



Good Morning



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More people flee fire



Ski resort battles blaze with snow machines

Schools closed in Wood River Valley

By Matt Christenser and Cass Friedman

Times-News writers KETCHUM — The Wood River Valley continues to fight the 33,000-acre Castle Rock Fire by any meuns available: garden hoses, sprinklers and hand-dug barriers. Sunday, they brought out the snow machines.

the snow machines.
As the fire advanced toward
Bald Mountain, the region's
most popular skiin site, the
Sun Valley Resort started the
machines to protect the
mountain and several struces at its summit from
embers pushed by high winds.
Officials turned on the chairlift
when flames began to lick its
sents.

"The winds are pushing that fire to the east," said fire information officer Bob Beanblossom. "But we've got structure protection in place."

place."
Gusty and unpredictable winds continued to stymic fire



Gov. C.L. 'Butch' Otter watches a helicopter fill its tanks with over 1,000 gallons of water Sunday afternoon off of

managers Sunday, when fire-fighting aircraft had to be grounded. The wind also con-tinues to push smoke into the valley, causing health prob-lems for people with sensitive

Officials canceled classes at Wood River Valley schools until at least Wednesday because of concerns about

at Hemingway (Elementary School) in Ketchum," said County Commissioner Larry Schoen. "You have this great exchange of people."

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School's in

Parents prepare for first day in Twin Falls

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Davis, like hundreds of
other parents in the Magic
Valley, was preparing for the
new school year that begins
today the same way millions
of other Americans do each
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"It keeps you very busy," sald Tammy Watkins, as her two daughters shuffled around larget. It's like lav-ing two full-dime Jobs."

Target. on Blue Lakes-Bouleward in Twin Falls, offers copies of school supply lists when districts provide them.

Back to books

Local school districts that start today include: Twin Falls Jerome (Grades K-7 and

9th start today; other, grades start Tuesday) Kimberly Blaine County

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Throughout south-central Idaho, schools and law enforcement agencies are poised for the 2008 school

poised for the 2008 school year.

Both Olmstead, the principal at Lincoln Elementary, said she looks forward to the start of school because everyone is thrilled, and she is optimistic students will have a successful academic year.

"The floors are shiny. The hoards are clean. The carpets "Everybody comes in with their new shiny clothes." In anticipation of the school year, the Twin Falls Police Department will reform is school year, the Twin Falls Police Department will reform is school zones.

cus its efforts in school zones, where speeding violations can result in \$100 lines.

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Jaime Trejo, from Hailey, does some school shopping for his Saturday afternoon at Target in Twin Falls.

Some evacuees are more ready than others

By Cass Friedman

Ilmes-News writer

KETCHUM — Faced with an Impending firestorm in their backyards; the Hispanic poor dispersed immediately, while wealthier homeowners took hours and packed well.

Police enforcing an evacuation order told the poorest residents of Suntree Hollow trailer park and the wealthiest residents of Greenhorn Guich the same thing: Leave as soon as possible. The Castle Rock Fire is approaching.
Loud pounding on doors ratiled the few meck windows all around the rickety, discolored trailers in Suntree Hollow. Riashlight beams pierced blinds and windows and halted on motioniess people—often packed four to a trailer. "Cops hered Open up. Police. Is anyone inside?" The dog always barked first. Then shirtless, groggy-eyed men answered, usually in Spanish, with their elbows

inside?"

The dog always barked first. Then shirtless, groggy-eyed men answered, usually in Spanish, with their elbows blocking the harsh light from their eyes.



Halley Police Officer Larry Clark notifies residents of Su Saturday evening near Ketchum, where a wildfire contin tree Hollow they must leave their homes late is to threaten homes.

Behind them their families, in one case seven children sleeping. Past the silhou-ette of an officer standing in their door-way, these men saw they were being coaxed by police and sheriff's vehicles, flashing lights and headlights casting bizarre shadows on an equally bizarre night.

without so much as a question, of the 100 or so poor Hispanic ress that police evacuated at about 11

p.m. dispersed immediately, carrying only folded blankets to their cars. These are the northermost neighbors in an area of more than 1,800 homes forced to evacuate because of the Castle

They were also among the last residents to be notified, the least prepared and the quickest to leave.

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Home may be in path of fire, but man defies evacuation order

KETCHUM — They call Byron Karrys one of the hard-

KEILHOM
Byron Karrys one of the hardcore.

He defied an evacuation
order issued last week for his
Warm Springs Road neighborhood and has holed up in his
home for more than a week.
When Blaine County forced
107 residents who live west of
Gates Road near Ketchum to
evacuate for the encroaching
Castle Rock Fire, Karrys stayed
in his home— and under the
radar of the evacuation effort.
For his neighbors, his disobedience is an open secret.
His neighborhood, near a town
of so many multimillion-dollar
homes, is as close as Ketchum
comes to having a low-income
neighborhood. What was for-

merly the Board family ranch, and one other outlying cluster of homes, is one of a few neigh-borhoods that have been

borhoods that have been forced to evicuate.

"This town really doesnit, have low income," said Zach Crist, a Lower Board evacuee, "But this 'is all the lower; income, it's the way Ketchum; used to be, it's erry well-areserved, very humble." For the many seasonal speciond-home owners in Ketchum, the smoke blown by winder through the valley was all the exuss they needed to cut their summer stay short. But the residents of Lower Board — light Crist, who has lived here is ketchum for 30 years, 10 of them in his Lower Board hime—have nowhere else to go.

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TWIN FALLS

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Today: Partly cloudy skies. Highs in the mid 80s. Tonight: Fair sklos. Lows in the 50s. Tomorrow: Sunny and warmer. Highs in mid to upper 80s

Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Redfish Lake Lodge 4th Annual Plein Air Painters of Idaho Paint-out, observe the artists in their creative interpretation of the Sawtooth Mountains and surrounding area, paintings available for purchase daily, at the Lodge, 726-3656, or www.pleinairpaintersofideho.org.

BOOK SIGNING

Book signing by local author Justin Allen for his first book, "The Slaves of the Shinar," 5 p.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 1239 Poleline Road, Twin Falls, 733-5554.

FAMILY

Grandparents as Parents support group meeting, with guest speaker Mary Lou Barry on "Back-to-school Boot Camp for Grandparents as Parents," 7 to 8:30 p.m., Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no child care, 736-2122 or 800-574-8656 to RSVP.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Lincoln County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111, W. B., Shoshone, 886-2173.
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Cesals County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, Burley, 878-7302.
Eimore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 150 S. Fourth E., Mountain Home, 587-2129.
Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main, 934-4841.

ne County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N.

Lincoin, 644-2700.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 G
St., Rupert, 436-7111.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third
kee, E., 735-7274.
Ketchum Planning and Commission, 5:30 p.m., City
Hall, 480 E, Ave. N., 726-7801.
Halley City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall, 115 Main St. S., 7884221.

Jerome County Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 324-9116.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

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SilverSneakers These 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 Bild., no cost for Human-Insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

"Overcoming Addiction and Anger," Theophostic Therapy Intermediate Basic Training video, 6 p.m., Miradle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-9603.

734-9003.

Adult Children Anonymous meeting, for individuals recovering from aichoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Carnyon View Psychlatric and Addiction Services, 238 Shoup.

Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 250-5676.

To have an event listed, submit the name of the event, a To have all event laced, solution to late to the control before the co

ON THE AGENDA

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Lincoln, 644-2700, Burley Phalle Library board, 4 p.m., library conference room, 1300 Miller Aws, 375-7708. The Falls City Planning and Zonling Commission, 6 p.m., council chambers, 305 Mind Avs. E., 735-7267. Glerns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hell, 110 E. Second St., 366-7418.

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YOUR MORNING RRIEFIN

MAGIC VALLEY



Hospitals curbing delivery on demand

Some hospitals and health care organizations across the ination have barred elective labor induction under certain ricumstances, such as before 39 weeks of gestation (one week before the due date) or when there isn't clear evidence that the monther's cervix is primed for childbirth. The tenues anguest to be at these move appears to be a push back against the trend in recent decades to medically manage childbirth. Fewer than 10 percent of women underwent induction in 1990, but more than 21 percent did so in 2004, according to federal govern-ment statistics. SEE PAGE D1

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Mercury on the mind

TWIN FALLS
Environmental groups fear Idaho could soon allow mercuye-mitting industries, such as coal-fired power plants, into the state, because the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has announced it will review its current mercury rules at a meeting Thursday in Twin Falls. SEE PAGE A4

Twin Falls budgets park improvements

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TWIN FALLS—As the Twin
Falls City Council holds its
public hearing tongist for the
2008 budger, the city's Parks
and Recreation Departments
should thail as the combined
1.3 million budgeted for the
word departments, they are
scheduled to receive \$450,186
in the capital improvement
budget.

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Law enforcement searches for pot farms

BURLEY — A joint effort between local law enforcement officials and the Idaho Army National Guard put choppers in the air recently to comb the South Hills looking for patches of growing marijuana. SEE PAGE AA

OBITUARIES

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China doesn't understand democracy

It is hard for China to comprehend, Democracy has led Taiwan down a different road. In Taiwan, you see a full democracy. Her people freely elect their leaders. They are building their own Identity. The people of Taiwan do not want to tive under China's communist rule.

- WILL WHITE, Twin Falls

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Submissions must include the writer's name, address and daytime telephone number. Mill Editorials can be up to 50 words in length. They will be subjected to the same vertication process as letters to the dollor. Writers may publish both one Mini Editorial and one letter per month.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

All week

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CSI library is open 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Today through
Thursday; 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Piday; and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday.
CSI Adult Basic Education Center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today and Piday; and 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Meyenboeffer second floor.
CSI Testing Center is open 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Piday, Meyenboeffer second floor.
Welcome Week for new students, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Student Union Building and lawn area.
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Idaho Tennia Association league matches, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., tennis courts by Washington Street (through Thursday).

Monday

Fall semester begins; all offices are open until 6 p.m.

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Sophomore associate degree nursing meeting, 7:30 a.m. to
2:30 p.m., Tajole 276 and 277.

Sophomore nursing student orientation, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
Taylor 276 and 277.

IDTA adult tennis leagues, 6:30 p.m., tennis courts.

Tuesday

Total lunar ecilpse viewing, 2:30 to 6:30 a.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science Centennial Observatory, Jim Jeffers art display, Herrett Center, Jean B. King Gallery (through Friday). Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 9

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Faulkner Planetarium shows: "Siy Quest" with live sky tour, 2 p.m., through Saurday; "Mysteries from the Depths of Space," 7 p.m., also Filday and Saurday; and "Altrageous Rock," 8:15 p.m., also Filday and Saurday.

Chi Alpha meeting, 8 p.m., Student Union building, cafeleria.

<u>Wednesday</u>

Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to Herrett Center for Arts and Selence is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., also flursday. CSI Welcome Week Community Fair, 10 a.m., Student Union Building sidewalk, also Thusday. Summer solar session (free, safe solar viewing), 1 to 3 p.m., Herrett Center Centenial Observatory. Styx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Thursday

INUISARY

General Motors training for dealers, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
Desert 113.

Friday

Huggle Bears chapter, Narcotic Anonymous meeting, 7 Desert 113 CSI Golden Eagle volleyball participates in Tournament, Salt Lake City, also Saturday volleyball participates in Salt Lake

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.

Far Out Space Places," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

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Racehorse ranch closes

The Hagerman farm runner Buddy Gil was raised has been sold.

TUESDAY IN COUNTRY ROADS

SPORTS



TKOs, grudge match highlight UCF II

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TWIN FALLS — One good shot was all it took for Brandon Christensen to pounce on Doug Goodenough. It was a brief main event of Ultimate Cage Fighting II: "Baid Blood" Saturday at the CSI Eldon Evans Expo

the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center as Christensen won by technical knockout with-in 30 seconds of the open-ing whistle.

"I didn't think that when I punched him, he would go down that casy." Christensen said.

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McKean takes the lead at MVS

TWIN FALLS — Budweiser Grand Nationals driver Jerry McKean extended his point lead in the division standings to five after capturing another main event win Saturday night at Magic Valley

night at Mago-Speedway.
McKean started the race at the tail end of the field of eight cars — and one truck —In the 25-lap main event, but batted his way to a .153 second win over Josh Pitz. SEE PAGE B1

BSU players about to start the grind

Today marks the begin-ning of the hectic rigmarole that is college life. The stu-dent athletes you see on tel-evision start school today. What a job they have. They get so much from the school, but they give up so much more.

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NATION/WORLD

Greek fires reach site of ancient Olympics

ANCIENT OLYMPIA.
Greece — Firefighters backed by alterat dropped water and foam on the birthplace of the ancient Clympics Sunday to stop wildfires from burning the 2,800-year-old rulns, one of the most revered sites of antiquity. ntiquity.

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Congress stalls flood insurance overhaul

insurance overhaul
WASHINGTON
Despite promising
the program was self-sustaining.

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The city of Kerchann is disking that people stay out of that
town. Sightseers have caused
several accidents on state
flighway 75 — the main route
for crews traveling between
the blaze's southern and
northern fronts, where flames
continue to advance toward
neighborthoods.

The blaze is burting business, as well. August
Ketchunn's bliggest retail month
of the year — may break a 15year record for low retail earnings, said city administrator
tion LeBlane, flestaturants are
suffering, too, "We wanted to
order some pizza today," he

School

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Staff Sgt. Craig Stotts said that although school zone speed limits remained in effect during the summer, the hours from 7:30 a.m. until about 4 pm. will obviously be busier beginning this week.

"You always want to send a rnessage. Tley, school's in seasion," said Stous. Any parents would expect we're by a school zones."

Stouts said that pedestrians, including students, also need to be aware of moving traffic. He said that the school zone with the highest number of speeders is likely leastland Drive near Ven C. O'Leary hunfor High School At Lincoln Elementary the discipline policy has been changed so that teaching is not sacrificed when some kids misbedouve. Oinstead said. 'It's going to be hetter for their caducation,' she said. 'I think the kids will be excited.'

Reporter Jared S. Hopkins

said. "I'vo of our favorite pizza places didn't even pick up (the

places didn't even pick up (the places) didn't even pick up (the places) didn't exhaus yet to claim any buildings, but nearty 2,000 people have been evacuated from Réchum-area homes.

The fire has divided its threat into two focal points, according to fire information officer play Nichols. The fire south of Ketchum spit embors outside the containment area, which created a spot fire one mile northwest of the Greenhorn Road neighborhood. Only a downward slope dipping into even the homes and the fire line.

A second branch of the fire

north of Ketchum pressed east Sunday toward Highway 75 in the Fox Peak Area.

