

Got calcium?

For some women, diet and exercise not enough to stave off bone loss.



Beehive returns with modern twist
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Former students reflect on historic Buhl High.
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FALLOUT
Idaho victims heard

Support grows to expand radiation exposure payment

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — It's not over until it's over. And when it is, it might benefit more people.

Downwinders from Idaho are more optimistic than they used to be that the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act will eventually benefit them as it does those in neighboring states. Their optimism springs from the fact that more and more politicians are demanding the U.S. House Judiciary Committee schedule hearings on the topic.

RECA, which passed in 1990, allows victims from radioactive fallout in 21 counties in southern Utah, eastern Nevada and northern Arizona who suffer from any of 19 cancers to receive up to \$50,000. Although a 1997 study by the National Cancer Institute showed that four of the top five counties in the state were hit by radiation from weapons testing at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s and '60s are located in Idaho, downwinders in the Gem State are still not considered for fallout compensation.

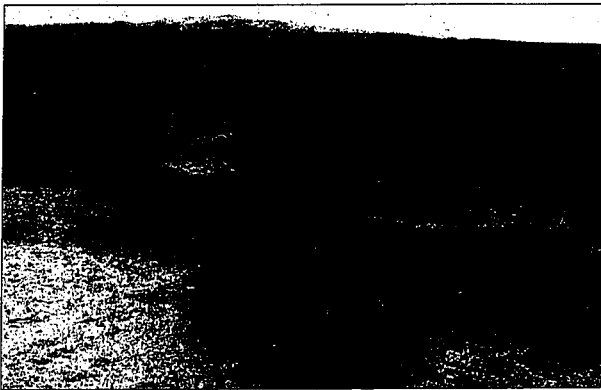
In May, Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, and Rep. Jim Matheson, D-Utah, called for an oversight hearing on RECA and its amendments of July 2000 about the possibility of expanding legislation to cover individuals exposed to radioactive fallout who are not currently covered by the act.

U.S. Rep. Bill Sali, R-Idaho, Boise Mayor David Bieter, Emmett Mayor Marilyn Lorenzen and Gem County commissioners wrote letters recently to the judiciary

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"We lost a lot of prime habitat for antelope, mule deer, sage grouse, elk. It was a blow to us, quite frankly."
— Dave Parrish, director at Fish and Game's Magic Valley field office

HUGE fire devastates wildlife, habitat



Broken fence posts line a dirt road near the east flank of the Murphy Complex fire Friday about 40 miles west of Rogerson. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game says the blaze destroyed wildlife habitat for 17 fish species.

Fish and Game may curb hunting in burned areas

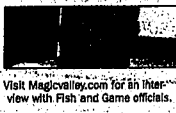
By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

JEROME — As firefighters at the nearly contained Murphy Complex fire in southern Idaho pack up their shovels, biologists from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game assess the carnage inflicted on wildlife across more than 650,000 charred acres.

The damage, wildlife officials say, is unlike any they've seen in southern Idaho, and the fire will likely have lasting effects on wildlife-management strategies, including hunting rules.

"This was definitely a serious event from a wildlife perspective," said Dave Parrish, director at Fish and Game's Magic Valley field office in Jerome. "We lost a lot of prime habitat for antelope, mule

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deer, sage grouse, elk. It was a blow to us, quite frankly."
Of particular concern to the department: sage grouse, a bird considered for placement on the endangered-species list. The Murphy fire torched about 75 grouse leks — mating grounds where the birds flock each spring. Several of the destroyed leks had been active for close to

100 years.
"Setbacks like this are particularly heartbreaking," said Randy Smith, a regional wildlife manager with Fish and Game. "The birds don't have a place to come back to."

Several of the leks burned in the Murphy fire were among the most prime in Idaho, Smith said. Though few birds died in the fire — this year's chicks can usually fly by late in summer — grouse populations may suffer when birds accustomed to southern Idaho leks have to try their luck at unfamiliar mating grounds next spring.
"The Murphy fire is especially disheartening to officials because grouse projects in the blaze's path have been a top priority for the

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Pressure to pressurize

Twin Falls moving to get new neighborhoods on canal-based, pressurized irrigation systems

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Different water, different pressure.

Nearly a half-dozen residential subdivisions that are ready for canal water pressurized-irrigation systems are still using potable water, the result of a rush of development in the past few years that left the city of Twin Falls with an insufficient number of pump stations, city officials said last week.

The city wants subdivisions to use canal-based pressurized irrigation because potable water-based systems draw on the city's dwindling drinking-water supply.
Several residential subdivisions that encompass hundreds of homes will remain on potable water until the stations are finished, said Twin Falls City Engineer Jackie Fields. All developments were approved after 2003, when the city required new subdivisions to use pressurized irrigation.

In efforts to meet the demand, Fields said, more than a half-dozen substations are in design and development stages. She said there are currently 10 pressurized irrigation systems, including four for specific residential subdivisions. Others cater to city parks and various homes.

The delayed hookups are a result of the recent housing boom that forced the city to revise its strategy on pressurized irrigation. While the original plan was to hook up 200 to 400 acres a year, the city now tries to complete a subdivision immediately.

Fields, who came from the Idaho Transportation Department about a year and a half ago, said that the current goals and strategies are different than those when she arrived.

"It's a change of focus on how fast we're going to bring the systems online," she said.

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UI horticulturist trying to create native plant options

The Associated Press

LEWISTON — A University of Idaho horticulturist wants residents in the state to go native.

To make that happen, Stephen Love has been searching the backcountry and collecting seeds from native plants, then trying to produce more of them so they can be made available for landscaping.

"By selecting materials fairly easy to handle, we have been able to domesticate the plants we use around our homes and gardens," he told the Lewiston Tribune. "We need to do a little of that with our native plants."

Working with grant money from the Idaho Native Plant Society, he hopes to persuade commercial nurseries to offer more choices native to the state, including wildflowers, plants and trees that might work for backyard gardens and amateur landscapers.

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Report: Iraq slow to take reins of reconstruction

By Leslie Hoffecker
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Iraq's central government has refused to take possession of more than 2,300 completed reconstruction projects financed with billions of U.S. taxpayer dollars, according to the latest quarterly report by the U.S. agency that oversees the rebuilding effort.

As a result, many projects either are being turned over to local entities that cannot adequately support them or are being run with continued U.S. funding, the report by the special inspector general for Iraq reconstruction, Stuart W. Bowen Jr., found.

The report, to be released Monday, said the U.S. government had overseen completion of 2,797 projects, at a cost

of \$5.8 billion. The central government has taken over only 435 of them, worth \$501 million.
No project has been turned over to the central government since July 2006, two months after Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's government was installed and the Ministry of Finance "changed the conditions on the asset transfer process," the report said.

But even the Iraq government's acceptance of projects does not mean they will be adequately funded or maintained, said the report, citing problems with the Doura power station, which services Baghdad.

The rebuilt units were transferred to the Ministry of Electricity in the spring of

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IRAQ More Republicans want Bush to limit U.S. military missions

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans increasingly are backing a new approach in the Iraq war that could become the party's main alternative to U.S. troops in Iraq but President Bush decides when troops should leave.

So far, the idea has not attracted the attention of Democratic leaders. They are under substantial pressure by anti-war groups to consider only legislation that

orders troops from Iraq. But the GOP approach quickly is becoming the attractive alternative for Republican lawmakers who want to challenge Bush on the unpopular war without backtracking from their past assertions that it would be disastrous to set deadlines for troop withdrawals.

"This is a necessary adjustment in the national debate to reintroduce bipartisanship, to stop the gotcha politics that are going on that seem to be driven by flippers on both sides and change the terms of the discussion," said Rep. Phil English, R-Pa.

English is among the more than 40 Republicans in the House and Senate who are sponsoring legislation

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today	Tonight	Tuesday
High 96	Low 64	93 / 63

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Another hot day with partly cloudy skies. Highs in the middle to upper 90s.
Tonight: Pleasant overnight temperatures with little cloud cover. Lows in the 60s.
Tomorrow: A little cooler but still very warm. Highs in the 90s.

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, 88, 677-2787.

FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

The Jerome County Fair, featuring the Got Milk? Junior Rodeo, in the arena, Jerome County Fairgrounds, 324-7209. The Minidoka County Fair begins, featuring 4-H/FFA dog show at 9 a.m.; 4-H/FFA goat show at 2 p.m.; and lawnmower races at 6 p.m., in the arena, Minidoka County Fairgrounds, Rupert, 436-9748.

GOVERNMENT

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.
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700.
 Jerome County Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 324-9116.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

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., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

"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, 250-5876.

BH&M Weight Loss Program introductory class, 6 p.m., Gooding Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 934-8508.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

LEE, Group: Scrapbook Workshop, a four-page tapestry scrapbook workshop, 6 to 8 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$8, (bring scissors, trimmer and adhesive), 543-6579.

MUSEUMS AND PARKS

Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities, "Flahook Hike" at 9:30 a.m.; Salmon, a Gift from the Ocean and Junior Ranger at 1 p.m.; and "The Legend of Redfish Lake and Other Tales" evening program at 9 p.m., at the center, Sawtooth National Recreation area, five miles south of Stanley, no cost, 208-774-3376.

To have an event listed, 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; 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.

ON THE AGENDA

TUESDAY

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
 Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar, 788-2128.
 Kimberly Public Library Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 Madison W., 423-4556.
 Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., city Hall, 300 Main St., 536-5161.

WEDNESDAY

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
 Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 820 Old Highway 30, 366-7436.
 Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., Hagerman Senior Center, 140 E. Lake, 837-6636.

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068,

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Buhl High almost gone, but not forgotten

BUHL — Memories are a funny thing. As a demolition crew razes the former Buhl High School building — which also served as the Buhl Middle School for a time — I find my cache of memories of the school seems to grow, even as the structure becomes less and less of itself. Whenever I drive by the building I remember something new — like forgetting the combination to my locker on the first day of the sixth grade.

Others drive by, too, having to see for themselves that the building really is coming down. Some stop, walk around the grounds and take photos. SEE PAGE A5

Twin Falls has its own death-easing cat

TWIN FALLS — Workers at Bridgeview Estates retirement home hate it when anyone calls Sam the cat a bad owner or the Grim Reaper. They say he's an angel sent to ease people's death.

The 10-year-old, 17-pound, bob-tailed cat sleeps and eats like a normal cat. And, they say, he parades around the medical ward like a king most of the time. But workers also say he knows how and when to comfort patients faced with their final chapter. SEE PAGE A5

Burley men hope to change camp cooking

BURLEY — Roger Mortensen and Bruce Mortensen hope to revolutionize campfire cooking — and make a little money doing it.

The brothers, now living in Burley and Rupert, have recently become entrepreneurs, launching The Mountain Man Swivel Grill & Griddle.

The portable grill allows for cooking over a wood fire or a charcoal box. The idea first came to Roger Mortensen two years ago.

"I've spent a lot of time camping through the years and got tired of packing frying pans," he said. SEE PAGE A5

OBITUARIES

Dora Dean Steffler, 83
 Della Francis Pato, 70
 Teresa "Tert" J. Richter, 55
 Carl Curtiss Bilkenstaff, 86
 Susan Diane Greenfield, 48

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THIS WEEK AT CSI

All week

Fall registration continues; semester begins Aug. 27.

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 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday.
 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, Meyerheffer 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, Meyerheffer second floor.

CSI Science Camp for first through fourth grades, 10 a.m., Evergreen.

Tuesday

ConAgra Foods Lamb Weston's annual safety training, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Shields, through Thursday.
 Jim Jeffers art display, Herrett Center, Jean B. King Gallery, through August.
 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 "Altrageous Rock," 8:15 p.m., also Friday and Saturday.

Wednesday

Idaho State University "Learning with the Brain in Mind" professional development workshop and lecture, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Aspen, also Thursday.
 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 meet-

ing, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Thursday

Idaho Trucking Association convention, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Taylor meeting rooms.

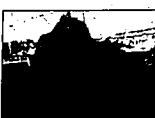
Friday

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 College Road across from Expo Center.

COMING IN THE TIMES-NEWS



What is that pet?

A buffalo's hump, a bushy horse tail and two-toed feet like a cow — it's a yak.

TUESDAY IN COUNTRY ROADS



What's in the water?

Learn more about Magic Valley water features — styles, costs and efficiency.

WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME



Rock on

Halley's Northern Rockies Folk Festival turns 30 this year.

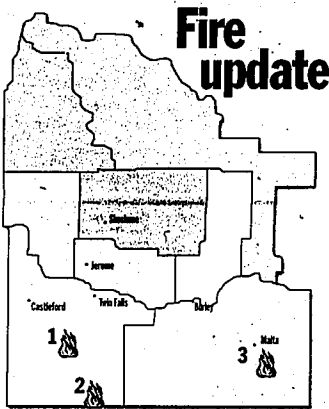
THURSDAY IN TNT



Panoramic point

One climb and you'll be hooked on the view from Mount Independence in the Albion Mountains.

FRIDAY IN OUTDOORS



Fire update

- 1. Murphy Complex**
 Location: 30 miles southwest of Twin Falls
 Acres burned: 652,524 acres
 Containment: 86 percent.
 Crews quickly extinguished Saturday a 70-acre flare up.
- 2. Black Pine 2**
 Location: 11 miles southeast of Malta
- 3. Winecup Complex**
 Location: 23 miles southeast of Jackpot, Nev.
 Acres burned: 153,767
 Containment: 100 percent.
 The fire has been downgraded to a Type 3.

— Staff report

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Water

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 "The logic and method changed in the last year."
 City officials and developers hope to alleviate the problem by forcing developers to install pressurized irrigation systems. Currently, developers pay for creating delivery methods, such as pipes, but not pump stations and thereby force the city to temporarily provide potable water.

City Manager Tom Courtney said that while the city is playing catch-up, there have been "philosophical changes" and he is hopeful anywhere from six to eight new systems will be operational by next year.

"It is a shift in the game plan," said Courtney.

City officials have spent a decade looking to remedy shortening water availability, but the issue reemerged when an engineering firm studying the city's water supply found that every source

continues to decline and that supply will equal demand by 2016.

The delay in hooking the systems online is a concern to some members on the Tula Falls City Council.

"It's imperative we get our pressurized irrigation systems up and running because water conservation is just as important, if not more important, than finding new water," said Councilman David E. Johnson. "It's definitely cheaper."

Developers have said they would build stations, but prefer doing so cooperatively, creating regionalized ones rather than many, independently scattered stations. That would improve communication, save money and better serve the city.

Government reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at jhs@magicvalley.com or 735-3204.

Hearing

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 committee in favor of scheduling hearings.

"We need all the help and support we can get," said fall-out victim Tona Henderson of Emmet.

Downwinders should encourage their local government officials to write letters supporting requests for the hearings, said J. Preston Truman, president of Downwinders, an organization

that represents fallout victims. He said the push to schedule hearings is the first in 10 years that western members of Congress are trying to help downwinders.

"All downwinders see this as a sign that progress is possible," Truman said.

Times-News correspondent Blair Koch can be reached at blairkoch@gmail.com or 316-2007.

Iraq

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 intended to shift the mission of U.S. troops. Several other GOP lawmakers, facing tight elections next year and a strong anti-war sentiment in their districts, say they are considering this approach.

"Settling Sunni-Shiite rivalries over who occupies what streets in Baghdad is not in the vital interest of the United States," said Rep. Heather Wilson, R-N.M., who said she is considering her options. "As we should only have Americans in harms' way where there are U.S. interests at stake."

Bush's top military commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, is expected to tell Congress in September that more time is needed to determine whether a massive U.S.-led security push initiated in January is working.

The message is unlikely to be well received on Capitol Hill. Democrats have criticized the strategy as escalating a falling war; Republicans say they want to see progress made by fall.

His support has proved crucial to Bush in stalling anti-war proposals in the Democratic-run Congress. Legislation ordering U.S.

Fire

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 department over the past six or seven years. "And it just takes one wildfire to set you back for a long time," Smith said.

It could take as many as 30 years before burned sage brush recovers and the loks are fully restored. Fish and Game will recommend restoration strategies to the Idaho Bureau of Land Management, which controls most of the charred areas.

"It didn't matter what was on the ground out there. With the conditions we were facing, everything burned. It couldn't be stopped."



A whirlwind on Friday moves across the landscape west of Rogerson charred by the Murphy Complex fire.

— Dave Parrish, director at Fish and Game's Magic Valley field office

But restoration efforts could be hindered by a particularly harsh fire season that's still far from over. An unusual number of major Western fires, particularly in Idaho, could cause a shortage of seeds used in fire-restoration projects. There is simply too much land to restore and not enough seeds to go around.

That could affect more than just grouse. Antelope, mule deer and elk habitat was also

devastated in the Murphy fire. And unlike the grouse that could fly to escape the flames, many four-legged animals burned to death. The fire moved too quickly through ultra-dry brush for some animals to escape.

Fuel moisture content in southern Idaho is at an all-time low, Parrish said. "It didn't matter what was on the ground out there," he said. "With the conditions we were facing, everything burned. It couldn't be stopped."

Fish and Game conservation officers are on the ground assessing the fallout,

and early signs indicate hunting may be restricted in areas near the fire. The department will likely have a better understanding of the blaze's effects and what that means for hunters in the next several weeks, though sage grouse rules likely won't be set until this winter.

It could be that long before the scope of the Murphy blaze

is fully understood.

"From a wildlife perspective, this was the most significant fire I've ever seen," said Parrish, a Fish and Game veteran of more than 25 years.

Times-News staff writer Matt Christensen covers the environment. He welcomes comments at 735-3243 and at matt.christensen@lee.net.

Reins

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 2006. But in August, workers removed parts from one unit, taking it off-line, to keep the other functioning after it failed because of poor maintenance.

