatened. Located: 56 miles southwest of Twin Falls. Size: 511,000. Containment: Five percent.
2. Black Pine 2: This fire, that's burned for more than two weeks, continues to claim brush and grass. Minimal fire activity was observed Sunday. Located: 11 miles southeast of Malta. Size: 73,000 acres. Containment: 90 percent.
3. Jim Canyon: No new information was available Sunday in this blaze, which has also burned for several weeks. Located: Near Strevell, Utah. Size: 4,538 acres. Containment: 70 percent. Source: National Interagency Fire Center

ON THE AGENDA

Table with columns for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Lists various community events, meetings, and performances with times and locations.

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COMING TOMORROW

The voice of rodeo: Hear from one of the most well-known voices in the Magic Valley — rodeo announcer Lon Hatch.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

All week: Summer semester continues through Friday; fall registration continues. CSI library is open 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today, Thursday and Friday; 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday. CSI Dance Camp, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Fine Arts and gym. CSI Adult Basic Education Center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today and Friday; and 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Meyerhoeffer, second floor. CSI Testing Center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today, Tuesday and Friday; and 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Meyerhoeffer, second floor. Tuesday: Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., also Friday. Faulkner Planetarium shows: "Sky Quest" with live sky tour, 2 p.m., through Saturday; "Mysteries from the Depths of Space," 7 p.m., also Friday and Saturday; and "Altruistic Rock!" 8:15 p.m., also Friday and Saturday. CSI "Career in a Year" technical program open house, 4 to 7 p.m., center of campus. Wednesday: Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., also Thursday. Summer solar session (free, safe solar viewing), 1 to 3 p.m., Herrett Center. Centennial Observatory. Styx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113. Practical Nursing Program: White Honors, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Thursday

Surgical Tech Program completion ceremony, 7 p.m., Taylor 276 and 277. Dental Assisting completion ceremonies and picnic, 5 p.m., rose garden area.

Friday

Huggle Bears chapter, Narcotic Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Saturday

Twin Falls Farmers Market (fresh local produce; arts and crafts), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., North Expo Road across from Expo Center. CSI Judo Club summer meeting, 10 a.m., Evergreen 176. National Traffic Safety Institute safety class, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Shields 309. "Far Out Space Places," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Pageant, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Cuts

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In years without highly publicized disasters like the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks or Hurricane Katrina, total individual donations to the Idaho Red Cross fall between about \$500,000 and \$700,000.

The fiscal year 2002, which ended Sept. 31, 2001 brought in almost \$1.5 million in public donations just to Idaho offices.

To better meet the donations, the organization has

trimmed more than \$1 million annually in program expenses since 2001, mostly by cutting paid positions, Lockwood said.

This includes teachers for their health-services classes and paid emergency responders.

Dick Rush, chief executive officer for the Idaho Red Cross, recently announced cutting 10 paid positions from the state chapter. The Twin Falls director's job

was among those on the cutting block.

Rush said the decisions made are part of a nationwide push for the Red Cross to return to its volunteer roots, but it also has financial incentives. Rush estimated a savings of up to \$500,000 for the next fiscal year from staff and other budget cuts.

Rush said cutting paid staff is perhaps the biggest cost-saver that goes toward finishing their fiscal years in the

black. The jobs still need doing, he said, only now they need to find volunteers.

"If there was someone who was willing to do my job as a volunteer, well that would be fun to look at," Rush said. "It's critical that we (the Idaho Red Cross) are able to pay our own way."

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Red Cross

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services in emergencies. Twin Falls County commissioners are drafting a letter of concern about the issue, and Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higgins said he's also reaching out to church groups and others, thanks to a shortage of Red Cross volunteers there.

"I just don't think right now that the American Red Cross can provide what they promise, at least in our area," he said.

"That might be because people don't volunteer like they used to," said Mike Bright, an assistant coordinator with Lincoln County Emergency Management. These days, he said, they're just too busy.

"When you need to work two or three jobs at a time to make ends meet, it just doesn't happen," he said.

'A strong team'

Shawn Tolman is proud of the Red Cross' volunteer past. More than that, he's proud of the work his volunteers have done over the past year and a half for the 16 eastern Idaho counties for which he serves as Red Cross director.

Tolman's area of oversight will expand next month when he assumes control over the eight counties composing the southern district, but he said he thinks his experience with volunteers so far will help him keep up with the larger area.

It's quick to point out the history of the organization — especially the high number of volunteers during World War II. And while volunteer levels aren't anywhere near that today, Tolman said he has a large group of them he uses to keep up with his coverage area. One office in Chubbuck is completely staffed by volunteers who keep up the areas health and safety classes. He plans to visit Twin Falls

on Friday to meet those with concerns and head off potential problems.

"I really don't think that there should be any change with those types of agencies that we work with," he said. And neither does Cathi Leeming. The four-year Red Cross volunteer has seen three different directors in the Magic Valley and said the local volunteer network is strong enough to withstand this most recent change.

As long as the volunteers remain focused in this area, she said, and are able to get training without having to go to Boise, the only challenge is the usual one — getting donations.

"We have to actually make the money in order to give the money," she said, pointing out that the Red Cross is not government-funded. "It's very hard because people don't realize that."

Not all volunteers are as optimistic. Larry Gansby, an eight-month volunteer who also works with emergency management in Jerome County, said he can find no one in the area happy with the new "ill-advised" business model and wondered how many volunteers will be dedicated enough to help run the Twin Falls office.

But the Red Cross leadership has kept a sense of optimism. During a Tuesday visit to Twin Falls, Jodie Marshall, state emergency-services director, said she thinks the agency's history proves volunteerism will work.

"What I know is this is the reality we are in at the moment and there are people out there with the heart to make this work."

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Fires

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pushed by the wind, it creates a very hot heat front," Dickson said. "That will impact even steel structures quite easily."

The fire was about 15 percent contained, fire spokeswoman Pam Bierce said, and mandatory evacuations remained in effect for the tiny town of Jarbidge, Nev. An evacuation order for Murphy Hot Springs was lifted for residents only.

Ranches in the area were also threatened, a lot of grazing area had been lost, and cattle likely had died in the fast-moving blaze, he said. He didn't have an estimate of how many cattle were on grazing allotments within the fire's perimeter.

About 7,500 residences and 1,000 outbuildings in the sparsely populated region were threatened by the fire, but no one has been seriously injured.

In northern Idaho, the rapidly expanding Poe Cabin Fire destroyed a hunting outfitter's ranch as it raced through fire crowns and shot out embers that created spot fires up to a mile away, said fire spokesman Chuck Stanich.

Because of the number of dwellings in the area, the fire was the top priority in the Northern Rockies area for get-

ting firefighting resources, he said.

"Communities to the north and east of the fire are all threatened," Stanich said.

The fire, about six miles southwest of White Bird, destroyed nine buildings on Friday and Saturday, including two residences and seven outbuildings.

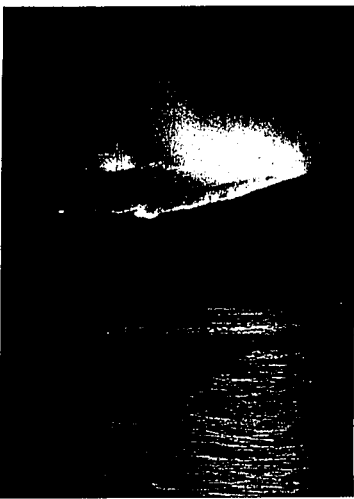
Those included the house, barn, bunkhouse and a cabin that were part of Boulder Creek Outfitters, a private hunting ranch.

"We lost our whole ranch," owner Tim Craig told the Lewiston Tribune. "We were all by ourselves. Nobody was there."

Voluntary evacuations were in place for two valley areas, but no injuries were reported and firefighters were protecting other buildings, Stanich said.

The lightning-caused fire, which started Friday and raced through kindling-dry grass and forest, had grown to 31 square miles and was 10 percent contained, he said.

Stanich said 113 personnel were assigned to the fire with more arriving, supported by air tankers and helicopters. Thirteen large fire were burning in Idaho on Sunday, according to the Boise-based National Interagency Fire Center.



Boaters on the Clearwater River watch a fire Saturday on a nearby hillside in Lewiston.

Phones

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The Federal Communications Commission will decide soon whether to cap payments while it considers options for long-term changes — again.

The subsidy's roots

The Universal Service Fund was created by Congress in 1996 as part of an overhaul of the nation's communications services designed to create competition.

Specifically, Congress ordered that consumers — including those in "rural, insular and high-cost areas" — have access to telecommunication and information services at rates comparable to those charged in urban areas. That was to be financed by a tax added to long-distance bills. The charge may only be a few dollars per month, but it adds up fast.

In 2006, the fund collected \$6.6 billion, money that flows to four programs. About \$1.7 billion paid for schools and libraries to connect to the Internet; two smaller funds subsidized telephone services for the poor and rural health care facilities.

The largest chunk — about \$4.1 billion last year — flows to the aptly named "high cost" program, the source of the current controversy. That money is paid directly to telephone companies that do business in mostly rural areas where the cost of delivering service is high.

In the early years of the fund, subsidies went almost exclusively to old-fashioned wired phone companies — large ones — that had served rural areas for decades. To spur competition, Congress wanted to make subsidies available to other companies.

Initially, the lure of a handout wasn't enough to attract new entrants. But the dramatic growth of the cellular telephone industry changed all that.

Wireless providers discov-

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— Billy Jack Gregg, a consumer advocate

ered that the subsidy — based on what the wire companies were getting per customer — would cover their costs and then some.

A 'no losers support system'

Critics say the cellular companies are enjoying a windfall because their networks are much cheaper to build and maintain than miles of wires and telephone poles. They say logic dictates the subsidy should be based on actual cost.

Making the system more expensive, companies are compensated on a per-subscriber basis. Each time a cell phone company signs up a new customer, it collects a subsidy.

If the customer keeps his land line, the fund pays a subsidy to both carriers. If the customer opts to drop his land line and keep his cellular phone (the goal of competition), the per-subscriber subsidy for the land line carrier actually goes up, keeping the overall subsidy unchanged. In some high-cost areas, the subsidy can amount to several hundred dollars per customer per month.

Since the cellular competitor's rates are based on the incumbent's per-customer subsidy, the cell company gets

more money, too. And so does every other cellular competitor that does business in the area. In some places there are two, three or more.

"This is the essential irrationality of the system," says Billy Jack Gregg, a consumer advocate and member of the federal-state board that helps set fund policy. "It makes no sense to subsidize multiple carriers in a high-cost area."

Gregg has testified to Congress that the "bizarre" program amounts to a "no-losers support system" in which participants are paid "for all lines they serve in high-cost areas, no matter how duplicative or costly this additional support may be."

Mississippi tops the list

Mississippi's competitive cellular carriers received more than \$314 million from 2003 through the first four months of 2007, the most of any state, according to an AP analysis of more than 20,000 disbursement records.

Second was Puerto Rico, at \$236 million, Kansas third at \$139 million. At the bottom of the list, receiving no funding for competitive carriers, were South Carolina, Rhode Island, Ohio, Massachusetts, Idaho and Delaware.

The most highly competitiv-

ed company, according to AP's analysis, was Lincoln, Ark.-based Altel Communications Corp. Altel collected at least \$306 million over the study period for wireless services. Second was Western Wireless Corp., bought by Altel in 2005, with \$274 million.

Those two companies, combined with Midwest Wireless, also bought by Altel, account for 30 percent of all funds paid to competitive carriers over the study period.

Of the \$2.45 billion that has been paid to competitive carriers from 2003 through April 2007, 75 percent of the cash went to 10 companies, according to AP's analysis.

Altel, which recently announced the sale of the company, reported a \$230 million profit in the first three months of 2007, a total boosted by the \$65 million to \$70 million in universal service funds the company, says it, receives each quarter.

"We are the largest wireless recipient of (universal service funding) because we are the largest rural carrier," company spokesman Andrew Morau told the AP in an e-mailed response to questions.

Next on the list of recipients is AT&T Inc. with \$239 million, followed by U.S. Cellular Corp. at \$212 million and Mississippi's Cellular South Inc. with \$156 million.

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TWIN STOP

'West Nile Avenue'

Rupert resident concerned about water, mosquitoes on his property

By Rich Greene
For the Times-News

HUPERT — Leland Coffman has had the same problem for 30 years. A ditch located behind his property collects runoff water, sub-water and precipitation. And recently, the standing water has risen the deepest Coffman has ever seen it.

The pool is a perfect breeding ground for leeches, noxious weeds and mosquitoes. It stands as still as the bureaucracies Coffman has faced to fix the problem. Coffman has even given a nickname to his portion of H Street, and created a sign that now hangs on his shed — which is also becoming overrun with water — "Danger: Welcome to West Nile Ave."

Of the two biggest concerns are West Nile and the children," said Ramona Coffman, Leland's daughter.

Ramona said she fears a child from the neighborhood will drown in the water. "We've fought this for 30 years, and we're fed up of fighting," Ramona said.

Coffman said he first contacted the Magic Valley Region District 30 years ago and asked if he could fill in the ditch, but he said, he was told the ditch was in the city of Rupert's jurisdiction. He then went to the Rupert City Council, where members told him it was MID's problem.

Today, Coffman is still getting the same runaround.

For the past few months, Coffman and neighbors went back in front of the City Council but with the same results. The council said it was MID's problem, and MID said it was the city's problem. Coffman said, MID eventually let one property owner fill in his portion of the ditch with the suggestion that Bill Thompson, manager of MID, be allowed to observe the effects.

Thompson recently said a broken pump operated by the city was the primary reason for the water's rise.

Coffman and neighbors went again last week to the City Council.

They raised the same concerns they had in September — for Coffman the same concerns he first raised 30 years ago.

The H Street residents were told by city officials the broken pump was one factor, and the recent hot weather has caused water levels to rise all across the city. The ground has become saturated by over-watering, and the effects are being seen in other ditches.

Council members said they believed MID was responsible for maintenance of the area, and the last time they looked into it they were not allowed to spray the area for mosquitoes. Councilman James Bowers suggested a meeting between the city, MID and any organizations that may or may not have denied ownership of the land, and he suggested they report back at the next city council meeting, Aug. 7.

In the meantime, Coffman hopes his shed survives. "My shed since somebody's going to pay for it," he said.



A sign on Leland Coffman's shed in Rupert warns, 'Danger: Welcome to West Nile Ave.'

T.F. Police Department at full staff for first time in two years

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If the Twin Falls Police Department seems full young faces, don't worry: You're not just getting older. Since January 2005, 21 new officers — mainly first-time cops — have donned the city's uniform and begun patrolling the streets. On July 12, the department reached full staff for the first time in two years when Officer Matt Gonzales, 25, completed his six months of training.

Before the splash of new blood, the Twin Falls Police Department was desperately hemorrhaging personnel.

In 2005 alone, 11 officers left the department. Four left at once for the Boise Police Department. The department pulled its detectives from their desks to maintain a street-patrol presence. For half a year, schools lost their school-resource officers for the first time since 1979. It was an especially rough time to lose police officers. Twin Falls ranked first in the state for its crime rate, according to the state's 2004 Uniform Crime Report.

Without the new faces, that could still be the case.

"Everybody was really upset about it," Staff Sgt. Dan Lewin recalled. "You just get worn out working so much. You miss your time with your family because you are trying to fill in all the gaps."

On the minds of sergeants and captains has been how to retain the new wave. A series of meetings among sergeants produced a comprehensive incentives plan. That plan, which includes the city chipping in more money for training, performance, longevity and having to work tough shifts, has played out in two phases, with the upcoming budget year expected to deliver the second half.

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Kevin Loosli, left, and Travis Langway sit during the end of a shift-change briefing Thursday evening at the Twin Falls Police Department. The department, which is at full staff for the first time in two years, has hired 21 new officers since January 2005, many of them first-time cops.