The Army National Guard For Hoops and five Humwees to the Ketchum area Sunday evening at the request of Balaic County Sheriff Walf Femiling The security force will Pemiling The security force will remain the security force will remain the massive number of yeard the massive number of vacatted bomes — ranging from multimillion-dollar, sec-oud-home massions to trailer ond-home mansions to trailer parks for the blue-collar labor force — from possible intrud-

ers.
The Ketchum area harbors \$1.3 billion in property, state Sen, Clint Stennet, D-Ketchum

on Sunday. The troops may not make arrests, but if they spot a crime, they will report it to local law enforcement, said Gent. Lawrence LaFeraz of the Army National Guard.

A fled Cross shelter in Inley that has been mostly empty housed 27 people Saturday evening. Said BettyAnn Mammert, the shelter's manager.

ager.
Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter toured the fire scene and received a briefing from fire crews Sunday with Stennett and U.S. Sen. Larry Craig (B-Idaho). "The weather pattern is accelerating through late this evening." Craig said. "You need

"You need to get it well beyond 50-percent

contained to start breathing. U.S. Sen. Larry Craig on the Castle Rock fire

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The fire is just 30-percent contained, and officials fear tributed to this report.

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They were so quilck to evacuate, in fact, Blaine County
Sherill's Sgt. Curris Miller
said, 'Tm sure 90 percent of
the people on this side of the
lightway are safe,' Their
departing vehicles, on route to
relatives' homes in Hailey,
filed past him and filled the
southbound lane of the highway. 'My biggest fear is opening so, many people to their
and burglary. L-don't want to
ever do anything like this
again."

Suntree Hollow was the last

gam. Suntree Hollow was the last stop of the evening — and the one most filled with tran-

one most filled with transients—for police, who evacuated two other trailer parks farther south earlier Saturday. Teresa Comber and Lupe Bernal, both of Hailey, assisted with translations. "We probably talked to 40 homes." Comber said. "Only one or two families went to the (fled Cross) shelter in Hailey." She expressed dismay that one officer insisted on pounding loadily on doors with her fist at all three trailer parks. "They're scared enough

"They're scared enough already," she said, "You don't have to pound." Halley Police Officer Larry

Clark was not surprised by the startled reaction of the trailer residents to police at their doors, "Usually, the cops show up and they scram," he said. doors. "Issually, the cops show up and they seram," he said, Residents here dispersed, much quicker than at owned residences, but police gave them the same answers they have provided all along to the second most-asked question: How long do we have to leave? "You need to leave as soon as possible," Clark said, to see a liferent scene near

"You need to leave as soon as possible," Clark said, d. it was a different scene near Greenhorn Gulch, the most threatened area in the evacuation zone and home to some of the Wood River Valley's wealthiest residents.

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wealthiest residents.

The clear out here began more than an hour before sundown, and as midnight approached nearly four hours later, some residents were finally ready to leave. These residents had taken much more time to prepare.

At close to 7:30 p.m. slortly after Blaine County of the programs and the commentation of the commentation of the programs of the commentation of the comm

ssioners signed the ion order — Teena Hill evacuation order evacuation order—feena Full was returning from a trip to Twin Falls. Days before, she had dropped her horses off at someone else's stables. At close to midnight, she was ready to leave. She had packed her SUV to the ceiling, including one kennel for her dog in the back and one in the

front.
"It's very scary. We have no idea how close it is," Hill said, as she entered the highway from Greenhorn Road." I got home around 7:30, moved firewood away from my house and packed up."

The fire struck Bill

The fire struck Bill Reynolds' panic button closer to 3 p.m., when he felt strong winds blowing southeast past his home.

his home.

His house sits among the closest to the fire at the westernmost edge of Greenhorn Road.

Broad.

By 630 p.m. he parked his convertible Volkswagen Bug and Jeep in the cepture of his borse stable and plauned to hold tight at his home.

Officers, including Spanish-speaking Manny Ornelas, add their best to answer questions in both neighborhoods. But the most important questions in mortant questions in mortant questions in mortant questions in mortant questions in the stable properties of the stable properties

But the most important ques-tion — How long will we be gone from our homes? — no one could answer.

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Residents

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A group of local investors preserved the Lower Board Ranch neighborhood – about 80 first-home households – when they bought out all the leases from the Board family during an appreciating real estate market and sold the neighborhood back its homes for half of their market walue. The investment group also purchased the Upper Board Ranch, which hosts more than 10 homes, but condinued leasing to those residents. About

Reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at 735-3204 or jhopkins@magicvalley-com.

10 homes, but continued leasing to those residents. About 30 years ago, when the homes was affordable for member was affordable for member of the middle class, Crist said, Today, it's coveted territory along a pristine creek that offers easy access to Sun Valley's upscale restaurants, stores, skil resort and two golf courses.

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chose to stay.
Fire crews report catching
sporadic glimpses of Karrys,
who did not return repeated
phone calls for this story, darting about in the off-limits
neighborhood. Crist sald
Karrys is one of several residents violating evacuation

orders. Some residents sneak in to water their hawns. Others stayed at home to protect their homes.

By violating the evacuation order to protect their homes, and the protect their homes, and their households are having done for them legally.

AIG Private Client Group, an insurance company that offers 'loss-prevention services' to its wealthiest customers, deployed a truck and two-man crew Wednesday to douse 22 of its Keichum-area clients' properties with Phospholyman or the word of the control o

company come protect their houses," said Matt Luck, a houses," said Matt Luck, a Lower Board resident who bought the Board family homestead and helped barrer the deal between the invest-ment group and the family." think the local structure-pro-tection crows are doing a great job," he said.

The investors in the Board deal "left at the end of the day becomed that they had etwen

deal "left at the end of the day knowing that they had given 70 to 80 people an opportuni-ty to do what they always wanted to do," Luck said. "Its very possible if someone else had bought it from the Board family they would have just their leases expire and just owned it themselves. And a component of the character and culture in Ketchum was preserved."

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11:30 am - 1:00 pm - Outback Kickoff Lunch. Tickets \$15, available at Chamber office or at the door.

6:00 pm - Juried Art Exhibit at Magic Valley Art Council.

7:00 pm - Art Auction and meet some of the jumpers.

SATURDAY

7:00 am - Hot air balloon launch. Canyon Springs Golf Course.

8:30 am - 5k & 10k Fun Run and Walk, Twin Falls Visitors Center

9:30 am - Kids Fun Run & Walk.

10:00 am - Opening Ceremonies, Skydive demonstration, Parachutes Kids exhibition, Kids Carnival.

valley through the Sc. Luk With Special Needs.

10:00 am - 1:00 pm - Kayak and Canoe Races, Centennial Park.

RIVER VISTA

10:00 am - 6:00 pm - Live Music from Sound Country, CSI Jazz Combo and Korby Lenker. Food from local vendors.

SUNDAY

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Festival Activities, Parachutes for Kids exhibition, Food & Entertainment

12:00-2:00 pm - Korby Lenker 2:00 - 4:00 pm - CSI Jazz Combo

Jumpers include: Miles Daisher, Shane McConkey, JT Holmes, Erik Roner, Will Burks, Ted Davenport

and more e's Magic Valley i



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Rethinking mercury?

DEO board to meet in T.F., discuss mercury rules

By Matt Christensen Times-News writer

TNYIN FALLS — Environmental groups fear Idaho could soon allow mercury-entiting industries, such as coal-lived power plants, into the state, because the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has announced it will review is current mercury roles at a meeting Thursday in Twin Falls. The Idaho Conservation League, an environmental group with a bard-line auth-mercury stance, is encouraging its

environmental group with a hard-line anti-mercury stance, is encouraging its supporters to attend Thursday's meet-ing at the Red Lion Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. The group says the meeting signals a policy shift that may open the door for coal-based energy production in Idaho via a federal cap-and-trade properatu.

Program. "I believe this will set the stage for an Idaho plan to opt Idaho into the mercury cap-and-trade program." Courtney Washburn, an ICL, spokeswoman, vrote in an e-mail circulated in early

vorsion in a e-mail circulated in early July.

The federal program puts a limit on the amount of mercury each state can emit but allows states below the cap to trade their emissions allowances to liables. The maintained program of their emissions allowances to liables are missions. List August, then-fixe, limits highed an executive order that kept (daho out of the federal cap-and-trade program. And In 2006, the Legislature passed at two-year moratorium on coal-fired power plants that emit mercury.

That moratorium expires in April, and the state has the option to opt back into the federal program, despite Risch's

order.
The meeting, which begins at 9 a.m., is scheduled to open with a 30-minute public comment period, followed by a report by DEQ Director Tonl Hardesty.

Matt Christensen can be reached at matt, christensen@lee.net.

Small fire ignites near Shoshone

SHOSHONE — A small fire ignited about 2-30 µm. Sunday along state Highway 75 near Johnny's Country Store north of Shoshone and was quickly extinguished by fire crews.

The blaze burned about five acres, mostly on Bureau of Land Management land, said Sky Buffat, a BLM spokes-woomen.

woman.
Officials momentarily considered closing the highway while firefighters hattled the blaze, but the road remained open because the fire was extinguished quickly.
Buflat was unsure how the fire started but said it was probably human-caused. The BIM is investigating, she said.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Jerome taking applications

for three open council seats

for three open council seats

JEROME — The cley of Jerome will
hold its Chy Council general election
Now. 6 and is encouraging
people to apply.

Three seats are open — one for a two
year term and two for four-year terms.
Candidates must declare which seat
they are seeking. Campaign finance disclosure is required and a political treaster must be certified when candidacy
is filed. The last day to file is Sept. 7.
Filing packess are available at Cone's
office weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Forms are also available at
http://www.cl.jerome.id.us.

DEQ awards wastewater planning grant to Murtaugh

planning grant to Mulriaugh
BOISE — The Idaho Department of
Environmental Quality announced
thursday the award of a \$24.250 wastewater planning grant to the city of
Mutraugh.
The funds will be used to conduct an
analysis of the existing wastewater
treatment and collection systems and
to address issue related to permits that
exceed land-application limits. A facility plan and environmental information
document will be completed as a part
of the project.
The purpose of the project is to
assure adequate collection and treat-

The purpose of the project is to assure adequate collection and treatment of wastewater for Murtaugh residences.

Filling in the cracks



T.F. Parks and Rec department budget sets aside funds for park improvements

TWIN FALLS — As the Twin Falls City Council holds its public hearing tonight for the 2008 budget, the city's Parks and Recreation Departments should be all smiles.

In addition to the combined \$1.3 million budgeted for the two departments, they are scheduled to receive \$460.186 in the capital

to receive 5-10st, no in the capital improvement budget. More specifically, the department will slot \$71,900 for improvements to Harmon Park, which was built in 1924. It's most of any single park in the city. Among the park's improve-ments:

ments:

* Resurfacing the tennls courts

* Installing swings

* A shelter

* Expansion of pattiways

"It's going to be a busy year with
all these projects," said Parks and
Recreation Director Dennis
Bowyer.

Recreation Director Dennis Browyer.

The entire capitol improvement projects budget is about \$2 million. Other notables:

• More than \$33,000 will be spent on laptops, copiers, printers and wireless connections.

• \$4,000 for 47-sets of catchers goar for youth baseball.

• \$311,508 for the Twin Falls Police Department. including \$135,000 for five Dodge Charger patrol viehiles.

• \$15,000 for remodeling an old engineering lab.

\$15,000 for remodeling an old engineering lab.
 \$539,500 is reserved for special projects. About \$50,000 is expected to ue used to expand the lobby of the city library.
 10-perment increase in water rates and 15-percent increase in sever rates.

sewer rates.

• Construction of at least four pressurized-irrigation pump sta-

pressurized and the tions.

The entire city budget is \$41 million. It must be passed by

sept. 5.
The budget hearing, which will precede a hearing for the Business improvement District, is scheduled for 6 p.m. at 305 3rd Avenue E.



हाकाल प्रकार प्रकार है। OVE: Standing water is seen next to a sidewalk Saturday afternoon at i Park in Twin Falls.

TOP: A large crack can be seen at one of Harmon Park's tennis courts

Other agenda items include:

Consideration of accepting and installing art work along the city's Canyon Rim Trail System by the Magic Valley Arts Council. David Clemons of Coeur d'Alene

was chosen.

• Consideration to extend the final play of the 80-acre North Haven PUD on the southeast cor-

ner of Pole Line Road and Washington Street North.

The property, which includes
Wal-Mart, has not been recorded
with Twin Falls County and the
applicant therefore wants an
extension, which is not uncommon, said Community
Development Director Mitch
Humble

Eye in the sky

National Guard, law enforcement scour Cassia County for marijuana crops

By Laurie Weich For the Times-News

BURLEY — A joint effort between local law enforcement officials and the Idaho Army National Guard put choppers in the air recently to comb the South Hills looking for patches of growing marifiuma. The Cassia County Sheriff's Office, Mini-Cassia Drug Task Force and Idaho State Police tearned up with the National Guard to scour the nearby mountain ranges for fields of the illegal plant.

mountain ranges for fields of the illegal plant.
"It went really well this year. We didnt find anything, but that's not necessarily a bad thing," said Mini-Cassia Drug Task Force Supervisor Li. Randy Kidd. "And well do'lt again next year."

Law enforcement searches and produced the way marfunan operations each summer, Kidd said. It's not uncommon to find marijuana fields hidden by brush or farmers' crops.

In September 2006, focal law enforcement officials seized about \$350,000 worth of marijuana growing in a corn field at

about \$350,000 worth of man-juana growing in a corn field at 1300 W. 450 S. in Burkey. The plants were turned in by the farmer who owned the field after he discovered the illicit

after ne uscorrectory.

Ahout 350 plants 8-feet tall and four-rows deep that run 100 yards were tucked away inside the corn. All were near maturity, and some had already been harvested and had been placed on the ground to dry.

to dry.
"We want to be on top of it,

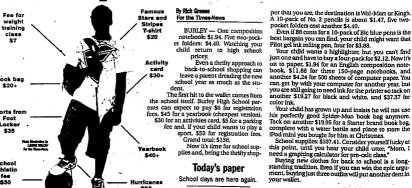
"We want to be on top of it, and we want people to know we are looking." Kidd said. Kidd said the plant is much easier to spot from the air and has a color and texture different from surrounding growth. The National Guard supplied the helicopters and five crew members for this summer's search.

members for this summer's search.
Drainage areas in the South
Hills were an area of focus.
Many of the marijuana fields
are found one-half mile to a
mile off existing trails, Kild
sald, so unless there is a reason
to be in the area, they would be
very hard to find — except
from the air.

from the air.
"Manpower-wise, it's the
best way to cover the countryside," Kidd said.
Ground teams are put in
place with Global Positioning
Systems to mark locations and
secure the area when fields are
found.

In Idaho, anyone who grows
25 marijuana plants or more
could be found guilty of trafficking in marijuana and face
up to 15 years in prison.

School expenses The high cost of sending your student to class



Today's paper

School days are here again.