The second unit failed again, said the report, which noted that "the ministry has operated ineffectively or has insufficiently maintained equipment at the power station."

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has taken over the repair and hopes to have both units operational in August.

Reconstruction efforts are also hampered by security issues and attacks on contractors; by insufficient capital spending at both the national and the provincial level; and by

widespread corruption, which the report described as a "second insurgency."

The report included the first congressionally mandated "forensic audit" of large contracts funded by the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund, which has received about half of the \$44.5 billion in relief and reconstruction funds appropriated by Congress.

The initial review examined the work of Bechtel National Inc., the San Francisco engineering company, which won the largest contract, for \$1.33 billion, awarded by the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Due to changes in requirements, unanticipated costs

and unexpected delays, among other things, about half the projects have failed to meet their stated objectives, the report found. In addition, the U.S. government hindered

Bechtel's work by failing to supply enough personnel to oversee the contract, and projects required large numbers of subcontractors, weakening quality control.

Plants

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 "I put in a native rock garden and planted things that don't need much water," he said. "Here we are in the middle of July and I've watered it three times, and it's in full bloom."

He also said some people want more of a regional feel in their backyard, with a desire to bring the colors of the mountains into the city.

Kathy Hutton of Plants of the Wild in Tekoa, Wash., near the Idaho border, said native plants are the fastest growing part of her business, partly because native plants are not as thirsty.

"Water use is one of the biggest concerns, and lower maintenance," she said. "The key to success is picking the right species. Just because it says 'native' doesn't mean it will grow in any area."

Tim Eaton, of Prairie Bloom Nursery and Moscow said it's hard to find much of a variety with native plants, and the ones that are available don't always work for a particular landscape.

"A lot of natives are really large and their form and structure are not as refined," he said. "They are maybe too big or kind of leggy or don't have the compactness or flower as strong as some of the plants that are introduced."

But Love predicts that if he can overcome the problems of mass producing and growing Indian paintbrush, it will become a favorite in backyards.

"If we could find a paintbrush that people could actually grow, it would take off like wildfire," he said.

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WORLD

Iraqis unite to celebrate soccer title

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — It was a day Iraqis will remember for years to come.

Millions watched Sunday as the underdog Iraqi national soccer team won their first Asian Cup, beating three-time champions Saudi Arabia, 1-0, in overtime.

Fans took to the streets to celebrate across Iraq — in Kurdish areas to the north, Shiite holy cities to the south, and several neighborhoods in the capital.

Fans took to the streets on foot, painting their faces with the tri-color Iraqi flag, throwing candy or shooting fireworks in triumph. Iraqi soldiers lined up along parking vehicles. Honking cars clogged the main route into Baghdad's fortified Green Zone, home to the U.S. Embassy and U.S. military posts.

Spontaneous gunfire, much of it deemed to be celebratory, still could be heard hours after the game ended. At least two civilians were killed in clashes with Baghdad police and two more



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in gunfire after the game, police said.

Khadim Lafu Alwani, a government worker, was among those shooting in the southern city of Basra.

"It's a triumph and unity for Iraqis, a glorious day. Why not celebrate?" said Alwan, 37.

Leaders from various sects, including Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite Muslim; Vice President Jalal Talabani, a Kurd, and members of the largest Sunni Arab bloc congratulated the team on their win Sunday, as did Gen. David H. Petraeus, the top U.S. military commander in Iraq.

"This is a gift to the united Iraqi people, to the different spectrums of the Iraqi people," said mid-fielder "Nashat Akram as he stood drenched in sweat on the field in



Iraqi soldiers and civilians celebrate in the streets of Basra, 340 miles south-east of Baghdad after Iraq beat Saudi Arabia in the Asian Cup finals, Sunday. Iraq won the final after defeating Saudi Arabia 1-0 in Jakarta.

Jakarta, Indonesia.

In Baghdad, the victory by the team fans call "The Lions of the Two Rivers," after the Tigris and Euphrates, reminded Shiite Muslim laborer Muhammad Hussein of Iraq's potential.

"These players helped us keep our faces up," Hussein, 43, said. "They showed us what the real Iraq is and how we can work hard to be something."

Although parliament remained in session on Sunday, it was eclipsed by news of the game. Political blocs put their squabbles on hold for the day, with the largest Sunni party postponing a major statement in light of the game.

As tennis coach Mustafa Faraj, 53, observed, "It seems that sports have become more important than politics."

Gorbachev supports Putin's exercise of authority

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW — Former Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, whose reforms played a major role in freeing the Soviet Union from totalitarianism, defended authoritarian moves by Russian President Vladimir V. Putin as necessary "to prevent the disintegration of the country."

Putin has chosen "to use certain methods ... that were even authoritarian to some extent," the Nobel Peace Prize winner said in a recent interview. "But even though he used those methods sometimes, he continued to have the same goals — the goals of moving toward democracy, toward

market economics."

Gorbachev blamed tensions between Washington, D.C., and Moscow on the "victory complex" of some U.S. leaders, and said Washington and Moscow should tone down harsh rhetoric and work together to solve global problems.

Asked what advice he would have for Putin and President Bush, Gorbachev replied: "First of all, to preserve the climate of trust that emerged



Gorbachev

during the years of perestroika, when we were able to work together with the United States to discuss the issues and ultimately to end the Cold War. I believe that this trust is now in jeopardy."

Gorbachev's reform policies of the late 1980s, known as "perestroika," played a major role in the collapse of the Soviet Union and laid the groundwork for U.S.-Russian friendship in the 1990s.

But in the past few years, tensions have grown again. Dissatisfaction in the United States has been fueled by a perceived rollback of democracy in Russia, Moscow's alleged linkage of oil and gas export contracts to political

demands on its neighbors, differences over how to deal with Iran's nuclear program, a dispute over the future of Kosovo and other issues.

Russians have been angered by U.S. plans to install an antimissile system in Eastern Europe. Washington, D.C., says it is needed to defend Europe and North America, citing the possibility of missile attacks by Iran. Moscow has expressed fears that the move would be a step toward a global missile-defense system aimed at devaluing Russia's and China's nuclear deterrents, and also that the system could be modified for offensive missiles that would be close to Russia's borders.

Who will save Guatemala's justice system from the mob?

Los Angeles Times

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — The fate of a U.N.-backed initiative to fight organized crime hangs in the balance in Guatemala, where legislators will decide this week whether to scrap a plan to create an international team of investigators to aid the country's beleaguered criminal justice system.

The government of President Oscar Berger reached an agreement with United Nations officials in December to create the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala to investigate the extent to which criminal groups have subverted the justice system.

But earlier this month, a key congressional committee voted against allowing the commission, known by its Spanish initials, CICIG, to operate on Guatemalan soil. Nihilists and other critics

have said the commission would violate Guatemala's sovereignty. The full Congress is scheduled to take up the matter Wednesday.

Human rights groups, diplomats and several leading Guatemalan politicians say that if the U.N. commission is killed, it would be a defeat for the rule of law in Guatemala. Organized crime groups, many of them with links to the country's elite, are widely believed to have bought influence within the judiciary, police and several members of Congress.

In recent years, Guatemala has been ravaged by a series of brazen crimes. In February, three Salvadoran legislators were killed near Guatemala City, apparently by officers from an elite police unit working on behalf of drug traffickers. Four police officers were arrested, but slain days later in a maximum-security prison.

Afghan president calls abductions of 22 church workers un-Islamic

Los Angeles Times

KABUL, Afghanistan — President Hamid Karzai declared Sunday that the abduction of 22 South Korean church workers by Taliban militants was un-Islamic and brought disgrace on Afghanistan.

Karzai issued his statement, his first since the hostage crisis began, after meeting with Baeq Jong-chun, a special envoy sent by South Korea's President Roh Moo-hyun.

Eighteen of the captives are women, and Karzai said their abduction was a particularly heinous act. "Hostage taking and abuse of foreign guests, especially women, is against Islam and the Afghan culture," Karzai's office aid he told the South Korean envoy. "The preparation of this heinous act on our soil is in total contempt of our Islamic and Afghan values."

Similar sentiments were voiced Sunday by Afghanistans

national council of clerics.

Meanwhile, a purported Taliban spokesman set a new deadline of Monday for the freeing of 23 militants held by Afghan authorities, threatening to kill the hostages if the demand was not met.

"If the Kabul administration fails to meet our conditions by then, we will start killing the hostages," said a spokesman for the kidnappers.

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City talks budget tonight

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The city of Twin Falls will hold its second meeting on next year's budget at 3 p.m. today.

The discussion, at City Council Chambers at 305 Third Ave. E. is in place of the regularly scheduled Twin Falls City Council meeting.

Tonight's meeting is open to the public.

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

The city and council members held a discussion a few weeks ago. A final budget is expected within the next few weeks.

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

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

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

Upgrading campfire cooking

Brothers partner to make portable grill

By Rich Greene
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Roger Mortensen and Bruce Mortensen hope to revolutionize campfire cooking — and make a little money doing it.

The brothers, now living in Burley and Rupert, have recently become entrepreneurs, launching The Mountain Man Swivel Grill & Griddle.

The portable grill allows for cooking over a wood fire or a charcoal box. The idea first came to Roger Mortensen two years ago.

"I've spent a lot of time camping through the years and got tired of packing frying pans," he said.

A welder by trade, he experimented with metal cooking plates that swivel on a stake placed next to the campfire. The only problem he had to overcome was perfecting the tolerance of the tongue piece with the stake. He eventually got the balance right and built what would become the first prototype. He has not camped without it since.

"It spools you, it really does," Roger Mortensen said. Family members and friends were thrilled by the new invention, and a couple of them even offered suggestions. Bruce Mortensen says he saw the potential of the Mountain Man instantly.

"It was amazing," said Bruce

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ALMOST GONE



Anne (Watson) Guthrie of Twin Falls, left, Marsha (Gafford) Busmann of Buhl, Betty (Ring) Conover of Buhl, Marsha (Monroe) Meissner of Mesquite, Nev., and Julia (Meier) Kruse of Garfield went to school in the historic Buhl school building that now is being torn down.

But not forgotten

Former students reflect on times spent at historic school building now being torn down

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Memories are a funny thing.

As a demolition crew razes the former Buhl High School building — which also served as the Buhl Middle School for a time — I find my cache of memories of the school seems to grow, even as the structure becomes less and less of itself.

Like many others, I attended school in the historic building, by the time I did, however, the building was used as a middle school because a new high school was built in 1978.

Whenever I drive by the building I remember something new — like forgetting the combination to my locker on the first day of the sixth grade.

Others drive by, too, having to see for themselves that the building really is coming down. Some stop, walk around the grounds and take photos.

"It's like losing a long-time friend," said Betty Conover, a graduate with the BHS class of 1941. "It breaks my heart to see it being torn down, but I will never forget all of the fun times I had here. There were so many fun, fun times."

Conover and a group of friends met at the school on a recent evening to reminisce. At this point it didn't matter if they were for or against tearing down the school; they focused on the past.

"I remember being chosen as the homecoming queen my senior year, and my mom had a bad cold and she couldn't come to the game," said Anne Guthrie of Twin Falls. "My little brother, a sophomore at the time, was so excited that I was actually picked that he ran all the way home just to tell her news."

The class was intimately small;

everyone knew everybody else.

"When I think back (about) going to school here, it's just a collection of everyday stuff — rubbing shoulders with great people you cared about," said Marsha Busmann of Buhl. "When you go to school and grow up with the same people, you end up caring for them. When something was wrong word spread and people — the community — came together. That's what I remember."

The school's demolition led Guthrie's family to reflect a lot about the past.

"My father died when I was 10," Guthrie said. "The principal, Mr. Goodner, called my mother in to see him shortly after that. She was a young widow with five children and he told her that he thought our family would still be an integral and contributing part of the community. He gave her a family pass to all of the activities — concerts, plays, ball games — every year he was the principal. I didn't know that until just a couple of days ago, and I felt kind of bad because I didn't like Mr. Goodner back then. I had no idea that he did that for us and what that meant to my mom."

Marsha Meissner moved to Buhl in 1967 from California. One of her fondest memories comes from that first year.

"I remember sitting in geometry class my sophomore year, and it started snowing outside. I had never seen snow before and Mr. Barrett let me go to the window for a better look. Once I got to the window the rest of class came and stood beside me, all of us watching the snow fall. That was so neat," said Meissner, now of Mesquite, Nev.

After the school's last red brick is removed from the demolition site and a parking lot covers the large hole like a Band-Aid, these friends will

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— Marsha Meissner, of Mesquite, Nev., who moved to Buhl from California in 1967

still have their memories.

"High school here was a great time," Busmann said. "Years from now when there is no evidence that a school even stood here, I'll remember those times."

Special sense

T.F.'s own death-easing cat comforts Bridgeview patients during their final moments

By Nick Coltrain
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Workers at Bridgeview Estates retirement home hate it when anyone calls Sam the cat a bad omen or the Grim Reaper. They say he's an angel sent to ease people's death.

The 10-year-old, 17-pound ball-tailed cat sleeps and eats like a normal cat. And, they say, he parades around the medical ward like a king most of the time. But workers also say he knows how and when to comfort patients faced with their final chapter.

"Way we look at it was, it was (some) kind of angel," said Glenda Nicholas, whose mother passed away with Sam nearby on July 11. "I can't explain what it is, but he (Sam) is just very comforting."

The workers don't keep track of how often Sam lays beside when a patient is near death, but in the past month he stayed with every person during their death, they said. The people don't normally know when Sam makes his final visit, said Sheryl Essig, nurse manager at Bridgeview.

Essig said Sam isn't an omen — workers usually know when someone is going to die — but Sam tends to find out in his own way.

"I think cats just have a sense of when it's time," Essig said. "I don't think it's instinct, but they know when you need to be comforted."

After reading about Oscar, the alleged death-sensing cat from Rhode Island featured in a story from The Associated Press in the Times-News, Essig said the biggest difference is that a visit from Sam doesn't invite death.

Essig and Colleen Cox, activity coordinator at Bridgeview, said Sam makes visits throughout the medical ward. He was picked up from the Humane Society nine years ago to help comfort Alzheimer's disease patients at Bridgeview.

Mary Becker, a veterinarian and author of "The Healing Power of Pets," said people often feel comforted by animals because of largely good memories of childhood. He said pets have stronger senses and keener liters of body language than do humans, which helps them know when something is wrong. He calls it their "sick sense."

"They sense these body language things, like if a person is in the last chapter of their lives," Becker said. "It's one of those remarkable gifts that you hear about over and over and over."

Comfort offered by animals, Becker said, is as simple as giving people something to get through a stressful time. That's part of the reason why professionals have started using them for therapy.

"They're good for everybody, really, not just people passing," he said.



Sam, a feline resident of Bridgeview Estates retirement home, curls up in the arms of a resident Saturday afternoon in Twin Falls. Workers say that Sam has the ability to tell when a person is in their last mortal moments and will curl up beside them to give comfort.

Cleaning up: Buhl Animal Clinic holds dog-wash fundraiser

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Keeping a business open takes a lot of work. Take the Buhl Animal Clinic, for instance.

The clinic, which operates on a thin budget, has been trying to make both ends meet for some time.

It didn't matter if the pooch was a Chihuahua or St. Bernard, all customers were charged \$10 to have their dogs bathed and nails trimmed. Proceeds from the day go into the clinic's operating budget to help keep its doors open.

"It's an ongoing struggle to keep the dogs fed, watered and to make sure they get current on shots," said groomer Vicki Crafton.

On any given day the clinic — which also functions as a shelter — has about a dozen dogs and cats that need a home.

"We operate to help these animals find a home," said PJ Oglesbee, the clinic's manager. "Without the help of volunteers, donations and events like these, we wouldn't be able to stay open."

Volunteers include Crafton's 10-year-old daughter, All Churchman, who loves to help dogs in need.

"I come up here every Friday to clean all the pens and bathe the dogs," she said. "I like spending time with the dogs."

Before an animal is adopted, the clinic vaccinates

and de-worms them. It also provides an adoption kit to new pet owners.

To help supplement its budget, the clinic also operates an indoor thrift shop.

"We are always looking for donations. The thrift shop is like a yard sale, without (customers) having to stand in the hot sun," Oglesbee said.

More dog-wash events will be held in the future, she said.

"It really is a good deal, and it helps us (to be able to) continue to rescue animals," Oglesbee said.

For more information, call 543-4326.

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

OBITUARIES

Susan Diane Greenfield

BUIH — Susan Diane Greenfield, 48, of Buhl passed away Friday, July 27, 2007, at her home.

She was born June 7, 1959, in Twin Falls, to John Albert Brown and Marie Christensen Brown. She attended Kimberly and Twin Falls schools. She gave birth to her son, B.J. (Brent) Tyler, and a daughter, Britney Gonzalez. She resided in Draven Greenfield in Jerome, Idaho, on Aug. 2, 1998. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Susan is survived by her



husband, Darvon Greenfield of Buhl, Idaho; son, B.J. (Brent) Tyler of Twin Falls; mother, Marie Brown of Twin Falls; six sisters, Ruth (Bel) Hayes of Twin Falls, Rosemary (Gary) Layvine of Colcord, Idaho (Ken) Shaffer of Twin Falls, Linda (Joie) Martin of Colorado, Shirley (Jose) Brizuela of Twin Falls and Julie (Richard) Bonds of Boise; and by her best friend and confidant, her little dog "Peanie." She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Britney, and her father, John Brown.

The funeral for Susan will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. A viewing will be held one hour prior to the service.