Levings said the added incentives provide welcome "breathing room."

"Anybody who's lived paycheck-to-paycheck knows that's going to build your morale," Levings said. The department promoted Levings from patrol officer to school-resource officer. In the summers, she reverts to being a patrol officer.

Patrol Officer Nate Silvester, 26, is not thinking about retirement. He and his wife are raising a family and have no plans to leave. It is, however, not dead set against the idea. Bigger agencies pay more money and are known for attracting officers away from smaller departments.

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new officer jobs and one new detective position.

Capt. Matt Hicks said when an officer leaves, finding a replacement is only one-third of the battle. Officers must train for six months before the department allows them to patrol alone.

"For that six-month period we do not have an officer filling that position," Hicks said. "That is even more incentive to try to retain employees."

After training, the new officer still has a lot to learn, Hicks said. The officer's experience-based learning has only just begun.

Even as the city works to quell its staffing problems, the town's popula-

tion of 40,000 continues to grow. The ratio feels off-kilter to Silvester when he patrols over the weekends.

"We're real busy," Silvester said. "On a busy weekend, we'll have more than 100 calls (both days) for service."

According to city dispatch, from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends, six patrol officers plus at least one community-service officer are in charge of the city. At 3 p.m., the number of patrols on duty grows by at least two. Total calls for a weekend in the past 1 1/2 months has fluctuated between 250 and 309.

But Silvester said he is confident that the additional 2005 more officers will help lift that burden.

Buhl sees increased use of city pool

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

July fun days at the Buhl City Pool

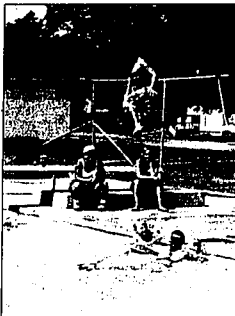
- Today, session-three swimming lessons begin at 10 and 11 a.m. Cost is \$38.
- July 25 — Bring something patriotic for the bulletin board and get a free snow cone.
- July 26 — Adult Day, where those 18 and over pay \$1 for pool admission.
- July 29 — Girls Day, where two girls get in for the price of one.

For more information, call Corinne Hance at 308-5948.

week session of swimming lessons to be canceled, Hance said. Still, more kids are learning how to swim at the pool this year.

Last year, 130 youngsters took swimming lessons at the pool; 108 have taken lessons this year.

"This will just two sessions. We'll have at least one session left and we may reschedule the first session that was canceled, so our numbers are way up," Hance said.



Felipe Marques, 6, of Buhl jumps from the lifeguard tower during his swimming lesson at the Buhl City Pool recently. Some patrons say they visit the facility more often because of recent improvements.

Overall usage in June indicated an increase of 443 swimmers. About 2,409 people visited the facility in June 2006; this year that number climbed to 2,852.

The upgrades at the pool are the reason Cecilia Awelar of Buhl brings her son, Zachary, for lessons.

"It is so much nicer now,"

she said. "Years ago I would take my children to Ingerman for lessons. It's so nice to come here."

Carlene Marques especially enjoys sitting in the shade while watching her younger brother learn to swim.

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Dog lover

Richfield woman finds joy in grooming pets

By Alnee Durand
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD — Dog grooming is booming in Richfield, at least for one local business owner.

At just over a year old, it's Tub Time Grooming has already made a name for itself — as has the owner of the home-based business, Daria Chappell.

Chappell, 44, went to school to study desktop publishing, but her love for dogs finally won out when she, with help from her husband, Tom, decided to open her own dog-grooming business.

"I love dogs, and I enjoy working from home," she said. "It is nice being a small-town business."

Before she began her grooming, Chappell took business classes from Carlene Harding of A Classier Clip in Twin Falls. On June 2, 2006, Chappell opened it's Tub Time Grooming. It is a way for Chappell to work from home and do the thing she enjoys most — working with dogs.

Chappell considers her work as a way to serve the community, and she even allows school students to take field trips to her shop.

"She does a great job and has a nice setup," said Mike Piper, owner of Pipers Store in Richfield. He and his own golden retriever, Jasmine, participated in a recent field trip to the shop. And clients have come from Bellevue, Gooding,

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Twin Falls City Council meets today

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The City Council will consider several items of interest at its weekly meeting at 5 p.m. today in the council chambers, 305 3rd Ave. E.

• A request by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce to approve the annual Hot August Nite picnic and auction at Twin Falls City Park.

• A request by Roger Moore to approve the 27th Annual Falls

Brand/Budweiser Door Slammer Softball Tournament at Harmon Park.

• A request by The Junior Club of Magic Valley to approve the 20th Annual Bite of Magic Valley at Twin Falls City Park.

The Council is also slated to consider:

• A request by the Hispanic Heritage Federal Committee to approve their annual event at Twin Falls City Park.

• A Grant Offer for IAA Airport

Improvement Project 26.

• The final plat of Wild Rose Estates Subdivision, Phase 3.

• A PID Agreement between the city and Lighthouse Christian Fellowship.

• A request to approve a contract with CH2M HILL to design and bid an upgrade to the wastewater-treatment facility.

A public hearing is scheduled for 6 p.m. regarding a request for annexation of 2.8 acres near Harrison Street and Orchard Drive.

DEATH NOTICES

Edna I. Miller

GOODING — Edna I. Miller, 92, of Gooding, died Sunday, July 22, 2007, in Corvallis, Ore. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service Gooding Chapel.

Lloyd F. Dixon

BURLEY — Lloyd Franklin Dixon, an 88-year-old resident of Burley, died Sunday, July 22, 2007, at Highland Estates in Burley.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by Russmusen Funeral Home of Burley.

Verna Louise Paladini

TWIN FALLS — Verna Louise Paladini, age 71, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, July 22, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

James R. Feeney III

BURLEY — James Richard Feeney III, a 35-year-old resident of Burley, died Sunday, July 22, 2007.

The funeral is pending and will be announced by Russmusen Funeral Home of Burley.



Tammy Faye Bakker Messner and her then husband Jim Bakker are shown in an October 1987 file photo in Beverly Hills, Calif. Messner, who as Tammy Faye Bakker helped her husband build a multimillion-dollar evangelist empire and then saw it collapse in disgrace, died Friday, said her booking agent, Joe Spotts. She was 65.

Tammy Faye Messner, ex-wife of evangelist Jim Bakker, dies at 65

By Steve Harlowe
Associated Press writer

RALEIGH, N.C. — Live one day at a time, without fear, Tammy Faye Messner said earlier this month as she battled cancer, weighing just 65 pounds.

Messner, who as Tammy Faye Bakker helped her husband, Jim, build a multimillion-dollar evangelist empire that collapsed in disgrace, said Saturday. She was 65.

Messner had battled colon cancer since 1996 that more recently spread to her lungs. She passed away peacefully Friday at her home near Kansas City, Mo., said Joe Spotts, who was also Messner's booking agent.

She had been the chief builder of the Bakkers' Heritage USA Christian theme park near Fort Mill, S.C., in 1993. In 1995, he was convicted of bankruptcy fraud, and she spent about two years in prison.

Through it all, Messner kept plugging her faith and herself. She did concerts, a short-lived secular TV talk show and an inspirational videotape. In 2004, she cooperated in the making of a documentary about her struggle with cancer, called "Tammy Faye: Death Defying."

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She divorced her husband of 30 years, with whom she had two children, in 1992 while he was in prison for defrauding millions from television followers of their PTL ministries. The letters stood for "Praise the Lord" or "People that Love."

Jim Bakker said in a news release that his ex-wife lived "like the song she sang, 'If Life Hands You a Lemon, Make Lemonade.'"

She is now in heaven with her mother and grandmother and Jesus Christ, the one who she loves and has served since her childhood, he said.

"That is the comfort I can give to all who loved her."

Messner's second husband also served time in prison. She married Joe Messner, who had been the chief builder of the Bakkers' Heritage USA Christian theme park near Fort Mill, S.C., in 1993. In 1995, he was convicted of bankruptcy fraud, and she spent about two years in prison.

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Vacation Bible School for youth starts today

FILIER — The Filier Memorial Church invites all youth in fourth through eighth grade to attend Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. today through Friday at the church, 109 Fifth St.

There is no cost to participate. "Our theme is 'Be Bold,'" said Kathy West of Buhl, who is helping organize the event. "We are decorating

in a fun jungle theme that kids will really enjoy. There will be plenty of music, crafts and snacks to make sure the kids have a good time."

Transportation by bus will be available at 8:30 a.m. each morning at West's home, 1563 E. 4200 N. in Buhl. It will return at noon.

For more information, call West at 543-9142 or Diane Finney at 543-9094.

Chip sealing on streets today

TWIN FALLS — Emery Brothers Construction is chip sealing several Twin Falls streets. Road Work Ahead Construction Supply is handling traffic control. Here is today's schedule for the project.

Wendell Street from Falls Avenue West to Filer Avenue West.

- Rose Street North from Caswell Avenue West to Filer Avenue West.

Sparks Street from Falls Avenue West to Filer Avenue West.

- Bobbins Avenue from Sparks Street to Washington Street North.
- Caswell Avenue West from Grandview Drive North to Washington Street North.

For more information, call Ty Studer at 734-4444.

Pioneering newspaper reporter Paul Weeks, 86, dies

By Jon Thurber
Los Angeles Times

Paul Weeks, a versatile reporter for the *Los Angeles Times* who pioneered the coverage of Los Angeles' black community in the 1960s, died July 10 of liver cancer at his home in Occidente, Calif. He was 86. A veteran newsmen who had worked for several Los Angeles newspapers, Weeks joined the *Times* in 1962.

That same year, one of the paper's managing editors, Frank McCullough, asked him to look at the lives and concerns of blacks in the city.

It was a groundbreaking assignment for the paper at the time. While the black population of Los Angeles had boomed since World War II, the *Times* had done little to report on the community's problems and concerns.

According to Bill Boyarsky, who served as the *Times* city editor and columnist a generation later, Weeks was a white man who had a "social conscience," a rare and often scorned quality in newsmen at the time.

Writing in his blog on the Web site LA Observer, in 1992 Boyarsky, now the City Ethics commissioner in Los Angeles, called Weeks an "overlooked hero of Los Angeles' traumatic civil rights struggle."

Accepting the assignment from McCullough, Weeks

worked to establish relationships with black community leaders. It was often a struggle, and Weeks told Boyarsky that leaders were "at first suspicious of anyone wanting to put anything in the white press about them."

His assignment also raised suspicions among co-workers. Colleagues criticized him often for his ease with accompanying racial stunts.

But several months later, he produced a four-part series exploring how the civil rights movement was playing out in Los Angeles, discussing such issues as discrimination in housing, overcrowding and substandard education in predominantly black schools and long-standing tensions with local law-enforcement agencies.

The lack of trust black leaders felt for the mainstream newspapers is evident in the fact that many leaders would only allow themselves to be quoted anonymously in the series.

As Robert Gottlieb and Irene Wolt wrote in their 1977 book, "Thinking Big: The Story of the Los Angeles Times," its Publishers and their influence on Southern California, "much of the information in Weeks' series was 'not taken fully to heart' at the *Times*."

"Many of the staff writers and editors at the *Times* shared Police Chief William Parker's feelings that 'in overall race relations this community has done a magnificent job,' they wrote.

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SERVICES

James C. "Jim" Johnson of Hazelton, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Valley Christian Center in Hazelton (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Joanne S. Schultz of Hagerman, memorial service at 11:15 a.m. today at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Hagerman (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Carol O. Hale Sr. of Burley, funeral at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Grace Community Church, 100 N. Meridian in Rupert; viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St., and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

Margaret Jessie "Midge" Russell of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Unity LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, 275 S. 250 E. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Russmusen Funeral Home of Burley, 1350 E. 16th St., and from 10 to 10:40 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

Mary Catherine (Hankins) Meyer of Kennewick, Wash., and formerly of Jerome, service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel, 629 Third Ave. E. in Jerome; visitation from 9:30

a.m. to noon Tuesday at the mortuary.

Emma Rue Lewis of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Mount Vernon Memorial Park in Fair Oaks, Calif.; viewing will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the Mount Vernon Memorial Park (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Douglas Alan Lindemood of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church, 755 E. Chinden Blvd. in Meridian (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

In Junior Robbins of Buhl, graveside memorial service at 10 a.m. Thursday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Betsy Lou McCleud Peterson, of Sacramento, Calif., memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Wendell Cemetery; a lunch will follow at the Old Fellows/Rebekah Hall in Wendell.

E. Lucille Hurd Fearheller of Twin Falls, graveside service at 10 a.m. Saturday at Twin Falls Cemetery (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication.

The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Pool

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"The new chairs are so convenient," she said. "The pool is so nice and warm now that whenever my cousin comes from Jerome all she wants to do is come to the pool and swim. Before they got the heater a couple of years ago she didn't even want to go in the pool. It was so cold. But now she is addicted to swimming and just loves coming here."

The improvements haven't been cheap, said pool supervisor Steve Highbarger, but they have been worth it.

"We have gotten a lot of donations and support from businesses and the community," Highbarger said. "Our goal for that pool is (to have it) be there and used 50 years from now. We want the community to come and enjoy the pool."

Times-News correspondent Blair Koch can be reached at blairkoch@gmail.com or 316-2607.

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When animals first arrive at Chappell's shop — after a short stop in the backyard — they receive a mat check and brushing. Chappell cleans their tub where she bathes the dogs and prepares for grooming. She also checks for ticks and examines the animal's eyes, ears and nails.

Even with the cleanup, keeping up-to-date on books and other day-to-day duties,

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NATION

State Department official takes blame for passport mess that started 3 years ago

By Michael J. Sniffen
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The current passport mess is rare among government foul-ups: A top federal official has publicly taken the blame and expressed regret.

Over the last several months, many travelers who applied for a passport did not receive their document in time for their planned travel. I deeply regret that," says Assistant Secretary of State Maura Harty, who is in charge of U.S. passports. "I accept complete responsibility for this."

The government started requiring more Americans to have passports on Jan. 23 in an effort to thwart terrorism. By summer, more than 2 million people were waiting for passports; half a million had waited more than three months since applying for a document that typically was ready in six weeks.

The massive backlog destroyed summer vacations, ruined wedding and honeymoon plans and disrupted business meetings and education plans. People lost work days waiting in lines or thousands of dollars in non-refundable travel deposits.

Members of Congress were inundated with pleas from constituents for help. Requests to lawmakers soared from dozens a year to hundreds a month in many offices.

Some in Congress wonder if the effort has not hurt security. Others question whether more passports contribute much to security.



Passports are seen spread out at the New Orleans Passport Agency in New Orleans, on Tuesday, at the nation's third largest passport processor in New Orleans, the staff has been beefed up with dozens of contract workers, some hired just to open the 10,000 to 30,000 applications arriving daily in the mail.

What's my status?

To check the status of a passport application, you can visit the State Department's Web site at <http://tinyurl.com/3a59a1>

The sorry episode originated three years ago with the final report of the Sept. 11 commission. "For terrorists, travel documents are as important as weapons," the report said.

The commission noted that Americans could return to the United States from Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean without passports. The report said Americans should not be exempt from having to show a passport or other secure identification when entering the U.S.

Before 2004 ended, Congress enacted this passport requirement. The Bush administration spent two years getting ready. Last Nov. 22, Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff announced that as of Jan. 23, Americans visiting Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean and Bermuda by air would need passports. The requirement will not take effect for land and sea travelers until sometime between the summer of 2008 and June 2009.

The State and Homeland Security departments began a publicity blitz about the new requirement. The government even paid to run its announcement on lighted outdoor news tickers in New York to reach the national tel-

evision audience for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Five passport offices were expanded and a new one opened, Harty told the House Foreign Affairs Committee this month.