See page A1

Please see SCHOOL COSTS, Page A5

Herbert W. Larsen

POCATELLO — Herbert W. Larsen, 85. Pocatello, died Thursday, August 23, 2007, at the Idaho State Veterans's

the Idano Ullome. He was born He was born on Oct. 19, 1921, in Twin Falls to Charles P. and



Cabil Larsen.
He married
Katherine R.
Thometz, June
24, 1950, in Twin Falls. Herb
served in the United States
Army during World War II. He
was employed by Gem State
Paper Supply Company as a
salesman in Twin Falls and as a manager in Pocatelio for 27

manager in Pocatello for 27 years.
Herb enjoyed bowling, fishing, hunting, golf, basketball, car shopping, drinking coffee and telling lokes. He was a member of the Holy Spitt Catholle Community, St. Anthony Chapel, having served as chairman on the church board. Herb was a member of the BPOE Elisk No. 674 for 27 years, He was also a member of the Beta Theta Pli fraternity at University of Idaho and University of Washington. Herb was a Chamber of Commerce member.

was a Chamber of Commerce member.

He was a wonderful hus-band, father and grandfather who loved spending time with his familly. He taught all eleven of his children and many of his grandchildren to fish, cannot grandchildren to fish, cannot be travel with his wife and fam-lly. One favorite place was

Jackpot where he pinyed a mean hand at blackjack. He was a frieder was the mean that a frieder was the mean that a frieder was the same loke and a smile. He started every conversation with "Did you hear the one about ..." He is survived by his wife. Katherine R., 11 children, Charle's of Nampa, Grega (Louise) of Nampa, Grega (Louise) of Nampa, Hersa (Bill) Lunstrum of Nampa, Herb (Carolyn) of St. Louis, (Bill) Lunstrum of Nampa, Herb (Carolyn) of St. Louis, John (Penny) of Covington, Wash, Kathy (Steve) Northcutt of Vallejo, Calif., Jim (Grace) of Pateros. Wash. George of Durango, Colo. Rick of Nampa, Mary (Dave) Harris of Pocatello, and Liz Larsen (Jaime Fermey) of Blackboot; 36 (Jaime Fermey) of Blackboot; 36 (grandchildfen. He was preced-cel in death by his parents, a sk-

James B. Wood

TWIN FALLS — James B. Wood, 71, of Ilwin Falls, passed away Aug. 24, 2007, at St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise.

94 He was the first to offer help with any project or

help with any project or repair for any project or repair for any project or repair for any one who needed help. He had many close friends and was well respected by his peers — honest, trustworthy and very loved. Jim was very close to his family, was a wonderful husband and a terrific dud to his three girds. He loved his grandchildren very nuch and they adored him immensely. He was always patient, loving and understanding, Jim valued his friendship and compared to the state of the

and Paula.

Jim served in the U.S. Army from 1959 to 1960 when he was stationed in Hawaii. He was a member of the rifle team and was honorably disand was honorably dis-charged. He and his family then moved to Twin Falls.

then moved to Twin Falls.

He owned and operated the
Pump and Equipment
Company from 1969 to 1983
and was the top Jacuzzi seller

for two years. In 1984, Ilm attended CSI, where he sudied lawenforcement and started his second career with the Twin Falls Sherilf's Department. He retired in 2001 after 15 years of service. After retirement, he stayed busy working on the sherilf's cars, and he later worked alongside his sons-in-law in their construction businesses. Jim was very talented building im was very talented building.

ntongstate his sons-in-law in their construction businesses. Jim was very talented building anything out of-steel, repairing and modifying things from roto-fillers to scalfoldings from roto-fillers to scalfolding the second se

Survivors include his wife of 50 years. Evelyn Wood, Twin Palls, three daughters, Donnie Plats, three high to the property of the property of

He was preceded in death by his parents. Family will receive friends from 4 until 6 p.m. Wednesday, with a memorial at 5 p.m. at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd.

School costs

Continued from page A4
You would typically be shelling out \$14.38 for cargo pants, \$17.96 for a pair of dress slacks and \$19.68 for a pair of Levi Strauss Jeans at discount stores.
At bigger department stores, you'll be looking at \$40 or more for name-brand pants or shorts.
A Wrangler collared -shirt

pants or shorts.

A Wrangler collared -shirt will set you back another \$17.87, and two Puritan button-up shirts is another \$19.98. Even designer T-shirts can be upwards of \$20 a pop. The value pack of skepairs of a four-pack of boxer-briefs can be \$19.78. A value pack of boxer-briefs can be \$3.00. four-pack of boxer-ones can be \$7.97. A pair of Air Speed

skate shoes runs \$21.32. But don't be surprised if your child wants shoes four or five times that much. Back-to-school clothes: \$133.43. If your your child is willing to share the graphing calcula-

If your your child is willing to share the graphing calculator with a friend, you're looking at \$20.04.04 in back-to-school supplies. Other factors, such as funch money. From and football camp will pastly you over the \$500 mark for the year if you're for there yet.

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PATIENT SPOTLIGHT

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~ Devon Nay, Jerom

 \P hey work really well and they're trouble free. I had a lot of difficulty with my

wife being upset with me before, but now that I have my new hearing aids, communication is much better.

She's back to being in of being angry with me all the time. The staff is

always fantastic if I need to see them for a cleaning or an adjustment. And I just love Fritz's secretary!





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gandchildren: and three greatgandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, and a brother.

We would like to thank the
Idaho State Veterans Home for
caring for Dad. We will miss you
Dad, but we know you are finalhy free to fish for the big one in
the sky and share your collection of Jokes with Saint PeterFuneral Mass will be celebrated
today at 2 p.m. in the Holy
Spirit Carbolic Community St.
Anthony Chapet, 504 N. 7th
Vec., Pocatello, with Father
Justin Brady celebrant.
The family will receive
friends from 7:09 p.m. Sunday
evening in the CornelisonHenderson Fun-eral Home.
All N. 15th Vec., Pocatello.
Memorials may be made to the
American Theart Association.
Holy Spirit Carbolic
Community, or the Idaho State
Veterans Home.

DEATH NOTICE

Roderick M. 'Blackie' Weigt

JEROME — Roderick M. "Blackle" Weigt, 71, of Jerome, died unday, August 26, 2007, at his home. Funeral arrangements are

Annual Burning Man festival begins in northern Nevada desert

RENO. Nev. (AP) — More than 40,000 people are expected to converge on the northern Nevada desert beginning today for the annu-al Burning Man counterculal Burning Man countercul-ture arts festival dedicated to "radical self-expression and radical self-rellance."

radical self-rellance."
Participants from around
the world will spend the week
leading up to Labor Day in
Black Rock City, a makeshift
5-square-mile emcampment
on the playa of the remote,
sprawling Black Rock Desert,
about 120 miles north of

Reno. Authorities expect as many as 45,000 people to attend the edecitic, anything goes gothered to be a seen as a s

Protecting the environment is the theme of the 22nd annual festival. In addition to 18 the theme or now amanual festival. In addition to solar panels powering the parlion at the base of "The Man," the event will feature demonstrations of bicycles with generators and gasification machines that eat trash. Local Albertsons grocery stores will be selling such eco-friendly items as bio-degradable garden beggs, themp open and solar-powered camping lights for participants.

Devotees of Lord Kristna from around the world have

Devotees of Lord Krishna from around the world have set up a Krishna Camp at a cost of about \$20,000. The temporary, full-fledged temple with life-isz defities will feature discussions about Krishna, devotional singing worship, fire sacrifice and free Indian tea. Plans also call for dally charlot procession. And, unlike the rest of Burning Man, sex liquor and meat will be prohibited.

SERVICES

Thern H. Ward of Almo, funeral at.11 a.m. today at the Almo LDS Church; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in

Pauline Alice Bean of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Twin Falls Cemetery, viewing one hour before the service at 10 a.m. at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Ted G. Holden of Twin Fall ted G. Holden of Iwin Paus; celebration of life at 1 p.m. today at the 1st Ward LDS Church, 847 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls; friends and fam-ily may call from noon until time of the service today at the church (Reynolds Funeral church (Reynolds Chapel in Twin Falls).

Rafael Garcia of Chandler, Ariz., and formerly of Rupert, memorial service from 7 to 9 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley.

Calton Smith Jed Calton Smith or Castleford, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the LDS Church on Pair Street in Buhl; viewing from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl and one hour before the serv-ice Tuesday at the church.

Richard Lloyd "Dick" Falconburg of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; friends may call one hour before the service at the chapel.

James Randall "Jim" Borden of Rupert, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Ernest L Petterson of Filer, viewing from noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Parke's Magio Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls; graveside dedication and interment will conclude at Oakley Cemetery.

Helen Tulloch Huston of Fallon, Nev., and formerly of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Fireside Room at the Twin Falls Methodist Church (Gardens Funeral Home in Fallon, Nev.).

Charles Alfred Satterwhite of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Dargreen Power to hold seminars Thursday

GOODING — Dargreen
Power Systems, in conjunction
with the Snake River Alliance,
will conduct the fourth of eight
free seminars on renewable
energy topics at 7 p.m.
Thursday at 442 Main St. In

Gooding.
AC and DC current will be defined. This introductory level presentation is design to inform the general public on "green power" technology. The workshop lasts about 50 minutes and allows an additional 30 minutes for questions.
Dargreen Power Systems is a renewable energy wholesale; retail consulting and manufacturing business.

turing business.

The public is invited. For more information, call (208) 595-4290 or (866) 865-1759.

CSI symphonic band seeks musicians

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band is looking for players. All members of the community, including high school students,

who can play at least moderate-ly difficult music are invited to join the ensemble.

Join the ensemble.

If you play a band instrument and have been looking for a reason to dust it off and tune it up, this is your opportunity. Joining the band is free.

The band is directed by George Kr-Halsell. Rehearsals will be from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays in the CSI Fine Arts Building. Rehearsals begin today, but no rehearsal will be hold Sent. 3.

today, but no rehearsal will be held Sept 3.
The band will perform two concerts this semester — on Oct. 28 and Dec. 4.
For more information, contact Halsell at 732-6767 or ghalsell@csl.edu.

CSI Pep Band conducts

student auditions
TWIN FALLS Two
evenings of student auditions
for the College of Southern
idation stop and have been
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perween 5 and 7 p.m. both days. The Pep Band performs a

approximately 30 CSI athletic events each year. Most are home games, but the band also travels with the teams to regional and national tourna-

regional and national tourna-ments.

In the past, the Pep Band has been made up largely of com-munity members who received as small stylend as well as free admission to the games in return for their participation.

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this year is to make the band more student-based. In addition to passing the audition, band members will be expected to take a one-tred it Pep Band class, which meeter the period class, which meeter beginning Aug 28. In return for heter participation, they will receive a CSI scholarship. Cox welcomes those who play woodwinds, brass, percuison, electric bass, guitar and keyboards. Students should come prepared to play scales and a short prepared piece of music and to sight read from music that Cox will provide at the audition.

audition. or more information, Cox be reached ahead of time at

733-2700 or at scox@byu.net. Those who wish to audition should reserve a five-minute time for either evening.

CENTURY STADIUM 5



OPINION

OTHER VIEWS

Let's get real: Gas tax hike isn't going to happen

obody seems certain of the best way to

of the best way to finance the state's transportation needs. But this much seems crystal clear. It's not going to be done through an increase. That's the message from Rep. Frank I lenderson. Repost Falls. In addressing the Idaho Transportation Board, Henderson drove home a point many of us can agree on Adopting a gas tax hike to make up for the department's annual \$200 million shortfall is going to be a darn tough seil, particularly in an election year. Every time voters pump petrol into their tanks, they'd be reminded that the Legislature forced already high gas prices even higher. That doesn't equate to incumbent lawmakers faring well in post-session elections. This is one of the state's more difficult challenges. Nobody denies that our roak need work desperately, particularly if important improvements and additions are made over the next 30 years. Transportation Department officials estimate a \$20 billion price using no what's already on the drawing board, and that sum isn't going to come from a little savings here and a little increase there. Tarnishing the political tandscape further is the fact that many Idahoans think the Dirk Kempthome-led legislature of tweethers.

and a little increase tiere.

Tarrishing the political landscape further is the fact that many
ldahoans think the Dirk
Kempthorne-led legislature of two
years ago misled them into believing that Garvee funds
would pave the way to a bright highway future.

The truth is, a strong argument can be made that a
gasoline tax increase of a few cents would make sense.
Idaho hash' increased its 25 cent per gallon tax since
1996, when a gallon cost about \$1. The tax then comprised roughly a quarter the cost of a gallon of gas; now
it's closer to 8 percent.

Everybody who drives uses the state's roadways, so,
from a fairness perspective, every driver should assume
responsibility for the roads' condition. And paying 25 or
50 cents more each time we go to fill 'er up might be a
neasier pill to swallow than, say, paying whiche registration prices that double or triple overnight.

But we think it's a moot point, that the 2008
Legislature likely will explore vehicle registration
increases, fees on rental cars, and perhaps even assessments on those who benefit economically from highway improvements and those who use highways the
most. By most accounts, Idaho's vehicle registration
prices are stagegringly low, especially when compared
to neighboring states that treat vehicles like property
and assess fees based on the value of the vehicle.

One thing we can agree on is the wisdom shared with
lenderson by Transportation Board members: Key to
addressing the state's burgeoning transportation needs
is education, clitzens becoming familiar with the challenges and range of solutions.

If we want safe, efficient roadways—and we all do—
it's not a question of deciding to pay for it. It's a question of how to pay for it, and every legitimate suggestion should be seriously considered.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Jail incidents should be handled by committee

Some weeks back I sub-mitted a letter to the editor expressing concern about the eventuality of an officer to the eventuality of an officer locient number of men scheduled to work. Ironically, Sherilf Tousley was recently interviewed, admitting at least 24 inci-dents inside the jall which involved a "less degree assault on an officer," with the latest one being "fairly serious."
The deputy in the most

serious.

The deputy in the most recent incident had his

cheek bone cracked and was knocked unconscious. With this in mind, one won-

With this in mind, one won-ders why the positions in the jail are not filled and why adequate manpower is not the norm. Should the injured deputy decide to proceed with legal action against the county. Tousley would certainly be able to control any liability to himself if he is allowed to run the investigation. Any to himself if he is allowed to run the investigation. Any incident involving the Twin Falls County Sheriff's office should be handled by an oversight committee, or at the very least, an impartial outside agency.

utside agency.
SHAUNA KOOPMAN
Twin Falls

Give us your two cents

Chauncey Bailey's story won't die

aniel Pearl's name you know. Chauncey Bailey's, you probably don't, Both men were mur-dered presumably because of what they did for a living. Pearl was a reporter for The Wall Street Journal. He was

Wall Street Journal. He was slaughtered on video in Pakistan in 2002. Bailey was the editor of the Oakland Post. He was shotgunned to death on an Oakland, Calif., street in

on an Gastanti, cam, succe, and Gastanti, cam, succe, and Anguert.

