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Tales of two soldiers



U.S. Army Spc. Andrew Pike, who was shot by a sniper while serving in Iraq, talks about his experiences Monday afternoon while his fiancée, Tauli Burnsides, looks on at their Twin Falls apartment.

Injured Iraq war vets see different sides to conflict

By Cass Friedman
Times-News writer

Two Twin Falls soldiers, both wounded on the front lines of Iraq, tell tales of American progress — or catastrophe — depending on which one you ask.

Andrew Pike, 21, would like to see the number of U.S. soldiers in Iraq grow or at least remain constant. A sniper's bullet paralyzed Pike in March from the waist down. He said that if the U.S. government reduces its troops in Iraq, the danger he experienced after being shot yards away from an urban Joint Command Center, would jump higher. Troops would have larger areas to patrol, enabling more access for terror-

ists to plant roadside bombs. "It could have ended for me much worse," Pike said. "Despite the loss of my legs, I still have the chance to lead a somewhat normal life." For those who stayed in Iraq, the danger is different. Since Pike's buddies in his battalion have been killed, he says he obtained top care at Walter Reed Army Medical Center — it wasn't cold or an institutional feeling — and now he is having a baby with his 19-year-old fiancée, Tauli Burnsides. When he calls and e-mails his com-

rades who remain on extended stay in Iraq, the concerns travel both ways. "We've started it," he said. "We can't just pull out in the middle of it. You've got to see it through to the end. The end is when they can govern themselves and stand up to terrorists and people who have controlled their lives." But Bridget Van Engelen, first lieutenant in the Army's 1st Armored Division, sees no end in sight. Van Engelen has fully recovered after a sniper shot him in the head in April 2004 while he led a patrol through Baghdad. His voyage follows a course that began hopeful when he arrived in August 2003. It felt safe then — troops

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Petraeus outlines troop withdrawal

First sizeable cut in Iraq force to be made this month

By David Expo
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The top U.S. general in Iraq outlined plans Monday for the withdrawal of as many as 30,000 troops by next summer, drawing praise from the White House but a chilly

reception from anti-war Democrats. Gen. David Petraeus said a 2,000-member Marine unit would return home this month without replacement in the first sizeable cut since a 2003 U.S.-led invasion toppled Saddam Hussein and unleashed sectarian violence.

Further "force reductions will continue," he told a nationally televised congressional hearing that was frequently interrupted by anti-war protesters. Petraeus said it would be "premature to make recommendations on the pace," and he recommended that President Bush wait until March 2008 to make any decisions. The cuts he outlined would return the U.S. force approximately to levels in place when Bush ordered a

buildup last winter to allow the Iraq government time to forge a reconciliation among feuding factions. Petraeus slid into the witness chair at a politically pivotal moment in a war that has claimed the lives of more than 3,700 U.S. troops in more than four years. The Pentagon reported nine deaths on Monday. The president invited congressional leaders to a meeting Tuesday at the White

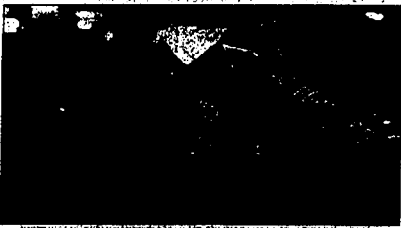
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Farm chemicals may pose hidden danger

Little being done to monitor products in Magic Valley

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Six years after the nation's first hand-hold chemicals such as jet fuel can be used as weapons, those who use, store and sell volatile chemicals in the Magic Valley say little is being done to monitor their products.



Bags of lawn fertilizer rest in a local store Monday afternoon in Twin Falls. Fertilizer contains nitrogen — a key ingredient in homemade explosives.

The Department of Homeland Security says it has created a system to track hazardous chemicals, but some agricultural businesses say they are unaware of any tracking system — even though they handle vast quantities of nitrogen, a key ingredient in easy-to-make explosives.

A few years ago the Department of Homeland Security said they would be enforcing rules to secure these types of chemicals, but I don't think they have ever enforced any rules," said an enforcing rule to secure

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PERRINE BRIDGE PERIL Crews rescue jumper tangled up in bridge

Accident leaves man with 3 broken bones

By Cass Friedman
Times-News writer

A BASE jumper, whose chute snagged on the girder of the Perrine Bridge after he leaped Monday evening, dangled for two hours 150 feet below the bridge with three broken bones before rescuers lowered him to a boat in the Snake River below.

The unnamed jumper was the first of four to leap from the bridge, said Gary Golley, an eyewitness who called 911 at 7:21 p.m. after watching the scene unfold from the south canyon rim.

"His chute opened, the wind hit it. (The chute) collapsed and then it caught on the girder," Golley said. "I said, 'Oh man, he's going down.' His chute hadn't wrapped around that cable area (under the bridge), he would have went to the bottom."

A Twin Falls County Search and Rescue team member was lowered by rope over the milling of the bridge. Dropping vertically from the overhang of the bridge, the rescuer reached a level position with the jumper, but remained 15 feet east of him and away from the inside of the bridge.

Greg Carr, of Winfield, was one of about 100 observers on the south canyon rim. The rescuer apparently used the opportunity to ink to the suspended jumper who had broken several bones, Carr said.

A second team of rescuers hiked along the catwalk out to the middle of the bridge, standing above the BASE jumper near where his chute had snagged.

Well after sundown, rescuers threw a rope out to the



A Twin Falls County Search and Rescue member dangles from the Perrine Bridge Monday night to rescue a BASE jumper.

first rescuer and pulled him in the direction of bridges girder — and the suspended BASE jumper.

That allowed the first rescuer to reach the BASE jumper and link up with him. By after 9 p.m., when they were ready to lower the BASE jumper and the rescuer together to a boat below, it was almost impossible to see what was happening from the south rim of the canyon. The rescuer and victim reached the boat safely by 9:13 p.m.

The BASE jumper had suffered a broken leg, ankle and arm, according to Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office. Lifeflight transported the man to St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center where his name was not release by press time.



Visitors to the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, Pa., participate in a remembrance at sunset Monday on the eve of the sixth anniversary of United Flight 93 crashing here on Sept. 11, 2001.

Firefighters, Giuliani to share stage at tense anniversary

By Amy Westfield
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Once again, the city will pause for four moments of silence to mark the attacks that killed more than 2,700 people. Family members will lay flowers

where the twin towers fell, and the names of victims will be read.

But much will be different on the sixth anniversary of Sept. 11, after tense arguments about where to hold them. Please see SEPT. 11, Page A3



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Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BUSINESS

The Magic Valley Advertising Federation Ad Fast 2007, includes booths for representatives of TV, radio, print and business agencies; media package giveaways; and three workshops: Magic Valley future economics (1 p.m. and 4 p.m.) and capitalizing on small-business strengths in marketing (2 to 4 p.m.), noon to 6 p.m., open to the public, \$40, 736-0823.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Moms on the Run meeting and luncheon, with "A Stress Free Day" by Richelle Eckert of BeautyControl and "Forever Friendships" by Bonnie Eder. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mandarin House, 735 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, \$10, 324-1233 or 537-9157. Agape Interfaith Luncheon, "The Builder is God" with guest speaker Dee Foster and music by Kathy Gilbert, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Gooding Basque Center, \$7 or no cost for program only, 934-5356.

Twentieth Century Club first fall meeting, with guest speaker Girls' State Representative Katie Krumm and installation of officers, noon, Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 733-2552 or 734-1487 for reservations.

The Snake River Weavers' Guild monthly meeting, 1:30 p.m., hosted by Ise Hynton, 734-6258 or 734-5358. American Legion Post 7 and Auxiliary meeting and meal, with fried chicken dinner and program on Flander's Field, Belgium, 5:30 p.m., doors open, 6:30 p.m., dinner with meeting to follow, Post Home, 447 Seasort St., Twin Falls, bring dish to share; open to members, guests and prospective members, 733-0962 or 734-1435.

Gooding Cub Scout Pack 97 Open House and Registration night, open to all boys first grade (and age 6) through fifth grade (church affiliation not required) 6 to 8 p.m., United Methodist Church, Main Street, Gooding, 934-8989 or 934-9672.

EXHIBITS

"The Killmaster Collection, A 60-year Perspective," 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Harrett Center for Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, no cost, 732-6655.

"Mixed Media Work" by Lori Rieth in the Galeria Pequena and new works by member artists, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Full Moon Gallery, Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. S., Historic Downtown Twin Falls, no cost, 734-2787.

"Fishy Reflections," by local artist Jason Hicks, noon to 5 p.m., the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St., Buhl, no cost, 543-5417.

GOVERNMENT

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

Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley, 738-5500.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700.

Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 6 p.m., 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7267.

Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley, 878-4367.

Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 119 E. Second, 366-7418.

Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district administration office, 507 Idaho St., 934-4321.

Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.

Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4151.

Dutchess School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room, 406 N. Park, 544-2102.

Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office, 409 N. Apple, 886-2038.

HEALTH

Sign up for College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at Flier Elementary; 9 to 10 a.m. at Hageman High School Gym; and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (temporary location: LDS church on Main), no cost for students over age 60, 732-6475.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's Disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins at 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2002 Flier Ave. E., 738-7237 or 738-9282.

"Overcoming Addiction and Anger," Theopathic Intermediate Therapy Basic Training video series, 6 p.m., Miracle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-0603. Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C. St., Rupert, (208) 436-0987.

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Twin Falls to bid for downtown structure

Just before the Twin Falls City Council authorized Monday city staff to negotiate the purchase of a building, Community Development Director Mitch Humble promised the bright orange floor in its basement — a target of jokes during a recent tour — would not embarrass anyone. SEE PAGE A4

Charter school close to opening

It's one thing to plan a school on paper. It's quite another to put it together. Xavier Charter School officials met that last month when, faced with the fact that their walls weren't in place, school board members decided to delay the first day of classes. SEE PAGE A4

Ag chemicals go mostly unchecked

Six years after the nation saw firsthand how chemicals such as jet fuel can be used as weapons, those who use and sell such chemicals in the Magic Valley say little is being done to monitor their products. SEE PAGE A1

Jerome Co. pleased with CAFO reports

JEROME — For the first time in perhaps nine months, all three Jerome County commissioners left a dairy-related meeting with smiles on their faces. No harsh words. No finger-pointing. No scowls. SEE PAGE A4

OBITUARIES

Raymond "Ray" James Pepper, 58
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Amy Elise Bench, infant
Willia Wilcox, 91
Herbert Samuel "Sam" Mahler, 56
Arthur David Smith, 91
Glenn J. Malone, 83
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CORRECTIONS

Letter to the editor had typo

The letter to the editor from Eulalia Wright on Sunday's Opinion page contained a typographical error. The sentence should have read: "Sen. Craig was paid a very handsome salary while he was giving this service to the people of Idaho and will continue to receive a nice pension for the rest of his life, plus all the perks that go along with being a senator."

Mother's name misspelled

Due to incorrect information from the hospital, a mother's name was wrong in the Stork Report in Sunday's Family Life section. Aiyben Kate Hall, daughter of Christy and James Luis Hall of Hansen, was born Aug. 31 at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center. The Times-News regrets the errors.

IN COUNTRY ROADS



Illinois-based John Deere has a loyal following of consumers who besides buying farm implements, buy up toys, clothing and just about anything else that has the distinctive green and yellow John Deere emblem on it. SEE PAGE D1

NATION/WORLD

Al-Qaida: bin Laden to appear in new video

CAIRO — Osama bin Laden will appear for the second time in a week in a new video to mark the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, presenting the last will and testament of one of the suicide hijackers, al-Qaida announced Monday. SEE PAGE A9

Chertoff: monitoring overseas convos critical

Weapons of mass destruction, small boats packed with explosives and Islamic radicalization are the greatest terrorist threats facing the country, top U.S. security officials said Monday on the eve of the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. SEE PAGE A9

Clinton to link \$850,000 returned to arrested fundraiser

Confronted with new evidence that it had ignored warnings about fundraiser Norman Hsu, the presidential campaign of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., abruptly announced late Monday that it was returning \$850,000 from 260 donors associated with Hsu. SEE PAGE A9

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Read the document filed by Sen. Larry Craig to get out of his guilty plea in an airport-sex sting.

See video of a report on dairy odor and pathogens presented to the Jerome County Commissioners.

See video of a BASE jumper whose parachute got tangled up in the Perrine Bridge.