Carl Curtiss Blickenstaff

TWIN FALLS — Carl Curtiss Blickenstaff, 86, of Twin Falls died Friday, July 27, 2007, at Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation. He was born Dec. 9, 1920, in Delphi, Ind., the son of Eli and Sarah Blickenstaff. He was raised and educated in Indiana. He worked in a variety of jobs, including a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture from Purdue University, and a masters and doctorate in entomology from Iowa State University. He was enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he was soon commissioned as an officer and served at stations in both the U.S. and China until his discharge in 1946. He married Maxine Brunk in 1941 in Lafayette, Ind., and they were later divorced. In 1963 he married Ruth Bennett Murray in Twin Falls. Carl worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture throughout his



career and was stationed at various places throughout the U.S. and for two years in Liberia, West Africa. He moved to Twin Falls in 1979 and retired from the Kimberly Entomology Lab in 1983. Carl enjoyed traveling, canoeing, camping, woodworking, square dancing and skiing.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Blickenstaff; four children: Jan Peter (Doreen) Blickenstaff of Idaho Falls, David Carl (Karen) Blickenstaff of St. Louis, Rebecca Ann (D.B.) Birnir, of Columbia, Md., Bronwyn Logan, of Logan, Utah; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and one brother, Eugene H. Blickenstaff, of Logansport, Ind. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brother and four sisters.

Memorial services will be conducted 11 a.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2007, at White Mortuary, "Chapel" by the Park. The family suggests memorial service to the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

Flora Dean Steffler

NAMPA — Flora Dean Steffler, 83, of Nampa and Phoenix, died Friday, July 27, 2007, at a Nampa hospital. A viewing will be held from 6-8 tonight, July 30, at Zetter Funeral Chapel, Nampa. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Paul LDS 3rd Ward, with burial, with burial, at the Rupert Cemetery.

Flora was born March 5, 1924, in Escalante, Utah, the first of 11 children of Lawrence Dewey and Susanna Joette (Allen) Falls. She moved west with her family to Idaho in a wagon and horse team when she was 8 years old. She grew up in Basalt, near Pirth, and graduated from Pirth High School. She married Edward Steffler May 29, 1942, and they had six children. They farmed near Moreland then entered a veterans' drawing for a farm which they homesteaded north of Rupert, where they raised their children Flora and Edward until they moved from the farm to Phoenix in the late 1960s.

Edward died July 24, 1992, and Flora continued to live in the family home in Mesa, Ariz. She later sold her home and spent winters in Phoenix and summers in Nampa, living with her children.

She enjoyed flowers, garden-



ing, canning, fishing with her family and crocheting. She helped her husband with the farming. She especially enjoyed her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and spent many years as a ward librarian. Surviving her are six children: Daniel L. (Kay) Steffler of Nampa, Edward Eldon (Susan) Steffler of Heyburn, Marvin (Deanna) Steffler of Phoenix, Terry (Ann) Steffler of Queen Creek, Ariz., Dolly (Dennis) Carlson of Phoenix and Sharla Jonell (Dale) Mahurin and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. She was big sister to Ermond (deceased), Donald (deceased), Lary Claudier of Blackfoot, Guy of Pocatello, Rene Ostrom of Blackfoot, Jan Branson (deceased), Delna Tippets of Utah, Linda Young of Moreland, Dixie Kossman of Rupert and Dewey (deceased).

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 1111 S. Orchard Ave., Boise, Idaho 83705 or the Perpetual Cremation Fund through the LDS Church.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Mercy Medical Center, especially those in ICU and 4th floor; also to the caregivers at Beehive Assisted Living for their care and concern.

Della Francis Pato

TWIN FALLS — Della Francis Pato, 70, of Twin Falls passed away Friday, July 27, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Della was born January 24, 1937, in Twin Falls to Arba and Jessie Robison. She married Elmer L. Rudolph in Twin Falls in 1958. They were divorced in 1977. On December 16, 1978, she married Gene A. Pato in Antioch, Calif. They moved back to Twin Falls three years ago.

Della loved to bake, especially banana nut bread and cheesecakes, and her grandchildren will tell you there was nothing to match Grandma's cooking. She was a garage sale-aholic, never missing a chance to pick up something that she could use to help someone else in need.

Della is survived by her husband, Gene, of Twin Falls; daughters Michelle (Tony) Pato of Buhl, Wendy Garcia of Antioch, Calif.; sons Mike (Dee) Rudolph of Twin Falls, Martin Rudolph of Ballico, Calif., Mark (Jennifer) Rudolph of Ryde, Calif., David (Iona) Pato of Elk Grove, Calif., Ron (Lily) Pato of Oakley, Calif., and 4th floor; a brother, Alvin Ewing (A.E.) Robison, Jr. of Quartzsite, Ariz.; as well as 16 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, two infant brothers, a brother Hurley "Bud" Robison and a sister Bonnie Ferris.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 8, 2007, at White Mortuary "Chapel" by the Park in Twin Falls. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 31, at the mortuary. Cremation will take place following the services.



Teresa 'Terri' J. Richter

TWIN FALLS — Teresa "Terri" J. Richter, 55, of Twin Falls passed away Saturday, July 28, 2007, at her home. Terri was born May 26, 1953, in Twin Falls to Marie Groves. She married Doug Richter on Aug. 8, 1975. Terri was a long-time employee of Franklin Building Supply. While growing up, she enjoyed bowling and checkers and was a highlight to this day she still enjoys to play with her friend Barry Checker Champion.

Terri had a love for sewing, tending to her flower garden, and she could always find time for a sci-fi movie, but above all her happiest moments were spent with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Doug Richter of Twin Falls; children: Susan Webster, of Salt Lake City; Sara Webster, Marie (Caleb) Roberts, and Douglas (Richard) Richter, all of Twin Falls; one grandchild, the Casey Lytle; her mother, Marie Groves, of Twin Falls; one sis-

ter, Lori (Larry) Capps of Gooding; and one brother, Bruce Buster, of Twin Falls. She was preceded in death by her father, Virgil Groves. Terri's family would like to make a special thank you to all of the employees at Franklin Building Supply for your friendship and support.

Memorial services for Terri will be conducted 2 p.m. on Thursday, August 2, 2007, at White Mortuary, "Chapel" by the Park. Inurnment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.



DEATH NOTICES

Cheryl Whiteley

BUIH — Cheryl Whiteley of Buhl, died July 28, 2007, at her home in Buhl. Funeral services will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Adam James Davis

TWIN FALLS — Pfc. Adam James Davis, 19, of Twin Falls and Jerome, died from a roadside bombing in Afghanistan while serving in the U.S. military.

A celebration of Adam's life will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 2, at the Twin Falls Reformed Church Worship Center, 1631 Grandview Dr. N. in Twin Falls with Pastor Mark Patro of the Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church in Jerome officiating. Burial and military honors will be held at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call on 3 until 8 p.m.

Funeral at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2446 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls: A full obituary will appear in Tuesday's edition of the Times-News.

Jacent 'Jay' A. Ciddio

TWIN FALLS — Jacent "Jay" A. Ciddio, age 83, of Twin Falls died Sunday, July 29, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Thess F. Lejardi

GOODING — Thess F. Lejardi, 62, of Gooding died Saturday, July 28, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Gooding, Chapel.

Grill

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Mortensen who suggested that a charcoal box be added to the design to make the system usable even without a fire pit. The brothers soon decided to become business partners.

The Mountain Man allows someone to cook a variety of foods at the same time, virtually turning a campfire into a range top.

The plates can be raised or lowered, which allows for controlling what temperature the food is cooked at. The three plates allow for simultaneous cooking at three temperatures.

Since receiving the patent, the brothers have set up distributors in Coeur d'Alene and Spokane, Wash., and found a warehouse in Utah to store the product.

The Mortensen brothers also launched a Web site, <http://www.mountainmangrill.com>.

The brothers grew up on the north side of Paul, Bruce Mortensen, 54, is married with seven children and lives in Burley. Roger Mortensen, 56, is married with five children and lives south of Rupert.

The brothers have more ideas for the future, including a miniature Mountain Man designed for backpackers and bikers. They have been presenting the Mountain Man to national sporting-goods chains, but say they are not ready to quit their day jobs just yet.

"I'll wait 'til the first royalty check comes in," Bruce Mortensen chuckled.

SERVICES

Edna Isabelle Miller of Gooding, funeral at 10 a.m. today at Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Nellie Mae Morrison of Boise, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Twin Falls LDS 7th Ward Church, 847 Eastwood Drive N.

Loy Ray Bledsaw of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Mary Lee Spurlock of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls; viewing from 9 to 10 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Ronald Roy Farzan of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Paul Baptist Church, 25 N. Fourth St.; viewing for family and friends one hour before the service today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Gordon William Adams of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel, 629 E. Third in Jerome.

Vannetta Kaye Kramer (Patterson) Meridian and formerly of Twin Falls, vigil service at 7 p.m. today at Summers Funeral Homes, 1205 W. Hancock St. in Boise; funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in Meridian.

Edith Walker of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Park Baptist Church; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Ralph Albert Egersdorf of Gooding, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Gooding LDS Church; family and friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel, and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

Violet Luella Swearingen of

Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel; viewing for family and friends from 7 to 9 p.m. today and one hour before the service Tuesday at the funeral chapel.

Marge Ann Ude of Idaho Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls; family will receive friends one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Shirley Wixon "Bill" Stokes of Ammon and formerly of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Wood Funeral Home, 273 N. Ridge in Idaho Falls; family will visit with friends from 7 to 9 p.m. today and one hour before the service Tuesday at the funeral home.

Thelma Carrick of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Wood Funeral Memorial Estates in West Jordan, Utah, with viewing from noon to 1 p.m.

Nina Elaine Maxwell Myers of Gooding, funeral at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel; family and friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

Helen Adelia (Brandt) McGrew of Glenns Ferry, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Faith Lutheran Church, 1190 N. Sixth E. in Mountain Home (Host Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home).

Della Francis Pato of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; viewing for family and friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

Elizabeth "Betty" Ruth (Barrett) Gamba of San Diego, funeral at 10 a.m. Friday at Trinity Episcopal Church, 125 Seventh Ave. W. in Gooding (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

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Electric dragsters aim for gas-powered records

By Aaron Clark
Associated Press writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — Straddling a 619-pound motorcycle, Scotty Pollacheck tucks in his knees and lowers his head as he waits for the green light. When he revs the engine there's no roar. The bike moves so fast that within seconds all that's visible is a faint red tail-light melting in the distance.

Pollacheck crosses the quarter-mile marker doing 156 mph; he's traveled 1,320 feet in 8.22 seconds, faster than any of the gas-powered cars, trucks or motorcycles that have raced in the drag prints on this weekend at Portland International Raceway.

It's particularly impressive given Pollacheck is riding a vehicle that uses no gasoline and is powered entirely by lithium-ion batteries.

Electric vehicles are making their presence felt at motorsport drag races across the country, challenging gas-powered cars and motorcycles. The "amp heads," computer geeks and their buddies who have been in driving the electron-powered vehicles are starting to kick some major rear end.

"Pollacheck and his bike — dubbed the KillCycle — are part of a growing movement that's exploiting breakthroughs in battery technology and could soon challenge the world's fastest-accelerating vehicles at the \$1 billion drag-racing industry.

"In professional drag racing I

expect to see the electrics eventually pass up the fuel dragsters," said Dick Brown, president of AeroBatteries, which sponsors WhiteZombie, the world's quickest-accelerating street-legal electric car — a 1972 white Datsun 1200.

"Electric gives you instant torque whereas gasoline has to build up," Brown said. "As we learn to manage it, you're going to see some really amazing performances."

He believes electric vehicles will challenge top drag-racing records within five years.

The KillCycle runs on 990 lithium-ion battery cells that feed two direct current motors, generating 350 horsepower. The bike accelerates from zero to 60 mph in just under a second — faster than many professional gas-powered drag motorcycles and within striking distance of the quickest bikes that run on nitromethane. At the hyper-tonic racing fuel, riders can do 60 mph in 0.7 seconds.

Bill Dube, KillCycle's owner and designer, likens the sleek, heavy bike to an oversized household appliance.

"This is like a giant cordless drill with wheels," said Dube, who designs pollution measuring instruments for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Except for the batteries he receives from sponsor A123 Systems, he says the costs of his racing team — about \$13,000 a year — out of his own pocket.

"We have a chance of actually taking away some nitromethane records, perhaps the overall record," said Dube.

In drag racing two vehicles accelerate from a standstill and race over a straight quarter-mile track. The National Hot Rod Association oversees amateur street-legal car racing on hundreds of tracks around the country as well as the professional drag circuit.

In the most popular professional division, Top Fuel Racing, dragsters with large rear wheels and narrow bodies reach speeds exceeding 330 mph in 4.6 seconds. Drivers are practically flattened against their seats during their short ride, meeting more g-forces than astronauts during a space shuttle launch.

The National Electric Drag Racing Association holds just four races a year. But electric drag racers are increasingly showing up at drag strips across the country to show what they can do.

Their vehicles are posing faster and faster times at amateur meets, but they still have a ways to go before matching professional world records.

The fastest quarter-mile by an electric vehicle is the KillCycle's 8.16 seconds — that's 2.36 seconds off the nitromethane world record for drag bikes set by Larry "Spiderman" McBride last year.

And larger electric vehicles have even more catching up to do. White Zombie's best time in a quarter-mile is 11.36 sec-



An electric KillCycle rider, Scotty Pollacheck, sends smoke flying as he burns out at a race in Portland, Ore., July 20.

onds — that's quicker than a 2007 505-horsepower Corvette 2006, one of the quickest production vehicles available to the general public — but it's still 6.4 seconds away from the Top Fuel record.

Not everyone in the gas-powered crowd is convinced electric vehicles are the next big thing.

"I certainly don't see them challenging for professional records in the near future," said Graham Light, senior vice president of racing operations at the NHRA. "We don't have a blind eye to new technology, new innovations and new methods of doing things, but at this point I don't see a strong movement toward electric cars."

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Trailer parks eyed as new development opportunities

BOISE (AP) — A trailer park resident who faces eviction said he and other residents should be fully compensated for moving costs by a developer who wants to build 70 homes on the site that now holds 30 trailers.

"We are not letting the developer off the hook," Bob McCusker told the *Idaho Statesman*. "The developer has a moral obligation to deal with us."

"It's a great little neighborhood," said Jim Birdsal, manager of the Idaho Department of Housing and Community Development and Neighborhood Housing Services. "You feel for people. But the dilemma is there are private property rights as well in this country,

and you have to respect those." It's a conflict that will likely increase not only in Boise, but other cities in the state where growing populations need undeveloped land, and much of that is now being used for trailer parks.

Residents in those parks often can't afford moving expenses, and local governments are sometimes forced to step in to help with moving costs.

McCusker lives at the Thunderbird Mobile Home Park, which Randy Hoffer is selling to Trifecta Land Holdings, LLC. Developer Brad Klauer has offered residents a rebate on their rent plus \$1,000 if they stay until December.

The problem for many trailer

park residents is that they live on low incomes and can't afford to move their homes, a process that requires costly inspections and repairs. McCusker said it will cost \$5,000 to move his trailer.

Birdsal said the agency he works for has \$100,000 available to help relocate qualifying residents at the park.

"It is only relocation assistance," Birdsal said. "It's not the kind of assistance that could buy them a new home."

Officials in Garden City last year obtained \$90,000 in federal grants to help residents of Colley Mobile Home Park after they were evicted. Local businesses also donated money.

Klauer said he is offering more than what's required by

state law, which calls for only 180 days notice before eviction.

"We've only offered what we know we can stand behind," he said. "It's that's not to say we aren't looking at other solutions and ways to help the tenants."

With more trailer park evictions likely in Boise, the city and Boise State University are creating a survey of all trailer parks in the city. Birdsal said the survey will help the city create a policy for dealing with future trailer park evictions.

"These are our homes," said McCusker. "There have been bubbles born here. These are hard-working people. It ain't the fanciest place, but I have lovely neighbors."

Fisherman may have found missing tourist's body

LEWISTON (AP) — Police in Oregon say they have contacted the family of Moscow City Councilor John Dickinson, who has been missing since January, to let them know a medical examiner is trying to identify a body found in the Columbia River.

"Mr. Dickinson is still missing," a spokeswoman for Oregon State Police Lt. Gregg Hastings told the *Lewiston Tribune*. "We did contact his family, but they're aware there's been no positive identification."

The badly decomposed body of an adult male was found Thursday by a fisherman in the Columbia River near the mouth of the John Day River, police said. The Gilliam County medical examiner in Oregon was working to identify the body, according to police.

Dickinson, 62, hasn't been seen since he stopped his car on Jan. 7 to help another driver whose car had crumpled on a narrow bridge over the John Day River. A third vehicle crashed into Dickinson's car.

Authorities say Dickinson might have jumped over a concrete rail in an attempt to get out of the dark that he was plunging into the river 35 feet below.

Kellogg mayor proposes extra tax for visitors

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The mayor of Kellogg, eyeing a rapidly growing tourism industry in northern Idaho, has proposed a resort tax on hotel rooms, ski rentals and other vacation properties that are leased for 30 days or less.

Most travelers are used to paying extra taxes, and the city could use the money to repair streets and improve the sewer system, Mayor Mac Pooler said.

"You travel anywhere, and there's some type of extra tax on your hotel or motel bill," he told *The Spokesman-Review*.

According to the Idaho State Tax Commission, nine other

"You travel anywhere, and there's some type of extra tax on your hotel or motel bill."

— Mayor Mac Pooler

Idaho cities, including Sun Valley, Sandpoint and Riggins, already have local option resort taxes. Sandpoint has a 5 percent tax that brings in about \$300,000 annually.

Pooler said a similar tax in Kellogg would raise money from the increasing number of

visitors to the area.

The former mining town is making the transition to ski resort, with development leading to more multi-day ski trips at Silver Mountain.

There are eight projects in the works or planned that will add about 3,000 new ski lodges and single-family homes to the town. Many of those are vacation getaways are rented out when the owners are away.