Other offices were put on double or round-the-clock shifts.

The State Department set up a call center where people could schedule appointments nationwide and created a Web site where they could check the status of an application.

In 2005 and 2006, the department hired 1,366 passport adjudicators, fraud prevention workers, trainers and managers and contract support workers. An additional 1,228 have been hired so far this year.

But Rep. Brad Sherman, D-Calif., suggested the hiring was mishandled. He said the department planned to have 400 to 500 more full-time passport adjudicators — the key workers — by 2006. But he got Harty to acknowledge that only 290 had been added as of mid-June.

Harty's office consulted with the Homeland Security Department and the travel industry, analyzed historical trends and hired the consulting company Hewitt/Robb to conduct a study. Based on all this research, it projected that the number of passports issued would rise from 12.1 million in 2006 to 16.2 million this year.

"We miscalculated," Harty told Congress. Her office now estimates it is on track to issue 17.7 million this year.

More women over 30 seek treatment for eating disorders, experts say

By Amy Forfit
Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Kelli Smith was nervous as she walked into the Philadelphia treatment center, seeking help at last for her anorexia. Looking around at the other patients, she was struck by how young they seemed.

"I just kind of looked around and I thought, 'Oh, where is someone my age?'" recalls Smith. At age 31, she found herself face-to-face with teenagers and 20-somethings.

Eating disorders such as anorexia and bulimia have long been considered diseases of the young, but experts say in recent years more women have been seeking help in their 30s, 40s, 50s, and older. Some treatment centers are creating special programs for these more mature patients.

Most of the women in this age group who seek treatment have had the problem for years, said Dr. Donald M. Nathan, director of an eating disorders clinic at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. "The epidemiology is pretty clear that anorexia and bulimia both peak in the late teens, early 20s," yet "a lot of (patients) continue to be symptomatic right on through to middle life."

People who study eating disorders suggest several reasons there might be more women over 30 seeking treatment for what is typically a young woman's problem: growing public awareness,

social pressure to be thin and an aging group of baby boomers.

National statistics on eating disorders are hard to come by, but data from some treatment centers suggest a steady increase.

In the Minneapolis suburb of St. Louis Park, Park Nicollet Health Services' Eating Disorders Institute saw 43 patients ages 30 and older in 2003 — about 9 percent of its total patients. For the first six months of this year, the institute treated nearly 500 patients 30 and older, about 35 percent of its total.

The Benfrew Center, a network of treatment centers in the eastern U.S., said about 20 percent of the 522 patients treated at its Philadelphia center in 2005 were 30 or older. In 2006, about 13 percent of the 600 patients were in that age group.

"Whatever this is — if it's an increased awareness, if it's a response to being in middle — those numbers are staggering," said Carol Kaplan, director of operations for the Eating Disorders Institute.

Women over 30 who seek treatment tend to fall into three categories, said Holly Griskin, who directs outpatient programs at Benfrew.

Some have had an eating disorder for years. Others develop a disorder in remission that resurfaces because of new stress in life, such as a divorce or loss of a parent. A third group, the smallest of the three, includes women who develop an eating disorder late in life.

Sales soar for Harry Potter book as fans snap up millions

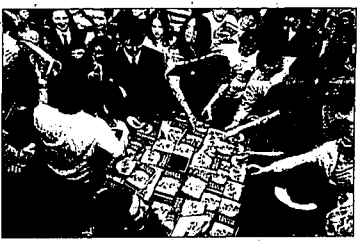
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — It is the richest going-away party in history. "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows," the seventh and final volume of J.K. Rowling's all-conquering fantasy series, sold a mountainous 8.3 million copies in its first 24 hours on sale in the United States, according to Scholastic Inc.

No other book, not even any of the six previous Potters, has been so desired, so quickly. "Deathly Hallows" averaged more than 300,000 copies in sales per hour — more than 5,000 a minute. The \$34.99 book, even allowing for discounts, generated far more revenue than the opening weekend of the latest Potter movie, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," which came out July 10.

"The excitement, anticipation, and just plain hysteria that came over the entire country this weekend was a bit like the Beatles' first visit to the U.S.," Scholastic president Lisa Hulton said in a statement Sunday.

"This weekend kids and adults alike are sitting on buses. In the park, on airplanes and in restaurants reading 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.' The conversations the readers



Customers scramble to get their hands on a copy of 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows,' the seventh and final book in the Harry Potter series, at a Peterborough, Ont., Canada, bookstore on Saturday shortly after midnight.

have been waiting to have for 10 years has just begun."

The numbers are astonishing, but not shocking. "Deathly Hallows" was designed to break records, released Saturday with a first printing of 12 million in the U.S. alone, although Scholastic spokeswoman Kyle Good acknowledged that some stores already were out of copies.

"Our distribution strategy was clearly right on target in order to sell 8.3 million copies in 24 hours," she told The Associated Press. "We are work-

ing with retailers to move additional copies to the places they are needed most in the coming days and weeks."

The book's British publisher, Bloomsbury, expects to announce sales figures Monday. Earlier Sunday, Borders Group Inc. reported that "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows" sold 1.2 million copies worldwide in its first day, the biggest single-day number ever for the superstore chain. According to Borders, the previous Potter, "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," sold 650,000

copies on its first day of release in 2005.

Both Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble announced that pre-orders exceeded 1 million. In a truly Beatles-esque moment, seven of the top best sellers on Amazon were Potter-related Sunday, including the audio CD of "Deathly Hallows" and a box set of all seven Potters coming out in September.

"Deathly Hallows" was so popular that Hollywood studio Warner Bros. acknowledged it took away business from "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," the fifth Potter movie, because fans were too busy.

"They wanted to get that book Saturday, lock themselves in the house and read it, because they didn't want their

other friends by Monday telling them who made it and who didn't," said Dan Fellman, Warner Bros.' head of distribution.

Reviews for "Deathly Hallows" have been almost universally ecstatic, and reader enthusiasm apparently intact despite, pre-release "spillers" that proliferated on the Internet.

"The book was fascinating, and I think I'll have to read it through at least once more before I get the full scope of it — but I thought it had some of our best, most action-packed, funniest moments in it," says Melissa Anelli, webmaster for the Potter fan site <http://www.the-leaky-cauldron.org>, who said she finished the 759-page book Saturday.

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Why a convicted Marine was spared from prison

By Tony Perry
Los Angeles Times

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — Cpl. Brent Thomas had all the makings of a recruiting-poster Marine: a decorated warrior, devoted to his fellow grunts, hugely appreciative of the Marine Corps for helping him escape an impoverished upbringing in East St. Louis, Ill.

But he also was a leader in the kidnapping and killing of an unarmed Iraqi man in the village of Hamadlyia, and then lied to superiors about it.

When other Marines began to waver, Thomas, who won a

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meritorious promotion for his role in the bloody fight in Fallujah in 2004, kept them in line. And as the Iraqi, whom they considered an insurgent, lay on the ground mortally wounded, Thomas pumped three bullets into his chest.

So why did the military jury that convicted Thomas of kidnapping and conspiracy to commit murder decide Friday that he deserved no further punishment beyond the 14 months he spent in the brig awaiting trial?

Thomas, 25, could have received life in prison without the possibility of parole. Fontana, a working-class suburb about 40 miles east of Los Angeles, was wife, Erica, and their two small children. The jury also decided on a bad-conduct discharge rather than the dishonorable discharge the prosecution requested.

Unless the jurors violate the judge's order not to talk about their decision, the reasons behind it might never be fully known. But two clues stand out: the jury composition and the defense put on by

Thomas' lawyers.

All nine jurors were combat veterans of Iraq, seven of them from infantry battalions. Of the three officers on the jury, two had experience as enlisted Marines. Five of nine jurors were black, like Thomas.

After the verdict, Thomas' civilian and military lawyers told reporters that they wanted to thank Lt. Gen. James N. Mattis for making sure Thomas had a "true jury of his peers."

Mattis, commanding general of Marine Forces Central Command, selected the pool from which the jurors were chosen.

Deanna Pennington, the mother of Cpl. Robert Pennington, who pleaded guilty in the same incident and accepted an eight-year prison sentence, told reporters later that her son took a plea bargain because his jury pool contained few combat veterans. Her son feared that Marines who had not been to Iraq would never understand what happened in Hamadlyia that night in April 2006.

During the court-martial, Thomas' attorneys also asserted that he is suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury. The defense backed up the

assertion with possibly the most detailed explanation of these conditions yet seen in a court martial for Marines in Iraq, including expert testimony that proximity to repeated explosions from roadside bombs and mortar rounds had left Thomas' thinking and judgment impaired.

In January, Thomas had pleaded guilty and was prepared to accept a 12-year prison sentence before he changed his mind and asked for a trial. Four Marines and a Navy corpsman pleaded guilty in the case and received sentences ranging from 10 months to eight years.

Who dies and who doesn't?

U.S. soldiers in Iraq say luck plays a huge role

By Joshua Partlow
The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Pvt. Kodye Briggs fled out from behind the wheel of the Humvee. He looked at what was left of his driver's-side window — the spider web of cracked armored glass, the layer that didn't break.

His thin chest heaved. His pale hands trembled. Why didn't it break? He lit a cigarette. Then another. He took off his flak vest and helmet, sat down on the ground and leaned against a pile of sandbags. He seemed so fragile in that position: 18 years old, 152 pounds, a fuzz of short blond hair on his head. The other soldiers in his unit approached him deferentially, with pity and wonder.

"Most people don't live through one of those things," remarked Cpl. Richard Smith. "Briggs has lived through two."

When soldiers die here it tends to happen randomly. A single shot from an unseen gunman and someone falls to the ground. A bomb placed by an unknown hand takes out one Humvee from a line of four or five. There are no front lines, no armies to fight, just moments of chaos. Wrong places, wrong times.

So luck is something to worry about, to entreat and to speculate. But it is not always easy to classify. Is Briggs lucky or unlucky, charmed or marked?

The Army has given this high school dropout a promise in new life. A life in which he's almost died twice.

Deadly weapons

June 14, late afternoon, along a canal in southwestern Baghdad, Briggs sat in the machine-gun turret of the lead Humvee, providing security for the commander of the 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment of the 1st Infantry Division. A blast rang out.

The explosion propelled hot copper slugs over the mucky water, piercing the driver's side of the armored truck. This type of bomb, known as an explosively formed projectile, is one of the deadliest weapons U.S. troops face in



Pvt. Kodye Briggs, 18, has survived two attacks in Baghdad. "I've been lucky," he said.

Iraq. If aimed and fired correctly, it can render any American vehicle defenseless. A piece of speeding shrapnel stabbed into Briggs' thigh. The chest plate of his flak vest was ripped off his body. The Humvee veered off the road, crushed down into the canal and landed at a cant, partially submerged in chest-deep water.

Bullets and grenades volleyed overhead. Briggs looked down at the driver and the blood-darkened water.

"I saw his head bobbing in the water. His legs were gone," Briggs recalled. "I pulled him out of there. He just looked at me and said, 'My legs are gone.'"

The driver survived, left Iraq. For the next 24 days, Briggs recovered, first at the Green Zone hospital and then on his base in southern Baghdad. He endured the pain of physical therapy on his wounded leg and sore back, but his real discomfort was mental. He felt useless, restless. While his unit kept fighting, he lay on his bunk waiting.

He had felt this way before, after leaving school in the ninth grade, wondering what to do besides work at his aunt and uncle's sports bar in Grand Rapids, Mich. "I wasn't

going anywhere," he said. "The Army sounded like a good solution."

Solution. When he said it, it sounded like he meant salvation. He enlisted at 17, finished basic training at Fort Benning in Georgia (received the equivalent of a high school diploma, flew off to the war.

"It's changed me. I think for my whole life, person. It's been a good thing for me. Made me a better person. I guess," he said. "The way I act, the way I talk, the way I feel. It improved my whole quality of life."

Shocked by the speed

July 9, late afternoon, next to an empty school on a dusty road in southwestern Baghdad. It was Briggs' first day back. This time he sat in the driver's seat of the last of four Humvees. A blast rang out. Again a copper slug shot across the road and slammed into the driver's side of the armored vehicle. The shocking thing was not the sound but the speed.

The first thing Briggs did was look down at his legs. He still had them. Then he started to curse.

In the Humvee in front of Briggs, the battalion commander, Lt. Col. Patrick Frank,

thought the blast sounded like a rocket-propelled grenade. "Turn around! RPG! RPG!" he shouted.

Dust poured in through the turrets and doors of the vehicles. It was impossible to see. Urgent, agitated voices came over the radio.

"Our vehicle has been hit by an IED," someone said, using the military's abbreviation for improvised explosive device, or roadside bomb.

"Keep moving forward. We want to get out of here."

"Are there any casualties at this time, over?"

As the convoy turned a corner, someone fired a rocket-propelled grenade that skidded along the ground behind Briggs' vehicle. It hit a curb, bounced up into the air and came down about 30 yards behind them. It didn't explode. Pfc. Colin Spangenberg, 21, swiveled his machine gun in the turret and fired off several bursts in response.

"Negative, we're good. No, no casualties."

Briggs' Humvee had a flat front left tire, copper shrapnel embedded along one flank and a broken window.

"Let's limp that thing" back to base, said Frank, the commander.

At Combat Outpost Attock, Briggs pushed open the heavy door and got out.

"Just like last time," he said. He smoked his cigarettes. He looked miserable.

Herring held a finger in front of Briggs' eyes and traced it right and left, up and down, as he tested for signs of a concussion. He cupped a hand to shade Briggs' pupils and waited for them to widen.

"We know that wherever bad things happen, Briggs will be there," Herring said.

By the next morning Briggs had a different perspective on his diagnosis.

"If it's your time it's your time, I guess," he said. "Somebody's been looking out for me, though. I've been lucky."

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Wind's out of the sails of Idaho energy development

Idaho State Journal, Pocatello

If you wonder why the wind energy industry hasn't really taken off, given all the cheer or for alternatives to fossil fuels, there's one reason in Idaho.

Wind developers have been restricted on the amount of energy they can produce because the Idaho Public Utilities Commission in 2005 drastically reduced the size of wind projects which limits rates from 10 megawatts to 100 kilowatts. Under a federal law, utilities must accept alternative energy and pay producers about \$64 per megawatt hour.

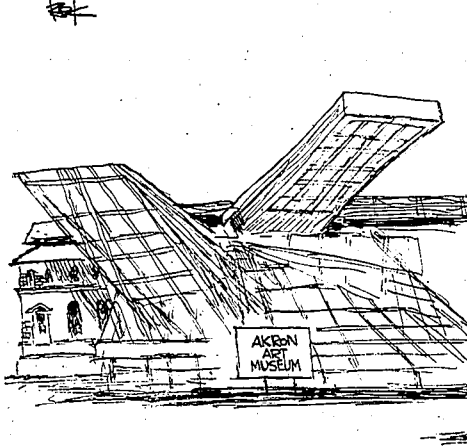
The hangup, apparently, is that utilities such as Idaho Power Company want to reduce the rate and their costs — in order to offset the cost of backup generation when the wind does not blow. The utilities want to cut the rate they pay by up to \$7.50 per megawatt hour. If that happens, they say wind farms could sell a lot more energy.

The PUC's 2005 restriction has effectively slowed wind development. A new draft would investigate the wind energy industry, says PUC spokesman Gene Fadness.

Their view: The Idaho State Journal said that the Idaho Public Utilities Commission has effectively hamstringing wind energy development in the state.

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

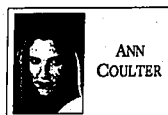
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I SEE A JUXTAPOSITION OF THE OLD AND THE NEW, A CRASH OF FORM THAT FORCES ME TO BREAK WITH THE PAST AND CONTEMPLATE DYNAMIC AND ENERGETIC NEW SPACE. WHAT DOES IT SAY TO YOU?