SPORTS



D.J.'s sweet music

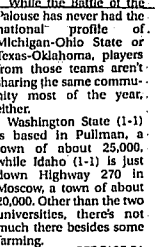
MOSCOW — "George Strait." That was the quick reply from Idaho head coach Robb Akey when asked last week about his favorite vocal artist. Akey may like the country and western of Strait. But on the field, it's the Vandals' D.J. spinning records of a different sort. That D.J. is running back Deonte Jackson, the red-shirt freshman from Warren, Ark. Akey and the Vandal Nation are praising back-to-back stellar performances from the quiet hunk who has risen from the hear of SEC country. SEE PAGE B1

Idaho and WSU need break from each other

SPOKANE, Wash. — Washington State and Idaho are located just eight miles apart, and that's too close for annual football showdowns, the coaches said Monday. Like an old married couple, the rivals will take a break after Saturday's game in Pullman. "You can keep a little life in it when it's every few years," said Robb Akey, coach of Idaho. While the Battle of the Palouse has never had the national profile of Michigan-Ohio State or Texas-Oklahoma, players from those teams aren't sharing the same commonality most of the year, either. Washington State (1-1) is based in Pullman, a town of about 25,000, while the Cougars (1-1) is just down Highway 270 in Moscow, a town of about 20,000. Other than the two universities, there's not much there besides some farming. SEE PAGE B1

Bills' Everett likely to be paralyzed

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Kevin Everett sustained a "catastrophic" and life-threatening spinal cord injury while trying to make a tackle during the Buffalo Bills' season opener and is unlikely to walk again, the surgeon who operated on him Monday said. "A best-case scenario is full recovery, but not likely," orthopedic surgeon Andrew Cappuccino said. "I believe there will be some permanent neurological deficit." SEE PAGE B1



See video of a BASE jumper whose parachute got tangled up in the Perrine Bridge.

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Petraeus Soldiers

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House, and is expected to make a nationwide speech on the war in the next few days.

White House press secretary Tony Snow said Bush will place a lot of weight on his general's recommendations.

Snow said Bush "liked what he heard last week" when he was briefed on Petraeus' plans. "But he is commander in chief and it will be up to him to make final determinations about what he will recommend," the spokesman noted.

"Inside the crowded congressional hearing room, Rep. Tom Lantos, the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told Petraeus his proposal amounted to only a "token withdrawal" after years of war.

"What I recommended was a very substantial withdrawal," the general replied evenly from the witness chair, his uniform adorned by four gleaming general's stars and nine rows of medals. "Five Army brigade combat teams, a Marine Expeditionary Unit and two Marine battalions represent a very significant force."

News referred only obliquely to political difficulties in Iraq, saying, "Lack of adequate governmental capacity, lingering sectarian mistrust and various forms of corruption add to Iraq's challenges."

As for the much-maligned Iraqi military, he said it is slowly gaining competence and gradually "taking on more responsibility for their security."

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patrolled in Humvees with no doors. But by November 2003, threats to his battalion and an escalation in violence eroded his sense of security and his prospects for improving the situation.

"It was a blessing in disguise that I got shot in the head," Van Engelen said. "You make all these promises to these people who are starving and trudge through feet of sewage every day. We thought we could make some headway. But I was trying to turn this neighborhood around when I was a trained war fighter. I was set out for failure."

Feeling dismissed and neglected during his eight months recovering at Walter Reed gave Van Engelen his final trampling. This year, following the January surge of 21,500 new troops approved by U.S. Congress, Van Engelen joined the legislative office of Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., in Washington, D.C. At his new job he pushes for more assistance for returning veterans from Afghanistan and Iraq.

To him, sending more troops means risking more lives.

Since the troop surge, an average of 100 American soldiers have been killed each month.

In addition, Van Engelen says acts of terrorism against civilians worldwide are higher now than before Sept. 11, 2001 — indicating the war is not making the world safer for Americans.

"When I was there, we did a really good job at what we were doing," Van Engelen said. "But we were never trained to be diplomatic envoys and that shouldn't lead to the auspices of the military."

It's exactly that the diplomat's work, assigned to soldiers that Pike watched and derived hope from.

Handing out soccer balls and candy, building soccer fields, creating jobs, improving security facilities are examples of what like hopes will coax Iraqi "fence-sitters" who remain uncertain about trusting the U.S.

Pike talks about Iraq with equal optimism as when he talks about his personal recovery.

"I think people make a bigger thing of it (my paralysis) than I make of it," Pike said.

"But by the time we came home I was pretty much reached at 735-3241 or cfrtd-maw@magvalley.com."

But Pike nearly lost his optimism in Iraq on the day he almost lost his life.

Had it not been for soldiers and a field surgeon telling him he was OK and not to give up, "I probably would have given up," he said.

So that's the message he sends to others: don't lose hope. About the war. About himself. And generally about the power of the will when life heads south.

If Van Engelen has not turned into a cynic, then he's a realist.

With more troops going to Iraq, more are coming back wounded.

"It was a pretty small window that in that window we could have done a lot of good," Van Engelen said.

Fertilizer

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Debbie Critchfield, co-owner of Agetech Probiotic Fertilizer in Burley. "That's seems kind of scary doesn't it?"

In 1995, Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols used consumer-grade fertilizer in a bomb that tore through the Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, but closer scrutiny of fertilizer sales has been slow to come. The system created to monitor volatile chemicals, known as the Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT), was created more than two years ago for administration by regional Homeland Security Bureau. The bureau went to survey local businesses to determine if they use chemicals that are "of interest."

Those using the chemicals would then be asked to work with the agency to ensure security.

The Bureau of Homeland Security did not return repeated calls from the Times-News, but farmers and fertilizer companies in the Magic Valley say they've seen nothing yet.

Workers at retailers such as D & B Supply in Twin Falls, which sell small quantities of fertilizers and other ag chemicals, said they are unaware of any system to track volatile

chemicals.

However, retailers and fertilizer companies said they would welcome increased regulations, which they feel would help them avoid selling volatile chemicals to the wrong people.

Farmers near Burley and Gooding said they have not noticed any changes in the way they purchase large quantities of fertilizers.

Farmers said they use the fertilizers and other chemicals almost immediately, and they rarely store any chemicals on their farms. However, businesses such as Agetech can store up to 200 tons of industrial-grade fertilizers and other chemicals at any given time.

"It could be extremely dangerous stuff and there is a lot of it," Critchfield said. "You would think that they would want to keep an eye on that type of thing."

Josh Palmer may be reached at 735-3231 or josh.palmer@tee.net

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the ceremony, whether a presidential candidate should be allowed to speak and whether it's still fitting to plan such a large-scale commemoration.

Firefighters, first responders and construction workers who helped rescue New Yorkers — and many who lost their lives — were chosen this year to read the names of the dead in a small public park instead of the World Trade Center site.

After briefly objecting that they wanted to pay their respects closest to where their loved ones died, family members will be allowed to descend to the site below street level and lay flowers near where the towers stood.

"It's still like visiting a grave on the person's anniversary of their death," said Rosealeen Tallon, whose firefighter brother Sean Tallon, died that day.

While the list of 2,750 victims killed in New York is read, Osama bin Laden planned to appear in a new video and lead the will of one of the hijackers whose plane flew into the north tower.

Politics has played little role in past ceremonies. When siblings, spouses and children offer heartfelt messages to their loved ones.

But the city's firefighters could raise severe issues. They are among thousands who say they suffer persistent respiratory problems after inhaling dust from the trade center's collapse.

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Panels research odor, pathogens

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

JEROME — For the first time in perhaps nine months, all three Jerome County commissioners held a dairy-related meeting with smiles on their faces.

No harsh words. No finger-pointing. No scowls. Commissioners were visibly

pleased Monday evening by two reports from county subcommittees assigned to study confined animal feeding operation odors and pathogens, micro-organisms that cause disease.

The subcommittees were formed in the spring to prepare for a new CAFO ordinance. Commissioners voted in May to ban new livestock operations for six months, in part so the board could tighten the ordinance, which mostly affects dairies. Commissioners have strug-

ON THE WEB

Visit Maglevalley.com to watch a video about the county subcommittee reports regarding odors and pathogens.

gled to make progress on the updates, but the presentations Monday indicate the subcommittees may be picking up the slack. The odor committee,

which heavily cited scientific research in its report, recommended rules that would keep waste storage lagoons drier and limit how liquid waste is applied to land. The committee also recommended commissioners work closer with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to ensure odor complaints are adequately resolved.

"I commend you on your committee's work," Commissioner Diana Obenauer told Del Kohtz, who gave the presentation.

"I'm really excited about this," Commissioners Charlie Howell and Joe Davidson echoed her praise. "I think we're doing really good things right now," Davidson said. "This is a really good deal."

The pathogen committee report, presented by Claire McClure, earned similar comments. McClure's committee, which also cited scientific research papers, issued seven recommendations to the board that mostly involved methods to control the spread of manure.

"Nobody can deny there are pathogens in manure," she said. "That waste has to be controlled."

The pathogen committee recommended rules that would require new dairies to construct berms around lagoons and tighter enforcement of existing county laws that prohibit waste from leaving a property.

The commissioners will consider those reports at the county drafts the new ordinance, which is expected to be completed this fall.

Twin Falls to bid for structure

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

Just before the Twin Falls City Council authorized Monday city staff to negotiate the purchase of a building, Community Development Director Mitch Humble promised the bright orange floor in its basement — a target of jokes during a recent tour — would not embarrass anyone.

"The orange floor stays, but at this point there's no use for it," he said with a smile. "We'll just close the doors — out of sight, out of mind."

Council members allowed the city to formally talk with the College of Southern Idaho about buying the original American Legion building, located at 324 Hansen St. in downtown Twin Falls. The building is the former home to the South Central Head Start program, run by CSI, which vacated the property in July.

The city, which for several years has been looking to relieve crowded offices, desperately needs more conference rooms and would use the facility as a "one-stop shop" for its engineering, building and planning departments.

But some council members are concerned about the undetermined cost.

"CSI is asking for \$300,000, but an appraisal performed for CSI in July estimated the value at \$230,000. The appraiser attributed the lower value to minimal parking and how the building would need multiple tenants to be viable."

Councilman Trip Craig wondered if the asking price from CSI was \$70,000 higher in order to cover a new Head Start building for the college.

"I don't know what one price has to do with the other," he said. The staff said they were unclear how much CSI had said for the building, but Mayor Lance Clow said it's "not what you pay for it, it's what you put into it." Councilman Don Hall said the building should be bought for market value.

Approaching and improving the building for the city's needs would cost more than \$400,000, regardless of which price is accepted, according to a city report. The city plans to invest \$91,700 in electrical upgrades and \$80,739 to city buildings affected by the changes, including \$56,247 for the former Head Start building.

The council toured the facility Aug. 13 and, following the tour, the council was supportive of using the building.

The three-floor building, with an upstairs and basement, would house about 25 city employees. The use is expected to be temporary for five years until a permanent city structure can be constructed, but officials have said it will clear up plenty of space for the police department.

Other business included: Approval of \$5,000 to artist Gary Stone for labor and materials to construct the Magic Valley mural at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.

Approval of a trade of 0.14 acres of city-owned property for 0.11 acres owned by Michael and Nora Kestler. The property acquired from the Kestlers will allow the city to expand the parking lot at Shoshone Falls with the ticket booth.

Almost done



Electrician Willard Bursam, right, installs an emergency light Monday afternoon at Xavier Charter School in Twin Falls while Delaney Bergen, 11, spent the afternoon with her father, who is also an electrician but not in the photo.

Teachers, workers getting Xavier Charter School ready for opening

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

It's one thing to plan a school on paper and another to put it together. Xavier Charter School officials learned that last month when, faced with the fact that their walls weren't in place, school board members decided to delay the first day of classes.

But construction isn't the only aspect of school-building that lesson applies to. As Monday's deadline approaches for Xavier's inaugural day, electricians and teachers alike are working to ensure that the school is fully prepared for the 273 students who will fill the North College Road building.

That includes Wayne Bagwell, the school's part-time special needs coordinator. Bagwell retired as principal of Greenacres Elementary School in Pocatello on June 8 and still both teaches dual-credit psychology courses at Twin Falls High School and offers counseling. Along with those, he's applying his 32 years of school experience to his new post — a job he

enters as the school deals with two counts of non-compliance regarding treatment of special needs students.

Special education in all a very unique field," Bagwell said during a Monday visit to the *Times-News*.