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OTHER VIEWS

E. Idaho might need a community college

Post Register (Idaho Falls)

Does eastern Idaho need its own community college? The region's tight labor market... passage of a new community college district in Ada and Canyon counties... encouraged a nascent movement to ask the question. Community pride drives some of this. But there's also a sense the region may be missing out. Idaho Falls is the largest Idaho community without its own institution of higher learning. It has Eastern Idaho Technical College plus a satellite campus that Idaho State University and University of Idaho operate. As it evolves, the dialogue needs to consider the following:

Their view: The Post Register says eastern Idaho needs to at least explore the community college option.

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

What's behind the region's learning gap? Eastern Idaho exports its college-bound students to other communities. Idaho as a whole also does a poor job of getting its high school grads into college... and then keeping them there long enough to graduate. We have the 18th highest high school graduation rate in the country, but rank 30th in the percentage of college-educated workers.

Community colleges are more affordable than universities. Many high school grads lack the academic skills to complete college level work. Community colleges specialize in transitioning students toward four-year degrees.

Some people don't return to college until much later in life... when their academic skills have become rusty. Jobs and family responsibility anchor them. Community colleges respond to their needs. What's the economic price for not having a community college? American Association of Community Colleges President George Boggs notes the gap between the skills people have... and what they'll need for the jobs of tomorrow is widening. In two decades, some 40 million jobs could go empty in this country for lack of educated workers. Professions such as auto mechanics, factory work, even emergency responders like police officers today require some level of college training.

Without a skilled work force, a community can't grow local businesses... or attract outside companies to invest in the area.

Community colleges specialize in some fields... nursing, emergency responders, health care and technologies. They're nimble enough to provide the job-training local employers require.

Where do we start? Eastern Idaho has considerable higher education assets... EITC, ISU, UI and Brigham Young University-Idaho. This may be more a matter of reorganizing the assets we already have... unlike Boise, where Boise State University was filled to its seams, and along with local business and industry actively encouraged development of a new community college.

This is an appropriate and fundamental question... especially in a conservative community with an aversion to wasteful government spending. Creating a property tax-supported community college district requires two-thirds approval. Before taking that path, eastern Idaho had better exhaust every other alternative.

Love handles: A new excuse for those excess pounds

The Washington Post

It used to be that you could just blame your expanding gut on your parents ("Why the bad genes, Ma?"). But now, thanks to a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine, you might be able to blame it on your best friend, too.

Researchers found that people were 57 percent more likely to become obese if a friend does first. That number shoots up to 171 percent if a close friend gains the pounds... and that seems to apply even if the friends are hundreds of miles apart. Obesity, it appears, spreads from person to person like a disease.

The study has a lot to say about, how and why America has gotten fatter... and how the country can fight what might be fairly described as an epidemic of expanding waistlines. Approaches aimed at changing attitudes en masse and stressing how individuals' choices affect others might be effective.

The danger in this, of course, is that Americans will use the study's conclusions as another way to escape blame for overeating and underexercising. The bottom line on obesity remains: People must be responsible to themselves... and, now, it appears, to others around them... to eat healthy and exercise. After all, friends don't let friends eat Oreos.

Their view: The Washington Post says American obesity may be stemmed if people think about how their behavior affects others.

Obama hails a unicorn

For News ought to buy a copy of last Monday's Democrat debate on CNN to play over and over the usual spouted liberal conspiracy theories that would frighten normal Americans, but are guaranteed to warm the hearts of losers blogging from their mother's basements.



ANN COULTER

B. Hussein Obama got the party started by claiming he couldn't get a cab in New York because he's black. This line was a big hit with liberals in the audience who have never been to New York.

Even writers for The New York Times don't drag this canard out anymore. Last year, a black writer in the Times pointed out how things had changed in New York in the 10 years since he had been out of the country. Not only did he have no trouble getting a cab, but he cited statistics from taxi sting operations that showed a 96 percent compliance rate among cabbies in picking up blacks. (Remarkable, considering that New York cabbies' compliance rate on daily bathing is less than half that.)

As the Times writer noted, even 10 years ago, "most of the drivers who refused to pick me up or take me to my destination during that time were of African descent." When he asked one cabbie... 10 years ago why he avoided picking up black customers, the driver displayed a scar across his neck, a souvenir from a black customer who had robbed him. "I have to guess which is worse," the driver said, "a fine or death."

Thanks to Rudy Giuliani,

cab drivers in New York no longer have to make that choice. Under his mayoralty, New York City became a safer for cab drivers... and everyone else. The murder rate went from about 2,000 murders a year under Mayor David Dinkins to about 700 by the end of Giuliani's term. The last time a cab driver was killed in New York was in 1997.

In addition to making it safer for mostly African-American and Muslim cabbies to pick up African-Americans, Giuliani made it costly for them not to. He started "Operation Refusal" in 1999, sending out teams of black undercover cops and taxi commissioners to hail cabs and give fines to those who refused to pick up blacks. Back in 1969, in the first 12 hours of "Operation Refusal," out of more than 800 cabs hailed, only five cab drivers refused to pick up a customer... one of whom was a white woman with children. And by the way, I've had dozens of cabs refuse to stop for me on Fifth Avenue. Sometimes they forget to turn on the "off duty" light, or they're daydreaming or maybe they've read my

columns on Muslims.

Next time, B. Hussein Obama might to tell us the one about Kool cigarettes being owned by the KKK and causing impotence in black men. There may be too overwhelming evidence disproving that one as there is for the year about blacks not being able to get a cab in New York.

Overall, Hillary appeared to be the only Democrat even dimly aware that there will eventually be a general election. But she too played to her audience with wacky conspiracy theories. Oops, I mean she "discussed the Democratic platform in detail." No need for me to get judgmental.

Hillary raised the Bush-stole-the-2000-election fairy tale, saying "I think it is a problem that Bush was elected in 2000. I actually thought somebody else was elected in that election, but..." (Applause)

On Nov. 11, 2001, The New York Times ran a front page article that began: "A comprehensive review of the uncounted Florida ballots from last year's presidential election reveals that George W. Bush would have won even if the United States Supreme

Court had allowed the statewide manual recount of the votes that the Florida Supreme Court had ordered to go forward."

Another Times article that day by Richard L. Berke said that the "comprehensive review of the uncounted Florida ballots solidifies George W. Bush's legal claim on the White House because it concludes that he would have won under the ground rules prescribed by the Democrats."

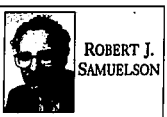
On Nov. 16, 2001, notorious pro-abortion zealot Linda Greenhouse wrote in the Times that she had no personal count of all the disputed Florida ballots... in which the Times participated... concluded "that George W. Bush would have won the 2000 presidential election even had the court not cut the final recount short."

If three prominent articles in the Times aren't enough to convince Hillary that Bush won the 2000 election, forget the White House: ABC ought to hire her to replace Rosie O'Donnell on "The View." I know that's a big seat to fill, but maybe she can finally convince Elizabeth Hasselbeck that 9/11 was an inside job.

So on Monday night, the candidates casually spouted liberal conspiracy theories that would frighten normal Americans, but are guaranteed to warm the hearts of losers blogging from their mother's basements.

Prius a parable for politics of global warming

My younger son calls the Toyota Prius a "hippie car," and he has a point. Not that Prius drivers are "hippies." Toyota says that typical buyers are 34 and have incomes of \$49,000; 81 percent are college graduates. But like hippies, they're making a loud lifestyle statement.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

We're saving the planet, what are you doing? This helps explain why the Prius so outsells the rival Honda Civic Hybrid. Both have similar base prices, about \$22,000, and fuel economy (Prius, 60 miles per gallon city/51 highway; Civic, 49 mpg city/51 highway). But Prius sales in the first half of 2007 totalled \$453 million, compared to \$200 million for Civic. Prius sales were only 17,141, up 7.4 percent from 2006. The Prius' advantage is its distinct design that promotes its owners as environmentally virtuous. It's a fashion statement. Meanwhile, the Civic hybrid can't distinguish from the polluting, gas-guzzling mob.

I think a parable for the broader politics of global warming. Prius politics is mostly about showing off, not curbing greenhouse gas emissions. Politicians pander to "green" constituents who want to feel good about themselves. Grandiose goals are declared. But measures to achieve them are deferred... or not.

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is the champ of Prius politics, having declared that his state will cut

greenhouse emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 (about 25 percent below today's levels) and is aiming for an 80 percent reduction below 1990 levels by 2050. However, the policies to reach these goals aren't yet formulated; that task has been left to the California Air Resources Board. Many mandates wouldn't take effect until 2012, presumably after Schwarzenegger has left office. As for the 2050 goal, it's like his movies: make-believe. Barring big technological breakthroughs, the chances of reaching it are zero.

But it's respectable make-believe. Schwarzenegger made the covers of Time and Newsweek. The press licks this up; "green" is the new "yellow journalism," says media critic Jack Shafer. Naturally, there's a bandwagon effect. At least 35 states have "climate action plans." None of this will reduce global greenhouse gas emissions from present levels. Even if California achieved its 2020 goal (dubious) and the United States followed (more dubious), population and economic growth elsewhere would overwhelm any emission cuts. In 2050, global population is expected to hit 9.4 billion, up about 40 percent

from today. At modest growth rates, the world economy will triple by midcentury.

Just to hold greenhouse emissions steady requires massive gains in efficiency or shifts to non-fossil fuels. The McKinsey Global Institute predicts that, under present trends, worldwide energy use will rise 45 percent from 2003 to 2020. China accounts for a third of the increase, all developing countries for four-fifths. Even after assuming huge improvements in energy efficiency (better light bulbs, etc), McKinsey still projects an increase of 13 percent in global energy demand.

But we've got to start somewhere, right OK, here's what Congress should do: (a) gradually increase fuel economy standards for new vehicles by at least 15 miles per gallon; (b) raise the gasoline tax over the long period by \$1 to \$2 a gallon to strengthen the demand for fuel-efficient vehicles and curb driving; (c) eliminate tax subsidies (mainly the mortgage interest rate deduction) for housing, which pushes Americans toward ever-bigger homes. (Note: if you move to a home 25 percent larger and then increase energy efficiency by 25 percent, you don't save energy.)

I support these measures, because we should do them anyway. We should limit dependence on insecure foreign oil. Tax subsidies cause Americans to over-invest in oversized homes. But practical politicians won't enact these policies, except perhaps for

higher fuel economy standards. They're too unpopular.

Prius politics promises to conquer global warming without public displeasure. Gains will occur invisibly through business mandates, regulations and subsidies. That's why higher fuel economy standards are acceptable. They seem painless. It sounds too good to be true... and is.

Costs are disguised. Mandates and subsidies will give rise to protected markets. Companies (utilities, auto companies, investment banks) will manipulate rules for competitive advantage. There will be more opportunity for private profit than public gain. The government's support for ethanol is instructive. In 2006, 20 percent of the U.S. corn crop went for ethanol; the share is rising. Driven by demand for feed and ethanol prices have soared. With food costs increasing, inflation has worsened. The program is mostly an income transfer from consumers to producers and ethanol refiners. Americans' oil use and greenhouse gases haven't declined.

Deep reductions in greenhouse gases might someday occur if both plug-in hybrids vehicles and underground storage of carbon dioxide from coal-fired power plants became commercially viable. Meanwhile, Prius politics is delusional exercise in public relations that, while not helping the environment, might hurt the economy.

Prius politics is mostly about showing off, not curbing greenhouse gas emissions. Politicians pander to "green" constituents who want to feel good about themselves.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wisdom from the mouths of babes

My 4-year-old son, Eddie, and his 5-year-old sister, Amy, were playing. They had their Fisher Price little people and their Weeble Wobble toys and little plastic soldiers all in a row on the living room carpet. I counted them. There were 11 of them.

Eddie said to his sister, how are we going to take care of all these children? His sister, Amy, said, "One day at a time, Eddie, just one day at a time."

CATHERINE ANN HEILEMAN
Twin Falls

Reflections on the Minidoka National Internment monument

A few weeks ago, I visited the Minidoka relocation camp memorial. I was trying to mentally put myself in the internees' place when I saw the camp plan. I recognized that it was an image of the defense housing development in Portland where I spent the war years. There was a crescent of barracks (barrack-style houses) backed by a series of vegetable plots (victory gardens) and bounded by the desert (Willamette Slough) and the Northside Canal (Swift Avenue).

The housing arrangement was the same but there were parallels in my situation and the detainees. The physical deprivations were as severe and the social

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dislocation was as bad, or worse, for me, but one difference made all the difference. Our defense workers' dislocation was voluntary and we were proud, and our Japanese-Americans' dislocation was coerced and they were humiliated. I think the relocation camp was wrong, useless and had a negative effect on the war effort.

I don't think racism or prejudice was the motivation, and I don't think the detainees' physical hardship was as bad as we are told. It was not a lot worse than that of families who entered the war industries. The relocation camps were a response to Pearl Harbor and America's defenseless Japanese-Americans were accessible, and we picked the nearest likely scapegoat. The camps were reasonable and wrong; however, relocation camps

were only part of the response. We also won the war. The Minidoka Camp and the Hiroshima Peace Park are two memorials to the cost of war, not memorials to guilt.

Don't renege your ancestor's imputed sin and don't adopt the victor's swagger. Depending on someone else's sin won't shield you from your own conceal. Terrorism, poverty, education, immigration and health care are temptations to do something stupid.

TED QUIGLEY
Buhl

Politicians need to use more wisdom about water

This is a word to the people who decide who can use or misuse the underground water. They let businesses that require a large use of our quantities of underground water come in for the sake of economic growth. This also applies to our environmental quality.

In the 1960s, my family had a ranch in the north county close to Gannett. We were able to dig an artesian and had about 60 inches of water for our land. A neighbor down the road always didn't have any water. So he and dad made a deal to dig a well on our property and put the water in the creek. When it would reach the neighbor's place, he would take it out to irrigate his land.

When the officials found out about it, they put a stop to it because it was depleting the underground water supply.



Now it seems the officials and politicians in the Magic Valley are less farsighted and can only have dollar signs in their eyes when outside businesses want to use our underground water. Water is our most valuable resource, and it should be preserved, not squandered.

Don't you think it's time you start thinking about our future and not be so greedy about the use of our groundwater supply? It's just as easy to get businesses that don't use a lot of water and will also protect our environment.

If we keep going the way we are, in 100 or 50 years, we will become another Ethiopia. Apparently politicians don't acknowledge history of the past.

We are already a desert.

POLLY BICKETT
Jerome

The sum of some (fiscal) fears

Thursday's scary ride in the markets wasn't a full-fledged panic. The interest rate on U.S. government bonds—a much better indicator than stock prices of what investors think will happen to the economy—hasn't changed and so, it ended the week higher than its level as recently as mid-May, and well above its levels earlier in the year. This tells us that investors still consider a recession, which would cause the Fed to cut interest rates, fairly unlikely.

So it wasn't the sum of all fears. But it was the sum of some fears—three, in particular.

The first is fear of bad credit. Back in March, after another market plunge, I spun a fantasy about how a global financial meltdown might take place: People would suddenly remember that bad stuff sometimes happens, risk premiums—the extra return people demand for owning bonds that aren't government guaranteed—would soar and credit would dry up.

Well, some of that happened on Thursday. The risk premium on corporate bonds soared the most in five years, reported Bloomberg News. "And debt sales faltered as investors shunned all but the safest debt," Mark Zand of Moody's Economy.com said that if another major hedge fund stumbles, "That could elicit a crisis of confidence and a global shock."

I saw that one coming. But what's really striking is how much of the current angst in the market is over two things that I thought had been obvious for a long time: the magnitude of the housing slump and the persistence of high oil prices.

I've written a lot about housing over the past couple of years, so let me just repeat the basics. Back in 2002 and 2003, low interest rates made buying a house look like a very good deal. As people moved into housing, however, prices rose—and people began assuming that they would keep on rising. So the boom fed on itself. Borrowers began taking on loans they couldn't really afford and lenders began relaxing their standards.

Eventually the bubble had to burst. And when it did it left us with prices way out of line with reality and a huge overhang of unsold properties. This in turn has caused a plunge in housing construction and a lot of mortgage defaults. And the experience of past boom-and-bust cycles in housing tells us that it

PAUL KRUGMAN

should be several years at least before things return to normal.

I've written less about oil prices, so let me emphasize two points about the oil situation. First, we're now in our third year of very high oil prices by historical standards—prices as high, even when adjusted for inflation, as those that prevailed in the early 1980s, after the Islamic revolution in Iran. Second, unlike the energy crises of the past, this price surge has happened even though there hasn't been any major disruption in world oil supply.

It's pretty clear what's happening: Economic development is colliding with geology.

The "peak oil" theorists may or may not be right in asserting that world oil production is already as high as it will ever go—anyone who really knows what's going on in Saudi Arabia's fields, please drop me a line—but finding new oil is getting a lot harder. Meanwhile, emerging economies, especially in Asia, are burning ever more oil as they get richer. With demand soaring and supply growth slowing, high oil prices are what you get.

So why did people seem so shocked by a few more bad

housing and oil numbers? What I guess I didn't realize was how deep the denial still runs.

Over the last couple of years a peculiar conviction emerged among some analysts—mainly, for some reason, among those with right-wing political leanings—that the housing bubble was a myth and that the real bubble was in oil prices.

Each new peak in oil prices was met with declarations that it was all speculation—like the 2005 prediction by Steve Forbes that oil was in a "huge bubble," and that its price would be down to \$35 or \$40 a barrel within a year. And on the other side, as recently as this January, National Review's Buzzehardt column declared that we were having a "pop-free" housing slowdown.

I didn't think many people believed this stuff, but the market's sudden frenzied reaction over housing and oil suggests that I was wrong.