Radical Islamists bragged about killing "the spy/journalist" Pearl, the "Jew working against Islam." A 19-year-old handyman, Oakland police say, has confessed to killing Balley because the movement of the product of the pro hecause the newsman was investigating the alleged finan-cial shenanigans of the handy-

clal shenanigans of the handy man's bosses. Daniel Pearl was a house-hold name as soon as he ween missing. Claumecy Bailey was n'i. Then again, Pearl worked for a fabled newspaper, Bailey was the new editor of a small was the new editor of a small Bay Area weekly newspaper focused on the black commu-nity Feard was covering an international war on terrorism: Bailey was looking into a local group's money schemes. Pearl's kidnapping was instantly linked to his work. In crime-ravaged Oakland, it took a while to convent Bailer's killing while to connect Bailey's killing

while to connect maneys same, to his reporting.

Journalists around the world are murdered with dispiriting frequency, to silence them and to intimidate other reporters.

PAT MORRISON

According to the Committee to Protect Journalists, of the more than 600 journalists killed in a continuous programma to the covering corruption. Journal rights, pollitics or crime—not war. But until Balley, no journalist in the U.S. had been killed because of his or her reporting since 1993, and of the dezen who were killed here in the line of duty since 1976, all but two reported for foreign-language news media or inmigrant enclaves. They were working in the U.S., but the practices of their home

were working in the U.S., but the practices of their home nations reached out and killed them in this one. It appears that an "enclave" perception of Galkland's chroni-ic crime is part of what kept a lid on wider coverage of Balley's murder. What if he was that one more involved the day Balley's murder. What if he was just one more tragically dead black man in Oakland? His publisher told Los Angeles 'Times reporter John Glionna a day after the killing that he wasn't ready to link the murder with the reporting "until I am stm."

Richard Prince writes an online journalism column online journalism column and traces this to an attitude about Oakland that amounts to outsiders saying, "Well, we don't want to even deal with it; it's just them killing each other." So that contributed to

the lack of interest."
The alleged teenage hit man worked for Your Black Muslim Bakery, which Isn't Muslim in the Mideast sense, nor officially in the Nation of Islam sense, It began decades ago as a health food genterprise committed to black self-sufficiency and respect, later, it went off mitted to black self-sufficience and respect. Later, it went off the rails and fostered a renegade operation whose leaders were accused or suspected of rape, kidnapping, curjacking, assault and orture.

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To all this, many in official Oakiand evidently turned a blind eye. The bakery ran some social programs and was praised and supported by politicians long after some of those associated with it were regarded as a menace to Oakiand society. The East Bay Express — a weekly publication that exposed some of the bakery's doings five years ago—detailed how local leaders treated the bakery, even endorsing a million-dollar health care program loan that paparently was squandered. The Express' editor and coower, Seeye Buel, says the bakery's original goals of Tests empower the people without the help of the Man't went 'a long way to lending eradibility to other actions and other between the control of the Man't went 'a long way to lending eradibility to other actions and other between the control of t

behaviors that are really com-pletely reprehensible."

eccy reprenensible." So, according to Buel, official akland deferred and emurred and never held the

bakery leaders to account. It was just "another constituency in the rainbow that you had to wave at and sainte and treat with respect so you didn't lose that silver of the vote." The city operated like a lot of entities that claim they can handle internal problems but don't. Think the Catholic church protecting child-molessing prites so. of Emrois prosperous image hidding bankrupp rosperous finder. You're not just murdefing the control of the control o

state. Reporters groups are organizing the same thing for Oxskamd and the bakers, So although you didn't hear a lot about Balley's murder, you may, in the end, hear a lot about Balley might expose more corruption and mallessame: than the propose more own the propose more corruption and mallessame: than the gry with a notebook.

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Bush war team Swift-boated by bin Laden

ne thing that has always baffled me about the Bush team's war effort in Iraq and against al-Quida is this: How could andmillistration that was so good at Swift-boating its political opponents at home be so inept at Swift-boating its greanbilitical apponents. geopolitical opponents abroad?

abroad?
How could the Bush team
Swift-boat John Kerry and Max
Cletand — authentic Victnam
war heroes, whom the Whife
House turned into surrendering pacifists in the war on teror — but never manage to
Swift-boat Osama bin Laden, a

Swift-boat Osama bin Laden, genocidal monster, who today is still regarded in many quarters as the vanguard of anti-American "resistance." Dive into a conversation about America in the Arab world today, or even in Europe and Africa, and it wor't take 30 seconds before the words "Abu Ghralb" and "Guantanano Bay" are thrown at you, yes. Bay" are thrown at you. Yes both are shameful, but Abu both are shameful, but Abu Chmilb was a day at the beach compared with what al-Qaida and its Sunni jibadist support-ers have been doing in Iraq, yet none of their acts have become one-punch global insults like Abu Ghmilb and Guantanamo, Consider what happened Aug. 14. Four jihadist suicide-bombers blew themselves up

in two Iraqi villages, killing more than 500 Kurdish civilmore than 500 Kuratsh civil-ians — men, women and bables — who belonged to a they pre-Islamic sect known the Yazidis. And what was the Bush team's response to this out-rage? Virtual silence. After

much Googling, the best 1 could find was: "We're looking at al-Qaida as the prime sus-



pect, said Lt. Col. Christopher Garver, a U.S. millitary spokesman, "Wow. Excuse me, but what exactly are we fighting for in Iraq, or in this wider war against Islamist extremism. If the murder of 500 civilians can be shrugged off Event we will be some of the control of the c day. Why should we care:
Because bin. Laden and his
sidekick Ayrman al-Zawahri
care! Rend. their statements.
They care about their image.
They care about their image.
They want to be known as the
resistance." because it affects
their street appeal and there-



fore their ability to recruit and

Sure, some Sunni tribes in Sure, some Surni tribes in Ireq who are directly threat-ened by al-Qaida have turned against; I, but in the whier Arabi-Muslim world bin Lade has out-maneuvered Bush. The man who Swift-boated Kerry and Cleland has been Swift-boated by bin Laden. Bush is Josing a PR war to a mass murderer Ves, it is not easy breaking through the innate, and American all to of the Arabi media, but we have barely tried.

himate, ander-mentant art of the Arab media, but we have barely referred to the Arab media and the Arab media are not the newsroom of Alazeem here in Doha, on the Persian Gulf. I asked Arab reporters here what would be the results of a popularity poil in the region between Bush and bin Laden, Bush wouldn't stand a chance, they said. One hig difference between them, though, added one journalist, "is that Bush's term is about to come to an end and bin Laden is staying in office." An Egyptian analyst here added that liberails in the Arab world who supported the U.S.

democratization effort in Iraq are now dismissed in the

are now dismissed in the Arabic press as "intellectual marines." U.S. Marine is now a term of insult.

Bit Laden has created a situation in which the U.S. occupation in Ima is viewed as entirely "illegitimate" and therefore any violence there by "Sunni Jihadists against Americans or Iraqi civilians is considered entirely legitimate "resistance."

resistance."
As The Economist magazine just noted. This is profoundly instaken, 'ke, milliary stateks against foreign soldiers who have come unlimited into your country can be called 'resistance." But the mass murder of land i civilians can make no such dignified claim. Under all established norms and laws of war (and by mors accounts). established norms and laws of war (and by most accounts under Islamic law, too), the deliberate targeting of civilians for no direct millitary purposes is just a crime. So why don't we say that If you cann't win a PR war against bin Laden, you have no business fighting a real war anymore in Iraq.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Why not update firefighting aircraft?

For the second summer in a row, Idaho has more wildfires burning presently than any other state, with some three fourths of a million acres already destroyed. And yet upgrading the U.S. Forest Service's aging aerial firefighting fleet seems not to be a priority.

ority.
As an Aug. 8 Boise Weekly
article noted, there is present
a retrofitted 747 that could be
instrumental in fighting cer-

tain types of fires, but which the U.S. Forest Service has yet to put into use, despite receiv-ing Federal Aviation Administration certification

Administration certification and signing a contract with the Forest Service last fall.

In Tanker Corps, 3D-10 jumbo jet, which carries half the 24,000-pound fire retardant payload of the Boeing 747 Evergreen Supertanker, has already received very high marks from fire officials since it went into service last year. It's a went into service last year. It's a vent into service last year. It's a plane that likewise carries conBoise's National Interagency Fire Center (12,000 gallons vs. a mere 3,000).

mere 3,000.

Gov Otter and Sens. Larry
Crulg and Mike Crapo are justified in being critical of Bureau
of Land Management officials
for not tackling the Murphy
Complex Fire sooner—and of
idiotic, environmental groupinspured feedral laws that prohibited ranchers from using
buildness or del fire lites or BLM land.

BLM land.
The fact remains, Idaho
politicians have yet to deve
policies for certifying a new
generation of firelighting

planes like those very effective DC-10s, while "California offi-cials, unhindered by federal procedures, moved forward procedures, moved forward with a supertanker of its own. The entire Forest Service fleet of 36 1930s em C. 130s was grounded by the National Transportation Safety Board in 2002 — three of which had crashed in recent years — following a Newalda crash that had been admen, and after which and the control of the control of the C. 130s. 10HN PLINTZE Ketchum

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Greek fires reach site of ancient Olympics

ANCIENT OLYMPIA, Greece
— Firefighters backed by aircraft dropped water and foam
on the birthplace of the
ancient Olympics Sunday to
stop wildfires from burning
the 2,800-year-old ruins, one
of the most revered sites of

antiquity.

But the fires burning for But the fires burning for three straight days obliterated vast slwathes of the country and the death toll rose to 58. New fires broke out faster than others could be brought under control. Desperate residents appealed through television stations for help from a fire-spread of the state of the state of the stations for help from a fire-spread of the state of the state of the stations for help from a fire-spread of the state of the state of the stations for help from a fire-spread of the state of the leaving them defenseless.

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"Fires are burning in more than half the country," said fire department spokesman Nikos Diamandis. "This is definitely



Government and firefighting Government and menginang officials have suggested arson caused many of the blazes, and several people had been arrested. The government offered a reward of up to \$1,36

water bening arrelent columns at Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games, in southwestern In southwestern Greece on Sunday A massive effort by firefighters kept a raging

from the 2.800.

A helicopter drops water behind

million for anyone providing information that would lead to the arrest of an arsonist. S. Forest fires are common during Greece's hot, dry sum-

mers — but nothing has approached the scale of the last three days. Arson is often

suspected, mostly to clear land for development. No construc-tion is allowed in Greece in areas designated as forest land, and fires are sometimes set to current the law

The front of one fire Sunday The front of one fire Sunday reached Ancient Olympia in southern Greece, burning trees and shrubs just a few yards from the misseum at the site. Although the pristine forest around the site was burned, none of the ruins were dam-

aged.
Ruined temples of Zeus,
king of the ancient Greek gods,
and his wife Hera stand on
what was a lash riverside site
— a flat stretch of land surrounded by pine-clad hills —

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near the stadium that hosted the ancient Olympic garnes for more than 1,000 years after they started in 778,B.C. The site strewn with fallen columns to the street with fallen columns as welling half, the tell's bathhouses, priests' resi-tences and alars. The 5th cen-tury B.C. limestone temple of Zens is one of the largest in maintand Greece.

Telicopters and aircraft cov-ered the rubus with watch and foam. The lames reached the edge of the ancient stadium, scarling the gass and incher-scarling the gass and incher-

edge of the ancient stadium, searing the grass and incher-ating the trees on the hill above. Volunteers grabbed buckets of water and joined firefighters.

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AROUND THE WORLD

IRAO

Iraqi prime minister lashes out at critics

BAGHDAD — Iraq's embat-tled prime minister lashed out at American critics Sunday, say-ing Sen. Hillary Clinton and other Democrats who have called for his ouster should "come to their senses" and stop treating Iraq like "one of their villages."

ireating Iraq like "one of their villages."
Prime Minister Nouri alMaliki also lambasted the U.S.
military for raids in Shitte neighborhoods of Baghdad, adding new strains ahead of next month's showdown in Washington over the future of the U.S. mission.

The grim combination of ongoing violence and political deadlock have increased finistration in both Washington and Baghdad, with American law and al-Malikis performance and Iraqi leaders growing weary of what they consider unfair U.S.
criticism.

criticism.
Clinton and Sen. Carl Levin, a
Michigan Democrat and chair
man of the Senate Armed
Services Committee, have
called for al-Maliki to be replaced.
"There are American officials

There are American officials who consider Iran as if it were one of their villages, for example Hillary Clinton and Carl Levin. They should come to their senses, al-Maliki said at a news conference.

Al-Maliki demounced recent U.S. military actions in the Baghdad Shilte neighborhoods of Shula and Sadr City that according to the Iraqis resulted in civilian deaths.

"Concerning American raids"

in civillari denths.
"Concerning American raids
on 'Shula and Sadr City, there
were big mistakes committed
in these operations. The terrorist himself should be targeted
not his family," al-Mallik said
"We will not allow the detaining
of innocent people."

GOP senator says he may back Iraq pullout

MASHINGTON — GOP Sen. John Warner, who wants U.S. troops to start coming home from Iraq by Christmas, said Sunday he may support Democratic legislation ordering withdrawals if Prestien Bush refuses to set a return timetable soor

timetable soon
"In going to have to evaluate
it." Warner sald. "I don't say that
is a threat, but I say that is an
option we all have to consider.
"Warner, a former Navy
Sceretary and one-time chairman of the Senate Armed
Services Committee, is seen as
someone who could influence
the debate among senators
who have grown increasingly
uneasy about the unpopular
war.

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Warner's suggestion last week about bringing back some troops put him at odds with Bush, who has insisted that conditions on the ground should dictate any such decisions. Warner long has opposed legislation pushing for timetables.

bles.
The Virginia Republican said
Sunday it would be best for the
president, not Congress, to
make a decision on with
drawnis and that overriding a
presidential veto would be dif-

ficult. But Warner made clear his view that people are tosing patience with the administra-tion's strategy in Iraq, a signifi-cant change. Is needed in September and urop with-drawals were the best way to accomplish that.

CUBA

Castro signs new essay without addressing health

without addressing health
IIAVANA' — Fidel Castro
signed a lengthy essay published Sunday saling a Cuban
political figure but giving no
him of how he is feeling, even
him of how he is feeling, even
the state of the saling has been
the state of the saling has been
to been seen in public in ower
a year and has not even
appeared in official photographs or video footage since
tenping an Interview with Cuban
state television june 5.
The lack of images has fueled

The lack of images has fueled speculation among the Cuban

exile community in Miami and elsewhere that Castro might have died. He announced on July 31, 2006 that he had under-gone emergency intestinal sur-gery and was temporarily ced-ing power to his younger broth-er liant.