For one, he said, it's full of labels, something that needs to go away. In traditional classroom setting, special needs students are labeled from day one by their very need to go to a resource room for part of the day. In a school with the curricular flexibility of Xavier, Bagwell said, he's hoping to avoid that, integrating all students into their classrooms and removing the need for a resource room — a good thing, he said, because there's nowhere to place one in the building.

The more integrated approach, which Bagwell employed at his previous job, fits in with what he sees as the No. 1 goal of special education: getting the kids to where they don't need it. His current challenge is assembling the existing individualized education plans for each of the students transferring into the school, a task made more difficult by

how slow some districts were to send Xavier their files, he said. Once those are compiled — probably not until next week — he estimated he'll begin to evaluate the students and adjust their plans to what they need over the first couple of months of school. What didn't take long was assembling specific policies on the school's responsibility to educate all students, including those with special needs. The measures, required as part of the school's punishment for the non-compliance counts, already existed and just needed to be rolled into a board policy, Bagwell said.

Xavier Principal Cindy Fulcher said Monday that the school's walls are up, and all the building needs is some electrical work and a final inspection by the city to be ready by Monday. Though Fulcher didn't know when the inspection would be, Bagwell said he's sure everything — including his program — will be ready to go on time.

"This is fun. I enjoy doing it," Bagwell said. "I think you'll see some really neat things coming out of Xavier."

Colors, construction lead T.F. School Board meeting

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The Twin Falls School Board did well on numbers at its Monday board meeting, but color coordination wasn't quite a cinch.

Board members considered bid approvals and a change to the district activities code. Then came the matter of selecting colors for the new Canyon Ridge High School.

Facilities manager Dale Thornberry's simple presentation had school board members offering their best design tips and others doing all they could to get out of choosing colors. Declaring himself outside the debate, Thornberry was soon joined by several others in the room.

"Like Mr. Thornberry, I am challenged to go any further in this discussion," Superintendent Wiley Dobbs said.

The color selection was part of a comprehensive review of district construction resulting from a \$49.7 million bond passed in 2006. Thornberry summarized recently completed work and ran bid members through what the bond will finance in the next months, including an elevator installation at Bickel Elementary, chemistry lab and football bleacher renovations at Twin Falls High School, and several committees that will form to deal with issues surrounding the future Canyon Ridge High School.

The board unanimously approved three bids for work on the new school, leaving 23 bids for the next meeting and opening to bid back out for a second try. The approved bids — from Gambrel Construction in Kimberly, Shiloh Automatic Sprinkler in Nampa and Johns Plumbing Inc. in Jerome — are for concrete work, fire protection and plumbing, respectively, and represent about \$4 million worth of work. The estimated budgets for all the bids, including those rejected, totals about \$31 million.

The board also gave Thornberry permission to prepare documents in case the board decides to sell about 10 acres of land next to the school, and looked over plans for a committee to select a principal for the new high school by next spring. The land, 4.2 acres of which is zoned commercial and the rest residential, would need to be sold within about six months and could be worth more than \$3 million.

The board also approved changes to the district's activities code, allowing ineligible athletes to participate in practice sessions and after-school homework labs. Students will now need to earn C's in all classes for their midterm grades to be declared eligible again.

State Trooper Chris Glenn to run for Kimberly City Council; area elections set

Times-News

Friday was the statewide deadline for people to register for city council elections. Filled out Idaho State Police Trooper Chris Glenn, a resident of Kimberly who was shot in December while stopping a robbery suspect, leads the list of those in the Magic Valley elections are Nov. 6.

Buhl
Four council members plus two open seats (top two vote-getters)
Suellen Lammers*, Darin Stoddard*, Richard D. Dunn
Halley
Four members plus mayor

One two-year term:
Dick Vanzante
Burley
Six member council plus mayor
Three seats (top three vote-getters)
Dennis Curda*, Donald Dean*, Ruben Saldana*, Vaughn Egan, Jay Linkerdorfer, Aricella Miller, David Ringle
Filler
Four-member council plus mayor
Two open seats (top two vote-getters)
Suzellen Lammers*, Darin Stoddard*, Richard D. Dunn
Halley
Four members plus mayor

Seat 3:
Geoffrey Moore, Stephanie Mervel, Fritz Haemmerle
Seat 4:
Carol Brown*
Mayor:
Richard Davis (current councilman), Erin Dunn.
Jerome
Four-member council plus mayor
Two four-year positions (top two vote-getters):
Marty Schmitt*, Lole M. Skaug, Kent Lee*, John Shin*
**Appointed council members are running in their first election.
The two candidates who receive the most votes among the four

will earn the seats.
One two-year position:
Kathy T. Bengert, Robert W. Culver
Kimberly
Mayor:
David Overacre, Jim Sorenson
City Council:
Lee Steven Pankay, Michael Wallace, Stacey Hutchinson, Dave Wendell
Rupert
Four-member council plus mayor
Mayor:
Paul Friese, Ramona Coffman
Two council seats:
Mike Brown*, John Primrose,

Santos Garza, Carlos Roundy
Shoshone
Four-member council and then -mayor
Two seats open (top two vote-getters)
Dale Sluder*, Kyle Anzen, Lancy Lee, Steven Pankay, Michael Wallace, Stacey Hutchinson, Dave Wendell
Gooding
Four-member council and mayor
Mayor:
Duke Morton*
Council (two seats):
Verne France*, Michael Aricoach
Twin Falls
Six-member council plus mayor

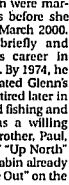
Seat 2:
David E. Johnson*, Orlando Garzon-Mejia
Seat 3:
Tip Craig
Seat 4:
Glenda Dwight*, Will Keazle
Seat 7:
Shawn Barigar*, Lee Heider
Wendell
Four-member council plus mayor (top two vote-getters)
Cecile Rouseffell*, Barry Brown, Pat Jackatta, Harvey Parish*, Ken Davis, Jonathan Jacob
Mayor recall election for Rex Stridland.
Source: Respective city halls, clerk.

Glenn J. Malone

Glenn J. Malone, 83, of Twin Falls, passed away Sept. 6, 2007, at Bridgeview Care Center.

He was born May 27, 1924, in Buhl, Idaho. Glenn was the youngest of six children born to James Luther and Christina Lavina (Glenn) Malone. In his youth, he went to school and farmed with his parents in the Buhl and Wendell areas. He met and married his lifelong sweetheart, Mattie "Jean" Rambo on Aug. 8, 1942, in Gooding, Idaho. To this union was born a daughter, Margaret. He was drafted into the Army during World War II and served in Hawaii until he was honorably discharged on April 26, 1946. After serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, two sons, Gary and Karl, were born.

Glenn and Jean were married for 58 years before she passed away in March 2000. Glenn farmed briefly and then started his career in automotive parts. By 1974, he owned and operated Glenn's Auto Parts and retired later in 1993. Glenn loved fishing and hunting and was a willing partner for his brother, Paul, to go "Up North." "Up North" is a joint family cabin already named "The Hide Out" on the



Yankee Fork River. Glenn and Paul have owned this cabin since 1956. They were either working on projects at the cabin, fishing on the Salmon River or exploring the surrounding areas. Glenn enjoyed seeing wild game or just watching the hummingbirds in early spring, the family would take long drives just to eat fried chicken and bread and butter sandwiches in the car because it was too cold to get out. "Up North" is more than a state of mind. It is a legacy of memories that these families and their children's children will have forever.

Glenn is survived by his daughter, Margaret (Kelly) Loon, wife of Twin Falls, Idaho; sons, Gary (Stephanie) Malone of Twin Falls, Idaho; and Karl (Alicia) Malone of Hansen, Idaho; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and a very special niece, Donna Holmes of Twin Falls, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean; his parents; one brother, Howard; and three sisters, Ruth, Evelyn and Grace.

In his request, there will be no service held. His ashes will be scattered in the Salmon River at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Paul's Magic Valley Funeral Home. Contributions may be in his name to the American Diabetes Foundation.

Arthur David Smith

HEYBURN — Arthur David Smith, 91, a life resident of Heyburn, passed away on Sept. 4, 2007, of natural causes.

Art was born Nov. 7, 1915, in Heyburn, Idaho, and married to Ellen Holmes, and three daughters were born to them, Arlene Dee Lynne (Donald) Variano of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., Deanna Marie Smith of Hollywood, Calif., and Sally Ellen (Armando) Brescini of Lakewood, Calif.

Art was preceded in death by his wife; his parents, Harry A. Smith and Minnie Young Smith; a brother, Harry A. Smith of Escorted, Calif.; and a sister, Erna Ivalou McFarland of Heyburn.

After graduation from Heyburn High School, Art attended diesel school in Portland, Ore. He returned to Heyburn, where he met his wife, Ellen, and after their marriage, they purchased a service station in Rupert. When a 60-acre farm at 600 S. and 200 W. in Heyburn was on the market, the couple sold the station and bought the farm. Art's mother and father had homesteaded two farms nearby in 1904, and he



continued to operate part of those farms after their passing.

In the '70s, Art founded and operated Memorial Art Monuments in Burley through the '80s. He served on the Idaho Draft Board during the Vietnam Conflict, the Light Board and the Heyburn Zoning Board, and he was a member of the Heyburn Masonic Lodge. He expressed his vocal talent with the Snake River Flute Quartet.

He is survived by three daughters; four grandchildren, Monica Lynne Variano (John) Dalton, Don Jason Variano, Andrew Scott Brescini and Jeffrey Alan Brescini; and three great-granddaughters, Elizabeth Dalton, Ruby Lynne Dalton and Ava May Dalton.

A viewing will take place between 8 and 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, Sept. 12, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St. in Burley. The memorial service will be held at 11 o'clock Thursday, Sept. 13, at the same mortuary. A Masonic tribute will precede interment at Heyburn Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn, Idaho.

Funeral home donations can be made in memory of Art Smith to the Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center, 2303 Park Ave.,

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Willa Wilcox

Willa Wilcox, 91, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away peacefully on Sept. 8, 2007, at Bridgeview Estates.

She was born Nov. 14, 1915, in Kimberly, Idaho, the youngest of five children to Fred and Lenora Bacon. She grew up and attended school in Kimberly. Jerome, graduating from Jerome High in 1934. She then moved to Gooding, Idaho, where she attended Gooding College. In her youth, she also spent many hours playing the piano.

She met and then married Charles "Bob" Wilcox on Sept. 18, 1947. Bob worked as an assistant superintendent with the sugar company. Early years were spent in Twin Falls raising their family. Bob was later transferred to Burley, then Nampa, Idaho, and finally to the Sugar Company. After retirement in 1980, they moved back to Twin Falls, where they remained.

Willa loved her hobbies; she enjoyed playing cards; she was a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and sister-in-law, Madeline "Madge" Bacon. They would play for hours. Willa was very talented and loved to paint beautiful pictures and crochets; she also enjoyed interior design, with a good eye for color fashion. She especially enjoyed her stitchery groups in Caldwell and Twin Falls. They got great happiness and time to share her witty sense of humor with her many friends. Willa always wanted to know what each and every



one of her grandchildren were doing and took great interest in their activities.

Every Wednesday morning for 40 years, she met with her friends in a coffee group. Willa cherished the lifelong friendships she made in these groups. She was also a member of the church. The church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and looked forward to spending time with her visiting teachers.

Willa is survived by her brother, Fred Bacon Jr.; daughters, Thayne (Leland) Dennis of Holladay, Utah, and Brenda (Ned) Homer of Paul, Idaho; four grandchildren; one son, Superintendent of Twin Falls, Idaho, Julie Bryan Sinnitt of Ogden, Utah, Dawn (Aaron) Whitesides of Paul, Idaho, and Tyler (Anna) Dennis of Cambridge, England; seven great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob; her parents; sisters, Frances Calen Shoberger and sister-in-law, Madge Bacon. She will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

A special thanks to Bridgeview Estates and all those who lived in her care where she involved in independent living up until the last month of her life.

Willa's life will be celebrated on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, with Bishop Brent White conducting. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Jonatan Medina Arevalo

RAFF RIVER — Jonatan Medina Arevalo, 6-year-old son of Gerardo Medina Arevalo and Graciela Arevalo of Raff River, died Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, in a fall.