The 'bumper sticker' that blows up

For almost six years, the Bush administration has kept America safe from another terrorist attack, allowing the Democrats to claim that the war on terrorism is a fraud, a "bumper sticker," a sneaky ploy by a power-mad president to create an apocalyptic enemy so he could spy on innocent librarians in Wisconsin. And that's the view of the moderate Democrats.



claiming that the threat of terrorism was nonexistent — notwithstanding 9/11, the Cole bombing, the bombing of our embassies, the bombing of the World Trade Center, the Achille Lauro, etc. etc. — until George Bush invaded Iraq.

In the past week, B. Hussein Obama said the war in Iraq has made us more vulnerable to terrorist attacks. Americans are "more at risk," he said, "and less safe than we should have been at this point."

Hillary Clinton said we need to start "reversing our priorities. Let's stop sending troops to Iraq and let's start insuring every single child." Yes, that should put a good healthy scare into the insurgents.

So naturally, they are blaming any future terrorist attacks on the war in Iraq.

The Democrats blame everything on Iraq, but their insane argument that we are merely annoying the enemy by fighting back has been neurotically repeated since the failed terrorist bombing in London a few weeks ago. The venue of the terrorist's latest attempt, a hot London nightclub, might even shake up the young progressive crowd.

In anticipation of their sur-render strategy becoming substantially less popular in the wake of another terrorist attack, the Democrats are all

world is "losing" a war with camel-riding nomads, the claim that the war in Iraq is what created our terrorist problem — a terrorist problem that began about 30 years ago — has entered the media and is now stated as fact by the entire Treason Lobby.

CNN correspondent Suzanne Malveaux matter-of-factly reported this week: "President Bush says the central front in the war on terror is Iraq. But when the U.S. first invaded the country almost five years ago, al-Qaida had very little presence. But the intelligence report says that has changed. Al-Qaida not only has become a dangerous threat, the intelligence community expects the terrorist group will use its contacts and capabilities there to mount an attack on U.S. soil."

Another CNN correspondent, Ed Henry, followed up Malveaux's report with the somber news that "the president was warned before the war in Iraq that if you go in and invade Iraq, you're going to give al-Qaida more opportunities to expand its influence."

Similarly, Hitler and Goebbels never had much to say about the United States — not that it *until we started fighting them!* But as soon as we entered the war — taking the bait of Hitler's declaration of war against us, which Democrats are urging us to avoid falling for in the case of al-Qaida — Hitler began portraying FDR as a pawn of the Jews. Soon posters started appearing in Germany showing the United States as a country run by Jews and Negroes. Fake dollar bills with the Star of David were air-dropped over Paris.

According to the Democrats' logic, FDR's policies made the United States less safe. Had Germany attacked us at Pearl Harbor? No. Was Hitler able to use America entering the war as a recruiting tool? Yes. Fighting the enemy always seems to make them mad. It's as plain as the nose on your face.

Democrats think they have concocted a brilliant argument by saying that jihadis have been able to recruit based on the war in Iraq. Yes, I assume so. Everything the Democrats has done since 9/11 has galvanized the evil people of the world to fight the U.S. In World War II, some Frenchmen joined the Waffen SS, too. And the good people of the world have been galvanized to fight on the side of the U.S. The question is: Which side are the Democrats on?

Idaho shouldn't let this crop languish

The crop that is going to make Idaho a wealthy state doesn't need water. Idaho has more natural resources than California to supply this crop. The world's investors are trying to give Idaho their investment dollars to harvest this crop: \$2.45 billion of venture capital dollars were invested in this crop in 2006 in the United States and \$100 billion of operating investment dollars globally.

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world. We can do the same in the crop of the future and this crop doesn't need water. This crop is clean energy: geothermal, solar, biodegrading, biomass.

Idahoans are spending \$3 billion a year on energy and 80 percent of that money goes to bring in power sources from out of state. If Idaho could supply only 50 percent of its own power needs, it would provide a \$2 billion annual boost to the state's economy. Idaho spends more on out-of-state energy than on public K-12 education (\$1.7 billion) and more than Idaho farmers make in annual returns (\$1 billion).

If Idaho has the will, Idaho farmers and Idaho's tech industry have the way to state independence: energy independence through clean energy development. The way is detailed in the Idaho Declaration of Energy Independence, at www.idenergyindependence.com.

But what we have been missing up until now is the will. Other states, through their governors, state legislators and public utility commissions, have adopted incentives and legislation to encourage and welcome clean energy development. While state policy has encouraged development, investment money has followed.

As Idaho Power goes to court to curtail farmers' water rights to keep its hydropower plants running and Idaho rural communities struggle, other states surrounding us are seizing an opportunity to bring significant property tax base to rural communities, stabilize power supply cost, and attract clean tech industry and good jobs.

Does Idaho want to continue to be the hote in the donut?

Kiki Tidwell of Halley is the president of the Tidwell Idaho Foundation, a small family foundation which supports Idaho in preservation of child abuse in Idaho. This year the foundation has committed to partial funding of four wind turbine projects in southern Idaho schools, starting with Skyline High in Idaho Falls.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Slim majority of legislators engaged in treason

The Constitution of the United States of America, Article III, Section 3 (in part): Treason against the United States shall consist only in levying war against them or in adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort.

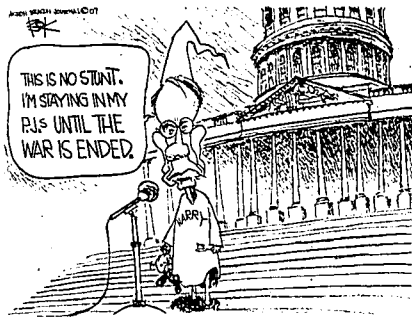
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self-serving congressman, many of whom for nefarious reasons now advocate the

subject surrender of American military forces to our enemies on the battlefield of Iraq.



Reasons for the war notwithstanding, that slim majority of legislators is engaged in the act of treason, ... adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort. Treason doth never prosper, what's the reason? For if it prosper, none dare call it treason. (Sir John Harrington, 1561-1612) JACK LINTELMANN But!

Heat plagues crews fighting northern Nevada wildfires

By Martin Griffith Associated Press writer

RENO, Nev. — Firefighters had to contend with more hot, dry weather Sunday as they fought 20 wildfires that had blackened more than 700 square miles, or 455,000 acres, across northern Nevada over the last week.

Injuries were reported. Temperatures hit 99 degrees Sunday in Elko, about 290 miles east of Reno. Officials were trying to make as much progress as possible before the expected return of another round of dry thunderstorms today and Tuesday.

The 511,000-acre Murphy complex had pushed south from Idaho to within seven miles of Jarbidge, said fire information officer Bill Watt. While roughly 80 percent of the fire was in Idaho, the most active part of it was in Nevada, he said.

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While the complex to the west of Jackpot also covered parts of Idaho and Utah, an estimated 80 percent of it was in Nevada. The Winecup complex was 20 percent contained Sunday, while the Murphy complex was 5 percent contained.

Slow response times worry Kootenai County sheriff

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The public's safety is at risk because of slow response times in northern Idaho's Kootenai County, says a sheriff of deputies that there aren't enough available to quickly respond to calls, according to Sheriff Rocky Watson.

Watson said he wants to ask county commissioners for an additional \$2.1 million to raise pay in hopes of retaining deputies.

Logging industry facing labor shortage in N. Idaho

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — After two decades of downturns and a perception that logging is a dying industry, companies in northern Idaho love the trees but are short on something else: workers.

"Right now, there are jobs all over the place for young kids getting out of school," Bob Danielson of Danielson Logging Co. told The Spokesman-Review. "They can do anything they want."

logging companies is that northern Idaho also has record-low unemployment. "I'm a regional economist" for Idaho Department of Labor, said there is much demand for workers to fill "strong-back" jobs with building contractors and manufacturers competing for those individuals.

"It's a severe problem in our industry," Epler said of the shortage of new workers. "I can remember back in the late 1970s and early 1980s, when we'd get 10 to 15 applications each spring from boys graduating from high school. Now, we're lucky to get one every two years."

Meeting yields hope that Sylvan Pass will stay open during winter

CODY, Wyo. (AP) — Proponents of keeping Yellowstone National Park's eastern approach over the Sylvan Pass open through the winter say they're optimistic after meeting with National Park Service Regional Director Mike Snyder.

Snyder promised to take a fresh look at the risks involved in preventing damaging avalanches along the 8,530-foot pass, according to him at last week's meeting. Park officials have been making plans to close the pass during the winter, saying it's too dangerous for rangers to manage avalanches on the pass.

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The meeting was Wednesday with Snyder, Yellowstone National Park Superintendent Suzanne Lewis and other federal officials. The meeting was arranged with help from Rep. Colin Simpson, R-Cody, and Gov. Dave Froelicher.

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The meeting produced plans for a panel of experts to meet in Yellowstone Aug. 6-8 to conduct a new risk assessment for avalanche control at the pass.

3 more arrests in alleged international drug ring

ROSEBURG, Ore. (AP) — Three more men have been arrested on charges resulting from an investigation into what federal prosecutors say was a multimillion-dollar international drug ring.

James Leroy Gilnes, 58, of Charleston was arrested last month, according to a federal arrest warrant issued in U.S. District Court in Idaho and Douglas County jail records. Gilnes faces charges of conspiracy to manufacture and distribute controlled substances, and conspiracy to launder money. In a scheme that federal prosecutors say involved the distribution of more than \$20 million worth of marijuana, cocaine and methamphetamine over more than 30 years.

A second man, Forest G. McDonald, who was arrested June 28 in Grants Pass, faces the same charges as Gilnes. Lawrence Edward Weltzman, arrested July 12 in Idaho, is accused of conspiracy to launder money.

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First, the bad news: There's still plenty of identity theft out there. Now, the better news: There's not as much as in previous years. And now, the best news: You can do a lot to protect yourself from being victimized.

If you're not familiar with the concept of identity theft, it basically involves someone getting some pieces of information about you - name, Social Security number, credit card numbers, "pre-approved" credit card offers - and using this data to make purchases or withdraw funds from your accounts.






In 2006, some 8.4 million Americans were hit by identity fraud - but that's half a million fewer victims than the year before, according to a study conducted by Invelin Strategy & Research. The study also found that, in 2006, the average victim of an existing account fraud paid \$597 out of pocket. In consumer costs associated with the fraud, while victims of new accounts opened in their name paid, on average, \$617.

The overall decline in identity theft may indicate that more people are acting to protect themselves - but the average cost per person shows that fraud victims still can get hurt. How can you reduce the chances of being victimized by identity theft? Here are some suggestions:

- Shield your credit card from prying eyes and ears. Thieves can now use camera cell phones to take photos of your credit cards while you're making purchases. Don't pull your credit card out from your wallet or purse until the moment you're going to use it, and put it away after it's used. If you're making a contribution over the phone to a political or non-profit group, don't give out your credit card number unless you're sure the organization is legitimate.
- Use secure sites when shopping online. Before giving out your credit card number to make a purchase on the Internet, make sure you're on a secure site - one that begins with https://. The "s" stands for "secure." Also, the site should display a small lock or other security seal.
- Shred those documents. If you are purging old investment statements, tax returns and bank documents, use a shredder. And while you have the shredder out, use it on pre-approved credit card offers.
- Go "virtual." Try to replace paper statements - from banks, financial services providers and credit card issuers - with online versions. Many businesses will be quite happy to save the cost and expense of mailing account statements to you.
- Check your bank statements. Whether you get your bank statements online or on paper, check them at least a few times a month. If you find a transaction that looks unfamiliar or questionable, call your bank to find out more details.
- Get your credit report annually - To request a copy of your credit report, you can call the three main credit bureaus: Equifax (1-800-685-1111), Experian (1-888-397-3742) and Trans Union (1-800-888-4213). Check your report closely for "surprises" or unaccounted activity.
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Identity thieves are clever - so do whatever it takes to keep them out of your life.

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WORLD

Turkish voters continue to put their trust in Muslim-led ruling party

By Laura King
Los Angeles Times

ISTANBUL — Turkey — Turkish voters Sunday handed the Islamist-influenced ruling party a decisive victory in parliamentary elections, rewarding it for stewardship of the country's robust economy but raising the specter of bitter new quarrels over the feared erosion of Turkey's secular traditions.

With more than two-thirds of the votes counted, the Justice and Development Party, known by its Turkish initials AKP, garnered about 48 percent of the vote, according to unofficial results — a substantial increase over the 34 percent it attained in elections five years ago when it came to power.

The vote could influence Turkey's drive to become the first Muslim-dominated country to join the European Union. While secularist parties

have been cool to the idea, the AKP has vowed to press ahead with that bid despite early rebuffs.

"With this vote, Turkey said no to insularity, no to closing in on itself," said Cengiz Candar, a prominent political columnist.

Moderate and officially secular Turkey, a NATO member, is viewed as a strategic bridge to a Muslim world that is increasingly mistrustful of the West. Successive Turkish governments have maintained close ties with Muslim neighbors even while pursuing divergent policies such as a cordial relationship with Israel.

The election results represented a crushing defeat for Turkey's secular-minded main opposition party, which trailed with about 20 percent of the vote. But because of rules governing the allocation of parliamentary seats, the opposition still will have some capacity to

stymie the ruling party's initiatives, including the AKP's drive to have one of its own elected as the country's president — the same battle that triggered these early elections.

Turkey's powerful military, which considers itself the guardian of the secular system put in place 84 years ago, has made none-too-subtle threats to intervene if it believes the ruling party is acting in conflict with the secular principles enshrined in the constitution.

Perhaps mindful of those tensions, Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan sought to strike a reconciliatory tone in his victory speech, paying homage to Kemal Ataturk, the republic's founder, and offering assurances that the party's agenda was centered on the pro-business, free-market policies that have generated unprecedented economic prosperity since it took office.

"We would like to see Turkey as one, as united," the 53-year-

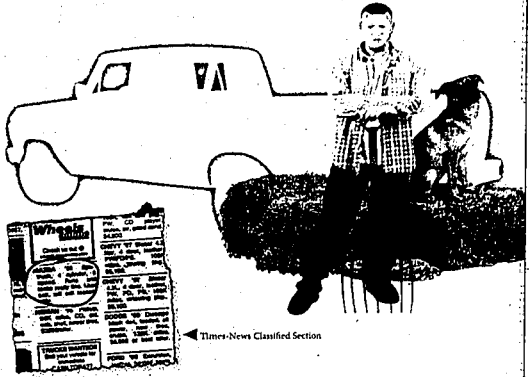
old leader said to supporters who cheered and waved the red national flag. "Our goal is to realize the aim of Ataturk, to carry our country to the levels of modern civilization."

Celebrants took to the streets near AKP headquarters in Istanbul and the capital, Ankara, setting off fireworks and handing out sweets.



Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan shows his linked finger after casting his vote in Istanbul, Turkey, Sunday.

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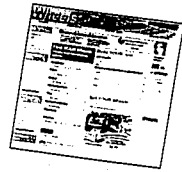
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Amid heightened tensions, Iran and U.S. schedule talks on Iraqi security this week

By Kim Gabel
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — The United States and Iran have set a date for ambassador-level talks in Baghdad on the deteriorating security situation in Iraq — the first such meeting since late May. U.S. and Iraqi officials said Sunday.

The two sides will sit down together on Tuesday, according to Iraqi Foreign Minister Hoshiyar Zebari and U.S. Embassy spokesman Philip Recker, amid U.S. allegations that Tehran is supporting violent Shiite militias in the country.

Zebari told The Associated Press by telephone that the discussions would be at the ambassadorial level and would focus on the situation in Iraq, not U.S.-Iran tensions.