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Officials in Hayana have refused to speak about Castros condition, but foreign Minister Pelipp Perez Roque told reporters in Brazil last week refuje perez Roque told reporters in Brazil last week due to the business of the period and is discipled in his recov-cry process. He may be and leader maintains "permanent" contact with top government officials.

officials.
Castro's essay, the latest in dozens of 'Reflections of the Commander in Chilef' columns he has published several times a week since late March, was signed Saturday evening and appeared in the Communist Youth newspaper Juventud Rebelde oh Sunday.





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'Maxed Out" on IRA and 401(k)? Consider Insurance, Annuities any people rely on their IRAs and 401(k) plans to help them pay for their retirement years - and for good reason, because IRAs and 401(k)s are excellent retirement-savings vehicles. But once you reach the point where you are contributing the maximum amount to your IRA and 401(k) each year, what dee can you do to build resources for retirement? You might, want to consider annuities and cash value insurance.

Fixed and Variable Annuities

Fixed and Variable Annuities
When you buy a fixed annuity, the insurance company puts your funds into fixed income
investments, such as bonds. Your principal is guaranteed, and the insurance company pays you
an interest rate that is also guaranteed for a certain period of time. At the end of the guarantee
period, the insurer adjusts the guarantee interest rate upward or downward. These guarantees
are backed by the claims paying ability of the issuing insurance companies.

If you'd like the potential to earn more than you can receive from a fixed annuity, you might want to consider a variable annuity. When you purchase a variable annuity, you place your money in various accounts that can be made up of stocks, bonds and other securities. You choose how to allocate your investment dollars, based on your risk tolerance and time horizon. (Keep in mind, though, that this investment is called "variable" for a reason; your account balance will fluctuate along with the financial markets, and there's no guarantee you will get back all your principal. Furthermore, fees are associated with each variable annuity benefit.

With either a fixed or variable annuity, you wan't pay taxes on your earnings until you begin taking withdrawals. Be aware though, that if you are younger than 59-1/2 when you start taking withdrawals, you will have to pay a 10 percent tax penalty in addition to ordinary income tax the amount withdrawn

Apart from tax deferral, annuities offer at least one other key benefit: flexibility in taking your payments. You can accept distributions as a lump sum, apread them out over a certain number of years or create an income stream for the rest of your life - or even your life and that of your

When you buy permanent insurance, also known as "cash value" insurance, part of your premium pays for the death benefit (the amount that goes to your beneficiary), but some of the payment goes to help build cash value - and this money grows on a tax-deferred basis, similar to annulties, your traditional IRA and your 401(k).

You can choose from a variety of cash-value insurance policies. In building cash value, some of tou can encode from a variety of cash-value insurance policies. In unusuing cash value, some of these policies rely on variable investments, such as stocks. Consequently, your cash value will fluctuate over time, and, as is the case with variable annuities, you could lose some or all of your principal. However, you can also choose varieties of cash-value insurance, such as whole life or universal life, that typically par guaranteed rates of return. The guarantees of these products are also backed only by the claims paying ability of the issuing insurance company.

To access your cash value, you can cancel or surrender your policy (although, if you surren within a few years of purchasing it, you may have to pay surrender charges) or you can borrow from your policy and either let the remaining cash value pay the interest or pay it back yourself. Ultimately, you can provide a significant boost to your retirement savings by investing in annulties and cash value insurance. So, give them some consideration once you've hit the "ceiling" on

nic Newspaper in Education

Efforts to overhaul flood insurance program stall in Congress

WASHINGTON — Despite promising changes, Congress has shown little enthusiasm for taking the unpopular steps that experts say are necessary to fix the nation's main flood insur-

ance program.

Recent flooding in the Midwest has brought the issue Midwest has brought the issue back to the forefront. Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, hack-to-back storms in 2005, dispelled any notion that the insurance program was self-sustaining. They threw it roughly \$20 billion into debt and called attention to major structural flaws.

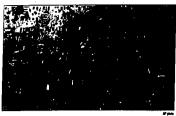
structural flaws.

Nearly everyone acknowledges it cannot pay off the debt, much less pay for losses in future storms. But so fur, Congress has done little more than raise the programs borrowing limit, essentially handing taxpayers a series of shaky 10018.

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A failure to act could leave the public vulnerable to large bailouss of the program and help perpetuate a false confidence among some property owners that they do not need cuverage.

"The early rhetoric was, We're going to fix this. We're not soing to tolerate this continued exposure of taxpayers to unlim-



mater surrounds homes just east of downtown New Orleans the day after Hurricane Katrina made landfall, Aug. 30, 2005. Despite a flurry of promise Congress repeatedly has put off unopopular steps that experts say are necessary to fix the main flood insurance program.

ited subsidies," said Robert Humer, a former director of the flood program who now over-sees insurance issues for the Consumer Federation of America. They've done noth-ing to fix it. It's just unbeliev-able."

able."
The National Flood Insurance Program was created in 1958 to protect homeowners and reduce federal costs from natural disasters. Run by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, it pro-vides nearly all the flood cover-age in the United States. Private agents sell the policies

Homeowners can get up to \$250,000 in structural coverage and an additional \$100,000 for

contents.

The state of the sta

The starting point for an overhaul, expens say, is mising rates for the more than 5 milion piolicyholders, particularly those with high-risk coastal properties or vacation hormes who pay heavily subsidized rates. Other recommendations include requiring coverage in more areas, enforcing tougher building and land-use policies, and updating old flood maps so hornecowners know their true risks.

homeowners know their true risks.

"To really fix the program doesn't include a great deal of good news." said David John. an expert on insurance policy and expert on insurance policy of the said of

last month barely tackes un-problem.

The bill includes only modest rate increases, allowing permi-ums to rise a maximum of 15 percent per year instead of the current cap of 10 percent. The measure has drawn attention largely for a provision to expand the program by adding wind coverage.

wind coverage.
The committee chairman,

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., said the bill is aimed at gradual-ip putting the program on sound financial footing. Trying to fix the problems overnight would be a "very serious blow" to policytolders, he said. The bill, Frank and his aides

noted, doubles spending on flood mapping. Starting in 2011, it would allow higher pre-nulum increases of up to 25 per-cent a year or the risklest and most heavily subsidized vacu-tion properties and second bonnes.



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Storms knock out power to hundreds of thousands

COLUMBUS — Beleaguered residents of the flood-ravaged Midwest found fresh duraged Sunday from a batch of tomado-bearing thunderstorms that knocked out power to hundreds of thousands of cus-

tomers' fornado warnings were issued Saturday afternoon for parts of central and southeast Ohio. Downed trees and power lines were reported in the southern part of the state, said National Weather Service meto-rologist Andy Hatzos.

Flooding this past week spread across an 80-mile swath through the northwest and north central parts of the state.

through the northwest and north central parts of the state. Gov. Ted Strickland was to tour more of the damaged areas

Sunday. "What I've tried to do and what we've all tried to do is let these folks know... that we are working to get assistance to them as rapidly as possible." Strickland said Saturday.

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Strickland said Saturday.

Fowerfair of olling through the Upper Midwest during most of the past week caused disastrous floods from southeastern Minnesota to Ohio that were blamed for at least 18 death.

In southern Michigan, about 12,000 customers still lacked power Sunday, utilities said. The weather service confirmed tornadoes touched down Fiddly in a least sty areas of the Fiddly in at least sty areas of the

ine weather service continued to randoes touched down Friday in at least six areas of the state. One of the twisters cut a path a quarter-mile wide, snappling and uproofing hundreds of trees, the weather service said.

HAWAII

Islands' first passenger ferry service sets sail

KAHULUI — Loaded with people paying a discount fare of 55, the \$95 million Hawaii Superferry ande its malden run Sunday with a rushed run Sunday with a rushed run Hawaii Sunday with a rushed rush

Legal problems threatened to beach the giant catamaran like one of the whales that environ-mentalists fear it will run over,

mentalists fear it will run over, so the company moved up the debut by two days.

More than 500 passengers and crew, and 150 cars, were aboard when the four-deck, blue-and-white vessel emblacened with mante rays pulled away from the dock to a chorus of cheers.

"It's beautiful," exclaimed Stephen Imamoto of Honolulu, who was traveling with his wife and 6-year-old daughter. "I don't like to fly ... You can't beat the price."

don't like to ny moto active price."

Imamoto said he wanted to try the first voyage to see if he gets seasick. Choppy water and strong wind between the islands have scuttled previous attempts at interisland ferry services with much smaller the

Even in seemingly calm seas, the Alakai swayed at times Sunday, causing some passen-gers to become nauseous as the ferry passed the green, rugged erry passed the green, rugged nountains of Molokal and

HOLL-YWOOD

Led by 'Superbad,' box office is super hot

Even the dog days of August couldn't khock Hollywoods' record summer off track this weekend.

Total summer off track this United States and Canada hit \$4 billion for the first time in story, research firm Media by Numbers estimated Sunday. "It's a terrific summer, said Rory Bruer, president of domestic distribution at Sony Pictures, whose "Superbad"

sold an estimated \$18 million in tickets, "It was still an 'up' weekend even though people in tickets, "It was still an 'up' weekend even though people are getting ready to go back to school, and there's a lot going

school, and theres a no gondon."

Even so, the record largely resulted from higher ticket costs — not the number of ticket sold. This will be the sixth-best summer in terms of attendance, Media by Numbers said.

"Superbad." a teens-on-themake tale starring Jonah Hill and Michael Cera, became the second movie of the summer to repeat at No. .

— compiled from wire services.

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MAGIC VALLEY SPEEDWAY



McKean takes the lead

TWIN FALLS — Budweiser Grand Nationals driver Jerry McKean extended his point lead in the division standings to five after capturing another main event win Saturday night at Magic

another main event with Satthuay more and Makean started the race at the tail end of the field of eight cars—and one truck—in the 25-lap main event.

Three cautions in the first nine laps nearly erased the lead of Josh Pitz's No. 0 truck. But things settled down at least for a few rounds

with Pizz still ahead of the field.

Louis Lopez suffered mechanical issues the entire even ing that never got figured out, but he worked his way up to second by lap seven.

With 10 laps remaining, McKean made his biggest move of the night, passing Lopez and setting his sights on Pitz. The two battled it out to the bitter end, but McKean and car No. 88 edged out Pitz by _153 seconds. Lopez finished a close third.

McKean said his car reagred a lot better than.

McKean said his car reacted a lot better than he thought it would in the main event race.

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The ground and pound

TKOs, grudge match highlight **UCF II at CSI**

By Bradley Guire Times-News writer

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TWIN FALLS — One good shot was all it took for Brandon Christensen to pounce on Doug Goodenough.

It was a brief main event of Ultimate Cage Fighting II: Bad Blood Saturday at the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center as Christensen won by technical knockout within 30 seconds of the opening whistle.

"I didn't think that when I punched him, he would go down that easy," Christensen said. The No. I contender for the Championship Cage Fighting Middleweight Championship got the upper said. The No. I contender for the Championship Cage Fighting Middleweight Championship got the upper hand of a striking contest when Goodenough too has hot hard enough to make him lose his fooding. Christensen (4-2) gave chase, eventually mounting his untested opponent and delivering punches to the head. Goodenough covered as best he could, but the official stopped the match for the TKO. Twas kind of surprised. Thristensen said. So I just had to come down on him. It's how you do It.

you do it."

When asked by ring announcer John Hollsman how he planned to celebrate, the Snake River Fight Team member Christensen responded,

"I've been here since 10:30 (a.m.). I'm going home to sleep,"
Christensen, fighting out of Bolse by way of Burley, will face Trevor Simmons in Bolse on Sept. 7 for CCFs amateur title. Perhaps the most heated contest of the night took place really did have bad blood, just prior to the main event, "Saint" NIck Sites knocked out Team Anarchy member Johnny

prior to the main event, "Saint" Nick Sites knocked out Team Anarchy member Johnny Tuyillio in 48 seconds in what was billed as a "grudge match." The bout was a viscous one with each fighter raining blows upon the other's head. Tuyillio got turned around, allowing Lock. Tuyillio stipped free, but Sites caught him with a stiff light to send him to the mat. Immediately after the match, the stiff of the send him to the mat. Immediately after the match, stiff with the send him to the mat. Immediately after the match, the stiff with the send him to the mat. Immediately after the match, stiff with the send him to the match the send of the s

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Josh Deshazer uses the 'ground and pound' technique to overcome his opponent, Anarchy fighter Ryan Henttock, Schurday night at the Ultimate Cage Righting 2: Bad Biood' mixed martial arts event held at College of Southern Idaho Eldon Evans Expo Center in Twin Falls. Deshazer defeated Henstock by TKO

"I didn't think that when I punched him, he would go down that easy. So I just had to come down on him. It's

how you do it."

Brandon Christensen, or 30-second TKO of oppor Doug Goodeno



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BSU players. start the grind

Today marks the beginning of the hectic digmator that is college life. The student athletes you see on television start school today. What a job they have. They get so much from the school, but they give use on much more.



It is the time and the It is the time and the energy that get taken first. The members of the foot-ball team have their entire lives scripted. They must attend class or they don't play. They have time slots to eat and do homework. meet with tutors and counselors, and somewhere in there they man-age to own healthy social

age to own healthy social lives.
"I think college football is much more difficult, in terms of lifestyle," ISU head coach Chris Petersen sald. "When you're in profootball, that's all you do. You got pro football then you go home at night to your family. These guys have a lot of stuff going on."
Talking with some players, I get the understanding that all of this stuff they have to do is radically translated linn schedules

they have to do is radically translated into schedules of things they get to do. So few high school graduates get to go play intercollegate athletics. I was one who didnt. In ever caught my groove in high school until the end of the 1998 season at Twin Falls High. That was the year eight players were kicked off for drinking after a loss to Pocatello. That opened spots for those of us left to play an entire game, rather than rotate, and I rather than rotate, and I made plays. It felt good to

made plays. It felt good to mean something to a team and eventually to the school. But college football was just a dream for me. I went the semi-pro/junfor college route and chilled in Twin Falls for five years. I am not sure if I had the energy to pull off what

I am not sure if I had the energy to pull off what these guys must do throughout the season. They life weights daily. They now drink chocolate milk after practice. All that and they have to pass their classes.

and they have to pass their classes. "Football is so hard and demanding and they are in college and away from home for the first time, trying to figure all that out," Petersen said. "And then you got the academic thing, which is as important as anything we do around here. So not only do they have to go to class, they have to make time to study later and do

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Stricker ends 6½-year drought with playoff victory

HARRISON, N.Y. — What looked like more heartache for Steve Stricker tunned into the sweetest victory of this career. After going 6th years and 146 tournaments without winning Stricker bridled four of his last flow holes Sunday at The Barclays for a stunning turnaround targave him a 2-under 69 and a two-

shot victory over K.J. Chol.
"It was hand, but It was fun,"
Stricker said, his voice choking as
tears streamed down the side of
his face. "I never know if I was
going to win again."
It sure wasn't easy. Not with 10
highers — five of them major
champions — separated by three
shots. And not with Chol holling
two birdle putts that were a combined 95 feet, making it look as if
he were destined to win.