He was born Nov. 7, 2000, in Glendale, Ariz. He had resided in Rupert prior to moving to Raff River. He was currently in the first grade at the Newcomer Center in Burley. He enjoyed riding his bicycle and playing soccer. He loved his family and liked to be with his Mama and Daddy, and enjoyed playing with his siblings and cousins. He was a member of Boca



Firme Santa Peterocotes. He is survived by his parents, Gerardo and Graciela Medina Arevalo; his siblings, Ruyana Medina Arevalo and Jossue Medina Arevalo; his grandparents, Antonio de Arevalo Perez and Maria de Jesus Ramirez Lopez; and his aunts, uncles, cousins and friends who desire his burial.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Rios de Vida Church, Eighth and Streets in Rupert, with the Rev. David Martinez officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1250 E. 16th St. in Burley, and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church.

Herbert Samuel 'Sam' Mahler

WEISER — Herbert Samuel "Sam" Mahler, age 56, passed away Sept. 7, 2007, at his home in Weiser, Idaho.

Sam was born Aug. 1, 1951, in Kellogg, Idaho, the first son of Lyle and S. a u n c e "Molly" Mahler and Ella Mae "Molly" Storey Mahler. Sam grew up in Rupert, Idaho, and graduated from Minico High School. He graduated from the College of Southern Idaho and was on the dean's list. Upon graduation, he moved to Nampa, Idaho. He met and married Gerry Kayser (deceased) mother of Jody Sarah and Susan. Sam worked for his Uncle Ernie McNeil at Nampa Ford Tractor. Later Sam was employed at the company of Kelly Martinez. He met and married Debbie Look Mahler and they made their home in Weiser, Idaho. Sam then worked for Slyter Sales and was currently the co-manager of Agri Service. Sam learned to play golf from his Uncle Ernie and Aunt Jo



McNeil, and golf became one of his favorite activities. Sam was an avid Denver Broncos fan.

He is survived by his loving wife, Debbie Kayser; two sons, Jody Mahler Weir (Lewis) of Parma, Idaho, Sarah Mahler of Denver, Colo., and two daughters, (Pete) of Middleton, Idaho; his father and mother, Lud and Molly Mahler of Rupert, Idaho; brother Mike Mahler (Jan) of Kimberly, Idaho; sisters, Ann Mahler Duncan and Trina "Jill" Mahler Dunn (Ron) of Boise, Idaho; five grandchildren, Zoe, Aubrey, Kately, Alicia and April; and a great-grandson, Jody McNeil of Ernie, and Aunt Jo McNeil of Nampa. Numerous other uncles, aunts, cousins and loved ones; and special friend, Sue Slyter.

The family requests no flowers. Plans for the funeral of Sam's name may be given to the Weiser High School Golf Club.

A service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, at the Thompson Funeral Home in Weiser. A gathering is to follow at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser.

Raymond 'Ray' James Pepper

CASTLEFORD — Raymond "Ray" James Pepper, 58, of Castleford, passed away on Sept. 4, 2007, in an automobile accident.

He was born on Aug. 19, 1949, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Fred and Thelma Pepper. On Oct. 2, 1969, Ray married the love of his life, Pamela Robinson Shipp. He served his country with pride in the U.S. Army, the Idaho National Guard and was a lieutenant for Blaine County Search and Rescue. Every town Ray lived in, he found a coffee shop and made many friends. He enjoyed spending time in the outdoors and he adored his family.

Survivors include wife, Pamela Pepper of Castleford; four children, Kirk (Tricia) of



Malad, Kevin of Castleford, Krystal (Nathan) Wilkinson of Burley, and Kelly (Robert) Strub of Twin Falls, and four grandchildren, William, Andrew, Chyenne and Inakda Pepper. He was preceded in death by his mother, Ruth Pepper.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, at the Calvary Chapel in Buhl. A viewing will be held one hour prior to the service. He will be laid to rest in the Buhl Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Wood River Chapel in Hailey, Idaho.

DEATH NOTICES

Keith Clark
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

James W. Moore
JEROME — James W. Moore, 66, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2007, at his home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Marion Johnson
GLENN'S FERRY — Marion Johnson, 79, of Glenn's Ferry, died Monday, Sept. 10, 2007, at her home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Farners Home in Mountain Home.

Sidona R. DiCostanzo
BOISE — Sidona R. DiCostanzo, 81, of Boise, died Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at a Boise care center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Nampa Funeral Home, Vreugden Chapel.

William J. Silverman
HEYBURN — William John Silverman, 77, of Heyburn, died Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center.

A private graveside service was held Monday, Sept. 10, at the Sunny Cedar Rest Cemetery in Almo. Arrangements were under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Robert L. James
Robert L. "Bob" James, 86, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Sept. 9, 2007, at his home.

Any Elise Bench

JEROME — Amy Elise Bench, infant daughter of Thomas and Marlen Bench, passed away at birth Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at Genesis East Medical Center Davenport, Iowa.

Survivors include her parents, Thomas R. and Marlen J. (Christensen) Bench; brother, Jaydon; sister, Eden; grandparents, Dorian and Melissa Bench of Jerome, Idaho; Scott and Beverly Christensen of College Ward, Utah; great-grandparents, Don and Esther Daw of Jerome, Idaho; Norman and Bobbie Bench of Burley, Idaho; Jay and Rolaine Stringham of Valinda, Calif.; and Melissa Gwin of Wendell, Idaho.

A graveside service will be conducted at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Jerome Cemetery, 902 N. Ave. 1 in Jerome. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

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6:00 pm Tashlich St. Thomas Episcopal Church, picnic to follow

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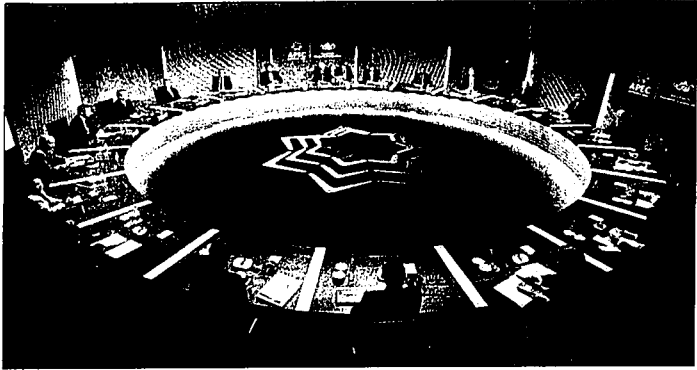
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APEC leaders forge deal on climate change; protesters march in Sydney



Leaders of Asia-Pacific nations attend the APEC economic summit Saturday in Sydney, Australia. The leaders, representing nearly half the world's trade, gathered for the summit under the tightest security in Australian history.

Program may influence talks on new post-Kyoto blueprint

By Charles Hutzler
Associated Press writer

SYDNEY, Australia — Pacific Rim leaders agreed Saturday to curb global warming by improving energy use and expanding forests, laying out a plan they hope will influence future climate change talks but that critics dismissed as too timid.

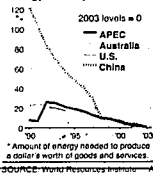
President Bush, Russian President Vladimir Putin, China's Hu Jintao and leaders of other Asia-Pacific economies endorsed the program at an annual summit after officials struck a deal between richer and developing nations over targets.

The program's centerpiece are two modest goals — one on energy efficiency, the other on forests. Unlike the contentious, U.N.-backed Kyoto Protocol, it does not set targets for the region and the world.

"APEC leaders have charted a new international consensus for the region and the world," summit host Australian Prime Minister John Howard said, standing outside the graceful, shell-shaped Sydney Opera House where the leaders met.

Energy goal

Improvement of the APEC members' energy efficiency is on the list of proposals this year. Energy intensity trends*



* Annual energy needed to produce a dollar's worth of goods and services. SOURCE: World Resources Institute

Kyoto blueprint

And unlike the Kyoto agreement, which largely exempted developing countries from targets, China has signed on to APEC's goals.

"APEC leaders have charted a new international consensus for the region and the world," summit host Australian Prime Minister John Howard said, standing outside the graceful, shell-shaped Sydney Opera House where the leaders met.

A massive demonstration that activist groups called for — and that authorities warned could be violent — mostly fizzled in the presence of a show of force by



Australian police move people back after a protester was arrested Saturday in Sydney during a march and rally near the summit of Pacific Rim leaders.

police and threats of arrest. About 3,000 demonstrators held a festive, mostly peaceful rally, protesting against Bush, the Iraq war and APEC's pro-business policies. Police arrested 17 protesters while two officers were injured. But protesters stayed on the approved route and away from a 10-foot metal fence police erected throughout downtown Sydney to cordon off summit sites.

Aside from their group meeting, APEC leaders also took advantage of the gathering to confer with each other. Bush held a first-ever three-way meeting with

Australia's Howard and Japan's Shinzo Abe to discuss India, China and other security issues.

It was on climate change that APEC leaders hoped to break new ground. The grouping accords for more than half the world's economy and contains most of its biggest polluters.

Under the platform, APEC members will reduce "energy intensity" — the amount of energy needed to produce a dollar of gross domestic product — by 25 percent by 2030. They also pledged to increase forest cover in the region by at least 50 million acres by 2020.

Overweight and state approved

Thousands of overweight trucks damage the nation's roads and bridges

By April Castro
Associated Press writer

More than a half-million overweight trucks are allowed onto the nation's roads and bridges — and increasingly routine practice that some officials say is putting dangerous wear and tear on an already groaning infrastructure.

Interviews, some experts warned that the practice of issuing state permits that allow trucks to exceed the usual weight limits can weaken steel and concrete, something that investigators say may have contributed to the Minneapolis bridge collapse Aug. 1 that killed 13 people.

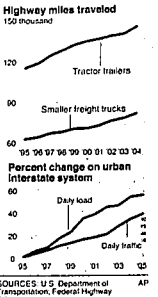
Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said the costs of fixing roads such as U.S. Interstate 84 through southern Idaho and U.S. Highway 95, which runs north and south the length of the state, are outpacing the state Transportation Department's roughly \$500 million annual budget.

His proposal is to increase taxes and fees to generate about \$200 million more for road repairs. It's an issue that is playing out in other states throughout the nation.

"We talk about this all the time and the fear that we have is that we're going to have the same sort of disaster here that happened in Minnesota," said Don Lee, executive director of the Texas Conference of Urban

Rough road ahead

The weight and number of vehicles using roads and bridges have increased every year over the past 12 years.



SOURCE: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration

Counties. In 2000, Millwaukee's Hoan Bridge collapsed when steel girders cracked. Several factors were blamed for the collapse, including a significant number of heavy trucks, some over the normal weight limit, that routinely traveled over the bridge.

The weight limit for nearly all interstate highways is 40 tons. According to a government study, one 40-ton truck does as much damage to the road as 9,600 cars. But permits frequently allow vehicles to exceed that amount by two tons in Texas and sometimes as much as 85 tons in Nevada. Some states grant one-time permits that allow trucks to be considerably heavier.

Engineers liken the effect of heavy trucks on a bridge to bending a paper clip. It can bend again and again without breaking, but eventually it will snap.

MONEY IN BRIEF

Rates fall on treasury bills to 3-week low

WASHINGTON — Interest rates on short-term Treasury bills fell in Monday's auction to the lowest levels in three weeks.

The Treasury Department auctioned \$20 billion in three-month bills at a discount rate of 3.860 percent, down from 4.350 percent last week. Another \$15 billion in six-month bills was auctioned at a discount rate of 4.020 percent, down from 4.380 percent last week.

The three-month rate was the lowest since three-month bills averaged 2.850 percent on Aug. 20. The six-month rate was the lowest since 3.950 percent, also on Aug. 20.

The discount rates reflect that the bills sell for less than face value. For a \$100,000 bill, the three-month price was \$9,903.94 while a six-month

bill sold for \$9,796.77.

Workforce Development summit is Wednesday

The Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization will hold the 2007 Workforce Development Summit on Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Herrett Center at the College of Southern Idaho.

The conference has gained national and state recognition as the most comprehensive review of Idaho's labor market. State and local officials will address workforce supply and demand, as well as a forecast of what small-to-large businesses should expect in the near future.

Seating is limited, so anyone interested in attending the event should contact SIEDO at (208) 324-7408 or amandow@quest.net. — from staff and wire reports

School-supply shopping list is growing

Nation's spending on school items expected to top \$3 billion this year

By Carla Rivera
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Armed with a list and a shopping basket and resigned to the task at hand, Bill Cook stood in the aisle of a Westchester office supply store perusing shelves of blue, red and black pens, triple- and quadruple-sized pencils, one-hole punches and cap erasers when suddenly a smile creased his face: the chisel-tip markers!

"It was a moment of triumphant discovery" likely shared by thousands of parents enduring the annual back-to-school ritual of shopping for school supplies. While some families get a

head start by purchasing supplies in early or mid summer, many like the Cooks wait until the first week of classes for updated lists from new teachers.