Anyway, now reality is settling in. And there's one more thing worth mentioning: The economic expansion that began in 2001, while it has been great for corporate profits, has yet to produce any significant gains for ordinary working Americans. And now it looks as if it never will.

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Does "IPO" Spell Investment Success?

If you've ever spent any time among investors, you're bound to have heard someone say: "If only I had gotten in on the ground floor of Company A (or Company B or Company C)." In investment terms, "getting in on the ground floor" means buying a company's stock shares when they first go on sale—an initial public offering (IPO), to use the official term. But it is really that desirable to invest in an IPO?

Before you can answer that question, you need to be familiar with the "nuts and bolts" of IPOs. In the first place, a company goes public because it wants to raise money to expand its operations. There's certainly nothing wrong with that, but you need to keep in mind that the IPO is being launched for the company's benefit—not yours.

Next, you need to be aware that it may not be as easy to "get in" on an IPO as you might imagine. Generally, it's not really possible for everyday investors to truly take part in the "initial" part of IPOs. That's because public offers typically fall into two classes: primary offerings and secondary offerings. Primary offerings are usually only available to institutional and investors who buy big chunks of stock. About six months or so after the IPO, the initial purchasers start to sell their shares, via the stock markets, to individual investors; this is the secondary offering. (The well-publicized Google IPO of 2004 operated differently. Google sold shares via an online auction, which was designed to give individual investors the same opportunity to buy shares as institutional and ultra-wealthy investors.)

There's no denying the "wow" factor that exists for many people when they take part in an IPO, even if it's the secondary offering. After all, it can be exciting to be among the first investors in anything. And at first glance, IPOs sound great. You get on that proverbial ground floor, and then, as the business grows, your stock shares are worth more and more, right?

Actually, it's not that simple. Initially, you might see a big spike in the stock price of a company that's just gone through an IPO. But, over time, these companies are subject to the same economic and market forces as all other businesses. Consequently, their stock prices will go up and down, as is the case with all stocks.

So, before you buy shares through an IPO, you'll want to evaluate the company pretty thoroughly. Are its products or services competitive? Does it have a track record of consistent growth? Does it belong to a thriving industry? Is its management team experienced? You can get some of this information from a company's prospectus, but you will also want to do some outside research, as well as consult with your financial advisor. Obviously, the more you know, the better off you will be.

In any case, if you do invest in an IPO, don't go into it thinking that it is a stock to make a "killing." Instead, look at an IPO as a long-term investment. If it's a stock that fits well into your overall portfolio, getting in on the ground floor may help you build a strong foundation for working towards your long-term goals.

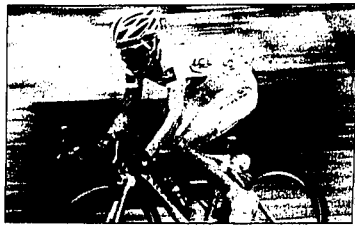
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Contador of Spain captures doping-tainted Tour

American rider
Leipheimer
finishes third



"I think we've seen the future of Spanish cycling and perhaps international cycling."
— Seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong



By John Leicester
Associated Press writer

PARIS — All the right elements were there: The smiling winner in his bright yellow jersey. The fans swarming deep under the majestic trees of the Champs-Élysées.

But something seemed broken about the Tour de France on Sunday — perhaps forever. Overshadowing the joy of its newest and youngest winner

in 10 years — Alberto Contador of Spain, who rode for the American Discovery Channel team — was ominous talk and questions about the very existence of cycling's premier event.

How to have faith in the Tour when even its director said the suspicion of doping hangs over all riders.

How much longer fans will remain loyal to a race where cheating has skewed the

results for more than a decade. How to regard cycling, is it really still a sport or just drug-fueled entertainment on wheels, where observers think "what's he taking?" not "didn't he ride well?"

That such conversations were taking place the same day the grueling race crowned a champion may have been unfair to Contador. But he, like everyone in cycling, has become a victim of a drug problem that burst like a long-neglected boil at this Tour,

having been overlooked for too long. "Suspicion is everywhere," Tour director Christian Prudhomme said. "We could have doubts about everyone." If doping didn't win Contador the Tour — and fans will say they have a right to ask — then it transformed the outcome sufficiently to hand him victory.

The 24-year-old rider had seemed destined for the

Tour de France winner Alberto Contador of Spain rides down the Champs Élysées avenue during the 20th and last stage of the 94th Tour de France cycling race between Marcoussis, southwest of Paris, and Paris, Sunday.

NASCAR

Two for Tony

Stewart scores second career win at Brickyard in dominating form

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press writer

INDIANAPOLIS — After years of torment, Tony Stewart has mastered his beloved hometown track. Stewart scored his second career victory at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, dominating Sunday at the place that caused him, at a decade of heartache and once even threatened his career.

But he found peace at the Brickyard with his electric 2005 breakthrough victory, and this time made it look easy. Stewart led a race-high 66 of the 160 laps, but was passed by 2003 winner Kevin Harvick on a restart with 20 to go.

He never panicked as he chased down Harvick, even taunting his friend over the radio. "Here, kity, kity, kity," he called. "Come get you some of this."

The two-time series champion closed out Harvick's bumper and made at least two attempts to pass, only to be rebuffed as Harvick held tight. Stewart finally powered alongside of him with 10 to go, but Harvick wouldn't relent and the two Chevrolets touched as they drug-raced around the historic 2.5-mile oval.

Stewart held steady, surged into the lead, then seemingly put his orange No. 14 on cruise control for the final 25 miles. With six to go, his in-car camera caught him casually drinking from a water bottle with no hands on his steering wheel as he headed down the straightaway at more than 200 miles per hour.

"I just went down on the restart and got real, real tight for some reason," Stewart said. "Kevin got by us and I knew after 15 laps I could get around him. So I was just trying to be patient, got a good run on him off of (Turn) 1 and got by him."

Ripken and Gwynn enter Baseball Hall of Fame

By John Kelsis
Associated Press writer

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Cal Ripken Jr. and Tony Gwynn took their place in baseball's shrine Sunday, saluted as much for their Hall of Fame careers as their character off the field.

Commissioner Bud Selig and a record crowd came to cheer them and all that was good about the game.

A continent away, a different scene played out. Barry Bonds failed to tie the home run record, a chase tainted by his surly nature and a steroids investigation.

Ripken and Gwynn sensed that poignant counterpoint on their induction day.

"This day shouldn't be all about us," Ripken said. "Today is about celebrating the best that baseball has been and the best it can be."

"Whether you like it or not, as big leaguers, we are role models," he said. "The only question is, will it be positive or will it be negative?"

Gwynn offered the same sentiment. "I think the fans felt comfortable enough in us, they could trust us and how we played the game, especially in this era of negativity," he said. "I don't think there's any question about that."

"When you sign your name on the dotted line, it's more than just playing the game of baseball," he said. "You've got to be responsible and make decisions and show people how things are supposed to be done."

Boosted by bustle from Maryland, an estimated 75,000 fans turned the vast field facing the stadium into a sea of black, orange and brown.

Ripken spent his entire career in Baltimore, making his mark by playing 2,632 consecutive games and breaking Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130. Among the 53 Hall of Famers on stage



Cal Ripken, Jr., left, and Tony Gwynn, the newest inductees into the National Baseball Hall of Fame, sit with their plaques after the 2007 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in Cooperstown, N.Y., Sunday.

Cal Ripken's career statistics

Year	Team	Games	At Bats	Runs	Hits	RBI	HR	SB	CS	AVG
1981	BAL	23	79	5	2	0	0	0	0	.127
1982	BAL	152	529	35	112	11	0	0	0	.212
1983	BAL	152	643	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
1984	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
1985	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
1986	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
1987	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
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2004	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
2005	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
2006	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
2007	BAL	152	642	52	211	27	0	0	0	.328
Total		2002	15561	1007	4184	418	0	0	0	.328

Tony Gwynn's career statistics

Year	Team	Games	At Bats	Runs	Hits	RBI	HR	SB	CS	AVG
1982	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1983	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1984	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1985	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
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1987	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1988	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
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1992	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1993	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1994	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
1995	SD	150	515	33	150	1	0	0	0	.291
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NASCAR driver Tony Stewart kisses the bricks at the start/finish line after winning the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard auto race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, Sunday.

Jones forces Premier drivers to keep pace

By Linda Brittan
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Feature division driver Steve Jones didn't let the first race in the chase for the championship intimidate him a bit last Saturday night as the driver of the No. 3 Pepsi Premier car won the main event race while maintaining control of the point standings.

Other drivers making the trip to Victory Lane at Magic Valley Speedway this past weekend were Jerry McKeon for the Budweiser Grand Nationals, Billi Miles with the NAPA Pony Stocks, Misty Greco in the Quikies Electronics Queen Bees and Pat Quinlan in his final appearance for the Idaho Six Cylinders.

Jones took over the lead at lap six for the feature division from his fourth-place starting position, but the No. 93 car of TJ Woodhall — from whom Jones took the lead — continued to hang with him for the

entire 50-lap main event race. The two battled side-by-side for much of the race until Jones crossed the finish line 1.29 seconds ahead of Woodhall.

The best come back of the evening came from Mike Greco, driver of the No. 70 car. Sitting third in the point standings at the start of the night, Greco needed a good finish.

Greco's car looked like it might not make the main event race at all after a mishap during a qualifying race left

his ride banged up. Steve Fisher and Allen Williams' cars also got banged up, and all three cars were towed to the pits.

Fisher's car was in no condition to make it back on the track — however, he was able to commandeer the No. 9 car of cousin Bobby Latham Jr. and despite a couple of setbacks along the way, finish fifth in the main event. Greco started the race fourth —



Pepsi Premier drivers Steve Fisher (25) and Mike Greco tangle in the front stretch at Magic Valley Speedway in Saturday night's qualifying race as Rick Fowble (58) makes it through unscathed.

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SPORTS

Bonds homerless as Giants lose to Marlins

Royals could be active as non-waiver trade deadline closes in

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds was 1-for-4 with an infield single on the final day of the Giants' homestand and failed to come close to a home run as the Giants lost to the Florida Marlins 6-5.

Still one homer from tying Hank Aaron's quest of 755. Bonds takes his quest to a place where his reception figures to be anything but friendly: Dodger Stadium.

Since hitting No. 754 on April 8, Bonds is 1-for-7 with five walks.

Bonds would like to set the record at home, but the Giants start a six-game trip to Los Angeles and San Diego Tuesday before a weeklong homestand against Washington and Pittsburgh.

Cubs 6, Reds 0

CINCINNATI — Carlos Zambrano became the majors' first 14-game winner and finished with three hits to help the Chicago Cubs beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-0 Sunday.

PHILADELPHIA — Jimmy Rollins had three hits and Kyle Kendrick tossed seven shutouts as the Phillies completed a three-game sweep.

Philadelphia, winners in eight of their last nine, improved to a season-high six games over .500 (55-49) and swept the Pirates for the first time since 2001.

Nate McLouth homered for Pittsburgh, which fell to 2-13 since the All-Star break.

Kendrick (5-1) allowed one run on six hits, walking one and striking out four. It was his fifth shutout since July 13.

Ryan Madison got two outs in the eighth inning before leaving with a right shoulder strain. Antonio Alfonseca inherited an 0-2 count and needed one pitch to strike out Jason Bay.

Padres 18, Astros 11

HOUSTON — Mike Cameron and Adrian Gonzalez hit two-run homers during an 11-run first inning off Jason Jennings, as the Padres' bats came up 14 in the first against Jennings' his leader Tyron Gwynn was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Brian Giles had a two-run double and starting pitcher Tim Lincecum, called up from the minors on Saturday, had a two-run single as San Diego put together its biggest first inning scoring 13 against St. Louis on Aug. 24, 1993.

San Diego pounded out a season-high 19 hits, and it was the most runs allowed by the Astros in an inning since they gave up 14 in the first against Cincinnati on Aug. 3, 1989.

Jennings (2-7) allowed eight hits and three walks, including the first two batters he faced.

Cardinals 9, Brewers 5

ST. LOUIS — Ryan Ludwick's bases-loaded walk broke an eighth-inning tie, Albert Pujols

followed with a three-run double and the Cardinals rallied from a five-run deficit.

Milwaukee, which led the NL Central by 8½ games before play on June 24, is just a half-game ahead of the Chicago Cubs, the Brewers' smallest margin since before play on April 22.

The defending World Series Cardinals are just six games back after trailing by 10½ games at the end of June. Milwaukee completed a 2-6 trip and has lost 11 of its last 14 road games, dropping to 21-32 away from Miller Park.

Rockies 9, Dodgers 6

DENVER — Matt Holliday homered and drove in three runs, and Ubaldo Jimenez

was six innings for his first major league victory.

Jimenez (1-0) gave up two runs and four hits, striking out three after getting no-decisions in his first two starts this season. He hasn't allowed more than three runs in four career starts, including his big-league debut last season.

Chad Billingsley (7-1), allowed four runs in 4 1/3 innings, losing for the first time since last Sept. 16 against San Diego. He left after Todd Helton's RBI to give Colorado a 4-2 lead.

Braves 14, Diamondbacks 0

PHOENIX — Chipper Jones drove in five runs, Tim Lincecum

allowed three hits in seven innings and the Braves ended the "Diamondbacks" eight-game winning streak.

Andrew Jones and Scott Thorman also homered for the Braves, who pounded out 17 hits and snipped a four-game losing streak. Jeff Francoeur went 3-for-5 and scored two runs.

Twins 4, Indians 1

CLEVELAND — Josh Barfield made two errors on one play to help Minnesota score the go-ahead run in the

eighth inning and the Twins rallied to beat C.C. Sabathia and the Cleveland Indians 4-1 on Sunday.

Sabathia (13-6), coming off a hard-luck 1-0 loss to Boston's Daisuke Matsuzaka on Tuesday, tied a career high with 11 strikeouts, but lost for the fourth time in five starts in July.

Leading 1-0 and trying to become the first 14-game winner in the AL, Sabathia hit Jason Tyner with a pitch with one out in the eighth. He struck out Jason Bartlett, but pinch-hitter Mike Redmond lofted a fly ball that dropped safely behind right fielder Todd Nixon for an RBI double.

Yankees 10, Orioles 6

BALTIMORE — Johnny Damon had three hits, scored four runs and had two RBIs, and the Yankees ended the Orioles' six-game winning streak.

New York's Alex Rodriguez, seeking his 500th home run, went 0-for-2 with a run-scoring grounder and three walks.

Seattle's impressive win came after Oakland had erased a 6-0 deficit, scoring four runs in the sixth inning off Seattle reliever Chris Reitsma. But the combination of Kenji Johjima, Adrian Beltre, Broussard and Ellison helped get Reitsma off the hook.

Blue Jays 4, White Sox 1

CHICAGO — Shaun Marcum outpitched Javier Vazquez, one day after a pitcher's duel between Mark Buehler and Roy Halladay went in favor of the White Sox.

Marcum (4-1) struck out eight and walked one, retiring nine straight to start the game.

Jeremy Accardo pitched a scoreless ninth for his 17th save in 20 consecutive appearances.

Vazquez (8-6) retired seven in a row before Curtis Thigpen walked with one out in the eighth. John McDonald and Reed Johnson then singled to

load the bases, and Lyle Overbay followed with a fly ball to right to put Toronto ahead. The run broke a 21-inning scoreless streak for the Blue Jays.

Devil Rays 5, Red Sox 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Dioner Navarro, B.J. Upton and Carlos Pena homered during a five-run seventh inning as the Devil Rays stopped an eight-game losing streak.

Daisuke Matsuzaka (12-8) took a six-hit shutout into the seventh before being lifted after allowing Navarro's solo homer on an 0-2 pitch and a single to Josh Wilson with one out. Dice-K was charged with two runs and eight hits.

Manny Delcarmen replaced Matsuzaka and got Adrián Iwamatsu to ground into a fielder's choice for the second out. But Brendan Harris singled and Upton hit a three-run drive to make it 4-0. Pena followed Upton with his 25th of the season.

Mariners 14, Athletics 10

SEATTLE — Ben Broussard, playing for the ejected Richie Sexson, hit a two-run homer in the seventh to tie the game, and Jason Ellison scored the go-ahead run on an errant throw an inning later for the Mariners.

Seattle's impressive win came after Oakland had erased a 6-0 deficit, scoring four runs in the sixth inning off Seattle reliever Chris Reitsma. But the combination of Kenji Johjima, Adrian Beltre, Broussard and Ellison helped get Reitsma off the hook.

Royals 10, Rangers 0

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Leo Nunez pitched six scoreless innings in his second major league start as the Royals completed a three-game sweep.

Nunez (1-0) struck out seven and walked one, retiring nine straight to start the game.

Jeremy Accardo pitched a scoreless ninth for his 17th save in 20 consecutive appearances.

Vazquez (8-6) retired seven in a row before Curtis Thigpen walked with one out in the eighth. John McDonald and Reed Johnson then singled to

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Octavio Dotel picked up his 11th save in 14 chances on Saturday, but the wonders if it could be his last one for the Kansas City Royals.

With the non-waiver trading deadline Tuesday and several competing teams seeking bullpen help, Dotel's name is being mentioned prominently.

Scouts from at least 12 clubs have been in Kansas City for the Royals' seven-game homestand.

"It is bothering me," Dotel said Sunday. "I've got to be honest. Even though you don't want to think about that, every day I wake up and turn my phone on. I think it is going to be a call from (general manager) Dayton Moore saying, 'We traded you for whatever.'"

Dotel missed most of last season while rehabbing from 2005 elbow surgery, but is healthy this year and throwing in the mid-90s. He signed with the Royals as a free agent in December because they offered him a chance to be a closer again.