Stricker, who already let four chances of winning silp away this year, rehased to buckle.

And when his final birdle from 8 feet dropped lind birdle from 8 feet dropped his amms and hugged his caddle. The Matcher, who first addled for Stricker when he won the 2001 Match Play Championship in Australia. Even without Tiger Woods, the Inaugural Pcf. Tour Playoffs got off to a rousing start.

Along with the fourth victory of his career, Stricker moved to the top of the Fedder Cup standings with 2,58-point lead over Chol, who closed with a 70. Bry Sabbatini, who had a share of the lead at the turn, closed with a 80 milsi another stroke back and moved up to No. 3 in the playoff race.

Woods skipped the first of four



Georgia takes Little League title 3-2 over Japan

Carriker's homer in bottom of eighth settles win

By Genaro C. Armas Associated Press writer

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa.

— Dalton Carriker couldn't feel his legs as he rounded the bases.

His home run in the bottom His home run in the bottom of the eighth had Just given Warner Robins, Ga., a thrilling 3-2 victory over Tokyo to win the Little League World Series title.

"I felt like I was flying, like Peter Pan," Carriker said. "I didn't know what I was doing," Adrenaline took over from them said the 12-versold the several like 12-versold.

there, said the 12-year-old

slugger with braces. His dramatic home run over the right-field wall off a 2-1 pitch from Japan's Junsho Kluchl gave the United States three straight Little League

three straight Little League champlonships. "USA! USA!" cried the Georgia-partisan crowd as dozens of fans waved American flags. Columbus, Ga. won the crown last year, and Ewa Beach, Hawali, in 2005

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They game that's something
the game. That's something
that we miss sometimes."
They sure had fun after
Carriker's home. The jabllant
players from Warner Rohlus
hugged him as he reached the
plate. Lay lost his hat after
joining his team in celebration
following a tense game marked

by excellent pitching.
Georgia rellever Kendall
Scott struck out 10 and allowed
ose hit over five-plus innings
to quiet lapan's bats after
Georgia fell behind 2-0 early.
Scott. 12. had watched
Japan's impressive- hitters
throughout the tournament.
"Going out there today,
throwing the ball. I was scared
to death on the first pitch," he
sald.

said.
Scott left the game in the top
of the eighth, with Zane

or the eighth, with Zane Conlon getting the last out. That set up Carriker's game-winning borner. The stugger, htting. 7:69 entering Sunday's game, was 0-for-2 with a walk when he came up in the eighth.



strength to get a hit and help my team out," Carriker sald in recounting his prayer. There was no doubt about

Ryo Ogawa on a second inning fielder's choice at the Little League World Series

(12) elides safeh into secono cell skips past con shortstop

his opposite-field shot off Kluchi, which easily cleared the right-field fence 225 feet away from the plate.

Phillies break streak in a big way

PHILADELPHIA — Ryan Howard homered and drove in four runs as the Philadelphia Phillies snapped a four-game losing streak with a 14-2 rout over the San Diego

a 14-2 rout over the San Diego Padres on Sunday. Howard, the relgning National League MVR ended a season-high 11-game homer-less drought and finished with-three hits and three runs scored.

scored. Worth went 5-for-5 worth our RBIs and Christ in the same of the same of the same of the same of the Phillies, who moved within three games of the NL wild card-leading Padres. San Diego, which led the majors in ERA (3,51) coming into the game, surrendered 14 runs and 17 hits, both season highs. The Padres had won four in a row to move within two games of Artzona in the four in a row to move within two games of Arizona in the NLWest.

Rockies 10, Nationals 5

DENVER — Matt Holliday homered, doubled and drove in three runs, and Colorado finished off a sweep of Washington to move back

Washington to move back within 34 games of San Diego in the NL wild-card race. Elmer Dessens (2-1) gave up a run and three hits in ski innings for his first Colorado win. It was his first win as a starter since April 25, 2004, with Arizona against San Diego.

lego. Holliday and Todd Helton Hölliday and Todd Helton had three hise each, and three hise each, and through for the Rockles. Chris lannetta, called up from Triple-A Colorado Springs late Saturday night, went 2-for-5 with an Rig. In his return. Joel Hanrahan (3-2) gave up iner runs and eight his with five walks in 2 2-3 innings.

Giants 5: Brewers 4

SAN FRANCISCO — Pedro Feliz scored from first base on

carries before now because of a sore knee that sidelined him for two weeks of training camp, ran 18 yards for a score following Roethilsberger's 22-

Rich Aurilia's single to right field in the eighth linning and San Francisco finished off a three-game sweep of slump-ing Milwaukee. The Brewers have lost four

in a row and seven of their last 10 to drop to 25-40 on the

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With two outs, Aurilla his a With two outs, Aurilla his a With two outs, Aurilla his and the road.

With two outs, Aurilla his a Constitution of Scott Linebrink (4-5) that landed between right fielder Corey Hart, second baseman Rickle Weeks and the foul line, Feliz scored easily when Hart's knew traveled up the third base line.

Steve Rine (1-2) pitched the eighth for his first win of the casenon and Brad Hennessey got the final three outs for his Gustarne Bendenses, and the second man his his first career home run, a two-un shot off Brewers starter Dave Bush, to the the game at four in the seventh Inning.

Rods 9. Marlins 3

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CINCINNATI — Catcher Ryan Jorgensen's first grand slam helped 29-year-old Tom Shearn win his long-awalted major league debut, and Cincinnati won its sixth

cincinnation would be straight.

The rookle pitcher and his minor-league catcher kept the Reds on their best surge of the season. Since interim manager Pete Mackanin took over on July 3. Cincinnati has the NL's best senser at 20.10.

July 3. Cincinnati has the NLs best record at 29-19. The foundering Marlins have lost 11 of 12, falling a season-high 17 games under 500 at 57-74. Sheam (1-0), called up from Triple-A Louisville before the game, limited the Marlins to controlling the seven landings, out of the landings and the seven landings are landings and the seven landings and the seven landings.

Jorgensen, his catcher at ouisville before an Aug. 14 romotion, hit his first career promotion, hit his first career grand slam in the first inning off mokie right-hander Daniel Barone (0-2) to help Shearn settle in Brandon Phillips and Edwin Encarnacion also homered off Barone.

American League

American League
Tigers 5, Yankees 4
DETROIT — Curtis
Granderson led off the first
Inning with an inside-thepark homer and the Detroit
Tigers beat the New York
Yankees 5-4 on Sunday.
The Tigers have won two of
three from New York and can
win their first series since
mid-July with a victory
Monday night. Detroit began
the don't 24- games behind
24- games behind
New York began the day 64games behind Boston In the
AL East, and two behind
Seattle in the wild-card race.
Bobby Seay (1-0) was
awarded the win after pitching two scoreless innings of
relief. The Tigers needed five
pitchers after rookie starter
lair Jurijens left in the second
inning because of a sore
shoulder.

Phil Hughes (2-2) lost for the first time since his major Phil Hughes (2-2) lost for the first time since his major league debut on April 26. He allowed five runs and four hits, including three homers, in sk innings. He walked one and struck out six. The Tigers had only four hits, none after the third inning. Granderson and Carlos Guillen hit homer runs in the first and Marcus in the first and Marcus.

in the first, and Marcus Thames hit his 15th of the year in the third.

Indians 5, Royals 3, 11 innings

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Travis Hainer and Victor Martinez singled home runs with two out in the 11th inning as the

out in the 11th inning as the Indians railied past the Royals. Cleveland, which scored a run in the ninth to send the game into extra innings, remained two games ahead of

the Detroit Tigers in the AL Central. The Tigers beat the Yankees 5-4.

Hafner's single off John Bale, the sixth Royals pitcher, Bale, the sixth Royals pitcher, scored Franklin Gutterrez, who led off the inning with a who led oil the inning with a walk and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt. Grady Sizemore, who was hit by a Bale pitch, scored the second run of the inning on a Martinez single.

Joel Peralta (1-3), the fifth Powels a wicher.

Joel Peralta (1-3), the fifth Royals pitcher, walked Gulterree and was charged with the loss.
Rafael Betancourt (3-9), who threw 16 strikes out of 22 pitches, struck out three in two perfect innings to pick up the victory, loe Boroswid get his 37th save in 42 chances. The Indians were down to their final out in the inint when Stzemere doubled off Royals rookle closer Joakim Soria.

Red Sox 11, White Sox 1

CHICAGO — David Ortiz hit a two-run homer, and J.D. Drew and Bobby Kielty ended long homeriess droughts to back Iulian Tavarez's first win since late june as the Red Sox finished a four-game sweep of the White Sox. Strangely enough. Drew's last home run was in the same

inst home run was in the same game as Tharacra's last win; June 20 at Atlanta. Kleily homered for the first time since last Sept. 19, when he was with Oakland.

The Rod Sox outscored Chicago 46-7 in the series, dropping the White Sox to 18 games under 500. Boston has won four in a row, improved baseball's best record to 80-51 and increased their lead over second-place. New York to 7½ games in the AL East.

MVS .

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"It ran like garbage until it cooled off." McKean said. "But once it cooled down it just

prised."

Lopez's ride, however, was a little rockier throughout the entire evening, but he still thought he had a chance at the

win.
"I got problems. I don't know
what's wrong with the car.
Something's going on in the
braking system and it's very
inconsistent right now," Lopez

said.

"But if the guy (McKean) hadn't of done the bump and run on me I don't know if he could have passed me. So I left him an IOU on his windshield for the next race." Lopez added.

"Yeah, I helped Louis out of e way once because they the way once because they were slowing me down — and I wanted to go," McKean admit-

wanted to go." McKean admitthe win gives McKean a florpoint advantage over Lopepoint advantage over Lopepoint advantage over Logpoint advantage over Louis Logviiii not ence remaining in the
2007 season schedule.

"It gave me a cushion."
McKean explained "Louis has
six wins and I have six wins so
its going to be a showdown
next time we're here."
Lopez will have und! Sept. 15
to try and get things figured out
for the division's final event of
the year.

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for the division's final event of
the year.

The mean and ded her lead to
five points going into the final
cent of the senson on Sept. 8.

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"In mee started rough with a

The race started rough with a red-flag condition on the track for John Urie, guest driver of the No. 63 car, who hit the wall

the No. 63 car, who hit the wall hard in turn four.
Josh Pitz led the pack until lap 18. Traffle was tight between turns three and four and Miles thought she had an opening low on the track—but her sneak attempt resulted in the cars of Pitz and Raymond Holmolka bumping and bring-

ing out a yellow flag.
Jason Whited Just narrowly
avoided the incident, but for
Pitz, who needed a good finish
a way alive in the standings, it to stay alive in the standings, it meant disaster. He had to restart at the rear of the field with just seven laps to go in the race.
Miles was ruled not to have

miles was ruled not to have made contact with another whiche by the chief starter and placed up front for the restart. Whited did everything he could to track her down in the few remaining laps, but it was Miles who made the trip to the winner's circle. Shawn Nice finished third with Jonathon Gomez taking fourth. Pitz managed to salvage an eighth-place finish for the night.

Misty Greco is one big step closer to the 2007 championship after another trip to victory lane in the Quale's

Misty Greco is one big step-closer to the 2007 champi-onship after another trip to vic-tory lane in the Quale's Electronics Hornets division. Greco took the lead for good on lap 12 and was close to lapping the field by the end of the race. Greco has built a 30-point advantage over Alecia Dalton and Charlyy Haffinnond; Sanchez Will just one Jaco remaining in the season, which will be held Sept. 15. Indigent the Mist and the season, which will be held Sept. 15. Indigent the No. 4 car bought from former daton Six Cylinder champion Pat Quinn, worked his way through the field from the 14th starting position to take the lead at the half-way noint of

starting position to take the lead at the half-way point of the 30-lap contest. Waltman, of Boise, then went on to win his first main event race of the sea-son at MVS.

Results: or Grand Hallmain: 1, kmy Akkean; 2, koah PK Locez: 4, kms McKean; 5, kmatron Gomez: 6, km; 7, kmio Daton; 8, kent Jensen; 9, kmy m;

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Continued from page B1 a good job there. It's not easy, no question about it."

And it never will be. Sports writers are the best and worst at using cliches. So, champions gotta pay the price. Hard work pays off. Success starts in

August, et cetera.

The grind has begun. And the season starts this Thursday. Taylor Tharp is the quarterback and Tad Miller plays left guard. We know all the starters. We

understand their plight. These are students playing football, working toward earning the respect they deserve, and not just because they win football games, but because they are in a situation which allows them

They get degrees and they get a shot to play some foot-ball. Remember as you watch this season that yes, they are players, but players are people too.

UCF

Continued from page B1 getting caught up in Yergensen's arm bar at the 1:24 mark. A Jiu-Jitsu trainer at Twin Falls Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Negensen's arm bar at the 124 mark A [iu-]list unliner at livin Falls 'Brazilian Jiu-lista, Yergensen won his debut by taking filvera to the cage wall and eventually down to the mark of the control of

"My objective wasn't to stand up with this guy," said Yengensen, who was originally slated to face Anarchy's Ryan Henstock. "It heightened the nerves a bit. No disrespect to anybody, but I knew that I had

a tougher fight. The nerves went from an eight to a 10."
Despite his newfound success with nixed marial arts cage fighting. Fergersen said the same to focus more on his sense to focus more on his real to the same to focus more on his real to the same to focus more on his real to the same to focus more on his real to the same to finduding an uponiment and jun-jitsu camp this fall.
Of the eight matches, four were won by TRO, two by submission and one by KO.
UCF III: "Proving Ground" will be held Oct. 27 at the Expo. Also, Anderson, the Expo. Also, Anderson, the Streme Fight Series Lightweight Champlon, announced that he plans to promote professional

plans to promote professional lights for 2008 with himself as a

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Roethlisberger's big half lifts Steelers over Eagles

Pittsburgh Stoelers linebacker Clark Haggan, right, bits Philadelphile Eagis quarterback Dosovan McKlabb on a bitts, causing a fumble in the first quarter of the preseason football game in Pittsburgh, Sunday. The Eagles recovered the hard

yard completion to Santonio Holmes during a 13-point sec-ond quarter for Pittsburgh. Parker also caught three pass-es for 40 yards. It could have been a lot bet-ter_for the Steelers, too, even

during their best preseason during their best preseason performance since Roethlisberger drove them 80 yards in six plays to score on their opening drive Aug. 5 dur-ing a 20-7 win over New Orleans. Roethlisberger hadn't

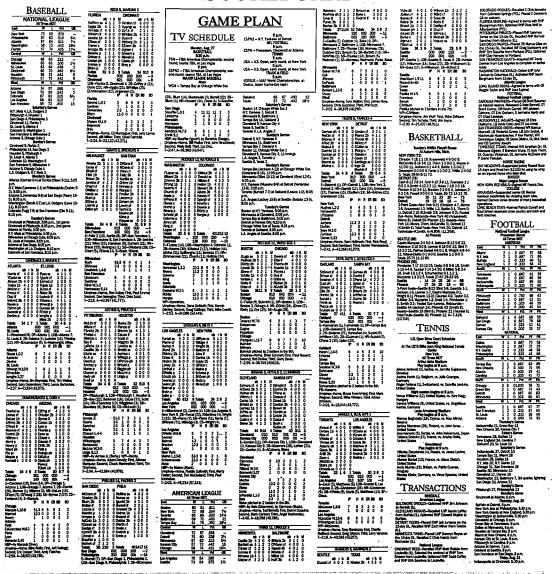
led a TD drive in seven series since then and, on his opening series Sunday, was intercepted when he flung the ball out of desperation trying to avoid a sack and threw it directly into Trent Cole's hands. Eagles defenders dropped two more passes from Roethlisberger later in the half.