All told, back-to-school spending is expected to top \$1.8 billion this year, \$3 billion on school supplies such as folders, backpacks and lunch boxes, according to the National Retail Federation. Most families will spend \$90 to \$100 on supplies — the national average is \$94, but the cost can stretch to hundreds of dollars for those with several school-age children.

If the costs of supplies have crept upward each year, the products themselves are likely to seem surprisingly famil-

lar. Even in this age of Internet downloads, laptop computers and smart boards, there is just no substitute for some simple tools of the trade — a No. 2 pencil and a spiral notebook.

And in some ways, they are more important than ever. As standardized tests and exit exams put more pressure on administrators and teachers to boost student achievement, the importance of having the right materials has never been greater.

"We have natched up the accountability in California in requirements for children beginning even at the kindergarten level, and that demands that children have more school supplies than ever before in history," said Pam Brady, president of the California State Teachers' Association. "The products are literally tools that children use to learn how to organize — this is your pencil, your

pen, this is the folder where you're going to put things. All that organization helps children reach their highest potential."

Although parents may think the lists are a bit arbitrary, they are carefully designed to meet safety and instructional standards, said Bob Huston, principal at Banks Elementary School in Oregon. Parents at each grade level at the K-6 school are beginning to shop for supplies and can shop on their own or purchase a ready-made kit from the school's parent teacher organization.

For retailers, the back-to-school shopping rush is equivalent to Christmas as the period of highest sales. The Staples store in Westchester extended its hours and hired extra workers to help with demand, assistant store manager Devin Lee said.

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EDITORIAL

The unfinished
business of
Sept. 11, 2001

It's Tuesday, Sept. 11 — the first time that the anniversary of the 2001 terror attacks has fallen on a Tuesday.

Things are eerily different — few public commemorations of the tragedy are planned today — but oddly the same: Osama Bin Laden is still at large, Americans are still being killed by terrorists abroad, and the difficult issues surrounding the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon have only grown more complex.

And 9/11 remains a chapter that America has yet to close. In World War II, it took 3 1/2 years from the day Nazi Germany declared war on the United States for Allied troops to track down Adolf Hitler. Bin Laden has now been hiding with impunity in a country allied to the U.S. — Pakistan — for nearly twice that long.

The American invasion of Iraq in 2003 opened a second front in the war on terror, while at the same time diverting resources from the hunt for Bin Laden and efforts to crush the Taliban in Afghanistan. Now the Taliban are back, and post-war Iraq is very likely to become the next training ground for Sunni Muslim extremists bent on attacking the United States again.

So what have we learned? We now know that this misperceptions can be deadly.

America went to war in Iraq with faulty intelligence about weapons of mass destruction in that country and completely unprepared to win the peace after we'd won the war.

We misunderstood the complicated dynamic between Sunni and Shi'a Islam, and assumed that black-and-white measures can solve problems of gray.

More fundamentally, we learned what we should have learned in Vietnam a generation earlier — military power is not always decisive, nor can it always keep us safe.

Ideas — even crackbrained seventh-century notions rejected by most Muslims — can sometimes trump a superior force.

It's not that America must fight the war on terror harder; it's that we have to fight it smarter. We must do what we've been so reluctant to do up until now — actively support change in the totalitarian governments that dominate the Islamic world and pressure Israel to find a equitable settlement with the Palestinians.

Since 9/11, our survival has depended on understanding the rest of the world at least as well as the world understands us. Six years on, we still have a lot to learn.

Our view: The six years since the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon have shown Americans how much we don't know. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



Full commitment lacking in war effort

Nearly six years after Sept. 11, 2001, what has changed in America — and in its war effort. And yet if we can't change ourselves, what are the chances that we can change others?

When President Bush declares that the Global War on Terror is "the concentrated work of generations," one has to wonder if he really means it. Certainly there's been little concentration on effective war mobilization, and other countries have noticed.

As we look back to study wars that the United States has won — and why — the most obvious metric is the size of the force that Uncle Sam put into the field.

Today our military is not much larger than in 2001, even if one includes the entire war force of the Department of Homeland Security, as well as the intelligence agencies, the total still amounts to less than 1 percent of the overall population.

Yet in past wars, when the commander-in-chief was determined to win, he was willing to use any means necessary to build up strength, including a draft.



JAMES P. PINKERTON

That's how, for example, the Union mobilized a full 10 percent of its population into uniform during the Civil War.

Another metric is war financing. Spending for defense and war has more than doubled in the past six years, from \$232 billion in fiscal 2001 to somewhere around \$650 billion this year. That's a stupendous number, of course, but relative to the gross domestic product of nearly \$14 trillion, it's not so much — less than 5 percent. In fact, by comparison, at the peak of World War II, war spending was consuming almost 40 percent of our economic output.

And of course, taxes traditionally go up, too. During the Civil War, the income tax was imposed for the first time in our history. A half century later, when the United States entered World War I, the top federal

income tax rate was a mere 7 percent. But it was immediately raised to 77 percent, and during World War II taxes were even higher, reaching 94 percent. By contrast, rates have been reduced over the past six years: the current top rate is 35 percent.

This is not to say that every politico-military decision of the Civil War and the two World Wars was wise. A strong argument can be made, for example, that too-high tax rates are outright counterproductive, because they discourage productive investing and encourage unproductive tax sheltering. But still, it's hard to argue with success — the United States won those wars.

And remarkably, despite the tragic loss of life, the nation emerged substantially stronger than those wars. The Civil War saw not only the end to slavery, but also the beginnings of a transcontinental railroad system and the establishment of free higher education for the masses, in the form of land-grant colleges. Moreover, World War I established the United States as the world's leading power. And in World War II, in addi-

tion to victory overseas, America established, on the home front, employment nondiscrimination as a national goal, even as it spawned whole new industries such as jet aviation and atomic power.

By contrast, the record over these past six years has been, shall we say, mixed. On the upside, the American homeland has not been attacked again, and the economy continues to grow. On the downside, the lack of commitment from the entire nation, top to bottom, has left us unable to develop the decisively war-winning strategies and technologies that characterized those earlier struggles.

Six years after 9/11, the world is watching us prosper at home — not flaunt abroad. Such enemies and rivals as Iran, Russia and China are paying particularly close attention to our war-fighting effectiveness. They might well conclude that the United States is, as Chairman Mao once said, a paper tiger. That's a dangerous judgment, for us and for the world.

James Pinkerton is a columnist for *Nesday*.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Minnesota airport officer had
slim evidence on Craig

Am I the only one who read the transcript of Sen. Craig's arrest and interview?

Officers don't offer deals like that unless they don't have what goes in the toilet to go to court with. He was-

n't trying to help Sen. Craig, he was trying not to go to court with a no-win case.

The Minneapolis-St. Paul airport police should be the ones asking for Sgt. Karsnia's resignation. He made assumptions with no foundation of fact. He used undue color of authority with Sen. Craig by making a deal to

save himself from going to court. I believe any Idaho prosecutor would have thrown this case out as being without merit. I know Idaho police officers have better things to do than to sit on a toilet and wait for the person they're arresting. STEVE HOBBS
Burley

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Beware of the closing steps
in first-time home purchase

First-time home buyers do not get the service. My wife and I recently purchased a home in the presidential streets. We went with a company that we thought we could trust to help us with the ins and outs of this major investment; we were sadly mistaken.

We were taken in (or is it "taken") by one of this company's buyer specialists to not get the offer on this home after the walkthrough. Our representative did not even help us point out issues that he saw during the walkthrough.

Once we finally had our buyer specialist input our contingencies into the contract, we and the sellers agreed. This is when the service really went downhill. The timeline for closing was set and the only responsibility the real estate company and our buyer specialist took on was to make sure the sellers were well taken care of. My wife and I spent the next three weeks wondering what was going on and if our contingencies were being met. Furthermore, when we called our buyer specialist, he did not even know what was going on, except the conditions we were working toward so the seller could get

paid. Their escrow department sent us a letter informing us they never called. I had to carry the scheduling with the real estate agent, which was supposed to be representing us. Three days until closing and our agent did not even show up for the final walkthrough of the home, which was still occupied by the sellers and all of their possession. Two stacks of boxes and a moving van don't make up for the hassle we endured. All the while its false apologies meant nothing, their commission did. Hard lesson learned. CHRIS PEROTTO
Twin Falls

Another banner year for
the T.F. County Fair

As your board members for the Twin Falls County Fair, we want to thank all the volunteers who made our fair a big success. Over 98,000 fairgoers attended during the six-day run of the fair this year, with Saturday attendance of more than 23,000 being the largest single-day attendance since we started keeping track 11 years ago.

Events at the fair this year included the Magic Valley Stampede (a PRCA rodeo), plus both a destruction derby and extreme motocross races,

not to mention the performing artist, Josh Turner. Fairgoers enjoyed the carnival, midway, 4-H events and animal barns, along with home arts, cultural exhibits and merchant displays.

During the rest of the year, our fairgrounds are utilized for livestock events, receptions, antique sales, flea markets, gun shows, fundraisers, banquets, baptisms, quinceañeras and the district high school rodeo, the sheriff's egg hunt, the Shrine Circus and more.

The Twin Falls County Fairgrounds is a nonprofit organization and all the

proceeds go toward maintaining and improving the fairground facilities and 4-H-FFA stables and show rings.

If any of you have any comments or thoughts, please contact any one of us -

BILL LEWIS
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Bill Lewis is the chairman of the Twin Falls County Fair Board; other fair board members are vice-chairman Lyle Williamson of Filer, Paul Holcomb of Kimberly, Ralph Denison of Twin Falls, Jim Barker of Duhl, Tom Bulkley of Castletford and Ted Corrie of Kimberly.)

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EGYPT

Al-Qaida: bin Laden to appear in new video

CAIRO — Osama bin Laden will appear for the second time in a week in a new video to mark the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, presenting the last will and testament of one of the suicide hijackers, al-Qaida announced Monday.

Each year, al-Qaida has released videos of last statements by hijackers on the anniversary of the 2001 attacks, using the occasion to rally its sympathizers.

But this year's releases underline how bin Laden is re-emerging to tout his leadership — whether symbolic or effective — of the jihad movement. While past anniversary videos featured

old footage of bin Laden, the latest appears likely to include a newly made speech.

Bin Laden had not appeared for nearly three years until a new video was released over the weekend. In that video, he addressed the American people, telling them the war in Iraq is a failure and taking on a new anti-globalization rhetoric. He urged Americans to abandon capitalism and democracy and embrace Islam.

WASHINGTON

Intelligence director says monitoring overseas conversations critical

Weapons of mass destruction, small boats packed with

explosives and Islamic radicalization are the greatest terrorist threats facing the country, top U.S. security officials said Monday on the eve of the sixth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The officials told Congress the country is much better prepared to face terrorist threats than it was then, but that terrorists' desire to attack the United States remains strong — an assertion that has yet to be fully accepted by the American public, according to a new poll.

"The enemy is not standing still. They are constantly revising their tactics and adapting their strategy and their capabilities," said Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. "And if we stand still — or worse yet, if we retreat — we are going to be handing them an advan-

tage that we dare not see them hold."

He said the threat of a USS Cole-type attack on U.S. ports — where a small boat packed with explosives detonates in a harbor — is one of his top concerns.

And while the department's goal is to keep nuclear weapons from entering the country, he said it also is focusing on how it would respond should a nuclear device get through and explode — particularly how to identify and track the nuclear materials.

Hillary Clinton to return \$850,000 linked to arrested fundraiser

Confronted with new evidence that it had ignored warnings about fundraiser Norman Hsu, the presidential campaign of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., abruptly announced late Monday that it was returning \$850,000 from 260 donors associated with Hsu.

The announcement was made only after the Los Angeles Times asked Clinton officials to respond to mid-June campaign e-mails the newspaper obtained that dismised concerns about Hsu and his business practices.

"I can tell you with 100 percent certainty that Norman Hsu is not involved in a grand scheme," said Samantha Wolf, who had the title West Coast finance

director for the campaign. She has since left the campaign. "He is completely legit."

She wrote the e-mail in June to a party official who was asking questions about Hsu and his reputation in the financial world.

PAKISTAN

Pakistan's leader sends ex-PM back into exile

ISLAMABAD — President Gen. Pervez Musharraf defied Pakistan's Supreme Court on Monday, sending commanders to the airport and tossing out a bitter rival hours after he returned from exile in hopes of a making political comeback and opposing the military leader.