Dotel would like to remain with the Royals.

"I like the city, I like the players, I like the club," Dotel said. "I like how they are putting everything together to make up the team, to make a big baseball club like they used to be."

The bullpen has been a strength for the Royals, and other clubs are also inquiring about relievers David Riske, Zack Greinke and Jimmy Gobble. The Royals are also listening to offers for Gold Glove second baseman Mark Grudzielanek and outfielder Reggie Sanders.

Mets 5, Nationals 4, 4½ innings

NEW YORK — John Maine shut down Washington, David Wright drove in two runs and the Mets salvaged a four-game split in a game shortened by rain.

Ryan Castro made sure the Mets didn't miss All-Star catcher Paul Lo Duca, who strained a hamstring on Saturday night. The backup catcher had a home run, a double and two RBIs.

Less than 10 minutes after the game became official, plate umpire Mike Winters

SaberCats beat Destroyers 55-33 in ArenaBowl

By Foster Estep Associated Press writer

NEW ORLEANS — It was just like old times in New Orleans with another championship decided.

It was just like old times for the fans who followed the team to the loss of Super Bowl with another title won.

The SaberCats beat the Columbus Destroyers 55-33 in Sunday's ArenaBowl to earn their third Arena League title in six years. It was the first team championship decided in the city since Hurricane Katrina hit in August 2005.

"We don't want to call ourselves a dynasty," said wide

receiver James Roe, who scored two touchdowns. "That's for you to do. We'll take it all day."

The SaberCats (16-3), the most successful AFL franchise this decade, capped a 3½-month winning streak.

Columbus (10-10), seeking its first ArenaBowl title, won three consecutive road games to reach the final.

"Everyone was talking about Columbus and how they had beaten a one, two and three seed," said SaberCats coach Darren Arbet. "All we did was keep our mouths shut and play."

San Jose was held to its low-

est scoring total of the playoffs, but the SaberCats' defense offloaded that by holding Columbus to 30 points below its possession average.

San Jose quarterback Mark Griep passed for 218 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions.

He was named the game's Most Valuable Player.

Columbus quarterback Matt Nagy completed 24 of 43 passes for four touchdowns and 20 yards. He was intercepted twice.

"Safe to say, the last five weeks we were in a really good rhythm," Nagy said. "We just weren't able to get in that rhythm tonight. We wanted to

keep it going for another week, but San Jose wouldn't let us."

San Jose took the lead for good in the second quarter when Trestin George returned a kickoff 56 yards for a touchdown to break a 14-14 tie.

Then, on a fourth-and-1 play, Griep found George Williams with a shovel pass, giving the SaberCats a 27-14 halftime advantage.

The San Jose defense — second in the AFL in points allowed — kept the Destroyers out of the end zone for nearly 11 minutes to end the first half. Columbus averaged 56.1 points a game this season, 63 points in the playoffs.

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San Jose SaberCats football players Phil Glover left, and Brian Johnson hold the trophy after their win over the Columbus Destroyers in Arena Bowl XXI in New Orleans, Sunday. The SaberCats won 55-33.

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devotion to family and community, humility, integrity and love. Mom, the words are six to find how much I love you back."

Ripken then broke down, pausing as he began to thank wife Kelly.

"She didn't know anything about baseball or me when we first met," Ripken said.

As Ripken spoke, he pulled a white rose from his suit coat. San Ryan did the same and handed it to his mom.

Gwynn's family also got a prime role. His daughter, Anisha, sang the national anthem for both Canada and the United States to start the festivities.

Steady on the field, Gwynn was a bundle of nerves for his speech. It didn't take long for him to focus on the moment that changed his life — June 6, 1981, the day he met his wife, Alicia.

"From that point on, my life pretty much was set," Gwynn said. "She let me play baseball and she raised the children. My wife allowed me to chase my dreams."

"In June 1983, I hurt my wrist and I called my wife and asked her to hit the record button for their video," he said. "Lucky for me, my wife said yes. From the time I came home from that trip to the day I retired, I was a big believer in video."

"I'm not standing here today without video," he said. "All of a sudden, it just opened a new avenue for me because I learned that at this day he said, 'As I look out at this audience, I see thousands of people who do the same, teachers, police officers, mothers, fathers, business people and many others."

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Gwynn finished with 3,111 hits and won eight National League batting titles in a 20-year career with the San Diego Padres.

Even though he had 3,184 hits, it was a two-time American League MVP and a 19-time All-Star. Ripken will always be known for his streak.

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Tour

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runner-up spot until the race days from the finish to the master of leader Michael Rasmussen.

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Contador said his fellow jersey on the podium and thrust his arms ecstatically, with the Arc de Triomphe in the background. Outside his Discovery Channel team bus, staffers uncorked champagne. His original goal was to take the white jersey as best young rider. In the end, he got white and yellow. His margin of victory — 23 seconds over Cadel Evans of Australia — was the second-narrowest in the Tour's 104-year history, after 2,200 miles through Britain, Belgium, Spain and France.

"I think we've seen the future of Spanish cycling and perhaps international cycling," seven-time Tour winner Lance Armstrong said, referring to Contador, the first Spaniard to win the race since the last of Miguel Indurain's five titles in 1995.

Another Discovery rider, Levi Leipheimer of the United

States, finished third, 31 seconds behind, but still good enough to join Contador on the podium.

In an odd little twist, in the final 91-mile ride to Paris took the pack through the town of Chateaufort-Malabry, home to the French anti-doping laboratory.

Daniele Bennati of Italy won the stage.

Discovery sports manager Johan Bruyneel, who mentored Armstrong's wins, said inheriting the victory after Rasmussen's ouster gave it a bitterness tinge.

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away from me."

Contador, speaking through a translator, called his victory a "dream come true." In 2004, he suffered a brain aneurysm while racing in Spain's Tour de Asturias and collapsed to the ground with severe convulsions. He underwent surgery in a matter of hours, which doctors said saved him from irreversible brain damage.

They blamed it on a congenital problem with an artery in his brain. While in the hospital, Contador drew inspiration from a book about Armstrong, who survived testicular cancer that had spread to his lungs and brain.

Asked on French television about his surgery, Contador took off his yellow cap and showed a large scar running down the side of his head.

"It really marked me for life," he said. "But allowed me to better survive this moment."

Contador is a new star for a race struggling for credibility and searching for a successor to Armstrong, who retired in 2005. Last year's winner, Floyd Landis, did not defend his crown because of doping charges hanging over him.

This Tour turned into a circus after word spread that Rasmussen was competing despite missing doping controls in May and June, and after Kazakh star Alexandre Vinokourov — a pre-race favorite — and Cristian Moreni of Italy failed doping tests. They and their teams left the race. Police raided their hotels, searching for doping products.

The feel-good factor generated by the race's July 7 start in London quickly faded.

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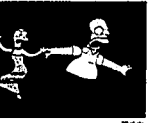
OKLAHOMA



Museum unveils John Wayne statue

OKLAHOMA CITY — John Wayne has been honored at the 100th anniversary of the year of his birth with a larger-than-life bronze statue at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum. Two of Wayne's grandchildren, Anita LaCava Swift and Nick Kuhle, attended the unveiling Saturday of the 8-foot, 8-inch statue depicting the actor in cowboy boots, spurs, chaps and a hat, holding a rifle in his left hand and wearing a gun belt and holster. Wayne was a leader of the museum and served as a trustee from the museum's opening in 1965 until his death in 1979.

NATION



'The Simpsons Movie' sails atop box office

LOS ANGELES — Woo Hoo! "The Simpsons Movie" turned doughnuts into dollars over the weekend, raking in \$71.9 million to debut as the top movie this week.

The big screen tale of the lovable, if dysfunctional, family rolled over the competition, sending last week's top movie, Universal Studio's "New Paris" to second place with \$19 million, a 44 percent drop.

N. DAKOTA

Text messenger taps to victory at State Fair

MINOT, N.D. — Oh, no! Don't forget the exclamation point! It could cost you \$1,000!

Kevin Taylor, 30, of Minneapolis, lost out on a \$1,000 first prize in a text messaging contest at the North Dakota State Fair because he forgot the punctuation mark at the end of a message that he and his sudden-death competitor had to enter.

So he settled for \$200. Beth Brevik, 32, of Minot, ended up with the big prize at Saturday's contest, tapping out the phrase: "I hope I win the grand prize of \$1,000 so I can buy a new phone. Whoop!"

"I was very lucky," she said. Brevik and Taylor finished ahead of 38 competitors, many of whom were teenagers. Organizers said the contest was patterned after a similar event in New York, where a 13-year-old girl won \$50,000.

Phrases were posted on a screen that contestants text-messaged to the judges, who verified the answers for accuracy. The contest was sponsored by a cell phone company.

— Associated Press

California company sinks teeth into 'shared dog' concept

By Lisa Leff
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — From those that quizzed puppy, drive-thru dog washes and gourmet dog food delivery comes the latest in canine convenience — a company that contracts out dogs by the day to urbanites without the time or space to care for a pet full-time.

Marlena Cervantes, founder of FlexPetz, bristles when people refer to her five-month-old business as a rent-a-pet service. She prefers the term "shared pet ownership," explaining the concept is more akin to a vacation time share or a gym membership than a trip to the video store.

"Our members are responsible in that they realize full-time ownership is not an option for them and would be unfair to the dog," said Cervantes, 32, a behavioral therapist who got the idea while working with peds and autistic children. "It prevents dogs from being adopted and then returned to the shelter by people who realize it wasn't a good fit."

FlexPetz is currently available in Los Angeles and San Diego, where Cervantes lives. She plans to open new locations in San Francisco next month, New York in September and London by the end of the year.

She's also hoping to franchise the FlexPetz concept so the dogs will have housing options other than kennels when not in use. For San Francisco, she's hired a caretaker who plans to keep the dogs at her house when they aren't on loan to members.

For an annual fee of \$99.95, a monthly payment of \$49.95 and a per-visit charge of \$25 a day, (discounted to \$24.95 Sunday through Thursday), animal lovers who enroll in FlexPetz get to spend time with a four-legged companion from Cervantes' 10-dog crew of Afghan hounds, Labrador retrievers and Boston terriers.

The membership costs cover the expense of training the dogs, boarding them at a cage-free kennel, home or office facility, collar-sized global positioning devices, veterinary bills and liability insurance. It also pays for the "care kits" comprised of leashes, bowls, beds and pre-measured food — that accompany each dog on its visits.

Each member Shari Gonzalez said she was thinking about getting a dog when a dog trainer she consulted suggested part-time ownership. At first, she had reservations.

Gonzalez, 22, never doubted there was room for a dog in her heart. The issue was her life, which included a small, two-bedroom apartment and a full-time schedule of college classes in San Diego.

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Rent-a-pet



Flex Petz members Shari Gonzalez, left, and Alexis Rodriguez, right, pose with Flex Petz founder Marlena Cervantes, center, and their rented dogs Loui, left, and Jackpot, right, Thursday in San Diego.

"I was thinking, 'How is a dog going to bounce from house to house and be OK with that,'" she said. "I didn't want a dog that would come into my place and pee."

Her misgivings were allayed after she spoke with Cervantes, who explained that only dogs with social temperaments were picked for the program and that each would ideally be shared by no more than two or three owners.

Since signing up, Gonzalez said she has tried out several dogs, but fell in love with a black Lab named Jackpot who has become a treasured part of her social network. They spend an average of one day each week together. He sleeps at her apartment and she takes him on hikes, to the beach and to parks frequented by other dog owners. The money spent on her membership has been well worth it, she said.

"I never even thought that was a possibility," Gonzalez said. "I thought you either owned a dog or you didn't."

Although she has never seen the doggy day care center where Jackpot spends his off-days, Gonzalez recently met another of his part-time companions, graphic designer Jenny Goddard, 33. Goddard, who is married with a 6-year-old son, said having a dog a weekend or two a month has been perfect for her busy fam-

ily and encourages them to spend more time together outdoors.

"It's funny," she said. "He is so friendly and immediately playful with us, people are surprised he is a rental dog."

The idea of commitment-free pets is not entirely new, although no one in the United States has tried it with as much drive as Cervantes. Most private animal shelters, for instance, encourage volunteers to become temporary foster families to animals awaiting adoption.

For 15 years, the Aspen Animal Shelter in Colorado has gone a step further with a Rent-a-Pet program that allows residents and tourists in the resort town to take dogs out for a few hours or overnight for free.

"It benefits the homeless animals, keeps them socialized and exercised and in the end they end up getting adopted," said owner Seth Sackson. "The people benefit, too. When a tourist walks around town with a dog, they feel like a local."

Melissa Bain, a veterinarian with the Companion Animal Behavior Program at the University of California, Davis, said she had concerns about, but no hard-and-fast objections to a service like FlexPetz.

On the positive side, it might give people an easy way to test the ownership

waters and keep a few dogs from being euthanized, Bain said. Possible downsides would be irresponsible members who treat the dogs like a lifestyle accessory instead of a living thing.

"It depends on the people and it depends on the animal. Some dogs may be fine and some may become stressed because they are moving from home to home," Bain said. "Perhaps they had a good experience with a good part-time owner and then they get shipped back. What kind of message does that send to kids? That dogs are disposable."

Cervantes said the hour-long sessions FlexPetz members are required to spend with their dog and a trainer before their first outing ensures the dogs are going into caring, competent homes.

Her members, who range in age from 5 to 60-plus, include single women in search of security and a conversation starter, Navy personnel who love dogs but are at sea for much of the year, and seniors who live in apartments where dogs are not allowed.

"Usually, our dogs are lavished with attention, and it's undivided attention from our members because it is the only time they have together," she said. "Some people take a dog home and realize, 'Hey, I can adopt a dog.'"

Health-care legislation heads for debate

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldívar
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Sweeping health-care legislation that would affect benefits for millions of children and senior citizens — as well as the bank accounts of doctors and insurance companies — comes up for floor votes this week in Congress. In a debate fraught with political risk for both parties.

Starting Monday in the Senate, with the House expected to follow later in the week, lawmakers will consider separate proposals to renew a popular federal-state program that provides health insurance for about 6 million children, mainly from low-income working families.

A bipartisan effort in the Senate has led to a compromise that would expand coverage of the State Children's Health Insurance Plan to about 3 million more children. But in the House, top Democrats are pushing a far more ambitious bill that also would make major changes to Medicare, the health-care program for older and disabled Americans.

"It is going to be a high-profile battle," said Robert Greenstein, executive director of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a liberal group that advocates for the poor. "Particularly when you consider the House bill, this is the biggest piece of health legislation since the 2003 bill that created the Medicare drug benefit."

Republicans are calling the Democrats' action a step toward "socialized medicine," and the Bush administration has vowed to veto both bills. The outcome of about 9 million of those are children.

The children's program must be reauthorized by Sept. 30 or it will expire.

The House legislation would cover about 1 million more children than the Senate bill. But it would also improve preventive care for Medicare recipients and provide financial help to low-income seniors in the Medicare prescription plan, and reverse a 10 percent cut scheduled for next year, in Medicare fees to doctors.

Both bills call for stiff increases in tobacco taxes to pay for expanded coverage for children. But since the House version helps not only more children, but seniors and doctors as well, it comes with a price tag of billions of dollars higher than the Senate's.

Cities try new tactic against violent gangs — suing them

By Angela K. Brown
Associated Press writer

FORT WORTH, Texas — Fed up with deadly drive-by shootings, incessant drug dealing and graffiti, cities nationwide are trying a different tactic to combat gangs: They're suing them.

Fort Worth and San Francisco are among the latest to file lawsuits against gang members, asking courts for injunctions barring them from hanging out together on street corners, in cars or anywhere else in certain areas.

The injunctions are aimed at disrupting gang activity before it can escalate. They also give police legal reasons to stop and

question gang members, who often are found with drugs or weapons, authorities said. In some cases, they don't allow gang members to even talk to people passing in cars or to carry spray paint.

"It is another tool," said Kevin Rousseau, a Thrant County assistant prosecutor in Fort Worth, which recently filed its first civil injunction against a gang. "This is more of a proactive approach."

But critics say such lawsuits go too far, limiting otherwise lawful activities and unfairly targeting minority youth. "If you're harrasing people from talking in the streets, it's difficult to tell if they're gang members or if they're people

discussing issues," said Peter Bliring, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California. "And it's all the more troubling because it doesn't seem to be effective."

Civil injunctions were first filed against gang members in the 1980s in the Los Angeles area, a breeding ground for gangs including some of the country's most notorious, such as the Crips and Bloods.

The Los Angeles City Attorney's suit in 1997 against the Playboy Gangster Crips covered the entire city but was scaled back after a judge deemed it too broad. Chicago tried to target gangs with an anti-loitering ordinance in '92 but the U.S. Sup-

reme Court struck it down in '99, saying it gave police authority to arrest without cause.

Since then, cities have used injunctions to target specific gangs or gang members, and so far that strategy has withstood court challenges.

Los Angeles now has 33 permanent injunctions involving 50 gangs, and studies have shown they do reduce crime, said Jonathan Diamond, a spokesman for the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office.

The injunctions prohibit gang members from associating with each other, carrying weapons, possessing drugs, committing crimes and displaying gang symbols in a safety zone — neighborhoods

where suspected gang members hang out and are active. Some injunctions set curfews for members and ban them from possessing alcohol in public areas — even if they're off-drinking age.

Those who disobey the order face a misdemeanor charge and up to a year in jail. Prosecutors say the possibility of a jail stay — a big penalty for sitting on the front porch or riding in the car with your gang buddies, said Kinley Hegglund, senior assistant city attorney for Wichita Falls.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 City of Hansen, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Hansen, Idaho will hold a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2007-2008. This hearing will be held at City Hall 359 Main Street, Hansen, Idaho at 6:30 PM on Monday August 13, 2007. Any interested person may appear and show cause, if any, why said budget should not be adopted.