Iraq's fragile government has been pressing for another meeting between the two nations with the greatest influence over its future, and Iran has repeatedly signaled its willingness to sit down. State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said last week that Washington was also ready to hold new talks with Iran on the security situation in Iraq.

The May 28 meeting marked a break in a 27-year diplomatic freeze between the U.S. and Iran and was expected to have been followed within a month



An Iraqi woman grieves for seven family members killed in a U.S. airstrike as they are taken from the morgue for burial in the Shiite enclave of Sadr City in Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday. Mahmood Faraj and his family, including four women and one child, were killed in the Hussayniyah area of northeastern Baghdad on Saturday.

by a second encounter. But following that meeting, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and other U.S. officials said Iran had not sealed back what the United States claims is a concerted effort to arm militants and harm U.S. troops.

Tensions also have risen over Tehran's detention of four Iranian-American scholars and activists charged with endangering national security. The U.S. has demanded their release, saying the charges against them are false.

At the same time, Iran has called for the release of five Iranians detained in Iraq, whom the United States has

said are members of Iran's elite Quds Force — accused of arming and training Iraqi militants. Iran says the five are diplomats in Iraq with permission of the government.

As recently as Sunday, U.S. troops detained two suspected weapons smugglers who may be linked to the Quds force, the military said. The suspects and a number of weapons were seized during a raid on a rural farm compound in eastern Iraq near the Iranian border, according to a statement.

McCormack said the U.S. wanted to use the meeting to warn Iran against continuing its support for militants in Iraq.

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Breaking through

Stroebel becomes first modified driver to win MVS feature division

By Linda Brittan
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — It took 13 races to do it, but Shelby Stroebel finally broke the mold and became the first driver of a modified car to win a feature division race this season at Magic Valley Speedway.

Stroebel, who recently brought back the gray No. 24 Pepsi Premier Division ride to MVS, edged out Rob Vest, who also drives a modified vehicle for the victory Saturday night.

Stroebel started fourth in the 16-car main event field and spent the first half of the race behind David Patrick and Travis Mognit as they swapped positions for the lead.

At lap 28, Stroebel had cemented himself in second behind Patrick, but soon Vest made a couple of great moves to position himself behind Stroebel. A caution at lap 35 involving the cars of Dan Petersen and points leader Steve Jones sent Stroebel and Vest back in the field for the restart with 15

laps remaining. The battle for a trip to Victory Lane between modified drivers Stroebel and Vest was anything but a gift as the yellow flag flew two more times in the following six laps, bringing the No. 39 late model car of TJ Woodhull into the scene with Stroebel and Vest. The two modified drivers never let up and Stroebel edged Vest for the win, with Woodhull having to settle for third.

"Rob (Vest) was right there and he wanted the win too," Stroebel said. "But the win felt good. We've been working on this car a lot and I'm glad to have it back out here. I'll be happy to bring it back next week."

Budweiser Grand Nationals

It was arguably the closest finish in a main event contest this season as Jerry McKean and Louis Lopez hit the finish line at seemingly the same moment at the conclusion of the 25-lap race. But it was McKean who was given the nod to take his car into the winner's circle — although he insisted that Lopez join him in Victory Lane. According to the suspension rules, McKean crossed the line .020 seconds ahead of Lopez, but neither

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Shelby Stroebel, driver of the No. 24 car, heads down the backstretch en route to his first victory of the season Saturday night at Magic Valley Speedway. The win was also a first for a modified car this year.

Rasmussen sounding like Armstrong as he cements Tour de France lead

By Ianey Keenan
Associated Press writer

PLATEAU DE BEILLE, France — Michael Rasmussen is starting to resemble Lance Armstrong, and it's not just because the Dane is wearing the yellow jersey as leader of the Tour de France.

Rasmussen extended his lead against all of his top rivals except Spain's Alberto Contador in the 14th stage on Sunday, advancing his bid to follow a path blazed the seven-time Tour champion.

"Rasmussen has done an incredible thing today," said Johan Bruyneel, sports director of Discovery Channel — Armstrong's former team — that now includes Contador. "The Tour de France is not easy to control."

The diminutive Dane, who is riding in his fourth Tour, was the first of his two polka-dot jerseys given to the Tour's best climber in 2005 — when the Texan last wore yellow home.

Rasmussen is showing that he, like Armstrong, knows

how to control the race. And just as Armstrong had to continually defend himself against accusations of doping, Rasmussen finds himself under the cloud that has dogged cycling and kept Contador out of last year's Tour. He missed the race when his former team — Astana — was disqualified on the eve of the start due to a Spanish doping probe that implicated five of its riders.

On Sunday, Contador and Rasmussen dusted the pack and battled one-on-one to the finish of the 122-mile ride from Mazamet to Plateau de Beille, the first of three demanding stages in the Pyrenees.

The two-man show demonstrated how climbers have an edge in the 94th edition of cycling's main event. The next two stages in the Pyrenees are likely to further narrow the field of contenders, and a time trial on the eve of the July 29 finish in Paris could determine the champion.

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Irish eyes smile on Padraig

Ireland's Padraig Harrington reacts after beating Spain's Sergio Garcia in a playoff to win the British Open Golf Championship at Carnoustie, Scotland, Sunday.

Harrington survives calamity of Carnoustie

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Padraig Harrington finally learned the lesson of Carnoustie, surviving a calamitous finish in regulation and a tense putt for bogey on the final hole of a playoff to win the British Open on Sunday.

In a nail-biter of a final round that stirred memories of Jean Van de Velde's collapse eight years ago, Harrington lost a one-shot lead on the 72nd hole by hitting into the Barry Burn — not once, but twice — on his way to double bogey.

It looked like a sure loss, but not on this crazy course.

Given a one-shot lead, Sergio Garcia gave it right back when he couldn't make par from the bunker on the last hole. Harrington staked himself to a two-shot lead in the four-hole playoff. Instead of the bravado Van de Velde showed in 1999, the Irishman played it safe off the 18th tee in the playoff with an iron off the tee and laying up short of Barry Burn.

As the engine began sputtering the Irishman's name into the crowd, Jug Garcia made a gutsy play by smoking a 6-iron from 203 yards out of the rough to birdie range. His 25-foot putt skimmed the edge of the cup, leaving Harrington a 3-footer for the win.

"It's going to take a long time for it to sink in," Harrington said, the first Irishman to win the British Open in 60 years. "I knew it was only a short putt, but the emotions of it ... I couldn't believe it as it was rolling in from right in the middle of the hole, and I'm thinking, 'The Open champion.' A huge amount of it was genuine shock."

Blame that on Carnoustie. Garcia was devastated, blowing a three-shot lead going into the final round only to be handed a gift he couldn't take. He blasted out to 10 feet from the bunker on the 18th, and still doesn't know how the ball stayed out of the cup. It dipped slightly and spun away, forcing the third British Open

British Open	
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S. Garcia	69-71-68-73-277 -7
A. Romero	71-70-67-278 -6
R. Green	72-73-70-64-279 -5
E. Els	70-70-68-69-279 -5
H. Mahan	73-73-69-65-280 -4
S. Clark	69-73-68-70-280 -4
B. Curtis	72-74-70-65-281 -3
M. Wodr	71-68-72-70-281 -3
K. Chol	69-69-72-71-281 -3
S. Stricker	71-72-64-74-281 -3
M. Brier	68-75-70-69-282 -2
T. Woods	69-74-69-70-282 -2
J. Rose	70-70-67-70-282 -2
P. Edberg	72-73-67-70-282 -2
M. A. Jimenez	69-70-71-71-282 -2
J. Furyk	70-70-71-71-282 -2

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Irish stakes

Padraig Harrington became the first Irishman in 60 years to win the closed jug by beating Sergio Garcia in a four-hole playoff.

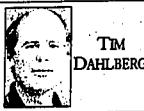
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30th	67	30th	67	30th	67

Winning: 56.5 million; 10.2 million



Ghost of 18th rears its head once again

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Somewhere, Jean Van de Velde must have been laughing, perhaps with a wine glass in hand, at what he was watching unfold on the TV.



TIM DAHLBERG

With good reason, too. The ghosts of Carnoustie had haunted him long enough.

For eight years he had put up with constant replays of his implosion on the 18th hole, the endless jokes at the local country club about someone

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Spain's Sergio Garcia, puts his hand to his head after missing a putt on the 18th green which would have won him the championship during the final round of the British Open Golf Championship at Carnoustie, Scotland, Sunday.

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playoff in the last six years.

"To tell you the truth, I don't feel like I did anything wrong," said Garcia, who closed with a 73 and was 1 over in the playoff. "I really didn't miss a shot in the playoff. I hit unbelievable putts. They just didn't go in."

Harrington, who closed with a 4-under 67 to make up a six-shot deficit, played the four playoff holes in even par, seizing control with a 7-iron into 8 feet for birdie on the first hole as Garcia made bogey from a bunker.

As it all wrapped up a rain-bow stretched over the course by the North Sea, capping another magical day on perhaps the toughest links in golf. Like the last Open at Carnoustie, there was chaos in the end.

Only this time, it involved more than one player. Van de Velde self-destructed on his own in 1999, blowing a three-shot lead on the final hole by hitting one shot off a tiny rail in the grandstand.

another into the burn, another in the bunker.

Eight years later, the bad luck belonged to Andres Romero of Argentina, who looked like another unlikely champion at Carnoustie until his 2-iron from the rough on the 17th hole ricocheted off the stone wall of Barry Burn and across the 18th fairway, out-of-bounds.

The bizarre bounce went to Harrington, whose tee shot on the 18th hole hopped along a bridge over the burn until it went between two rails and into the winding stream. He also chucked his next shot into the burn, then made a clutch putt from 5 feet for double bogey.

That left only bad timing for Garcia.

This just wasn't his day. It was his third time to play in the final group of a major, this time with Tiger Woods out of the picture early. But the 27-year-old Spaniard couldn't buy a putt, and he couldn't get a break.

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used his slugger to pinch hit. Bonds started just three of seven games during the Giants' trip. Bonds went a 0-for-6 with three walks — one intentional — and two strikeouts in the first two games of the series in the city where Aaron started and finished his 23-year career.

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MILWAUKEE — Barry Bonds' pursuit of the home run record will resume back in San Francisco on Monday night.

Bonds has 753 home runs, two from tying Hank Aaron's

record, and will have the chance to make history back in the Bay Area where he's hit so many of his milestone home runs.

Bonds' teammates are eager for him to break the record not only for the slugger's sanity, but so everybody will have a

semblance of normalcy again. The media horde was huge at Miller Park this weekend, and it will just get bigger back home.

"With the group of guys we have and guys who have been around, I don't see it making a big change," right fielder

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SPORTS

A-Rod homers; Yankees blowout slumping Devil Rays

NEW YORK — Shelley Duncan homered twice, including a three-run drive that capped a 10-run fourth inning Sunday in the slugfest New York Yankees' 21-4 rout of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Alex Rodriguez hit his major league-leading 34th homer and No. 498 of his career. Hideki Matsui, Bobby Abreu and Robinson Cano also homered as the Yankees hit six home runs in a game for the first time in two years.

New York had 25 hits, reaching 20 for the second straight game and improving to a season-best five over .500. Matsui tied his regular-season high with five RBIs, and every Yankees starter had a hit, a run and an RBI. Rodriguez pushed his big league-leading RBIs total to 99 in 97 games plus the suspended contest against Baltimore.

The Yankees, who won the second game of Saturday's day-night doubleheader 17-5, took three of four from the Devil Rays, hitting .408 in the series with 49 runs, 62 hits and 11 homers.

With the score 3-1, New York broke open the game in the fourth. Cano ripped leading off, and the Yankees made it 10-3 on six RBIs singles and a throwing error by catcher Dioner Navarro.

Duncan's first homer came off reliever Casey Fennum and made it 13-3, and his second was a leadoff drive off Shawn Camp in the sixth.

Andy Pettitte (9-9) won his 12th straight decision against the Devil Rays.

New York is 9-3 since the All-Star break, playing only Tampa Bay and Toronto, and will play 16 more games against teams with losing records before a trip to Cleveland on Aug. 10.

James Shields (8-6), lost for the sixth time in nine starts, allowing 10 runs, 10 hits and four walks in 3 1-3 innings. Eleven of his final 14 batters reached base.

Royals 5, Tigers 2

DETROIT — Brian Bannister allowed four hits in seven innings and Estaban German homered for the Royals, who went 5-4 on a trip against play-off contenders Boston, Cleveland and Detroit.

The Royals are 6-3 during their last three series, including 10 runs, 10 hits and a season-ending sweep that cost the Tigers' last year's AL Central title.

Bannister (6-6) gave up one run and four hits in seven innings, struck out three and walked one. In his previous two starts, the Royals lost 4-0 to Seattle and Boston.

The Tigers, who lead the AL Central, dropped two of three against the Royals, their first series defeat since losing two of three to Minnesota from June 29-July 1.

Dane Robertson (6-7) allowed five runs — four earned — and 11 hits in six-plus innings. Robertson, still plagued by a tired arm earlier this season, had gone 2-3 since returning from the disabled list on June 26.

Blue Jays 8, Mariners 0
TORONTO — Troy Halladay threw a three-hitter, Troy Glaus

hit a three-run homer and Toronto shut out Seattle for the second straight game.

Halladay (11-3) walked one and struck out five to win for the first time in three starts. It's his ninth career shutout and his first since May 29, 2005 against Minnesota.

Jason Hill and Gregg Zaun added solo blasts for Toronto. It was the second straight shutout for the Blue Jays. The Mariners haven't scored in their last 22 innings.

Seattle right-hander Felix Hernandez (6-6) allowed six runs and seven hits over six innings. He walked four — one intentional — and struck out seven.

Red Sox 8, White Sox 5

BOSTON — Manny Ramirez homered and drove in four runs, Mike Lowell added a three-run shot and Boston outscored the Chicago 29-10 in the final three games of the series.

With the loss, the White Sox fell to a tie for last place in the AL Central with the Kansas City Royals.

Tim Lincecum (11-9) allowed four runs and six hits in 6 1-3 innings for Boston. He struck out two and walked two. The White Sox had the bases loaded with two outs in the seventh, but Manny Delcarmo got Paul Konerko to pop out and Hideki Kojima struck out A.J. Pierzynski to end the inning.

Boston's Jonathan Papelbon started the ninth by allowing consecutive singles to Juan Uribe and Jerry Owens. Alex Clifton then walked to tie the bases, but Papelbon struck out Jim Thome and got Konerko to hit into a double play for his 22nd save in 23 chances.

Jon Garland (7-7) allowed six runs and six hits in 2-3 innings to snap a three-game road winning streak. He tied a season high with five walks and struck out three.

Angels 7, Twins 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Joe Saunders allowed two runs in seven innings and Garret Anderson snapped a homerless drought for Los Angeles that spanned 14 consecutive games and 134 1-3 innings.

Called up to replace Kevin Saito on the bases, but Papellbon struck out Jim Thome and got Konerko to hit into a double play for his 22nd save in 23 chances.

Andersson's solo shot in the third landed in the upper deck in right field for a 3-0 lead. Shane Bieber (2-2), moved up in the Pirates' rotation so the struggling John Van Benschoten could skip a start, limited the Astros to four hits over eight innings but still took the loss.