The expulsion of Nawaz Sharif, who was ousted as an elected prime minister by Musharraf in a 1999 bloodless coup, could deepen the general's unpopularity and undermine the legitimacy of upcoming elections.

Nor long after he arrived from London to cheers from supporters accompanying him on the plane, Sharif was charged with corruption and money-laundering and bundled away by police from the airport VIP lounge. Four hours after landing, he was on a special flight to Saudi Arabia.

S. CAROLINA

Fred Thompson: bin Laden would get due process if captured

GREENVILLE — Republican presidential contender Fred Thompson said Monday that while Osama bin Laden needs to be caught and killed, the terrorist mastermind would get the due process of law.

In his first campaign trip to South Carolina, the lawyer and former Tennessee senator answered questions about his recent statements about the man considered responsible for the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that killed nearly 3,000 Americans. Last week, a new video with bin Laden surfaced, the first in three years.

On Friday, Thompson told reporters in Iowa that bin Laden is "more symbolism than anything else" and said his presence in the "mountains of Pakistan or Afghanistan is not as important as there are probably al-Qaida operatives inside the United States of America."

The remarks drew criticism from some Democratic rivals and later in the day, Thompson adopted a tougher line, saying bin Laden "ought to be caught and killed."

— from wire reports

COMMUNITY NEWS

Parents, family fair event is in Rupert

RUPERT — The third annual Parents Make the Difference Workshop and Family Fair will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Minico High School, 100 S. 292 W., Rupert.

The event is open to the public and will include health, fitness and safety booths, graduation options, college information and drug awareness. Representatives from Idaho colleges will be in attendance, as well as high school counselors and educators.

This will be an education-

al workshop for parents of children of every grade level. Activities will be available for children ages 3 to 14 and childcare will be available for children under 2 years. There will also be a dinner and raffle.

For more information, call 436-0264.

State veterans' official to speak in Wendell

WENDELL — Steve Teague, state service officer with the Idaho Division of Veterans Services, will be at the American Legion Hall, 610 W. Main St., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday to answer questions regarding

current veteran's benefits. He will also provide assistance with ongoing claims will also be accepting new claims. For more information, call Jim Benson at 536-5140.

State service officer to speak in Burley

BURLEY — Milt Smith, the state service officer from Boise, will be at the Burley Veterans Office at the Burley Airport on Wednesday.

For an appointment, call Dick Dalton at the office at 678-3599 or at home at 878-2555. If no answer, leave a message and the call will be returned.

SERVICES

Dr. Jerral Wimberley of Buhl, funeral and interment at 10:30 a.m. today at the Church of God in Christ Mennonite grounds west of Buhl at 1190 E. 4100 N.; community memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at First Christian Church at Broadway and Poplar in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls (no service).

The Rev. Robert J. "Bob" Smith of Twin Falls, memorial service and celebration of life at 11 a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Ted D. Allred of Wendell, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel; visitation.

for family and friends from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at the chapel.

Helen Irene Arnold of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 4 p.m. Monday at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Twin Falls (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

John Hardy Estary Jr. of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Bethel Temple Church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Donald A. Sliccock of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave. in Burley; friends may call 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Michael L. "Mike" Blecher of Gooding and formerly of Jerome, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Oasis Christian Fellowship in Shoshone; visitation for family and friends one hour before the service today at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Les Mal of Pocatello and formerly of Filer, funeral at 4 p.m. today at Grace Lutheran Church, 4350 Baldy in Pocatello (Cornelison-Henderson Funeral Home in Pocatello).

Jody L. Chambers of Twin Falls, viewing for family and friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at Reynolds

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Sen. Craig files papers to withdraw guilty plea

By Joshua Freed
Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Sen. Larry Craig sought to undo his guilty plea in an airport sex sting on Monday, claiming that he admitted to the charge in a panic to avoid triggering a story about his sexuality in his hometown newspaper.

Craig had denied to editors at the Idaho Statesman that he was gay just weeks before his June 11 arrest in the bathroom of the Minneapolis airport. The paper didn't run a story, but Craig thought his arrest would change that.

Craig's attorneys wrote that "faced with the pressure of an aggressive interrogation and the consequences of public embarrassment, Senator Craig panicked and chose to plead to a crime he did not commit."

Craig's affidavit said he decided on the day of his arrest to plead guilty to whatever charge was eventually filed against him.

The timing could become important because more than a month and a half passed between Craig's June 11 arrest and Aug. 1, when he signed a guilty plea to a disorderly conduct charge.

Craig's actions, his attorneys argued, were influenced in part by police Sgt. Dave Karsnia, who arrested and interrogated the senator. Karsnia told the senator he could resolve the case by paying a fine, and added: "I don't call media."

"In his mind, the terms of the plea included the promise made by Officer Karsnia

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that the alleged incident would not be released to the media," Craig's attorneys wrote.

"While in his state of intense anxiety, Senator Craig felt compelled to grasp the lifeline offered to him by the police officer," they wrote.

Prosecutors will oppose Craig's motion, said Patrick Hogan, a spokesman for the Metropolitan Airports Commission, which brought the charges.

"From our standpoint, this is already a done deal," Hogan said.

News of Craig's guilty plea brought intense pressure on him from Senate Republican leaders and other colleagues in Washington to resign. He first announced he intended to resign by Sept. 30, then said he was reconsidering. A spokesman later said Craig had dropped virtually all notion of trying to finish his third term, unless a court moves quickly to overturn the conviction.

That's unlikely to happen before the end of the month. Craig's attorneys asked for a hearing for their motion, but no date was immediately set on Monday.

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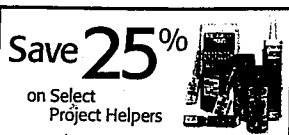
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Panel discusses GOP-backed plan to shake up teacher pay

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A proposal to give public school teachers the choice of higher pay over job security garnered most of the attention Monday during a legislative committee's discussion of incentives aimed at improving Idaho education.

The debate here follows a national trend, in which schools in Denver and Dallas have adopted plans that reward teachers who boost their professional skills or when their students hike their test scores.

Republican lawmakers including Rep. Scott Bedke, of Oakley, and Senate President Pro Tem Bob Geddes, of Soda Springs, introduced a bill in the 2007 Legislature to offer teachers career two tracks: A traditional path that would provide job security, but lower pay, and an alternative that could boost teacher's salaries by at least \$3,000 but make them more accountable to measures such as student achievement and test results.

"I'm not confident this is anything this committee could recommend to the full Legislature," Geddes said of his and Bedke's measure. "But ... we've seen some of the ideas that have been generated today as being ideas that people are willing to pursue."

The committee will make nonbinding recommendations to the Legislature in January.

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Palmer's 2 TDs, goal-line stand give Bengals 27-20 win

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — With wounded players shuffling off in waves, what was left of the Cincinnati Bengals rallied for a win that hurt so good.

Steve McNair's interception — his fourth of the game — set up Carson Palmer's fourth-quarter touchdown pass, and Cincinnati's suspect defense pulled off a goal-line stand Monday night that preserved a 27-20 victory over the Baltimore Ravens.

In a bruising season opener matching the last two AFC North champs, the Bengals were the last one standing — barely.

Kyle Bollinger took over after McNair strained his groin in the fourth quarter — the last in a nonstop run of injuries for both teams — and led the Ravens to the 1-yard line in the closing seconds.

A pass interference penalty on Todd Heap negated his catch in the end zone, and Steelers

More Monday Night Football

The San Francisco 49ers led the Arizona Cardinals 7-0 at 7:11 p.m. Eastern time Monday night.

final pass deflected off Hepp's shoulder and was intercepted in the end zone by diving lineman Michael Myers.

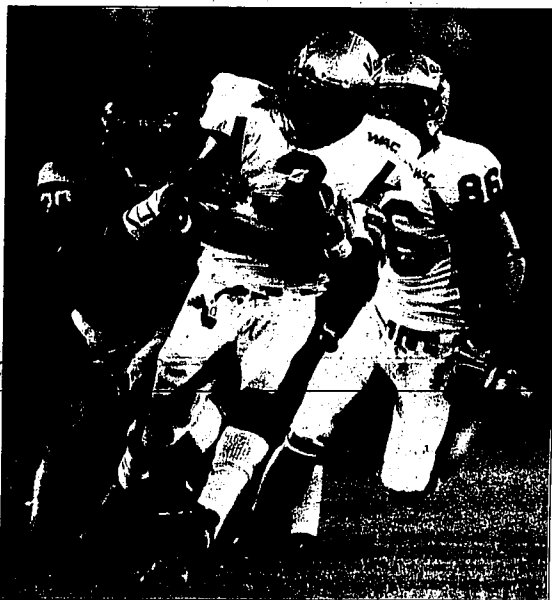
The Bengals had to work with a makeshift offensive line that was missing three starters by the second quarter. They also briefly lost kicker Shayne Graham, costing them on an extra-point try.

Even receiver Chad Johnson limped off at one point, evidently suffering from a cramp. The Pro Bowl receiver and incessant self-promoter came up big for the Bengals, catching a 39-yard touchdown pass that set the tone.



Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer (9) passes under pressure from Baltimore Ravens defensive tackle Trevor Pryce in the first quarter of an NFL football game, Monday, in Cincinnati.

D.J.'s SWEET MUSIC



Idaho running back Deonte Jackson slips past the tackle of Southern California's Terrill Thomas Sept. 1 in Los Angeles.

Idaho, WSU need break from series

The Associated Press

Nov. 14, 1994.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Washington State and Idaho are located just eight miles apart, and that's too close for annual football showdowns, the coaches said Monday.

Like an old married couple, the rivals will take a break after Saturday's game in Pullman.

"You can keep a little life in it when it's every few years," said Robb Akey, coach of Idaho.

While the Battle of the Palouse has never had the national profile of Michigan-Ohio State or Texas-Oklahoma, players from those teams aren't sharing the same community most of the year, either.

Washington State (1-1) is based in Pullman, a town of about 25,000, while Idaho (1-1) is just down Highway 270 in Moscow, a town of about 20,000. Other than the two universities, there's not much there besides some farming.

The economies and social lives of the two towns are deeply intertwined. Sometimes too much so for WSU coach Bill Doba.

"Because of the proximity of the two schools, we are leaving ourselves open for disaster," Doba said Monday. "Our guys are constantly in Idaho. Their guys date some of our girls."

"Sooner or later, somebody is going to say something or shove somebody and we will have an unfortunate incident," Doba said.

How dose are the two programs? Akey, in his first year at Idaho, was defensive coordinator for Doba at WSU in the past few years. Coaches have long jumped between the two programs, and often socialize off the field.

"We're so close to each other," Doba said of Akey. "Sometimes you want to beat your buddies worse than anyone else."

The first college football game either school ever played was against each other, a 10-0 WSU win on

In the days when travel was more difficult, the teams played most years before the series tapered off after 1978 in the face off 11 straight WSU wins. It resumed on an annual basis in 1993, after Idaho jumped up to what was then called Division I-A. In the spirit of neighborliness, Washington State allowed Idaho to use its Martin Stadium for home games, because the Vandals' Kibbie Dome was then not big enough to satisfy I-A requirements.

Idaho actually won two straight in 1999 and 2000, before losing the past six games. Most of the recent games have been blowouts, including last year's 56-10 WSU win.

The 89-game rivalry is pretty lopsided, in part because Idaho played for years in the former Division I-AA. Washington State of the Pacific-10 leads 69-17-3. Idaho, of the Western Athletic Conference, hasn't won since 2000.

The annual series doesn't make a lot of sense for either team, Akey said.

For Washington State, perception is they should always clobber the Vandals. The Vandals have nothing to lose in the game. But Akey said they also don't make that much money from the WSU, game, despite playing a BCS foe.

While the cash-strapped Vandals in recent years have scheduled two and sometimes three games per season, against BCS teams, trading probable losses for money, Akey wants to change that.

He would like to pay one higher paying BCS game per year, such as the contest at No. 1 Southern California to open this season. Then he'd like to schedule one or two games, against similar-level teams, from the Mountain West or other conference, or one against a lower-division team.

No one is talking about permanently ending the series. The talk is of playing every other year or every three years.

Vandal running back spins way to personal record

By Grant Joki
Times-News correspondent

MOSCOW — "George Strait." That was the quick reply from Idaho head coach Robb Akey when asked last week about his favorite vocal artist. Akey may like the country and western of Strait. But on the field, it's the Vandals' D.J. spinning records of a different sort.