Then, on Pittsburgh's next prosession, rookle Dan Sepulveda shanked a punt that traveled only 14 yards to the Steelers' 20. But Donovan McNabb threw consecutive incompletions on second and third down and the Eagles set-led for a David Akers' 22-yard field goal.

tled for a David Akers 22-yard field goal.

The Steelers, 3-1 in the pre-season, turned the ball over yet again the next time they had the ball, when Parker run standing up into a crowded middle of the line of scrim-mage on second-and-goal from the 1 and Quintin Mikkell processors the fumbled forced red the fumbled forced recovered the fumbled forced by Takeo Splkes. But Roethlisberger finally got going after that by leading Pittsburgh scores on three consecutive possessions to end the half.

SCOREBOARD



James, Bryant and Anthony have big games as U.S. beats Brazil

LAS VEGAS — With big games from its three biggests strue, first place carne impressively for the United States. LeBron Immes scored 21 points. Kobe Bryant added 20 and hanassed Leandro Barbosa all over the court, and the United States dinched the top spot in its group by beating Brazil 113-76 Sunday night in the FIBA Americas tournament.

ent. Carmelo Anthony also had 21

for the Americans (4-0), who for the second straight game pulled away by holding their opponent without a field goal for more than 6 minutes in the second quarter.

The Americans improved to 30-0 in Olympic qualifying games and will open second-round play Monday night against Mexico, the fourth-place finisher in Group A, in a matchup of former coaching rivuls: Nolan Richardson beat Mike Krzyzewski for the 194 MCAA title when Arkansas edged Duke.

Bryant led the defensive effort that held Barbosa to just four points on 1-of-7 shooting before a Thomas & Mack Center crowd that included former UNIV coach jerry

Center crowd that included former UNIV coach Jerry Turkanian and NBA. Hall of Famer Bill Russell. Injured U.S. star Dwyane Wade watched from the bench for the second straight day.

Barbosa entered averaging a tournament-best 27 points after scoring 36 Saturday in a 93-89 victory over the U.S. Wigh Islands. But the Phoenix guard and NBA's top sixth man

never got into this game and was on the bench in foul trouble when the Americans broke open the game late in the second quarter.

open the game in the sec-ond quarter.
I have been all the second particular of the first 19
U.S. points in the second half, turning the game into another romp. The Americans came in beating opponents by 52.3 points per game.

Brazil nearly beat the United States last year, losing 90-86 in an exhibition game ahead of the world championships Bus Barbosa acknowledged that

this is a different U.S. team, one that features nine different players this summer. And the Braillans are lacking one of their key players, Cleveland forward Anderso Varejao, who doesn't have an NBA contract for next season and opted not to take the risk of playing.

playing.
Still, the Brazilians kept it close until ending the first half without a field goal after Alex Garcia's basket with 6:09 Garcia's basket with 6:09 remaining.

Brazil (3-1) settled for second place in Group B and will face

cither Panama or Puerto Rico on Monday. The teams with the four best records after second-round play advance to the semifinals next Saturday. The winners of those two games earn spots in Belling. Brazil trailled only 37-32 with 5:50 remaining in the half before Bryant scored the next three points and James followed with a basket for a Ilopoint lead. After a Brazil free throw, Bryant and Michael Redd hit 3-pointers in an 8-0 spurt that pushed the U.S. advantage to 50-34.

Championship slipping away for Earnhardt at DEI

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BRISTOL. Tenn. — After his best finish in almost a month, Dale Earnhardt Jr. had one thing on his mind.
"I'm ready to go home, get on the lake!" he said, pumping his fist.
But as Earnhardt enjoyed a rare Sunday off from Nextel Cup racing, he was faced with the harsh realization that his last chance to win a champlonship for Dale Earnhardt Inc. is slipping away.

championship for Dale Earnhardt Inc. is slip-ping away.
Carl Edwards clinched a berth for the Chase-for the championship by, winning Saturday night's race at Bristol Motor Speedway, leaving Earnhardt Earther from contention with his fifth-place finish. With only two races to go before the championship field is set, Earnhardt is 158 points away from the 12th and final cualifying speak not making the Chase is con-sidered professional failure — Earnhardt lived it during a miserable 2005 season — and drends what the final 10 weeks of the season will be like if he again isn't eligible to run for the title.

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Dixon wins, takes points lead after Franchitti collides with teammate

Franchitti collides with teammate

SONOMA. Calif. — A late-race collision
between teammates Dario Franchitti and
Marco Andretti on Sunday at Inflineon Raceway
left both drivers furning and gave Scott Dizon a
victory and a narrow lead in the IndyCar Series
tamplionship with two neces remaining.
Although Franchitti refused to openly critiAlthough Franchitti refused to openly critigeammate, he said. "Marco was out there trying
to win the race and we were out there trying
to win the race and we were out there trying
to win a championship.

"A case, I guess, you know, he had his priorities, I had mine. I'd really like to look at the accident, talk to him before, you know, making further comment on It. Right now. I've got my side
of it and he's only got his."

Franchitti, who came into the race with an
eight-point lead over Dizon in the champinoship, starced from the pole and dominated
the Moo-Ze-mile, 14-tuin road course.

Dizon, the 2003 series champion, stretched
his fuel further than the other leaders almost all
day and came off pit road just ahead of

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Franchitti on lap 68. With cold tires, the New Zealander had to yield to Franchitti heading into turn one, but did hold off another Andretti Green driver, Tony Kanaan, for second place at the releat

Green driver, Tony Kannan, 181 section periods that point. Andretti was the last of the leaders to pit and he also came out just ahead of Franchitti on lap 69. But, unlike the veteran Dixon, last year's top rookle tried to hold off Franchitti and the two banged together, with the son of team co-owner Michael Andrett spinning out and Franchitti car sustaining damage to the front wing and suspension.

Gay surges past 'panicked' Powell for world championship 100-meter win

OSAKA, Japan — A scorching final 50 meters made Tyson Gay the world champion.

The 100-meter matchup Sunday night between the latest American sprint sensation and co-world record holder Asafa Powell was the most anticipated event of the world track and field championships. Gay made it a one-cord board.

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LPGA Tour

PORTLAND, Ore. — Top-anked Lorena Ochoa earned er vacation.

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She claimed her third stringht LPGA title with a five-stroke victory in the Safeway Classic. Octoa shot a 71 in the final round, for a 12-under 204 at Columbia Edgewater Country Club for her sixth victory of the season. In-Bee Park (64), Christitina Klm (69), Sophie Gustafson (75) and Mhairi McKay-472) all finished at 7-under 209.
"They keep saying, You should play, you can do four in a row," said Octoa, who is taking a month off. "But it's time for me to go flome. I'm very happy with my three wins, and this year has been very special or the control of the

this year has octaves, the last player to win three straight tournaments was Annika Sorenstam in 2005. Sorenstam won four straight in 2001, matching the LPGA record.

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Ochoa, who is from Mexico, on the Canadian Women's Open in Edmonton, Alberta, the previous week. Before that, she won the Women's British Open for her fisst major title.

"I think it's hard to realize the third straight) right new, whe said. "But every week! p Jay to win and that's why I'm here. Ochoa. playing with contains and McKay, was followed by a sizable gallery, including a sponsor's group of some 150 fans from 150 fans

Champions Tour

SNOQUALMIE, Wash.— Denis Watson eagled the sec-ond hole of a seven-man play-off to win the Boeing Classic. Playing No. 18 for the third time in an hour, Watson hit a 3-wood to about 18 feet, then

made the put, giving an emphatic fist pump as the ball dropped to end the largest playoff in Champions Tour his-tory. Craig Stadler missed a long

Čruig Stadler missed a iong eagle put from the front of the green, and R.W. Eaks missed his 12-footer for eagle. It was the second victory of the seuson for Watson, who won the Senior PGA Champhonship in May. Gil Morgan, De Ozaki, Dann Ouigley and David Eger also finished at 9 under for the tournament after a wild final nine holes where the lead changed on almost every hole.

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Dutch Open

Open in which he birdied the final hole and survived a rules inquiry for his play on the 12th hole. Fisher starred the day tied for the lead with David Carrer and Steve Alker and closed with a 3-inder-par 67 for a 12-under 288 total. He bogseyed Nos. 16 and 17 but made an 8-foot put on the last hole and beat Joost Luiten of the Netherlands by a shot.

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Then came the inquiry and a return to the 12th hole, where tour officials investigated a control of the 12th hole. Where tour officials investigated a control of the 12th hole. Fisher explained that he thought it was a loose impediment and left it alone when he discovered it was attached to a bush. After a discussion and wideo review, officials declared he did not break any rule.

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after win-ning the Safeway Classic golf tour-nament Sunday in Portland, Ore. Ochoo had fire stoke fed at 12...

Barclays

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playoff events and tumbled to
No. 4, nearly 5,000 points
behind Stricker.

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Stricker's Inst victory on U.S.
soil came 11 years ago at the
Western Open, when he was
considered one of the bright
young American players. But
his game slowly began to slide
until he lost his PGA Tour card
two years ago, and spent the
winter in Wisconsin hitting

balls from the inside of a remodeled trailer to a frozen driving range. After four close calls Stricker finally became a PGA Tour win-

finally became a PGA 10ur win-ner again.

Chol was going after his third victory of the year, and every-thing was falling his way. He took a share of the lead with a 45-foot birdle putt on No. 12, dropping his putter in surprise, then took the lead again with a

50-foot birdle putt on the 18th.
Stricker hung his head, but not for long.
He answered with a 12-foot birdle on the par-3 18th to regain a share of the lead, then hit wedge that stopped 4 feet from the cup for birdle on the 17th that gave him a one-shot long that have been shown that have been should be not been shown to be show

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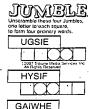
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"People want to schedule their birth like they schedule their nail appointments."



Inducing labor for convenience gets a second, harder look

Her first baby wasn't due for four days, but Misa Hayashi was advised by her obstetrician during a routine exam to check into the hospital that

by her obstetrictan unun, a common to check into the hospital that day.

The doctor said the haly was too big for me to push out and we should go ahead and induce labor. Says the Alhambra woman, 24. "I didn't really question it, induction sounds so common. We went home and packed a bag and checked in at the hospital." Once there, however, Haysshifs plans for an uncomplicated bith faltered. After receiving the drug Pitocinou trigger contractions, she labored for 20 hours. The pain was so intense she needed medication to ease it—something she had hoped to avoid—she hospital to the bowle hearme dis-

she needed medication to case it — something she had hoped to avoid—and eventually the bady became distressed, requiring constant monitoring of his hear rate.

Finally, almost a day after Hayashi entered the hospital, her son was born. Although he was healthy at 7 pounds, 10 ounces, Hayashi was left questioning the wisdom of labor induction.

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and benefits."

The move appears to be a push

When to hurry-up nature

According to the American College of Obstreticians and Gynecologists, some of the most common reasons for labor induction include: "

Post term pregnancy (two weeks or

Observations of the most common reasons for labor of the most common reasons for labor included in licitation includes any (two relates of more past (two date).

Placental abruption — A complication of preparacy in which the fining of the placental separates from the uterus of the mother. Its the most common cause of late pregnancy bleeding.

• Chorisemalicitis — infection of the membranes enclosing the amnietic fluid.

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back against the trend in recent decades to medically manage child-birth. Fewer than 10 percent of women underwent induction in 1990, but more than 21 percent idd so in 2004, according to federal gov-ernment statisties. No one knows how many of those inductions were prompted by legitimate medical con-cerns. But various studies have put the production of the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the other than 100 percent of the total number. At the same time, rates of caesare-

of the total number.

At the same time, rates of caesarean sections increased to more than
29 percent in 2004, up from 23 percent in 1990, with many women
requesting elective C-sections—sur-

Induced only if the doctor is sure that the fetal lungs are mature or that at least one of the following circleria of fetal maturity have been met:

- The fetal heartheat has been documented for 20 weeks by a stetho-scope or 30 weeks by a more sophisticated "Doppler" test of gestational

cy.

The fetus can be essumed to be at least 39 weeks old as judged by an ultrasound measurement of the length of the fetus from crown to rump, obtained at six to 12 weeks of preg-

nancy.

• An ultrasound taken at 13 to 20 weeks confirms a gestational age of 39 weeks tetermined by the doctor's clinical impression and a physical

- Source: American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

gical births without any medical jus-dification. That trend too has generat-ed debate about whether patients are undertaking unnecessary risks.

Sometimes necessary

Labor induction is frequently, and legitimately, recommended when health problems complicate a pregnancy or when pregnancies are more than two weeks past the due date, obstetricians and gymcologists say, but sometimes the procedure is done solely for convenience. In a busy society, doctors and patients have grown increasingly comfortable with his practice.

"People want to schedule their birth like they schedule their nail appointments," says lanie Wilson, director of nursing operations for wormen and newborns at Intermountain Healthcare, a Sale Lake City-based chain of hospitals that operates Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, Intermountain has tried to reduce he rate of labor inductions. Until recently, few have questioned appropriate.

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compared with spontaneous labor, elective induction leads to longer hospital stays and higher costs. Induced labor also may be more painful because some of the drugs administered to trigger labor can cause more intense contractions.

The risks of C-section or other complications appear highest when induction is performed before 39 weeks and in women who have not had a previous vaginal birth.

Charting a new course

Now, some hospital administrators are saying, "Enough." Intermountain feathtrace, which persues 21 hospitals in Utah and Idaho, implemented strict guidelines on elective induction eight years ago. Today, the company's results are held up as a model for reining in birth practices that cannot be medically or financially justified.