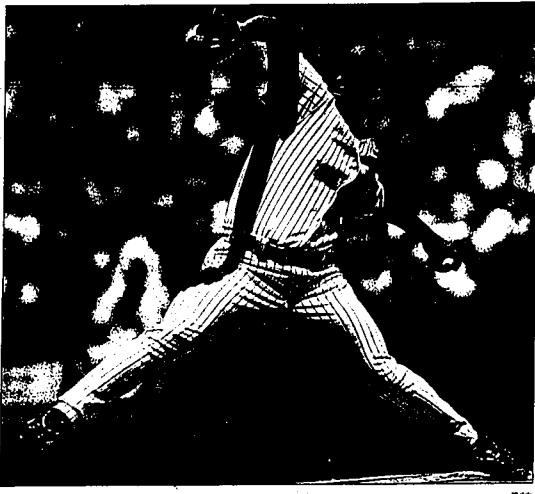
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New York Yankee Andy Pettitte delivers a pitch to a Tampa Bay Devil Rays batter during the first inning of their baseball game at Yankee Stadium in New York, Sunday.

hits in seven innings, struck out six and walked three. His ERA dropped to 2.88, third in the AL behind Oakland's Dan Haren (2.41) and Johan Santana (2.65).

Chad Bradford pitched the eighth and Jamie Walker finished for his first save in three years. The As have been shut out eight times, tied with Chicago and Minnesota for the AL lead.

Oakland's Dallas Braden (11-5) gave up three hits and four runs in seven innings, his longest outing in his six career starts. He has lost five straight decisions, the longest slide in an As pitcher since Joe Kennedy dropped five in a row in 2005.

National League

Pitts 1, Pirates 0

PIITTSBURGH — Woody Williams threw eight shutout innings, a series of excellent Houston defensive plays repeatedly frustrated the Pirates and the Astros finally took a series against Pittsburgh by winning 1-0 Sunday.

Luke Scott, who entered after star rookie center fielder Hunter Pence sprained his right wrist while batting in the fourth, drove in the only run with a two-out single in the sixth.

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NAPA Pony Stocks

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not converting his first four opportunites earlier this season.

Williams (5-11) had lost five consecutive road decisions and was 1-8 on the road this season. He gave up five hits and twice got out of innings with strong defensive plays.

Marlins 9, Reds 3

MIAMI — Dan Uggla broke a seventh-inning lid with a two-run homer, and Florida routed Cincinnati for the third game in a row, outscoring the Reds 30-6 over that span.

Mike Jacobs also hit a two-run homer for the Marlins, who lost shortstop Ramirez when he partially dislocated his left shoulder on a swing in the first inning. His status was day to day.

With the score 2-0, Cody Ross walked to start the seventh against Bronson Arroyo (4-11), and Uggla hit his 19th homer. Florida added another run in the seventh before scoring four times in the eighth.

Marlins starter Rick Vandert Hark realized 2-0 after two batters but allowed no more runs and made it through six innings. Rencyl Pinto (2-3) pitched the seventh, Justin Miller pitched a perfect eighth and Kevin Gregg pitched the ninth.

Nationals 3, Rockies 0

WASHINGTON — Austin Kearns hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning and four Washington pitchers combined on a second consecutive shutout of the Rockies.

The Nationals took the lead in the eighth after D'Angelo Jimenez struck to right off Jorge Julio (0-3) with two outs and went to second on a passed ball by Yorvit Torrealba. Ryan Zimmerman was intentionally walked before Kearns

hammered a 1-0 pitch into the left-field mezzanine for his sixth homer.

The Rockies, who haven't scored in 20 innings, went 0-for-26 with runners in scoring position in the series. The Nationals won three of the four games.

Kearns' homer was his first in 53 games and made a winner out of Jon Rauch (5-2), who got out of a two-on, two-out jam in the eighth. Chad Cordero worked the ninth for his 19th save.

Brewers 7, Giants 5

MILWAUKEE — Ryan Braun and Corey Hart hit first-inning home runs off Barry Zito, leading the Brewers over the Giants to avoid a three-game sweep.

Brewers pitchers got through the weekend series without giving up a home run to Barry Bonds, who sat out Sunday and is expected to resume his pursuit of Hank Aaron's record at home in San Francisco on Monday night.

Zito (7-10) has struggled since signing a \$126 million, seven-year deal to join the Giants in the offseason. He got in trouble early again, when Braun deposited a 2-2 pitch in the left-field stands with a runner on first. Prince Fielder followed with a double, hitting a sharp line drive over center fielder Dave Roberts, and Hart hit his 14th homer for a 4-0 lead.

Zito, who allowed seven runs in 5 1-3 innings, has won once in his last eight starts.

Brewers starter Claudio Vargas (8-2) gave up three runs and five hits in six innings.

D-Backs 3, Cubs 0

CHICAGO — Yusmeiro Petit pitched six scoreless innings. Chris Snyder homered and the Diamondbacks won a road series for the first time in more than a month.

Derek Lee served the final game of a five-game suspension for the Cubs, who lost their first series at home since June 15-17 against San Diego. The Cubs dropped 3 1/2 games behind the Milwaukee Brewers in the NL Central and finished their homestand with a 7-3 record.

Pett (2-2) made his fifth start of the season and his fourth by holding the spot of a single in three innings. Jose Valverde got three outs for his 30th save in 33 chances.

Phillies 9, Padres 0

SAN DIEGO — Ryan Howard drove in two runs and J.D. Durbin pitched his first career shutout to help the Phillies with their third straight.

Shane Victorino drove in three runs, Aaron Rowand added a pair of RBIs and Jimmy Rollins scored three times as the Phillies outscored San Diego 26-8 during the three-game series.

Howard went 2-for-2 with a sacrifice fly and a walk. The reigning MVP went 11-for-22 with five home runs, 13 RBIs and 10 walks during the Phillies' road trip. Against San Diego, he was 7-for-10 with two homers, eight RBIs and eight walks.

Durbin (2-2), making just his fourth major league start, gave up five hits and allowed only one baserunner to reach third. He got his 13th major league win on Tuesday against the Dodgers.

The 25-year-old Durbin, who has shuffled through four organizations already this year, could be a major league starter Jake Peavy (9-5), who allowed four runs on nine hits with six strikeouts and one walk. He is 0-4 in his last five starts with an ERA of 4.66.

Mets 5, Dodgers 4

LOS ANGELES — Chip Ambres singled home the go-ahead run in the 10th inning to help the Mets take three of four in a series between division leaders.

New York tied the score in the ninth when Matt Kemp allowed Shawn Green's fly to short right to fall for an error as pinch-runner Anderson Hernandez came home from third.

With the score 4-1 in the 10th, Lastings Milledge singled with one out against D.J. Houlton (0-1). Carlos Beltran singled and David Wright grounded sharply to third, just beating the relay throw to avoid a double play. Ambres, who entered in the ninth, then grounded a single past third base.

Pedro Feliciano (2-1) pitched a perfect ninth in the win after two perfect innings by Aaron Hillman. Billy Wagner worked the 10th for his 22nd save in 23 attempts, striking out the side as he allowed the potential tying run to reach third.

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Tour

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Contador showed Sunday he can't be counted out, tapping his chest and pointing skyward as he finished a bike length ahead of Rasmussen for his first stage victory.

Time were given the time of 5 hours, 25 seconds, 48 seconds, but because of bonus seconds awarded for a stage win, Contador gained 8 seconds on Rasmussen and vaulted to second overall, 2:31 back.

Rasmussen, who has won three Tour stages, denied that he had let Contador win, instead crediting the young Spaniard for seizing a better position to edge him out at the renowned uphill finish.

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something you give away. It was a very well-deserved win. Armstrong, who won stages here in 2002 and 2004, once spoke just like that.

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MVS

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driver was certain who had prevailed without the aid of the timing device.

"He (Lopez) thought he won and I wasn't sure," McKean said of the trip to the winner's circle. "I just didn't know it was so close. But I saw the board change and I wanted him (Lopez) in there too."

Lopez had the same view on the podium as well. "I had people tell me it was just too close to call. I thought I had the edge," Lopez said. "They decided to go with the transponder, which is fine. It's always good to see a close race."

Jason Whited hadn't seen the view from the winner's circle for the last couple of months. Apparently he decided he

needed to revisit the territory Saturday night.

Whited assumed the lead at lap 12 after starting deep in the field of the 13 cars in the main event race. At lap 20, Whited had put 20 car lengths between himself and a pack of cars including Trent Champlin, Shawn Nice, Kevin Grubbs and Randy Grubbs as they battled for second.

Whited steeled his ground through, and the 2006 Pony Stocks champion took the lead in the eighth after D'Angelo Jimenez struck to right off Jorge Julio (0-3) with two outs and went to second on a passed ball by Yorvit Torrealba. Ryan Zimmerman was intentionally walked before Kearns

lost the left-rear axle in turn 2 early in the race and had to spend the remainder of the event in the pits.

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BASEBALL

American League

Team	W	L	Pct.
Boston	48	29	.622
New York Yankees	48	29	.622
Toronto	48	29	.622
Baltimore	48	29	.622
Chicago White Sox	48	29	.622
Minnesota	48	29	.622
Seattle	48	29	.622
Los Angeles	48	29	.622
San Diego	48	29	.622
California	48	29	.622

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St. Louis	48	29	.622
San Francisco	48	29	.622
Atlanta	48	29	.622
Philadelphia	48	29	.622
Chicago Cubs	48	29	.622
San Diego	48	29	.622
Los Angeles	48	29	.622
Colorado	48	29	.622
Arizona	48	29	.622
Florida	48	29	.622

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Arpa C district play begins, TBA

TV SCHEDULE

6:30 a.m. VERSUS - Tour de France, Stage 15, Lou to Loudenville, The Lou, France.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

5 p.m. ESPN2 - Boston at Cleveland

8 p.m. ESPN2 - Atlanta at San Francisco

Arpa C District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa C	10	10	.500
Arpa D	10	10	.500

Arpa D District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa D	10	10	.500
Arpa E	10	10	.500

Arpa E District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa E	10	10	.500
Arpa F	10	10	.500

Arpa F District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa F	10	10	.500
Arpa G	10	10	.500

Arpa G District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa G	10	10	.500
Arpa H	10	10	.500

Arpa H District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa H	10	10	.500
Arpa I	10	10	.500

Arpa I District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa I	10	10	.500
Arpa J	10	10	.500

Arpa J District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa J	10	10	.500
Arpa K	10	10	.500

Arpa K District Play

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Arpa K	10	10	.500
Arpa L	10	10	.500

Arpa L District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa L	10	10	.500
Arpa M	10	10	.500

Arpa M District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa M	10	10	.500
Arpa N	10	10	.500

Arpa N District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa N	10	10	.500
Arpa O	10	10	.500

Arpa O District Play

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Arpa P	10	10	.500

Arpa P District Play

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Arpa P	10	10	.500
Arpa Q	10	10	.500

Arpa Q District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa Q	10	10	.500
Arpa R	10	10	.500

Arpa R District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa R	10	10	.500
Arpa S	10	10	.500

Arpa S District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa S	10	10	.500
Arpa T	10	10	.500

Arpa T District Play

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Arpa T	10	10	.500
Arpa U	10	10	.500

Arpa U District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa U	10	10	.500
Arpa V	10	10	.500

Arpa V District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa V	10	10	.500
Arpa W	10	10	.500

Arpa W District Play

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Arpa X	10	10	.500

Arpa X District Play

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Arpa Y	10	10	.500

Arpa Y District Play

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Arpa Y	10	10	.500
Arpa Z	10	10	.500

Arpa Z District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa Z	10	10	.500
Arpa AA	10	10	.500

Arpa AA District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AA	10	10	.500
Arpa AB	10	10	.500

Arpa AB District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AB	10	10	.500
Arpa AC	10	10	.500

Arpa AC District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AC	10	10	.500
Arpa AD	10	10	.500

Arpa AD District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AD	10	10	.500
Arpa AE	10	10	.500

Arpa AE District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AE	10	10	.500
Arpa AF	10	10	.500

Arpa AF District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AF	10	10	.500
Arpa AG	10	10	.500

Arpa AG District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AG	10	10	.500
Arpa AH	10	10	.500

Arpa AH District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AH	10	10	.500
Arpa AI	10	10	.500

Arpa AI District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AI	10	10	.500
Arpa AJ	10	10	.500

Arpa AJ District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AJ	10	10	.500
Arpa AK	10	10	.500

Arpa AK District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AK	10	10	.500
Arpa AL	10	10	.500

Arpa AL District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AL	10	10	.500
Arpa AM	10	10	.500

Arpa AM District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AM	10	10	.500
Arpa AN	10	10	.500

Arpa AN District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AN	10	10	.500
Arpa AO	10	10	.500

Arpa AO District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AO	10	10	.500
Arpa AP	10	10	.500

Arpa AP District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AP	10	10	.500
Arpa AQ	10	10	.500

Arpa AQ District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AQ	10	10	.500
Arpa AR	10	10	.500

Arpa AR District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AR	10	10	.500
Arpa AS	10	10	.500

Arpa AS District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AS	10	10	.500
Arpa AT	10	10	.500

Arpa AT District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AT	10	10	.500
Arpa AU	10	10	.500

Arpa AU District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
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Arpa AV	10	10	.500

Arpa AV District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa AV	10	10	.500
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Arpa AW	10	10	.500
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Arpa AY District Play

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Arpa AY	10	10	.500
Arpa AZ	10	10	.500

Arpa AZ District Play

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Arpa AZ	10	10	.500
Arpa BA	10	10	.500

Arpa BA District Play

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Arpa BB	10	10	.500

Arpa BB District Play

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Arpa BB	10	10	.500
Arpa BC	10	10	.500

Arpa BC District Play

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Arpa BC	10	10	.500
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Arpa BD	10	10	.500
Arpa BE	10	10	.500

Arpa BE District Play

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Arpa BE	10	10	.500
Arpa BF	10	10	.500

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Arpa BF	10	10	.500
Arpa BG	10	10	.500

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Arpa BG	10	10	.500
Arpa BH	10	10	.500

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Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa BH	10	10	.500
Arpa BI	10	10	.500

Arpa BI District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa BI	10	10	.500
Arpa BJ	10	10	.500

Arpa BJ District Play

Team	W	L	Pct.
Arpa BJ	10	10	.500
Arpa BK	10	10	.500

Arpa BK District Play

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 A The following described property was sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the lobby of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID, 83301, on 1/19/2007 at 11:00 am. (Recorded local 1315)
 The following description of certain Deed of Trust recorded on 07/27/2006 as Instrument Number 2006-018435, and executed by James M. Long and Terrell M. Long, husband and wife, as Grantors, in favor of Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, as Beneficiary, to ReconTrust Company, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Ada County, state of Idaho: Lot 17, except the Southeast 66.5 feet and the Northwest 1/4 of Lot 18, except the Southeast 66.5 feet, Block 115, Twin Falls County, Idaho, recorded in Book 1 of plate, page 7. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property. In pursuance of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 227 Eden Street West, Twin Falls, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in said certain Deed of Trust. The date for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 03/01/2007 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent delinquencies to the trustee, plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 6.85% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$78,722.76, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations of said Deed of Trust, together with any accrued and/or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorney's fees, Trustee's fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. Notice is hereby given that the Trustee has the right to collect a debt and any amount due to or representative to make that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. Dated: 07/25/2007 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: ReconTrust Company, N.A., 1757 Tapo Canyon Road, SW-80 Simi Valley, CA 90026-1821 Phone: (800) 291-6219 ReconTrust Company, N.A., Successor Trustee Cathy Calkin, Assistant Secretary ASAP# 873020

NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE

Smiley Creek Log Deck Salvage Sale
WYRTCOTT NATIONAL FOREST

On August 7, 2007, the Forest Service will receive sealed bids in public at the Southwest National Forest Supervisor's Office, 2647 Kimberly Road East, Twin Falls, Idaho, for estimated volumes of decked dead logdecko pine fuel wood as listed below. The Smiley Creek Log Deck Salvage Sale is located within T1N 114E3 Section 34 and 35, Boze Meridian.