That D.J. is running back Deonte Jackson, the redshirt freshman from Warren, Ark. Akey and the Vandals Nation are praising back-to-back stellar

performances from the quiet Jackson, who hails from the heart of SEC country.

In the opener against the much hyped Southern California defense, Jackson rushed for 99 yards. In Saturday's home debut he became Idaho's eighth best individual game rusher with 214 yards. A mid-fourth quarter slash, cut, spin and tight rope touchdown covering 11 yards ignited the Kibbie Dome in an explosive roar. The run showed all — fitness, speed and power.

Said a humble Jackson, "I knew if I

kept my feet moving I would have a chance — I didn't (use) the spin move all day. So, I finally got my chance and when I took it, it was there."

At the 831 mark in the fourth quarter this gave Idaho a 20-6 cushion. The score by Jackson would prove to be the difference.

"I didn't know it was that many. But it felt like it," said Jackson when told he had 30 carries and averaged more than seven yards per tote.

Jackson appeared to get stronger as

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Bills' Everett likely to be paralyzed after 'catastrophic' neck injury during opener

The Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Kevin Everett sustained a "catastrophic" and "life-threatening, spinal-cord injury while trying to make a tackle during the Buffalo Bills' season opener and is unlikely to walk again, the surgeon who operated on him Monday said.

"A best-case scenario is full recovery, but not likely," orthopedic surgeon Andrew Cappuccino said. "I believe there will be some permanent neurologic deficit."

Everett was hurt Sunday after he ducked his head while tackling the Denver Broncos' Domenic Hixon during the second-half kickoff. Hixon dropped face-first to the ground

after his helmet hit Hixon high on the left shoulder and side of the helmet.

Cappuccino noted the 25-year-old reserve tight end did have touch sensation throughout his body and also showed signs of movement. But he cautioned that Everett's injury was life-threatening because he was still susceptible to "blood clots, infection and breathing failure."

Everett is in the intensive care unit of Buffalo's Millard Fillmore-Gates Hospital, where he is under sedation and breathing through a respirator as doctors wait for the swelling to lessen. Cappuccino said it will take up to three days to determine the severity of the injury and

the recovery process.

Cappuccino repaired a break between the third and fourth vertebrae and also alleviated the pressure on the spinal cord. In reconstructing his spine, doctors made a bone graft and inserted a plate, held in by four screws, and also inserted two small rods, held in place by another four screws.

"Doctors, however, weren't able to repair all the damage."

"Bill" punter Brian Moorman immediately feared the worst when Everett showed no signs of movement as he was placed on a backboard and with his head and body immobilized, carefully loaded into a "stretcher."

"He brought tears to my eyes"



Buffalo Bills reserve tight end Kevin Everett lies on the field after an injury during the second half of the NFL football game against the Denver Broncos at Ralph Wilson Stadium in Orchard Park, N.Y., Sunday.

Moorman said after practice. He said the sight of Everett's motionless body brought back memories of Mike Uley, the former Detroit Lions guard, who was paralyzed below the chest after injuring his neck in a collision during a 1991 game.

Uley, Moorman recalled, at least

was able to give "what's become a famous 'thumbs up' sign as he was taken off the field. Everett didn't."

"That's what I was waiting for, and that's what everybody else was waiting for," Moorman said. "And to

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Baseball will look into Gibbons, along with Ankiel, Glaus

NEW YORK (AP) — Baltimore Orioles outfielder Jay Gibbons joined the list of players asked to meet with baseball officials after being linked to a Florida pharmacy that distributed prescription performance-enhancing drugs.

A day after S.I.com reported Gibbons received steroids and human growth hormone from Signature Pharmacy after meeting with other substances were banned, baseball requested a meeting with the Orioles out-fitter.

No timetable was set for the meeting, a person familiar with the situation said Monday, speaking on condition of anonymity because no announcement was made.

On Friday, baseball asked to meet with St. Louis' Hick Ankiel and Toronto's Troy

Glaus after reports that they received performance-enhancing drugs from Signature Pharmacy several years ago.

Gibbons got six shipments of Genotropin (a brand name for synthetic human growth hormone), two shipments of testosterone and two shipments of human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG) from October 2003 and July 2005, S.I.com said, citing a Florida lawsuit with knowledge of a Signature Pharmacy client list.

S.I.com said its information dealt only with receipt of the drugs, not use.

Gibbons has not returned a telephone message. His agents, Sam and Seth Levinson, declined comment, citing medical privacy laws and attorney-client privilege.

Paralyzed

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have to walk back to the sideline and not see that made for a tough time."

Uteley, who lives in Washington state, was saddened to see "replays of Everett's collision."

"I'm sorry this young man got hurt," Uteley told The AP. "It wasn't a cheap shot. It was a great form tackle and that's it."

Cappuccino said Everett was alert and aware of the extent of his injuries.

"I told Kevin that the chance for a full neurologic recovery were bleak, dismal," said Cappuccino, who works for the Bills as a consultant, specializing in spinal surgery. "I was honest with him, and he told me, 'Do everything you can to help me.'"

Cappuccino received permission to operate from Everett's mother, Patricia Dunes, who spoke by phone from her home in Houston. She and other family members arrived in Buffalo on Monday.

Buffalo's 2005 third-round draft pick out of Miami, Everett missed his rookie season because of a knee injury. He spent most of last year playing special teams. He

was hoping to make an impact as a receiver.

The Bills now attempt to refocus while preparing to play at Pittsburgh on Sunday.

"It's difficult because you know the situation," said running back Anthony Thomas, one of Everett's best friends on the team. "We have to move on. But he'll always be in our thoughts and in our prayers."

Quarterback J.R. Losman said it was difficult to concentrate during practice.

"It seems like every couple of seconds that go by it's always popping into your head," Losman said. "Going through a walk-through, we're looking for him, wanting to hear his voice."

Coach Dick Leach said NFL commissioner Roger Goodell called him Sunday evening, offering the league's support.

"We honor ourselves by our work, and we honor Kevin by moving forward and working while never forgetting Kevin and never getting him out of our thoughts and prayers," Jauro said. "We're going to wait and see what the outcome is here and we're really hoping and praying for the best."

Music

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the game progressed and weary Cal Poly defenders failed to warn him up.

"I felt great really. As a running back you dream of having that many carries in one game. I was hungry all game, so every time they gave me I acted like it was my first run, keeping my feet going, kept my pads behind me and just aiming at that end zone every time."

Stanley's game was absent one of Jackson's strongest supporters. At the USC game he was aided by the wise words of his NFL uncle who walked the Idaho sideline. Stephan Jackson, the St. Louis Rams running back and former Oregon State University standout, was instrumental in getting his 5-foot-8, 181-pound nephew to Moscow.

Dennis Erickson used his networking know-how when he arrived in Moscow to search the nation for overlooked talent.

"His contract with his old OSU running back Jackson led to a phone call to Warren, Ark."

"Akey is feeling good about this. The SEC radar failed to hone in on him."

The head coach's first win hinged on the gritty back sitting the clock, moving the chains and sealing the win.

"Practice hard, play hard in practice — a lot of guys don't have the ability to do that — play at full speed," said Akey in describing Jackson's attitude.

Jackson gave the credit to his offensive line. "That 200 yards is to them," he said. "That's not my 200 yards

without them. I can't get one step past the line — they did a great job, very proud of them."

Jackson arrived over a year ago to Moscow. On the first day of two-a-days under then coach Dennis Erickson, he was the first to walk onto the practice fields. That day he told the Times-Herald in an interview, even though a bit homesick, he knew Moscow was where he should be.

Jackson has shown perseverance. He went through a redshirt year.

He survived what Akey refers to as "the massacre" when nearly 20 players deemed detrimental to the university, the city and the team were sent packing. Jackson is majoring in architecture, has accepted a leadership role in earning the starting position at running back and looks forward to contributing to the Akey adage of "walking your talk."

Akey looked forward to this Vandall D.J. to continue spinning and cutting records.

Notes: Idaho travels to Washington State (1-1) this Saturday. One of the loudest roars at the Kibbie Dome Saturday came when the public address announcer gave the final score of Boise State's loss at Washington. The "Yondale" came onto the field the tune "O Fortuna" (from the movie "300") as the big screen flashed a montage of lundal plays mixed with other scenes. On the injury front, Idaho's Brian Flowers (hamstring) and Aaron Lavaris (ankle) are dinged up this week.

Spartan boys, girls fall to Highland

Times-News

The Minico Spartans girls soccer team took a tough and somewhat surprising 2-0 loss to the visiting Highland Rams on Monday.

The Rams got both of their goals in the second half, one off a penalty kick and another goal that the Spartans conceded was kicked out of the hands of goal keeper Melinda Matney.

"One mistake in the box, and one disputed call on a goal, and we're 0-0," Minico coach Dennis Haynes said. "So I think we did pretty good."

Although the Spartans (3-7-1) held the line with a scoreless first half, the Rams got their first goal and played a lot looser with some of the pressure off.

"We played them tough," Haynes said. "I don't think they played with a whole lot of intensity. I think they were relaxed and enjoying the game."

But holding a side like Highland to just two goals could give the Spartans the impetus they need as they head into the latter half of the season.

"We're going to build on this because we played tough," Haynes said. "Just build on this and get ready for Wednesday."

The Spartans' opponent Wednesday is Twin Falls and Declo on Saturday before they face highly ranked Cent Basin Conference West rival Wood River



Minico's Lucy VanEvery (left) battles for possession of the ball during the Spartans' 2-0 loss to the Highland Rams on Monday at Minico High School.

next Monday.

Boys soccer Highland 3, Minico 0

The Minico Spartans boys' soccer team dropped a 3-0 loss to the Highland Rams on Monday.

"We couldn't find the net," Minico coach Armando Tapia said. "It was a tough day for us."

The Spartans (5-3-3) host Twin Falls on Wednesday.

Volleyball Valley 3, Carey 0

The Valley Vikings improved to 3-5 Monday with a three-game sweep over the visiting Carey Panthers.

Volley won 25-17, 25-20, 25-16 as Katie Hall recorded four kills and 10 service points. Camelle Sizemore had three kills with 15 service points, and Ashley Krus led with seven kills. The Vikings' host Declo and Aberdeen on Wednesday.

College golf McNeley, Fischer compete at Huskers' invite

Twin Falls High graduate Abby McNeley is tied for 14th place after the first day of play Monday at the University of Nebraska's Chip-N-Club Club in Eagle, Neb.

McNeley, a Northern Colorado freshman, carded 75 and 78, doomed by bogies during both rounds to finish at 153. She is tied with six other players. Play continues through today.

Former Bruins teammate Brandi Fischer, now playing for McNeese State, finished at 166 after rounds of 85 and 81 to tie at No. 70.

— South Idaho Press reporter Chuck Num contributed to this report

Mets continue to cement spot atop NL East

NEW YORK — David Wright hit a two-run homer and Oliver Perez tossed another gem against the Atlanta Braves, leading the New York Mets to a 3-2 victory Monday night.

Perez outpitched an effective Tim Lincecum, who used his slinker to induce a steady stream of easy grounders.

But slumping leadoff batter Jose Reyes scampered around the bases twice and Wright delivered the big blow, sending New York to its fourth straight win.

The Braves, who began the day fifth in the NL wild-card race, fell five games behind front-running San Diego. They are 9½ behind New York in the division, their largest deficit this season. Atlanta has 18 games remaining, 11 on the road.

Perez (14-9) was cruising until he was singled in the seventh and Brian McCann hit a two-run homer with two outs, cutting it to 3-2. But the left-hander regrouped, striking out Willie Harris with his 11th pitch.

Billy Wagner got three quick outs for his 33rd save in 37 chances and third in three days.

Phillies 6, Rockies 5, 10 innings

PHILADELPHIA — Ryan Howard doubled home the winning run in the 10th after Pat Burrell tied the game with a dramatic homer in the seventh, leading the Phillies in a game featuring wild-card contenders.

Chase Utley hit off the 10th with a single off Taylor Buchholz (6-5), the seventh pitcher for Colorado. After Burrell struck out, Howard lined a double to left, and the speedy Utley hustled all the way around for the winning run.

Cubs 12, Cardinals 3

CHICAGO — Aramis Ramirez homered twice and had four hits to help Ted Lilly earn his 15th victory, as the Cubs won for the third time in eight games.

Chicago led even with Milwaukee atop the NL Central, while St. Louis is three games back of the leaders after losing its fourth straight game.