Table with 3 columns: REVENUES, GENERAL, STREET, REVENUE SHARING, SUMMER IRR. and GRAND TOTALS. Rows include Actual 05-08, Actual 06-07, and Proposed 07-08.

GRAND TOTALS REVENUES \$520,330.00 \$479,231.00 \$514,980.00 EXPENDITURES \$520,330.00 \$479,231.00 \$514,980.00

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 07-21378 Trust Order No. W720695 Parcel No. RP T00011150174 A The following described property will be sold pursuant to the terms of the above referenced trust agreement...

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Trustee's Sale No. 02-FW-49575 Notice is hereby given that, Pioneer Lender Trust Services, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 11/16/2007 at the office of Alliance Title & Escrow Company, LLC...

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T.S. No. 07-47-87539-FP Last No. 2010674874 On 11/08/2007 at 10:00 AM (re: recognized lot line), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho...

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Submittals for design-build services will be received by the Idaho Public Works Bureau at 502 N 4th St., PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0272, beginning immediately...

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR DESTRUCTION OF SCHOOL RECORDS

According to school board policy, the Hansen School District #415 hereby gives notice that appropriate records are no longer necessary to provide educational services to individuals with disabilities...

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2343, notice is hereby given of an open public meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission.

DATE OF NOTICE: July 25, 2007 DATE OF MEETING: August 13, 2007

PLACE OF MEETING: Director's Office, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, 600 S. Walnut Street, Boise, ID 83720

PERSONS ATTENDING: Commissioners, Director, Deputy Director and Staff

PURPOSE: MEETING/AGENDA: Rules: Waterfowl seasons and bag limits; Propose changes to 13.01.04 to ensure consistency between Senate Bill 1011 and IDAPA #

Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's Office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game directly at 208-334-5158 or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1-800-377-2529 (TDD).

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MURTAUGH HIGHWAY DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners of the Murtaugh Highway District, Blaine, Idaho, will hold a public hearing for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal period October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008...

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES The following is an estimate set forth in said proposed budget of the total proposed expenditures and accruing indebtedness of the Murtaugh Highway District for the fiscal period October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008.

Table with 2 columns: General Administration, Commissioner's Compensation, TAXES, Highway User Revenue, Sales Tax, Other Taxes, Agriculture Equip. Replacement, Interest on Investment, TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE

ESTIMATED REVENUE The estimated revenue for the Murtaugh Highway District for the fiscal period October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008 is as follows:

Taxes \$130,853 Highway User Revenue 319,459 Sales Tax 1,782 Other Taxes 12,944 Agriculture Equip. Replacement 4,000 Interest on Investment 548,683 TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE 1,017,699

L. Lavere Bennett, Secretary of the Murtaugh Highway District do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the proposed expenditures and revenues for fiscal year 2007-2008...

DATE: July 25, 2007

PUBLISH: July 30 and August 6, 2007

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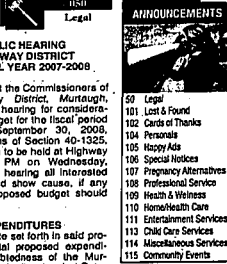
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FOUND and FOUND

FOUND Border Collie mix at the R-Mart parking lot in Burley. Has blue eyes and light brown 4-8-2006. FOUND Boxer, pure white, young female, docked tail. Found in the Deerfoot area near the Snake River camp grounds.

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
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AQUACULTURE FEEDS DIVISION
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 High School diploma or equivalent, preferably a minimum of three years experience in a feed mill or in quality assurance position. Must be capable of lifting at least 55 lbs from ground level to shoulder level or above. Complete job description available in main office.
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GENERAL
 Wally's Doc Refs 2007 Fall Soccer - Rules Clinic MON Aug 6th @ 6:30 p.m. TFHS Rm G-2. INFO CALL (208)734-4555

HOTEL
 Night Audit (11pm-7am) position open. Full time hours and benefits included.
 -All Paid Training!
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 -Server
 Evenings. 4-5 shifts per/wk. Must be 19 years of age.
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 Hiring experienced Cooks & Bartenders. Full & part-time.
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 Landscape Maintenance Laborers needed. Bury, Rupert & Twin Falls areas. Competitive pay. 308-1750 or 308-3450

MAINTENANCE
 Part-time or Full-time Maintenance person for commercial & residential properties. Must be dependable & have tools. Fax resume & wage requirements to 208-734-6466

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 Floor area, start of \$8.00 DOE
 Apply in person at 1201 Falls Ave Ste. 24, Twin Falls
PRODUCTION
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RESTAURANT
 Come work & Play at Southern Idaho's Premier Waterfront Resort.
WEST MASTIC RESORT is now hiring the following:
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 All training provided
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MEDICAL
 Housekeeper & Cook needed for small assisted living facility. 2 positions available. 14-12 hour shifts. Call 208-731-3103

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 NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
 \$150 + Sign On Bonus
 Direct Care
 Also Hiring Graveyard Great Benefits-Must have drivers license & car insurance. Assist persons w/developmental disabilities to achieve greater independence. Apply at Inclusion South, Inc. 1411 Falls Ave #205 Located in the Locust Grove Business Park Twin Falls, ID 83301

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 Physical Therapy Aide needed to work 24-30hrs/wk in busy clinic. Looking for friendly, hardworking individual to provide multiple tasks independently. Part-time benefits avail. Fax resume to 733-1562.

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 Deadline: Aug. 1, 2007

GRAPHIC DESIGNER
The Wood River Journal
 The Wood River Journal, located in the Sun Valley area of Idaho, is looking for a Graphic and Page Designer to join our team. Proficiency in Quark and Photoshop is a must. Candidates must have newspaper or print experience in a high-paced and deadline oriented work environment. This is not a web design position. This position is available immediately. College graduate with newspaper page design and advertising design experience are encouraged to apply. Candidates must be detail oriented and have good proofreading skills.
 The Wood River Journal is an award winning weekly newspaper that has been in publication for 125 years. The Journal offers benefits, which include health insurance, paid vacations and holidays, and a 401k plan.
 Candidates should send resumes and examples of their work to: Trish Spaulding, Creative Design, PO Box 988, Halley, ID 83333 or e-mail to publisher@woodriverjournal.com
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South got carried away after his partner showed a minimum balanced hand with three spades. He might have enough to make a slam-try or two, not to drive there unilaterally. Still, the final six-spade contract looked reasonable. Declarer's task is to bring in the trump suit for one loser while also negotiating the minors. The following seems to be a feasible line of play after the revealing heart lead suggests the finesse will fail. Win dummy's heart ace and play a spade to the king. Now cash the ace and king of clubs and ruff a club in the dummy, following this with a second spade from the dummy. Declarer must hope that the defenders will be unable to cash a club or take a club ruff. In addition, declarer needs either the club queen to drop, the diamonds to break 3-3, or a squeeze to work.

This line was destined to succeed, with trumps and clubs well placed. But at the table it didn't work out like that. Declarer won the heart ace and played a spade to his king. But when he cashed the ace and king of clubs, the bright spartan sitting East dropped the queen. Declarer now "knew" he could not ruff a club in the dummy, so he crossed to a diamond and led a second trump. East rose with his ace and led a third round. When diamonds failed to divide, declarer had to go one down.

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LEAD WITH THE ACES

South holds: ♠ 7 5 4 2, ♥ 9, ♦ 8 7 6 5, ♣ A 8 6

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
6 ♠	All pass		

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Opening lead: Heart eight

ANSWER: I'm not a big fan of leading singletons in trumps, but here it seems to me that with the defenders holding half the deck, it may be hard for East to come to nine tricks without taking some ruffs in dummy; so perhaps a trump lead will help to cut down those ruffs. If I had a safe alternative, I'd take it — but every other suit is equally unattractive.

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Bone Matters

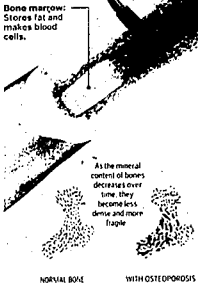
By far the most common bone disease, osteoporosis—a thinning of the bones with a reduction in bone mass—affects an estimated 10 million people in the U.S. The condition is one of several factors that increase the risk of bone fracture.

BONES ARE CONSTANTLY CHANGING

While many people think of bone as static, it is one of the most dynamic materials in the body. Bones are continually being modified, reshaped, remodeled and overhauled.

Blood vessels: Feeds nutrients and oxygen to the bone cells.

Bone marrow: Stores fat and makes blood cells.



Effects of Osteoporosis Drugs
What leading osteoporosis drugs such as Fosamax and Actonel do is suppress the osteoclasts—the cells that dissolve old or injured bone. Proponents say these drugs can halt bone breakdown by as much as 50 percent and can reduce fractures by 30 to 50 percent. But critics say that bone density increases at the expense of new bone, which is always stronger and more flexible than old bone.

Spongy bone (trabecular): Strong, lightweight inner layer of bone.

Compact bone (cortical): Hard, strong outer layer of bone.

Replacing old bone
Two types of cells—osteoclasts and osteoblasts—undergo constant repair and maintenance in a process called remodeling.

1 Osteoclasts seek out old or injured bone and produce an acid to dissolve it into its constituent parts—calcium, magnesium and other minerals.

2 This signals the osteoblasts to begin making replacement bone, a process that can take anywhere from three to 12 months, depending on a person's age.



BDNE Replacement bone

At Risk for Osteoporosis?

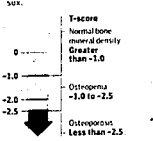
• **Bone mineral density (BMD):** A measurement of the level of minerals in the bones, which indicates how dense and strong they are. The higher the mineral count, the denser the bone, and the lower the risk of fracture. But bone density is only one of several indicators of fracture risk.

• **Osteopenia:** Refers to a BMD that is lower than normal but not low enough to be classified as osteoporosis.

• **Osteoporosis**—literally, "holes in the bone"—is a condition of increased porosity, bone loss and bone fragility that can lead to fractures after little or no trauma to the bone.

• **DXA scan**—a painless BMD test (dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry) that can help determine your bone mass. A DXA scan provides a T-score and a Z-score.

• **Your T-score** compares your BMD to the optimal BMD of a 30-year-old healthy adult. The Z-score compares your BMD to the average person of your age, race and sex.

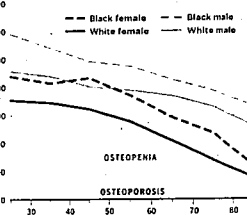


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LOSING BONE MASS

It is natural to lose bone mass as we age. When we are young, osteoblasts outperform the osteoclasts and our bone mass grows. However, the balance between the two cells shifts after age 30, and we start losing bone mass at the rate of 0.5 to 1 percent a year.

Average bone density over time (in mg/cm³)



A WOMAN'S PROBLEM

Both men and women can have osteoporosis, but women are at a higher risk because they have proportionately less bone mass to start with and lose bone at a faster rate. The World Health Organization gives the following breakdown of the percentage of U.S. Caucasian women in each bone density category:

Normal (T score > -1.0)	Osteopenia (-1.0 to -2.5)	Osteoporosis (< -2.5)		
Age 25	Age 50	Age 65	Age 80	
Normal	84%	66%	40%	10%
Osteopenia	15%	33%	40%	35%
Osteoporosis	1%	1%	20%	55%

For women, bone loss accelerates in the years surrounding menopause to anywhere from 1 to 3 percent a year. It tapers off about five to six years after menopause but does not stop until the rate drops back down to pre-menopausal levels. Depending on how high the rate of loss becomes and how long it persists, a woman could reach her late 80s with just 50 percent of her peak bone mass.

*The WHO committee did not have enough data to create definitions for men or other ethnic groups.

Got calcium?

For some women, diet, exercise not enough to stave off bone loss

The Washington Post

Learn more ...

Strength training, coupled with a diet rich in calcium and vitamin D, does your body good in many ways — some likely to reduce your risk of bone fracture. But if you're looking for evidence that diet and exercise can match the effectiveness of drugs in staving off osteoporosis in middle age, you're going to be disappointed.

That's the conclusion of several experts in the field. Until the age of 30 or so, diet and exercise can build bone mass. After that, what they do is less a matter of preventing inevitable age-related bone loss than keeping it from accelerating further. Ethel Siris, a professor of clinical medicine at Columbia University and president of the National Osteoporosis Foundation, puts the message about weight training bluntly. "I don't know of any highly reliable studies that have ever shown that exercise clearly stops bone loss in a (middle-aged) woman who's ... got adequate calcium and vitamin D."

For more information about osteoporosis and bone density:
• www.surgerygeneral.org/library/bone-health/content.html
• www.johnshopkinshealthlets.com (click on "back pain and osteoporosis")
• www.webmd.com/osteoporosis/1c/Osteopenia-Overview
—Source: Washington Post

Says Siris: "If you do more exercise once you're in your 50s and 60s, it isn't going to make you lose less bone. ... Exercise has value, but not for the reason people think." "What it will do, she notes, is help muscle strength, coordination and balance, making the falls that typically cause fractures less likely. Siris accepts consultancy and speaker fees from several drugmakers, including Merck, the maker of osteoporosis drug Fosamax, but says she tries "to handle (the conflict of interest) properly." But don't put down those weights just yet. Joseph Lane, a professor of

orthopedic surgery at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York and chief of its Metabolic Bone Disease Service, says that the benefit of exercise in a middle-aged adult lies not in bone density but in bone quality — its "micro-architecture" and strength — which won't show up on a DXA scan. Still, he says, exercise should be an "additive, not an alternative" to drugs if bone loss is advanced. If you're middle-aged and you've had a fracture or have a family history of osteoporosis, you should take drugs, he says. What are some good weight-bearing exercises? Curls, overhead presses, lateral raises, push-ups, squats, calf raises — or just a circuit of your gym's weight machines, recommends Nicholas D'Intinile, a spokesman for the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. What's the latest advice on diet? Between 1,200 and 1,500 milligrams of calcium (calcium citrate is better than calcium carbonate, D'Intinile says) per day, either in food or supplements. And 1,000 to 1,200 units of vitamin D3 (cholecalciferol) — the same form that our bodies produce, Siris says.

About osteoporosis

Osteoporosis is a disease characterized by the thinning of bones, with a consequent tendency to sustain fractures from minor stresses. The disorder is most common in women over 50 and results from disturbances of mineral metabolism and nutrition. In people afflicted with osteoporosis, the tiny, rigid plates forming the honeycombed matrices within bone gradually become thinner and rodlike, and the spaces between them grow larger. The bone thus becomes more porous, less dense, and less strong. These lighter and more fragile bones tend to fracture from minor traumas and stresses that ordinarily would have no ill effects. Over time the minute crush fractures that occur in the vertebrae of the spine cause the back to curve, resulting in the humped back and bent posture that can be observed in many elderly people afflicted with osteoporosis. The bones of the hip and forearm are also especially vulnerable to fractures. The other symptoms of osteoporosis are loss of height and back pain.

Osteoporosis results from changes in the balance between the amount of new bone that is regularly drawn upon to maintain the calcium that circulates in the bloodstream and is needed for normal nerve and muscle function. When, for whatever reason, the body has insufficient supplies of calcium to draw upon,

it will draw on the calcium held within the bones, and, as the calcium reservoir in the bones decreases, bone loss ensues. In people with osteoporosis, the rate of bone formation is normal but bone resorption is accelerated, leading to a net loss of bone mass.

Bone mass in the body reaches its peak during young adulthood. Then, after a period of stability, there is a slow but steady loss of bone beginning about age 40. This bone loss occurs because, as people age, their bodies become less efficient in absorbing the calcium that is present in their diet. The lack of calcium leads to increased bone resorption. Women are subject to several additional causes of osteoporosis. First, vulnerability to osteoporosis is partly dependent on the bone mass originally present; persons with larger denser bones can lose more bone without becoming porous than fractures than can persons who had lighter bones as young adults. Since men have heavier bones to begin with than do women, their bones are still proportionately denser — and hence stronger — after the inevitable loss of bone mass due to aging. Second, women are subject to an accelerated rate of bone loss after they reach menopause, owing to the body's lack of estrogen and other sex hormones. The effect of calcium deficiency on bone mass is a simple dietary deficiency of calcium, markedly decreased physical activity, and a dietary imbalance between the amount of calcium and phosphorus ingested.

—Source: Encyclopaedia Britannica



Beehive is alive again — with a modern twist

Los Angeles Times

The beehive is back, proving that the '60s trend of summer starts at the top. But this ain't your mother's beehive. And lucky for us, today's spin on the inflated do requires less backcombing than the one that made Aqua Net a household name. This less-sticky version is a little more relaxed — think Brigitte Bardot's teased but tousled look, not Barbra Streisand's "Funny Girl."

Authentically stiff (and large) '60s beehives were sent down the runway at both Christian Dior's and Oscar de la Renta's Resort collection shows, and John Travolta and the cast of "Hairspray" are rocking them on the big screen with the movie remake of the camp classic. Celebrities also are sporting a variety of plumped-up versions.