Sale Name	Volume	Bid Deadline
Smiley # 4 Salvage	205 ccf	August 7, 2007 1:00 p.m. local time
Smiley # 5 Salvage	123 ccf	August 7, 2007 1:30 p.m. local time
Smiley # 6 Salvage	143 ccf	August 7, 2007 2:00 p.m. local time
Smiley # 7 Salvage	154 ccf	August 7, 2007 2:30 p.m. local time
Smiley # 8 Salvage	156 ccf	August 7, 2007 3:00 p.m. local time
Smiley # 9 Salvage	136 ccf	August 7, 2007 3:30 p.m. local time
Smiley #10 Salvage	124 ccf	August 7, 2007 4:00 p.m. local time
Smiley #11 Salvage	166 ccf	August 7, 2007 4:30 p.m. local time
Smiley #12 Salvage	127 ccf	August 7, 2007 5:00 p.m. local time

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You are hereby notified that on the 6th day of August, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., the Twin Falls County Board of Commissioners will meet in public session at the hearing proposing a general revision to the existing comprehensive plan dealing with the overall characteristics, aspects, and elements contained therein. A complete description is on file with the Office of the Planning and Zoning Administrator and available upon request. Any and all persons may register their comments, protests or agreements on the subjects being considered. The hearing will be held at the Twin Falls County Commissioners' Office, 125 Shoshone St., North, 4th Floor, Twin Falls, Idaho. Written comment will be accepted by the Board and must be received prior to the hearing. All comments may be mailed to P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0126. Date of Hearing: July 27, 2007. By: Tom Mikeseal, Director. Tom Mikeseal, Chairman. ATTEST: Kristina Glascock, Clerk.

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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The Mid-Spanish Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D) is seeking individuals and companies that have experience in the use of mechanical and chemical treatments in the prevention of wild land fire on private land. This work will take place in the 6 counties of South Central Idaho. The request for qualifications can be obtained at the RC&D office at 1441 Fillmore Street, Twin Falls, Idaho or by calling 208-733-5330 ext. 132. We ask that you submit your qualifications by August 6, 2007. All applications will be evaluated and reviewed. Evaluators will make a decision by August 12, 2007. For any questions, please contact the Mid-Spanish RC&D.

PUBLISH: July 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, 2007

NOTICE

Advertisement for sale of tenants personal property at Idaho Storage LLC, 2402 Jordan Lane, Filer, Idaho 83326. Pursuant to Title 55, Chapter 25 Idaho Code we will sell at auction on July 29, 2007 the contents of Unit C-09 at 1928 Southpark Avenue, East, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Ted Long, Unit E-6, last known address 315 Canfield West, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Cindy Stuehling, last known address 143 Borah Avenue West, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Idaho Code 45-805 that Oregon Trail Storage, 471 South Park Avenue, East, Twin Falls, Idaho, will possess the contents of the following units:
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Lost and Found

LOST Husky/Australian Shepherd mix, in the Heyburn-Alfred area. Light brown & white, wearing light blue collar with tags. Call 208-312-9448

LOST Foodie mix, small, blond, answers to Dolly. Last seen 7/16 at Falls Ave W. 550 Fender. 208-724-6960 Iv. msg.

LOST Wedding ring, mens, black & silver, gold "T" on emblem, lightweight. Please call 208-539-9555.

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Personals

WIDOWER 60 would like to meet female same age. Call 208-420-7506

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FOUND Black lab with white chest. In Pawl area. 10-12 week old male wearing black collar with tags. 208-488-5343.

FOUND Border Collie, female, in the Twin Falls area. 208-735-2873. Identify.

FOUND cat, grey long-haired tabby in the Clear Springs Subdivision. Please call 208-735-2873.

FOUND Cow dog black with white markings on Monday 7/16 at 208-735-2289

FOUND Cow dog, black and white, neutered, male. Found in Wendell. 208-538-2569

FOUND dog, small mixed breed, female, by O'Leary School. 208-420-9998

FOUND Lab puppy, male, black, in the corner of 500 S. 200 W. Jerome. 280-0636 or 410-9898

FOUND puppy, male, medium size approx 6 mo. old. White/red. Call Jennifer. Call 208-678-4123

FOUND Wirehaired pointer mix on Hwy 30 west of Burley. Butter-scotch & white, wearing black collar. Call 208-280-0998.

LOST Arizon Gray Parrot. Bird flew the cage, missing 7/19 corner of Washington & 3600 North TF. Call Jennifer. Call 208-732-0111.

LOST Border Collie/black and white, neutered, male. Lost around Croy Crossing. 208-410-1472

LOST cat female "Snickers" on 1030 Caswell Ave W. Family pet 18 yrs. White, black, gray, orange, long hair, extra loebs. Call Jennifer. Call 208-732-0111 or found please call 733-0116 or 308-0326.

LOST Cat, bobtailed, female, black D&V, 6-7 weeks old. 2 years old. Lost off of Samba Blvd N. TF. 316-1330.

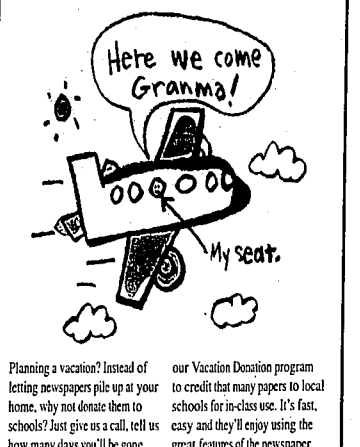
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 Twin Falls, Idaho

- FOUND**
- Heeler cross, black and white, neutered male from Albertsons.
 - Chihuahua cross pup.
 - Min Pin Whippet cross, gray and brown, found at Twin Villa Loop.
 - Boston Terrier neutered male, found at Joshua Way.
 - Shepherd Chow cross with bandanna found at Court House.
 - Heeler Red female, 3400 N.
 - Lab cross, female found at Supor 7.
 - Lab Collie cross, yellow and black female, found on Tyler Street.
 - Lab Ausale cross, brown Merle found on Tyler Street.
 - 2 Pit cross puppies, big, found on 2200 North.

- ADOPTIONS**
- Coller cross, lan, male, big pup.
 - Lab Bassett cross female, 25 lbs, great dog.
 - Heeler cross female, adult.
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CHILD CARE stay at home mom looking for 2 to 3 children full-time...

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0202 Clerical ADMINISTRATIVE Administrative Assistant Part-time, approx. 11.5 each day...

204 Clerical ASSISTANT in Agency has an opening for a Part-time Office Assistant...

BOOKKEEPER Part-time Bookkeeper. Experience in QuickBooks, A/R, A/P...

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204 Customer Service TECHNICIAN Progressive Daily Service & Supplies is seeking an exp. Daily Technician...

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204 Customer Service DRIVER Delivery Driver. Full-time. Must be 18. Western states, home most weekends...

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"Art is not a handicraft; it is the transmission of feeling the artist has experienced." — Leo Tolstoy

In honor of the Summer Nationals being played this week in Nashville, Tennessee, all the deals this week will come from last year's Summer Nationals in Chicago.

Bridge crosses all boundaries of nationality and faith, so it's no surprise that Melih Ozdil of Turkey and Shaya Levitt of Israel played together in the Open Swiss Teams. Ozdil engineered a double endplay to bring home his non-trump game.

West led the spade ace and followed with the spade king and a third round of the suit, putting South on lead and leaving East with the high spade. (Declarer discarded a low heart from dummy on the third spade.)

Ozdil carefully advanced the club 10, covered by the queen and ace. The sight of the club eight from East was good news to Ozdil, but he could envision only eight tricks. The defenders were threatening to end up with three spades and at least one trick in each of the red suits.

Declarer led the best he could when he played a diamond to his queen and West's ace, and West's natural and instinctive play, but a fatal one. A low club would have given a trick but facilitated the rest of the defense.

East won the spade nine-pace and had nothing but hearts left to play. Ozdil put up the heart jack and ran the club seven. When it held, he had four club tricks, two diamonds, two hearts and a spade. Nine tricks made!

NORTH 4-7-3-2 A Q 9 3 K 8 6 4 A J 5

WEST A K 6 3 A Q 9 5 K A 9 4 2

EAST 8 5 5 2 K 10 8 7 5 2 3 4 8 3

SOUTH Q J 10 J 4 Q J 7 2 K 10 7 6

Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: West The bidding: South West North East 1 NT 1 1 1 2 NT 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: Spade king

South holds: A Q 9 7 5 J 5 4 3 Q 4 2 K 9 2

South West North East Pass 1 NT Pass 2 1 1 3 All pass

ANSWER: If you are going to lead a diamond on this hand, where dummy appears to have length and declarer shortage, there is certainly something to be said for leading the queen, trying to pin a bare jack or 10 in declarer's hand. Normally one leads low from any three-card holding in partner's suit, but there is an exception to every rule.

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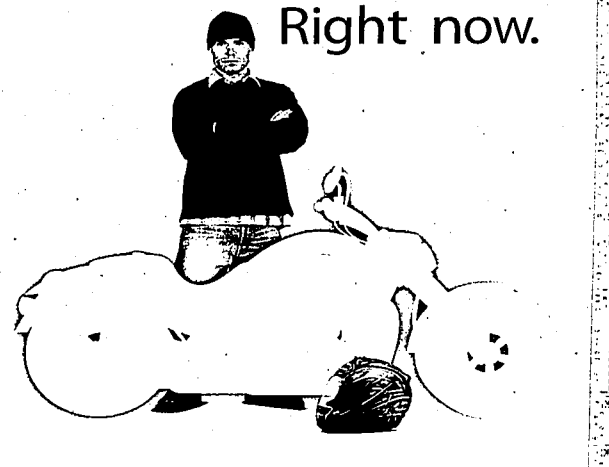
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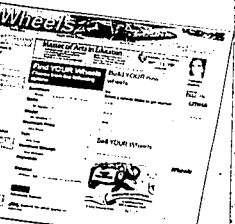
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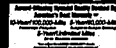
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As if Harry Potter didn't have enough worry about, his frequent and debilitating headaches have gone undiagnosed for six books. Until now, that is.

Thanks to the New England Center for Headache in Stamford, Conn., Harry's afflictions get full examination in a paper published in the June issue of *Headache: The Journal of Head and Face Pain*.

The three-member team behind the study investigated the young wizard's headaches as they have progressed from the time he was 11 years old to

their diagnosis? "Probable migraine."

The research was initiated by Fred Sheffell, the founder and director of the center; author of the paper is Potter fan Hall Thomas, a recent high school graduate.

Timothy J. Steiner, headache specialist at College of London, also contributed to the study.

Sheffell says that approximately 10 percent of teenagers suffer migraine headaches, and that the Harry Potter books "would be a great way to educate people on this subject."

For a great fan of the series, the work is a tremendous honor for kids and adults alike. The researchers compared Harry's headaches with those described in the second of the International Classification of Headache Disorders (ICHD-2), commonly used by Muggles and doctors.

As it turns out, Harry's episodes are close to classic migraines, including photophobia, nausea, and "aura" (headaches of age 11). "Check. Also, some of the headaches were severe as to render him to hospital."

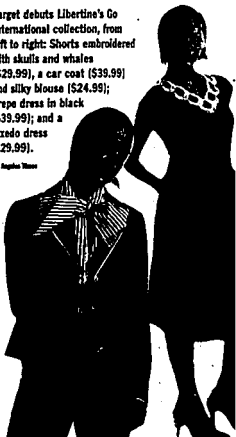
"And his headaches were on the more important feature of migraines," Sheffell adds, "that they are near Harry's light-shaped scar."

The headaches, though, differ from a diagnosis because they last only a few days. They are also triggered by proximity to Voldemort, another feature not listed in ICHD-2.

Thomas, 14, was brought on to the study because of his knowledge of the books.

Target debuts Libertine's Go International collection, from left to right: Shorts embroidered with skulls and whales (\$29.99), a car coat (\$39.99) and silky blouse (\$24.99); Crepe dress in black (\$39.99); and a tuxedo dress (\$29.99).

Los Angeles Times





About migraines

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Migraine is a disorder marked by extremely painful recurring headaches, sometimes with nausea and vomiting.

Migraine attacks may occur daily or infrequently, as once a year, but they may temporarily disappear or fade away. An attack is often triggered by an external stimulus, such as stress, hormonal changes, bright light or the lack of sleep, but the exact cause of the attack is not always clear.

A minority of people with migraines experience auras, or warning signs, before the onset of pain. Auras may include blurred vision, spots or streaks of light, or a feeling of numbness or tingling in the hands and feet. Some people also experience a "prodrome" phase, or a period of irritability, before the onset of pain.

The headache is usually a throbbing pain on one side of the head, but it can be on both sides. The pain is often described as a "pulsing" or "throbbing" pain, and it is usually accompanied by nausea and vomiting.

The underlying cause of migraines is not clear. The disorder may be related to abnormal responses of the brain to stimuli, or to changes in the brain's chemistry. About two-thirds of migraine sufferers are women. Migraine attacks occur with equal frequency

in men and women, but are often associated with hormonal changes in women. People who are often stressed, highly demanding standards for themselves, or who are often in pain, may be more likely to experience migraines.

Most people realize the need of careful medical care. Drug therapy is often the mainstay of treatment, but it is important to avoid overuse of painkillers, which can lead to rebound headaches. Some people also use acupuncture, biofeedback, and relaxation techniques, which may be helpful in some cases.

Aspirin, acetaminophen, and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs can be used to relieve pain, but they are most effective when used in small doses. Migraine attacks of moderate severity can be relieved by the use of a combination of aspirin and acetaminophen. The effect of these drugs is usually within the hour. For severe migraines, a combination of aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen may be more effective. Some people also use a combination of aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen. The effect of these drugs is usually within the hour. For severe migraines, a combination of aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen may be more effective. Some people also use a combination of aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen. The effect of these drugs is usually within the hour.

lie punk with new line

exclusively, Libertine has been a fashion darling from the start. British superstar artist Damien Hirst exchanges his art for their clothes and even loaned images of his work to be screened onto trench coats.

The bi-coastal designer team — Cindy Greene in New York and Johnson Hartig in Los Angeles — reconfigures vintage tweed jackets, leaving razor-edged seams and covering the backside with sparkling crystal skulls. They silk-screen portraits of Abe Lincoln and Queen Victoria on tulle ball gowns and pleated skirts. And they exact thousands of dollars for these labor-intensive, often one-of-a-kind clothes.

So will the Target collaboration, which debuted in stores last week, give us liberty by making the Libertine look accessible to all? Or would it be the death of a rising star?

The short answer is, this stuff rocks — Libertine label or not.

A black shrunken jacket with ruffle collar and black short shorts screen-printed with a ship, priced \$39.99 and \$19.99, make a chic and sexy duo. Among the silky blouses — \$24.99 and \$34.99, some with wide same-fabric scarves to be tied as floppy bows around the neck — is a button-down

covered in black scrawl spelling out "Libertine." A navy cotton canvas car coat with large white buttons is timeless and a steal at \$34.99.

As for skulls, Hartig and Greene have imaginatively paired them with those twee whales that are embroidered all over prep-py clothes. Except in this case, there are skulls and whales sharing space on an oversize navy canvas duffle bag (\$39.99), a Kelly green A-line skirt with an inverted front knife pleat (\$34.99) and a broad bucket hat (\$14.99). Think Pappagallo-meets-punk. When you get down to it, skulls are really as traditional as those prep-py motifs. It's a combination as tasty as a Reese's cup.

It's not all teen and edgy. There's also a pretty, prim black crepe dress with an ivory scallop lace neckline that every fashion editor I've chatted with between here and New York is dying to get her hands on. These discriminating clotheshorses point to the blind-stitched hem and flattering silhouette, and note that it's the kind of vintage-inspired dress perfect for the office or a party. And at \$39.99, it makes pairing it with one of those original Libertine skull coats from Maxfield a little less painful.