The chain, which delivers 53 percent of all babies in Utah, told its doctors they must seek permission from

tors they must seek permission from a supervisor before inducing labor prior to 39 weeks. Doctors must also make sure the cervix is favorable for

prior to 39 weeks. Distribution make sure the cervix is favorable for delivery. When the cervix is optimal if must be opened and thinned out enough to allow the baby's head to pass through the vaginal, labor averages about nine hours in a first-time pregnancy, according to Intermountain. If the cervix is not ready however, an average labor is about 22 hours. If the cervix is not ready however, an average labor is about 22 hours. If the cervix have reduced rates of elective labor inductions performed before 39 weeks gestation from 29 percent in 1999 to 3.4 percent in 2006.

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The percentage of first-time moms with an elective induction has fallen

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A short history of cleavage



By Jim Shea The Hartford Courant

The last time I wrote about this subject, I got grief.
What I said was that men watch the Academy Awards for only two reasons—

cieavage.
Times have changed.
Cleavage has gone mainstream. These days cleavage
is like motorcycles; they're
everywhere.

everywhere.

Public cleavage once was reserved for specific social occasions like fancy cocktail parties. Now, there is no such-

thing as a cleavage-free zone, no escaping the great divide.
Cleavage also has become control of the state of the control of a sit when she showed up on the centry created a bit of a sit when she showed up on the Senate floor in pants, a plink jacket, black blouse and cleavage. This prompted a fashlon writer from The Washington Past to criticize the quality of Clinton's cleavage, writing; "Just look away!"
Obviously, the Post fashlon writer was a woman. To the male, there is no such thing as "look-away" cleavage.

Which is not to suggest that all cleavage is created equal.
You have your common cleavage, your above average cleavage, your overachieving cleavage and your 'Star Trek' cleavage, which has the power to take men where no man has gone before.

where no man me before.

Then you have your long cleavage, your stubby cleavage, your wide-body cleavage, your shallow cleavage, your shallow cleavage, your sill-disclosure cleavage, your full-consure cleavage, your full-con-

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is always "Jook away" cleavage, unless, that is, you happen to find fell-O with hair
on it appealing.

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Get back up on your feet, Taurus

IF AUG. 27 IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY: Your area of the cosmic low will receive repeating visits from Saturn in the year ahead. Saturn has a reputation as a rought instrument of the comment of th

ers encourage you to machanges.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): If you fall down, smile and get back up on your feet again. The very things that are destined to trip you up can be used to prove just how accomplished and delented you really are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may play second banana to someone with instatible ambitions. Don't be distracted by a

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

residess desire for adventure or spend too much time dealing with unavoidable interruptions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Definitie criteria will guide the way. Everything is black and white and nothing of importance of the control o

top ones. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): LIBRA (Sept. 23-Uni. 22).
Contracts may come up for review. This might not be the best time to make a change, but surprising information could alter your opinion. Follow the

Pet, Jaurus

rules and make no alterations today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21): You are a force to be reckoned with. A solid reputation may become even more concrete as you handle difficult tasks with case. To achieve big, broadranged goals, use dedicated effort.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Meet deadlines with determination. Someone might tyto convince you to make a change that is not in your best interest or distract you from a change that is not in your best interest or distract you from a CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-lan. 19): The cruel light of day might show a fatal flow Lucky for you this gives you a chance to redeem yourself or to make appropriate fixes so that everything will fall in place correctly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Peb. 18): Headbilly is not helpful where rules are concerned. The post-rules are concerned. The post-rule post-rule processed limit is not a "suggested speed." Requirements of the job or of certain pressing obilgations must be met precisely. PSICES (Feb. 18-March 20): PSICES (Feb. 18-March



















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THE FAMILY CIRCLS

Dennis the Menace





By Bil Keane

Fair warning is fair request for families who drop by

DEAR ABBY: I. am 28, single, and have no kids. I don't want any I love the freedom of picking up and doing what I want when I want, and I wouldn't tade that for anything, I come from a large family and have many nieces and nephews. I love them all, and some of my friends have children that I addre. I too.

love them all, and some of my friends have children that I adore, too.

The problem is, I don't want them coming to my house unannounced. Many of these kids are small, and I have many breakables around my houre. When I'm planning on having "little visitors," I take special care to put away anything I don't want broken.

I have tried explaining to friends and family that as much as I'd love for them to wist with the kids, please give me 30 minutes' notice at least, so I can child-proof my home. Many of them have taken this allow the standard of the standard in my home. How do I make it clearer?

—MYMA IN MISSOULA DEAR MYRA: I see nothing out of line about asking that friends or family please call before dropping over to allow you a few minutes to prepare for the visit. Aside from the fact



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that you have breakables in your house, what if you weren't dressed or presentable?

Calling first is common to calling first is common to the second of the

DEAR ABBY: My problem is my older sister. She lives across the country from the, but feels, as she has since we were teenagers, that before I sell old records and CDs to get credit at the store to buy, new merchandise, I should consult her to see if she wants any of the stuff I'm selling.

I have taken good care of my records over the years, so I can get top dollar, then buy more

iturns I want while culling the things I don't listen to anymore. My sister acts like she should have first eiths and rise specified by the state of the state of

unwanted Items. Is there any way to get her to let this go?
— THEEO OF GROVELING
IN SAN FRANCISCO
DEAR THEEO OF GROVELING
INGS You're muking two mistakes. When your sister raises taking the bait, And then you can be supported to the subject of your house cleaning, change the subject of your house cleaning change the subject and if she tries to make you feel guilty — laugh.

People continue to push buttons only as long as they work. If you fail to react, she will eventually stop.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Aug. 27, the 239th day of 2007. There are 126 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight

On Aug. 27, 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa blew up; the resulting tidal waves in Indonesia's Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.

On this date

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In 1770, German philosopher Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel was born in Stuttgart.

In 1859, Col. Edwin L. Drake drilled the first successful oil well in the United States, near Titusville, Pa.

In 1892, fire seriously damaged New Yorks original Metropolitan Opera House.

In 1894, Congress passed the Wilson-Gorman Tartif Act, which contained a provision for a graduated incorne tax that was later struck down by the Supreme Court.

In 1998, Hydron B. Johnson.

In 1998, the States Dorn near Stonewall, Texas.

In 1928, the Kellogg-Briand

Pact was signed in Paris, out-lawing war and providing for the peaceful settlement of dis-putes.

putes.

In 1962, the United States Inn 1962, the United States Inn 1962, and the Mariner 2 space processive 1962.

In 1967, Blant Epstein, manager of the Beatles, was found dead in his London flat from an overdose of sleeping pills.

In 1975, Halle Selassie, the last emperor of Euliophais 3,000-year-04 monarchy, died in Addis Ababa at age 83 almost a year after being overthrown.

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Israel lifted a month-long blockade of Bethlehem that was imposed after a suicide bombing July 30 that killed 16

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biological weapons octore and during World War II, but rejected demands for compensation by 180 Chinese who claimed they were victims of the germ warfare program.

One year ago: A Comair CRJ-100 crashed after trying to take off from the wrong runway in Lexington, Ky, illim 49 people and leaving the co-pilot the sole survivo. Two Fox News journalists. Stew Centanni and carmeraman Olaf Wilg, were freed by militants nearly two weeks after being kithanpped in Gaza. City. The action series 24" won Emmys for best drama series and best actor for Klefer Sutherland. "The Office" was honored as best comedy.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Cajun-country singer Jimmy
C. Newman is 80. Actor
Tommy Sands is 70. Bluegrass
singer-musician I.D. Crowe is
70. Musician Daryl Dragon is
65. Rock singer-musician Tim
Boger Is 63. Actress Barbara
Bach is 60. Ex-porn star Harry
Reems is 60. Country musician
Jeff Cook (Alabama) is 58.

Actor Paul Reubens is 55. Singer Willy DeVille is 54. Rock musician Alex Lifeson (Rush) is 54. Actress Diana Scarvid is 52. Rock musician Glen Matlock (The Sex Pistols) is 51. Actor Peter Stormare is 49.
Country singer Jeffrey Steele is
46. Gospel singer Yolanda
Adams is 45. Country musician

Matthew Basford (Yankee Grey) Is 45. Writer-producer Dean Deviln is 45. Rock musician Mike Johnson is 42. Rap musician Bobo (Cypress Hill) is 39. Actress Chandra Wilson is 38. Rock musician Tony Kanal (No Doubt) is 37. Actress Sarah Chalke is 31. Rapper Mase is 30.



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TO DO FOR YOU

About childhirth

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center will offer the fifth class of the prepared childbirth series from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Jerome Recreation Center, 2032 S.

Lincoln.

Topics will include labor rehearsal, postpartum care and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

resuscitation.
Bring two pillows, a blanket and, if possible, a support person.
The suggested fee is S5 per class. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361.

'Rahy and Me'

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me' classes from 11 a.m. to noon "Buedays at the Jerome Recreation District, 2025 S. Lincolo. The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddier years.

Learn CPR for habite

An infant safety and car-

diopulmonary resuscitation to 9 p.m. Thursday in the lobby Regional's downtown campus,

New parents and grandpar-ents can learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and injury prevention. The class is free.

Preregistration tion is not required.

Learn CPR

A Heartsaver Cardiopul-monary Resuscitation class will be offered from 6 to 10 p.m. Sept. 4 in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W. in Twin

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

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

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Medical Center will offer prepared childbirh classes from
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registered nurse, will prepare
the mother and her labor
companion for labor, birth,
postpartum care and newborn care, individual classes
may be taken as refresher
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ourses. Bring two pillows, a blanket nd, if possible, a support

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

Learn CPR/first aid

First aid and cardiopul-First aid and cardiopul-monary resuscitation classes will be offered this fall at the College of Southern Idaho. CPR classes will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Sept. 5 and Nov. 7; and combined CPR and first aid classes will be from 6 to 11 p.m. Sept. 12 and

from 6 to 11 p.m. Sept. 12 and Nov. 14. The classes are beginning and refresher courses for health care providers, the general public and others whose lobs, require them to have or to update their life-saving skills. Cost is \$25 per class or \$40 for both classes. For the class

for both classes. For the class schedule, call Rae Jean Larsen at 732-6701 or at rlarsen@csi.edu.

Arrangements can be made for CPR and first aid classes to

be brought to service groups, businesses or other organiza-

tions.
For information, call Jill Chestnut at 732-6731 or at jchestnut@csi.edu.

"To do for you" is a listing of "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 lungs esciton. Mail notices to the Times-News, P.O. Box 548. Tolin Falls. ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W or email ramona@magicvalley.

Patients just want a fair shake

The way doctors greet new patients affects their future relationship and may have an impact on medical errors, according to a new study by researchers at Northwestern University's medical school. The study, which involved a telephone survey, of 415 patients in 48 states and 123 videotamed encounter of the states and 123 videotamed.

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The report, published in
june in the Archives of Internal
Medicine, found that although
there is widespread consensus
that doctors' greetings set the
tone for relationships, there is
little empirical evidence about
what constitutes an appropriate greetings.





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Makeover patients watch reality shows, study finds

Ino Washington row.

Do plastic surgery reality shows influence patients' decisions about whether to undergo cosmetic procedures? A small study by rescarcters at Yale, the first to examine the effect of tiese shows on decision-insking by patients, suggests that the answer is yes.

To determine whether

shows such as "Extreme Makeover" and "Dr. 90210" affect patient behavior, researchers polled 42 firstresearchers polled 42 first-time patients who sought a consultation at Yale's plastic surgery clinic about how often they watched such shows, which have proliferated in recent years. Plastic surgeon John Persing and his colleagues found that

57 percent of patients, whose average age was 36, regularly watched one or more reality shows; only 12 percent said they had never seen one. These frequent viewers cited

These frequent viewers cited the TV shows as a cionto the TV shows as a significant factor in their decision to consuit a surgeon, and were more knowledgeable about proce-dures than those who said they rarely or never watched the

programs. The only area in which there was little difference in patient knowledge was cost, which is rarely addressed on many shows, and difference emerged as well, Persing and his colleagues found, About 75 percent of Hispanies, who accounted for roughly a third of those surveyed, sald they were frequent viewers.

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linked to a higher risk of dehydration and infection.
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says.
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It does make a dimerence, sue-says.

There is little scientific evi-dence that labor induction causes any long-lasting harm to mother or baby. But even short-tern medical problems are sign-nificant given the nations healthcare economics crists, wilson says. According to Intermountain's data, healthy deliveries in the 39th week (and, women whose cervixes were fully prepared) incur the lowest costs.

costs.
"It could be contributing to the double-digit premium increases you pay each year," she says of elective labor inductions effect on insurance rates. "Cost is the leing on the cake. But it's not the main reason we should be doing this. We should do it because it's safer."

Trend starts to take hold

Other hospitals and provider organizations are also curbing elective labor induction.

Ascension Health Inc., the

Ascension Health Inc., the largest nonprofit healthcare system in the country with facilities in 20 states, last year requested its doctors follow criteria before proceeding with an elective labor induction.

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The criteria specified that the fetus must be at least 39 weeks in gestational age, in a specific size range and have established lung maturity, and that the mother isn't already baving contractions. All the contractions of the contraction of t he says, but to "have zero pre ventable birth trauma."

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"Some doctors do many elective labor inductions at 3 weeks. But if you do them long enough, eventually you're going to have a baby with respiratory distress and complications. And that can be very serious."

Other health care organiza-tions and hospitals have applauded the actions taken by Intermountain and

Ascension, The Institute for Ascension. The Institute for Healthcare Improvement, a nonprofit group based in Cambridge, Mass., that advocates for Improved quality in healthcare, and Premier Inc., in Charlotte, N.C., and alliance almed at Improving quality in 1,700 nonprofit hospitals, have also called for lower rates of elective labor induction as a way to reduce harm to infants during child-birth.

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Not everyone thinks elective labor induction is harmful. A study published July 31 in the Annals of Family Medicine suggested that "preventive labor induction" may produce the best safety outproduce the best safety out-comes, including lower C-sec-

tion rates. Doctors practicing in a rural Doctors practicing in a rural Connecticut Tospital found that the approach, which includes the use of a mild-act-ing prostaglandin gel to ripen the cervix before inducing labor, significantly lowered C-section rates compared with women receiving traditional care. Specific criteria were used to determine the "opti-mal time" for the patient to for the patien preventive

Did you know that

The idea is to perform an induction before the baby gets too big and the placenta can no longer fully support a healthy pregnancy.

If women are carefully selected — based on an accurate due date, fetal maturity and other risk factors — induction may produce the best results, says the study's author. Dr. James M. Nicholson, assistant professor at the University of Pennsylvania Department of Family Medicine and Community Health.

"Over the last two or taree years, there is evidence that if avorable, then induction doesn't cause adverse outcomes like C-sections,' the support of the part of the production of the control of the production of the production

comes like C-sections, ne says.

The method needs more proof. Nicholson says. He is conducting a randomized, controlled trial at the University of Pennsylvania. "If this is true, it really could change thoughts on how to manage tabor in a big way," he says. "It would lead to all sorts of different research questions: How to induce, when to induce, is race a factor? The questions are numerous."

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