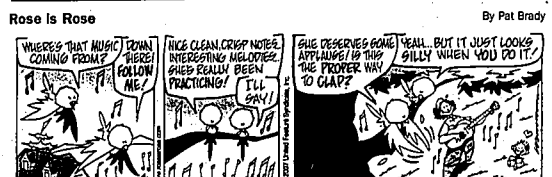
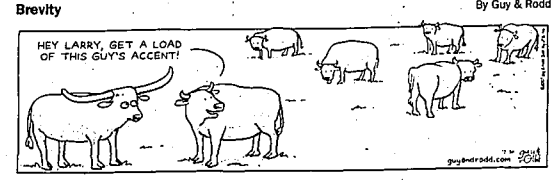
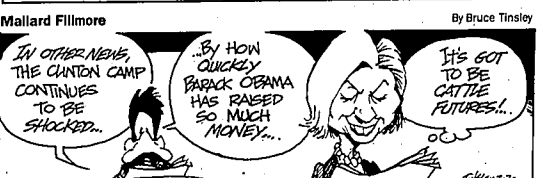
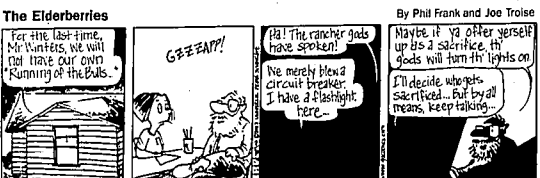
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The look is all about the "bump" at the crown of the head, whether you pull the top half up for a rockered look like Lily Allen or pull it up for a controlled look, as Lily Scarlett Johansson. The man who does this for both women is stylist Ian Jarvis, who was quick to give us the buzz on the beehive. "This style can work on any kind of hair, but with finer hair, you should add a little more product in the beginning for texture," Jarvis says. To begin the all-important ruffing process, he suggests dividing hair into 3-inch-wide sections, starting at the crown of the head. "Start teasing the crown of the head with the first area you have sectioned off. Use a rattail comb to tease right at the

root, to about 2 inches away from the root, and lightly spray each section." It's not hard to get carried away, letting your texture and a modern cool look. Jarvis says. "Someone like Amy Winehouse wears her hair so high and so big, she looks like an alien from 'Star Wars.' She can pull it off with her attitude and presence, but it's not

feminine and sexy. The bump on the crown should not be too high; the key element is balance." "Forget perfect." "With Lily Allen, we did a little messier to give it a rock 'n' roll edge, which was achieved by loosely pinning it in the back. It's not this perfect French twist. You can just take little sections and tie it up in the back. Even if the pins are showing, you have this unique, sexy silhouette without looking like you're too hard. Keep it loose. Making it too perfect and done will look outdated and campy." "For a casual daytime look, go for beehive texture rather than perfectly groomed. You want to look feminine and gorgeous." The back of the hair can easily be tucked away to keep the look effortless. "You can pull the hair into a loose French twist, or a great variation on pulling it all up is to put it in a bun and twist it around and then pin it down."

COMICS



We all must face a Grinch, Libra

IF JULY 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Coast for a few months. You will find it difficult to follow through if you make major decisions or changes between now and mid-October. To be at your best, you could take up a new exercise regimen or begin regular workouts in November. If you are contemplating a new job, promotion or move, wait until December, January or February to take action or set plans in motion. You will have better luck meeting your goals and can meet people willing to give much needed assistance during that time period.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take time to prepare. There may be a few hurdles to jump, but don't start out with a stone in your shoe or untied laces.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Busy bees can't stand to be idle. When engaged in a strenuous effort, you might sting anything that blocks your way. Counteract any tendency to be surly or impatient with your honey.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You have plenty of shelf life left, so there is no reason to rush in to anything premature.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

A certain someone will prove to a stalwart teammate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't play hooky today. Your love of fun, entertainment and romance might bubble over and interfere with business plans or the work schedule. Someone might resent long lunch hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Those who sit on a moral high horse make easy targets. Avoid criticism even if something does not meet with your approval. Be wise enough to offer to look at offers or ideas later in the week.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Cut up with a good book. Your ability to make money is somewhat impaired, so this isn't a good time to turn the roulette wheel. Invest your time in learning about a valuable subject.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): We all must face a Grinch now and again. Take a page or two from Dr. Seuss' books to heart. Cultivate a sense of humor if you must mix up with grumpy characters today or tomorrow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may be wiser than usual when dealing with possessions and finances. The problem might be that your partner or cohorts aren't nearly as skilled as you and drag you down.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't gamble with money you can afford to lose. Steer clear of a tempting opportunity to spin the wheel of fortune. Count on better stars and improved fortunes in a few days.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): People don't want lectures, they want conversations. Do your best to avoid being judgmental or cranky. Any stress you are under can only be relieved by performing as promised.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Avoid acting on anything that appears counterintuitive. Let minor frustrations run their course; a change for the better will occur in a few days. Sideslip confrontations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Sometimes there is no rhyme or reason. There could be stresses and undercurrents occurring beneath the surface that temporarily interfere with the attainment of your wants and needs.

Alcoholic husband's suicide continues to haunt his wife

DEAR ABBY: Can you go to Al-Anon if you had a husband who was an alcoholic, but is dead? He committed suicide with a 5.0 blood alcohol level.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

Then we read your response. This has helped us realize things about each other that we hadn't previously and has definitely brought us closer together. Thank you!

— LOYAL READER IN SAN ANTONIO

DEAR ABBY: I want you to know you have helped me find a way to spend more time not only talking with my fiancé, but also sharing our joys and values. We have been together more than two years.

www.suicidology.org.

DEAR ABBY: I want you to know you have helped me find a way to spend more time not only talking with my fiancé, but also sharing our joys and values. We have been together more than two years. "Marshall" isn't much of a talker while sometimes I just ramble, but my suspect Marshall often agrees with me just to get me to shut up.

Well, I have been reading your column archives online recently and have started sharing some of the letters with him. I read them aloud and ask him how he would respond to them and why. After he answers, I tell him my feelings on the subject. The broad range of issues in your column helps us discuss problems that don't normally come up in conversation.

Marshall and I agree most of the time, but not always. When we do not agree, we discuss how we would compromise if we were in the same situation as the person writing the letter.

DEAR ABBY: I'm pleased my column is helping you and your fiancé to better communicate. However, before you and Marshall finally tie the knot, allow me to offer a suggestion: It may help you head off numerous serious problems before they become issues. It's premarital counseling, and it will facilitate meaningful discussions regarding money, sex, children and religion, to name a few of the topics.

DEAR ABBY: My soon-to-be-ex-husband's secretary keeps giving my 16-year-old daughter extravagant gifts. For Christmas, one year it was a complete jewelry set (earrings, necklace and ring). This past year, "Donna" gave my daughter a \$200 gift certificate to an expensive clothing store and another \$200 one at trendy cosmetics store. Should I be suspicious?

— EAST COAST MAMA
DEAR EAST COAST MAMA: by now you should be convinced.

HURTING IN HOUSTON

DEAR ABBY: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the tragic loss of your husband. There are several things you can do to heal yourself. The first is to recognize that the symptoms you describe are signs of chronic depression for which you will need professional help — so pick up the phone and ask your doctor for a referral to a therapist.

While I am sure you would be welcome at Al-Anon, another group that would also welcome you with open arms is the American Association of Suicidology, which provides — among other things — materials and referrals to local self-help groups for survivors of suicide. The Web site is

TODAY IN HISTORY

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, July 30, the 211th day of 2007. There are 154 days left in the year.

Today's highlight

On July 30, 1945, during World War II, the battle cruiser USS Indianapolis, which had just delivered components for the atomic bomb that would be dropped on Hiroshima, was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine; only 316 out of some 1,200 men survived the sinking and shark-infested waters.

On this date:

In 1619, the first representative assembly in America convened in Jamestown, Va.

In 1729, the city of Baltimore was founded.

In 1792, the French national anthem "La Marseillaise," by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, was first sung in Paris by troops arriving from Marseille.

In 1844, the New York Yacht Club was founded.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Va., by exploding a gunpowder-filled mine under

Confederate defense lines. The attack failed.

In 1932, the Summer Olympic Games opened in Los Angeles.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the Navy known as "Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service" — WAVES for short.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law the Medicare bill, which went into effect the following year.

In 1975, former Teamsters union president Jimmy Hoffa disappeared in suburban Detroit — although presumed dead, his remains have never been found.

In 1980, the Israeli Knesset passed a law reaffirming all of Jerusalem as the capital of the Jewish state.

Ten years ago: Two men bombed Jerusalem's most crowded outdoor market, killing themselves and 16 others. Eighteen people, including two Americans, were killed in a landslide that swept one ski lodge onto another.

Threebu Alpine Village in

southeast Australia.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush signed into law the most far-reaching government crackdown on business fraud since the Depression. Enacted from Congress a week earlier, an unrepentant — James A. Trafalgar Jr. was sentenced to eight years behind bars for corruption and made it clear he intended to run for reelection from his prison cell — and expected to win. (He didn't.)

Pope John Paul II canonized Pedro de San Jose Betsancur, Central America's first saint. WNBA player Lisa Leslie became the first woman to dunk in a professional game, jamming on a breakaway in the first half of the Los Angeles Sparks' 82-73 loss to the Miami Sol.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actor Dick Wilson ("Mr. Whipple") is 91. Actor Richard Johnson is 89. Actor Edward G. Robinson is 87. Blues musician Buddy Guy is 71. Movie director Peter Bogdanovich is 68. Feminist activist Eleanor Smeal is 68. Former U.S. Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., is 67. Singer Paul Anka is 66. Jazz musician David Sanborn is 62. California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is 60. Actor William Atherton is 60. Actor Jean Reno is 59. Blues singer-musician Otis Taylor is 59. Actor Frank Stallone is 57. Actor Ken Olin is 53. Actress Dolta Burke is 51. Singer-songwriter Kate Bush is 49.

Country singer Neal McCoy is 48. Actor Richard Burgi is 48. Director Richard Linklater is 47. Actor Laurence Fishburne is 46. Actress Lisa Kudrow is 44. Bluesgrass musician Danny Roberts (The Grassroots) is 44. Country musician Dwayne O'Brien is 43. Actress Vivica A. Fox is 43. Actor Terry Crews ("Everybody Hates Chris") is 39. Actor Simon Baker is 38. Movie director Christopher Nolan is 37. Actor Tom Green is 36. Actress Christine Taylor is 35. Actor-comedian Ethan Edwards is 34. Actress Hilary Swank is 33. Actress Jaime Pressly is 30.

THOUGHT

"If bread is the first necessity of life, recreation is a close second."

— Edward Bellamy, American author (1850-1898)

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



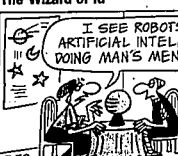
Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Rejoin us on a memorable vacation trip to Grandma & Grandpa's house.

"Don't worry, we're not movin'! We're going on vacation!"

Artists wear underwear to brief people on city's history

YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP) — Around here, history lives on with people's underwear. Two artists are selling hot pink underwear screen-printed with the word "Ypsipanty" as part of an effort to keep alive the city's historical place in the underwear business. Linette Lao and Mark Maynard have sold nearly 200 pairs of Ypsipanties. "We were just thinking about Ypsi-positive things that we could make," Maynard told The Ann Arbor

News for Sunday editions. To them, he said, the idea was "fun and playful without being disrespectful." "And it drew on Ypsi's history as an underwear capital," he said. Ypsilanti, about 30 miles west of Detroit, was home to the Ypsilanti Underwear Co. From its factory on the banks of the Huron River, the company at one time helped link the city's name with underwear. The company got attention

for its marketing strategies, including placing a 15-foot-tall image of a woman dressed in a Ypsilanti-made union suit to be seen by passengers on the Michigan Central Railroad. Ypsilanti Underwear operated for more than 50 years in the late 1800s and the early 1900s, according to the Ypsilanti Historical Society. Ypsilanti's seller Jennifer Albaum said people approach her regularly and tell her they are wearing them.

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TO DO FOR YOU

About childbirth

The first class of the prepared childbirth class series will be offered from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Jerome Recreation District, 2032 S. Lincoln.

Topics will include pregnancy, nutrition, relaxation and massage. Bring two pillows, a blanket and, if possible, support people.

The suggested fee is \$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 324-7362.

Celiac support

Celiac Support Group of Magic Valley will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the doctors' meeting room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 656 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

For information, call Pat at 731-9079.

Big Kids Klub

Big Kids Klub will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The class helps prepare siblings for a new baby. Participants need to bring a photo of themselves.

Cost is \$10 per family with

one child or \$15 per family with two or more children.

Preregistration is required; call 732-3148.

Learn CPR

A Heartsaver Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation class will be offered from 6 to 10 p.m. Aug. 8 in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Under the guidelines of the American Heart Association, the class includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required; call 737-2007.

About diabetes

Diabetes education classes

will be offered from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, Aug. 8 and Aug. 22, at Dr. Emery's office, 526-D Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Topics will include diet therapy, medication administration, foot care, hypoglycemia treatment and home monitoring of blood sugar.

The cost varies, and insurance companies can be billed. Cash-paying participants will be charged the Medicare rate.

Preregistration is required; call 736-6218.

"To do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Submit information by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's image section. Mail notices to the Times-News, D0 Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W. or e-mail ramana@magicvalley.com.

Try celebrity hairstyles on your own photo

Marketwire

Have you ever wondered how the latest celebrity hairstyles would look on you, but felt hesitant to actually try them out for yourself? Imagine being able to instantly see a popular celebrity hairstyle on your own photo. Officially being launched today, HairMixer.com is a free service that uses Artificial Intelligence (AI) to automatically change the hairstyles of user-uploaded photos. In essence, a user is able to see what they would look like with a desired haircut before actually having to commit to it.

HairMixer uses AI-based

face detection and face recognition in order to exchange the hairstyle of a user-uploaded image with that of another image. While the upload and hair restyling times vary depending on the size of the selected images, for a typical photo the entire process takes just a few seconds and requires only a few mouse clicks.

To use this service, users need to select two images by either choosing them from the gallery or uploading their own to the HairMixer.com website. Once the two images are selected, HairMixer will automatically place the hairstyle of one photo on the other photo.

Drink calories, eat more later

Study shows effects of high-calorie beverages on diets

Los Angeles Times

Glasses of juice may go down easier and quicker than bowls of fruit, but if you drink them, beware. Your body is less likely to register the calories they contain, and you may end up overindulging.

That's the conclusion of researchers Richard Mates and Wayne Campbell, professors of food and nutrition at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., in a paper published in the International Journal of Obesity. Having a liquid form of a food instead of a solid one, they found, results in more calories consumed during the day.

The study adds to a body of research on the effects of high-calorie beverages on diet, but the new research takes the science further by comparing not just high-carbohydrate but also high-fat and high-protein drinks with solid-food equivalents.

In the three-day study, 120 men and women ate a specially prepared test lunch and later ate a dinner of their choosing. They answered questions about their feelings of hunger after the test meal and every hour thereafter until bed.

They also kept a record of what they ate.

The test lunches began with a meal of chicken sandwiches accompanied by water, given as a control on the first day. On the second and third days, a liquid or a solid food sample accompanied the sandwiches. In one group, the sample was either high-protein milk or cheese (a nutritionally equivalent solid). In another, it was either high-carbohydrate watermelon or watermelon juice (a third, it was either high-fat coconut or coconut milk).

After consuming the samples, subjects ate as many of



People who had juice and a sandwich tallied more calories for the day than those who had fruit with their meal.

the sandwiches as they wanted, and later ate dinner until they felt full.

The results: Compared with the sandwich-and-water control, subjects who ate solid test foods consumed fewer calories after their lunches, but subjects who drank their test foods ate more. This was true whether the sample calories came from sugary, fatty or protein-rich sources.

Overall, the subjects in the solid-test-food groups gave similar answers regarding hunger and fullness as those in the liquid-test-food groups. They also consumed about the same number of sandwiches at that meal.

But key differences later emerged. All three groups consumed the most total calories on days when a meal supplement was liquid: the milk, watermelon juice or coconut milk, consuming 12 percent to 20 percent more calories than on solid-food days.

Campbell says that many

prior studies have measured people's feelings of hunger but that it has been "a leap of faith to believe that feelings of hunger correspond to the amount of calories consumed."

This experiment stands out, he says, because calorie intake was directly measured — revealing that people drinking liquid foods later consumed more calories even though they had reported feeling just as full.

Dr. Zhaoping Li, an associate professor of clinical medicine at the Center for Human

Nutrition, at the University of California, Los Angeles, says the study is more elegant and controlled than previous studies that compared solids and liquids, such as Coca-Cola versus doughnuts, that were nutritionally very different.

Many signals set off by food but not beverages could lead to people feeling more satisfied, such as sight, smell, chewing and pressure of food in the stomach, says Sal Das, an assistant professor at the Friedman School of Nutrition at Tufts University.

Brace or sleeve, knees mend either way

Los Angeles Times

Following anterior cruciate ligament surgery, some doctors recommend a costly, rigid knee brace for support during recovery and others a neoprene sleeve. A new study finds that neither works better than the other.

ACL tears, in which a stabilizing knee ligament is fully or partially ripped, are common among athletes. While a patient is recovering from surgery, braces and sleeves are frequently prescribed by doctors to keep the knee secure.

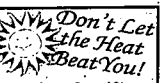
The study, presented last week at the annual meeting of the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine, split 150 male and female athletes into equal groups who wore either a functional knee brace or neoprene sleeve.

After two years, knees were measured for stability. There was a 0.1 millimeter difference between the two groups in the degree of movement between the two bones of the knee, the researchers found. And on a quality-of-life questionnaire that covered symptoms, sports participation and lifestyle, the two groups differed by one point out of 100.

"When we talk about the average patient, this study provides pretty strong evidence that a brace isn't

required," says Trevor Birmingham, lead author of the study and chairman in musculoskeletal rehabilitation at the Fowler Kennedy Sport Medicine Clinic in Ontario, Canada.

However, he adds, there could be a subset of patients for whom such a brace would be useful.



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According to the Washington Post, the coffee drinkers among us would save around \$55,000 over 30 years if they cut out their daily \$3 latte habit. That might not seem to be a whole lot of money over three decades, but think about how nice that would look in your retirement account right now.

Before you buy anything, start thinking about how much that habit may cost you in the long run. Put all that money you save into a retirement account. Little things can mean a lot.

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