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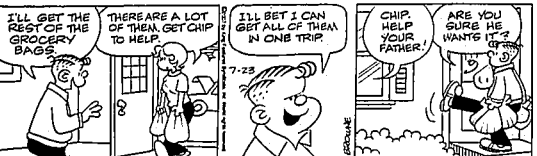
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Woman wonders how to answer questions about mental health



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

blackmail. Giving her the ring will not guarantee her affection or her presence in your life. If I were you, I'd sell the ring. It appears to bring bad luck to everyone connected with it.

DEAR ABBY: I have recently begun using Internet dating sites to meet guys in my community. With my busy work and home schedules, I have found this to be a good alternative. The problem I'm having is that some of the sites allow matches to ask if you are emotionally and mentally healthy.

In my case, I have suffered from depression in the past. I have been hospitalized for this issue and have received medication. At this point in my life, I manage my depression with antidepressant therapy. I no longer need a counselor or a therapist, and have in place strategies for when I feel I'm cycling downward.

How should I respond to gentlemen who are looking for an "emotionally healthy" match? I consider myself "recovering" and do not take my mental health for granted. Your advice would be much appreciated.

that someone who has recognized he or she had a problem — and dealt with it — is healthier than a person who has a problem, is afraid to own up to it and lets it fester.

DEAR ABBY: I am having a conflict with my grandfather. My mother passed away a year ago. Years ago, she had become engaged to a guy in the Army who gave her an engagement ring. But your mother married my father while her fiancé was away on active duty. My grandfather now says Mother told her she could have the ring. My mother or said nothing to me about any such promise. My grandfather has not spoken to me since the funeral. At this point, I give her the ring. I feel I would be buying her affection. What do you think?

—NOT SO BLUE IN EVERETT, WASH.

DEAR IN A BIND IN TEXAS: You and your grandfather are over-riding a man that your mother truly intended for her to have the ring, she should have put it in writing. What your grandfather appears to be attempting is emotional

DEAR ABBY: On Memorial Day, I attended the funeral of a respected member of our community. During the motorcade from the mortuary to the cemetery, I noticed a man who had been working in his garden. When he saw the hearse and the motorcade, he stood, bowed his head and hid his face over his hat.

I'm sure the man did not know the deceased, but his respectful act of honoring the person who had passed was a beautiful gesture and was deeply appreciated.

We could learn a lesson from this kind individual. A thoughtful gesture that takes but a few moments can mean a great deal to people who have suffered such a loss.

—CHARLES

IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR CHARLES: I agree. Years ago, the gesture of respect you described was quite common. However, in the last decade or so, it seems to have been forgotten. I'm for reviving it, even if the deceased is not known to us, taking a moment to dwell on the fact that none of us lives forever can spur us to better spend the time we are given.

TODAY IN HISTORY

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, July 23, the 204th day of 2007. There are 161 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On July 23, 1967, a week of deadly race-related rioting that claimed 43 lives erupted in Detroit.

On this date:

In 1885, Ulysses S. Grant, the 18th president of the United States, died in Mount McGregor, N.Y., at age 63.

In 1865, New York saloonkeeper Steve Brodie claimed to have made a daredevil plunge from the Brooklyn Bridge into the East River (however, few historians believe the jump actually occurred).

In 1892, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia was born.

In 1914, Austria-Hungary issued an ultimatum to Serbia following the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand by a Serb assassin; the dispute led to World War I.

In 1945, French Marshal Henri Petain, who had surrendered the Vichy government during

World War II, went on trial, charged with treason. (He was condemned to death, but his sentence was commuted.)

In 1951, Henri Petain died in prison.

In 1952, Egyptian military officers led by Gamal Abdel Nasser launched a successful coup against King Farouk.

In 1977, a jury in Washington D.C. convicted 12 Ibanai Muslims of charges stemming from the hostage siege of three buildings the previous March.

In 1992, actor Vic Morrow and two child actors, 7-year-old Myca Dinh Le and 6-year-old Renee Chen, were killed when a helicopter crashed on top of them during filming of a Vietnam War scene for "Twilight Zone: The Movie." (Director John Landis and four associates were later acquitted of manslaughter charges.)

In 1986, Britain's Prince Andrew married Sarah Ferguson at Westminster Abbey in London. (The couple divorced in 1996.)

Ten years ago: The search for Andrew Cunanan, the suspected killer of designer Gianni Versace and others, ended as he was found with his body on a houseboat in Miami Beach, Fla., an apparent suicide.

Five years ago: Thousands of Palestinians marched to bury their dead after an Israeli airstrike killed a top Hamas leader and 14 civilians, including nine children. Welsh archbishop Rowan Williams was chosen to be the 104th archbishop of Canterbury, spiritual leader of the world's Anglicans. A frail but determined Pope John Paul II arrived in Toronto at the start of an 11-day trip that also took him to Guatemala and Mexico. Novelist Chaim Potok died in Morriston, Pa., at age 73. Actor Leo McKern died in Bath, England, at age 92.

One year ago: Former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was hospitalized on the 17th day of a hunger strike; he appeared thinner but healthy at his trial a few days later. American Floyd Landis won the Tour de France (tests later showed high testosterone levels, but Landis said he was innocent). Tiger Woods became the first player since Tom Watson in 1982-83 to win consecutive British Open titles. Zuleyka Rivera Mendoza of Puerto Rico was crowned Miss Universe 2006.

BIRTHDAYS

Today's Birthdays: Actress Gloria DeHaven is 82. Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy is 71. Actor Ronny Cox is 69. Radio personality Don Imus is 67. Country singer Tony Joe White is 64. Rock singer David Essex is 60. Actor Larry Mannetti is 60. Singer-songwriter John Hall is 59. Actress Belinda Montgomery is 57. Rock musician Blair Thornton (Bachman Turner Overdrive) is 60. Singer-Harmonicon is 46. Rock musician Martin Gore (Depeche Mode) is 46. Actor Erik LaSalle is 45. Rock musician Yuvai Gabay is 44. Rock musician Slash is 42. Actor Philip Seymour Hoffman is 40. Rock musician Nick Menza is 39. Model-actress Stephanie Seymour is 39. Actress Charisma Carpenter is 37. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sam Watters is 37. Country singer Allison Krauss is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Dalvin DeGrate is 36. Rock musician Chad Green (Lynyrd Skynyrd) is 36. Actor-comedian Marlon Wayans is 35. Country singer Shannon Brown is 34. Actor Omar Epps is 34. Baseball player Norm Garcia (papa) is 34. Actress Stephanie March is 33. Country musician David Pichette (Emerson Drive) is 30. Rhythm-and-blues singer Michael Williams is 27. Actor Daniel Radcliffe is 18.

Florida insurance agent wins Hemingway look-alike contest

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — A white-bearded insurance agent from Florida won the Ernest Hemingway Look-Alike Contest, a highlight of the annual festival honoring the famed writer.

Larry Austin defeated 122 other contenders in the competition at Sloppy Joe's Bar, Hemingway's favorite watering hole where he lived in the Keys in the 1930s. The final round was held late Saturday, which would have been Hemingway's 108th birthday.

Austin, of Palm Harbor, said he shares Hemingway's fondness for Key West, cats and having a good time, though he has never attempted writing anything except insurance policies.

"When they called my name, I was in shock," said Austin, a 10-year veteran

contestant who said his favorite Hemingway novel is "The Old Man and the Sea."

Contestants dressed in sportsman's attire paraded across the stage at Sloppy Joe's during preliminary rounds Thursday and Friday. Twenty-five prospective "Papas" made it to Saturday night's finals.

Ernest Hemingway's granddaughter Lorian Hemingway said the contest would appeal to her late grandfather.

"I think if he were to walk into Sloppy Joe's to see dozens of men hoping to look like him, he would be honored," she said. "In fact, I think he might even live into it, because the connection with him here in Key West goes so deep and all the look-alikes love this man."

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"There is nothing harder than the softness of indifference."

— Juan Montalvo, Ecuadorian essayist and political writer (1832-1889)

IMAGE

The latest in do-it-yourself home treatment: lasers

Los Angeles Times

Laura Beard was flipping through a women's magazine when an advertisement caught her eye. It sounded simple enough: Aim a laser at individual blemishes — in the privacy of one's home — and the skin will clear up within a day or two.

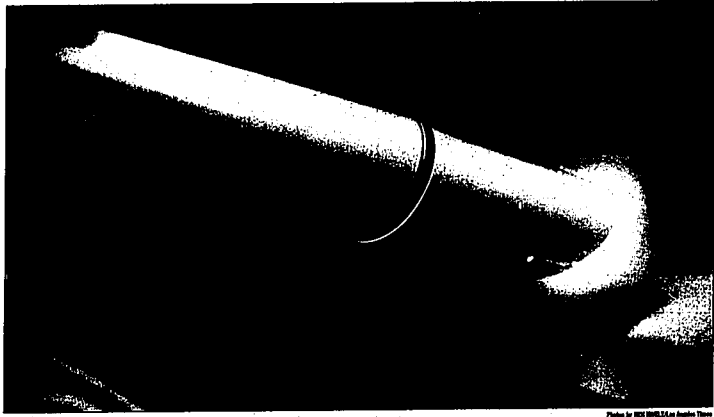
The cost, \$150, gave her only slight pause. If the device worked, it would save her the time and money she spent on acne treatments and dermatologist visits for herself and her daughter. "I have very dry skin, so I have to be careful about using acne remedies with benzoyl peroxide," says the 53-year-old Memphis woman. "This sounded so positive."

With the evolution of laser technology, do-it-yourself personal care has entered a new realm. Consumers can now calm acne flare-ups, plump facial wrinkles and restore thinning hair with a variety of hand-held devices. Others in development could treat superficial warts, relieve pain and remove body hair.

"This field will grow because we have discovered how to channel the power of light and cause reactions in the skin and hair," says John Carullo, director of marketing for Sunetics, manufacturer of a hair-regrowth device. "It's quite an exciting industry, and it's on the verge of exploding."

Home hair and skin applications using lasers or, in some cases, heat, can spare consumers from tiresome trips to the doctor's office and may be less costly, over time, than monthly in-office facials and hair treatments. But they won't work the same kind of magic that can be conjured up with more high-powered tools. And some may even be a waste of money.

"It's a matter of degree," says Dr. Harold Brody, a clinical professor of dermatology at Emory University in Atlanta. "If people are trying to treat mild conditions, it may help. But if it's something severe, they will need the help of a dermatologist." The popularity of in-home treatments mirrors the use of medical devices by physicians, says Dr. Wendy E. Roberts, a Rancho Mirage, Calif., dermatologist and



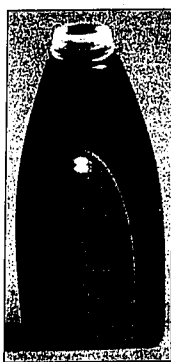
Laser treatments for conditions including hair regrowth, hair removal and acne are based on similar technology used by doctors.

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assistant professor of medicine at Loma Linda University Medical Center. "I think eventually these could be effective for home use," she says. "But right now, there are questions about the efficacy of some of these systems. There's a lot of hype."

Consumers may have especially high expectations for home lasers. Lasers release a special form of light in a single wavelength; by contrast, normal daylight consists of varying wavelengths. Hot lasers, the kind used by health professionals in the treatment of skin resurfacing and tattoo removal, are high-energy devices that cause heat damage to the skin, triggering a healing response.

Cool lasers are sometimes called low-level lasers or low-level light therapy. This type of laser doesn't damage tissue and is safe to use at home. They work by passing a beam of light through the skin to reach cells below the skin's surface, and stimulate the body's natural healing processes. Energy produced by cool lasers appears to prompt the production of collagen and ATP (the energy source needed for cellular



ThermaClear is based on laser technology used by dermatologists and use controlled bursts of heat.

functions), promote blood circulation and boost the release of growth factors and the removal of waste products from cells.

"I sincerely doubt any of these things are so aggressive that they would produce side effects," says Brody. "But the effectiveness is going to be mild too."

Consumers may think that Food and Drug Administration clearance means the devices work similarly to those used by doctors. But FDA clearance of this type means only that the manufacturer has submitted some data showing effectiveness for the device's intended purpose. Usually this means the device is based on similar, proven technology. Devices that do not have FDA clearance may only be proven as safe.

For example, devices to stimulate hair regrowth for balding men have been sold over-the-counter for years although manufacturers couldn't claim the devices helped regrow hair. The approval in February for the HairMax LaserComb was a milestone because the manufacturer produced scientific data to show the product had some effect in growing hair.

But not every light-based hair and skin device has received FDA clearance. "Consumers need to ask enough questions to make sure what they are getting is

truly efficacious," says Dr. Mark Solomon, a plastic surgeon in Philadelphia and spokesman for the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. "Over-the-counter devices don't hurt anybody, so you can sell them. But that doesn't mean they work."

The American Cancer Society has warned that low-level light therapy products in particular are being touted for conditions for which there is little or no proof that they help, such as pain relief, inflammation, smoking cessation, herpes, high blood pressure and migraines.

But the devices are becoming more visible in the marketplace. Sunetics is marketing its laser hair brush for \$399. Next month the firm will also begin selling the device with a removable head that can be replaced with one of four attachments (each costing \$250) for use on acne, facial

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wrinkles, skin pigmentation and pain relief/wool healing. Each attachment contains a diode that produces a specific wavelength of light targeted to treat a particular condition, Carullo says.

Although there is some research supporting the effects of low-level laser therapy for hair regrowth and acne, there's little or no data to support other uses, Roberts says. Consumers should seek a doctor's advice for persistent skin or hair problems, Brody says.

A home device could lighten a skin lesion that is actually a melanoma skin cancer or remove scarring skin, the symptom of another type of skin cancer.

"Safety is paramount," he says. "You don't want to delay a diagnosis."

Beard says she uses an acne laser device called ThermoClear about once a week to speed up the removal of a blemish or two. However, her teenage daughter Kelli has chronic acne and will see a dermatologist on a regular basis.

"I think this device is for those of us who don't have a severe case but still don't want to have to deal with acne," Beard says.

TO DO FOR YOU

Breast cancer support

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet in the reception area at St. Luke's Mountain States Tutor Institute Twin Falls Cancer Center, 656 Addison Aves. W., Twin Falls.

The group is open to breast cancer survivors (male or female) and their families and friends.

The meeting is free. Call Lydia at 333-4053 or Mary at 734-1766.

Childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 2 through Aug. 30, in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The class will include instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery, progress with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and care of the newborn including breast feeding and bottle feeding and a tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Wear comfortable clothing and bring two pillows and, if possible, a support person.

Cost is \$50. Preregistration is required; call 732-3148.

About back injuries

Back School, a course on preventing and treating back injuries, will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's Rehabilitation Services, 560 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class will include information on basic spine anat-

my, common injuries and diseases that lead to back pain, as well as instructions in posture and body mechanics to protect the spine and prevent injury.

Cost is \$25. To register, call 737-2126.

About C-sections

A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Topics will include cesarean deliveries, pain management, hospital procedures and non-conforming labors.

Wear comfortable clothing, and bring two pillows and, if possible, a support person.

The class is free. Preregistration is required; call 732-3148.

Learn CPR/first aid

A first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class combines first aid and CPR training under the guidelines of the American

Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$50. Preregistration is required; call 737-2007.

About childbirth

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer prepared childbirth classes from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Aug. 1 through Sept. 5, at the Jerome Recreation District, 2032 S. Lincoln.

The six sessions, taught by a registered nurse, will prepare the mother and her labor companion for labor, birth, postpartum care and newborn care. Individual classes may be taken as refresher courses. Bring two pillows, a blanket and, if possible, a support person.

The suggested fee is \$30 for the series or \$5 per class. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me" classes from 11 a.m. to noon

Tuesdays at the Jerome Recreation District, 2032 S. Lincoln.

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

The class is free. Call 324-7262.

"Do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Submit information by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Inage section. Mail notices to the Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W. or e-mail ramona@magicvalley.com.

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