Lilly (15-7) matched his career high for victories, set last year with the Toronto



New York Mets' David Wright hits a two-run home run against the Atlanta Braves during the sixth inning of their baseball game, Monday at Shea Stadium in New York.

He gave up five hits, including homers to Jim Edmonds and So Taguchi, and struck out seven in seven innings.

Derek Lee and Ramirez homered in a five-run fourth and Ramirez added a second solo shot in a four-run eighth in a makeup game caused by an Aug. 19 rain-out.

Joel Poinelo (4-3) gave up two homers, three doubles and a single in a span of seven batters in the fourth. Lee led off with his 18th homer and, one out later, Ramirez hit his 21st.

Pirates 9, Brewers 0

PITTSBURGH — Tony Armas pitched six sharp innings a day after Milwaukee hit six home runs, and Nate McLouth's two-run homer carried the Pirates.

Armas and relievers Franquelis Osoria and Romulo Sanchez combined on the four-hitter, blanking a team that broke loose at Cincinnati on Sunday.

Nationals 5, Marlins 4

MIAMI — Willy Mo Pena homered twice and Shawn Hill pitched six solid innings, leading the Nationals over the Marlins.

Dan Uggla and Mike Jacobs homered for Florida, which has lost three in a row.

Hill (4-3) gave up one earned run and six hits,

and against him was Bobby Kielty on a leadoff single in the seventh and one out walk to Jason Varitek.

Tigers 5, Blue Jays 4

DETROIT — Magglio Ordonez hit a two-run single with two outs in the ninth inning, capping a four-run rally that lifted the Tigers within 3½ games of idle New York in the AL wild-card race.

Toronto ace Roy Halladay was one out away from his eighth complete game when he gave up singles to Sean Casey and Brandon Inge. After manager John Gibbons pulled the durable right-hander for Casey Jensen (2-3), Curtis Granderson hit a two-run single to make it 4-3.

Twins 4, Royals 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jason Kubel and Justin Morneau each drove in a pair of runs and Boof Bonser picked up just his second victory in three months for the Twins.

Bonser (7-12), who was 1-10 in his past 15 starts, held the Royals to two runs and five hits in five innings, striking out six and walking four with a hit batter. The Twins' bullpen took over after that, with four relievers scattering four hits the rest of the way.

— The Associated Press

TrailBlazers pick Oden to have arthroscopic knee surgery

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Trail Blazers center Greg Oden, the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft, will undergo exploratory arthroscopic surgery this week because of pain in his right knee.

An MRI taken last week showed a problem since the Trail Blazers drafted him in June. He had a tonsillotomy in July after struggling in two Las Vegas summer league games.

Oden recovered from that operation and was working out when he felt pain in his knee.

The MRI was taken Thursday and Oden refrained from working out over the weekend.

Cheri Hanson, a team spokesman, said Oden and Trail Blazers coach Nate McMillan wouldn't be available to answer questions.

Efforts to reach Oden's agent, Mike Conley Sr., by phone weren't successful.

Oden, despite being hampered by a wrist injury, averaged 15.7 points and 3.6 rebounds for Ohio State last season, leading the Buckeyes to the national championship game as a freshman. He had 25 points and 12 rebounds in the loss to Florida.

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Former broadcaster, NFL player Maas charged in gun, drugs case

PEORIA, Ill. — One-time NFL player and former Fox Sports broadcaster Bill Maas was charged Monday with drug possession and weapons charges stemming from a July roadside safety check.

was named the Big Sky Conference offensive player of the week on Monday. Bergquist, a 6-foot-2, 205-pound junior from San Clemente, Calif., completed all 19 passes for 183 yards and a touchdown in Montana's 49-0 victory over Fort Lewis.

will hold the "City of Snake River" extreme golf contest. There is a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Six flights are projected. The entry fee is \$50 with greens fees waived.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Idaho State players earn Big Sky defensive, special teams honors

Idaho State safety Terrance Calloway was named defensive player, while teammate Dan Zeldman, a punter, won the special teams honor.

MAGIC VALLEY Marlinis begin practice

The Magic Valley Marlinis swim team is preparing to begin another season. Practice is set to begin today at the YMCA City Pool on Locust.

Adult volleyball meeting planned

The Twin Falls Adult Volleyball League will hold an organizational meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Harmon Park Building.

Montana quarterback Cole Bergquist

Former broadcaster, NFL player Maas charged in gun, drugs case

WASH STATE

TWIN FALLS: FOUR CAST

Today: Warmer, above average temperatures with little to no cloud cover. Highs in the lower 80s.

MIDDLE VALLEY: FOUR CAST

Today: All warmer temperatures with sunny skies. Highs in the upper 70s.

BOISE: FOUR CAST

Today: Clear overnight skies with mild temperatures. Lows in the upper 40s.

NORTHERN UTAH

A warming trend will take us through today and this week. Warm temperatures and sunny skies can be expected through Thursday.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I'm always hoping that you really believe in what I'm saying because it makes it happen."

TWIN FALLS: FIVE DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Twin Falls showing Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday with weather icons and temperature ranges.

ALMANAC TWIN FALLS

Almanac table for Twin Falls including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Moon Phases.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for various cities including Boise, Pocatello, and Idaho Falls.

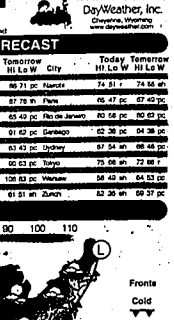
NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for major US cities like New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago.

WORLD FORECAST

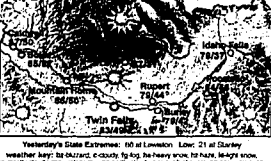
World forecast table for international locations like London, Tokyo, and Sydney.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FOUR CAST

Canadian forecast table for cities like Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver.



Weather key: 20-30 mph, 4-6 mph, 7-9 mph, 10-12 mph, 13-15 mph, 16-18 mph, 19-21 mph, 22-24 mph, 25-27 mph, 28-30 mph, 31-33 mph, 34-36 mph, 37-39 mph, 40-42 mph, 43-45 mph, 46-48 mph, 49-51 mph, 52-54 mph, 55-57 mph, 58-60 mph, 61-63 mph, 64-66 mph, 67-69 mph, 70-72 mph, 73-75 mph, 76-78 mph, 79-81 mph, 82-84 mph, 85-87 mph, 88-90 mph, 91-93 mph, 94-96 mph, 97-99 mph, 100-102 mph, 103-105 mph, 106-108 mph, 109-111 mph, 112-114 mph, 115-117 mph, 118-120 mph, 121-123 mph, 124-126 mph, 127-129 mph, 130-132 mph, 133-135 mph, 136-138 mph, 139-141 mph, 142-144 mph, 145-147 mph, 148-150 mph, 151-153 mph, 154-156 mph, 157-159 mph, 160-162 mph, 163-165 mph, 166-168 mph, 169-171 mph, 172-174 mph, 175-177 mph, 178-180 mph, 181-183 mph, 184-186 mph, 187-189 mph, 190-192 mph, 193-195 mph, 196-198 mph, 199-201 mph, 202-204 mph, 205-207 mph, 208-210 mph, 211-213 mph, 214-216 mph, 217-219 mph, 220-222 mph, 223-225 mph, 226-228 mph, 229-231 mph, 232-234 mph, 235-237 mph, 238-240 mph, 241-243 mph, 244-246 mph, 247-249 mph, 250-252 mph, 253-255 mph, 256-258 mph, 259-261 mph, 262-264 mph, 265-267 mph, 268-270 mph, 271-273 mph, 274-276 mph, 277-279 mph, 280-282 mph, 283-285 mph, 286-288 mph, 289-291 mph, 292-294 mph, 295-297 mph, 298-300 mph.

Faulty motors have conspiracy theorists abuzz

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — If not for five blown engines, Dale Earnhardt Jr. would be racing for a Nextel Cup championship in his final season driving for his late father's company.

IN THE PITS

Jenna Fryer

"We broke another motor, and they seem to fall apart when they plug 'em into my car," Junior said. "It's just really frustrating."

After all, his relationship with Teresa Earnhardt ain't a bed of roses, and Junior's impending split isn't exactly amicable. They've publicly feuded since December, he claims she's been unreasonable during negotiations and his bolting for rival Hendrick Motorsports at the end of the season.

The squabbling has been so intense on so many issues — most recently Teresa's refusal to let Earnhardt race his beloved No. 14 with him to Hendrick — that the idea that she would intentionally derail his season would not surprise anyone. And because the DEI motors never even come to sputter under the hoods of his teammates, it's actually believable.

But DEI officials call the entire idea preposterous. "I can assure you that's not the case," general manager John Story said Monday. "We understand that there might be a natural assumption that because he is leaving, the team would say 'Who cares? We are not going to try for him.'"

"But if anything, it's the other way around. We tried hard to get him in the Chase. We wanted him to win a championship. We always said that would have been the most appropriate way for him to leave DEI."

Of course, DEI is going to say that. And conspiracy theorists will forever be convinced Earnhardt was the victim of an intricate and evil plot to punish him for his betrayal.

It sounds awfully good. But it's probably not true. Sure, seeing Junior fall might bring a slight smile to Teresa Earnhardt's face, but it would be one of the most foolish business decisions she could possibly make. Since the Chase was introduced in 2004, making it has been the standard for success. Those good enough to compete in the 10-race title hunt had a great year. Those not involved immediately got to work figuring out what went wrong.

Keeping Earnhardt out wouldn't have hurt him: He's leaving anyway, and he's repeatedly said that



Clet Bowyer (07) slides in Turn 4 above Dale Earnhardt Jr. (8) during the NASCAR Nextel Cup Chevy Rock & Roll 400 auto race at Richmond International Raceway in Richmond, Va., Saturday.

NASCAR tests CoT at Talladega

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — More than 50 Nextel Cup race teams tested the Car of Tomorrow at Talladega Superspeedway on Monday, the first of a two-day warmup for the CoT's first restrictor-plate race.

The session was divided into two parts: single-car runs in the morning, and a four-hour drafting session in the afternoon. NASCAR is phasing the CoT into competition this season, and it makes its Talladega debut next month in a Chase for the Nextel Cup championship event.

NASCAR officials closely monitored the session, trying to find the right restrictor-plate to use to create

ate a balance between speed and safety for the fastest track on the circuit.

"I know there is a bigger plate in this car because it has so much more drag," driver Dave Blaney said. "NASCAR will make the speeds in these cars whatever they want it to be: They could go 210 (mph) or they could go 180."

Johnny Sauter turned the fastest lap of the day at 196.165 mph in a Chevrolet, and was followed by Martin Truex Jr.'s mark of 195.564 in another Chevrolet.

David Stremme was third at 194.894 in a Dodge tri-o, Kahey Kahne and Juan Pablo Montoya.

although winning a Cup title for DEI would have been nice, he's comfortable with the effort he's put forth and will walk out the door with his integrity intact.

And if anything, missing the Chase can be viewed as a luxury to Earnhardt. He's now free from the stress and pressure that the Chase provides, and he can relax and race for wins over the final 10 weeks of the season.

But the fact is, DEI needed Earnhardt in the Chase for the health of the company and to support Martin Truex Jr. In his first run at a title, Truex is in, has been for weeks, and he's one of only two drivers who won't have a teammate in the field. Hendrick and Richard Childress both have three drivers in the chase, while Joe Gibbs and Jack Roush

have two each. To think that Teresa would be so spiteful that she'd jeopardize Truex's chances makes little sense for a company she fought to keep control of.

But Story knows the allegations are out there — the same thing happened in May after Earnhardt said he was leaving and Truex promptly took off on the track.

"We didn't go in there overnight and put all the cars from Dale's shop and put them in Martin's shop," Story said. "That's not the way it happens. And, what people don't consider is that (Earnhardt) has run as well or better than (Truex) over the last six to eight weeks. He just doesn't have the finishes to show for it."

No, he doesn't, and that's partly because of the motor problems that Truex, Paul Menard and Mark

Marin have been immune to. Story said the teams are not yet using true common engines. They are combining parts and pieces, and he said his engineers are baffled as to why Earnhardt's keep breaking.

Each failure, Story said, is something different. In Watkins Glen, the team knew the motor was ailing during Friday and Saturday practices, but thought it could last through Sunday's race.

It's possible Earnhardt himself is damaging the motors. He's been driving the wheels off his cars the past few weeks, and perhaps he's been too hard on the engines.

But on Saturday night in Richmond, when Earnhardt was headed to a gutsy top-five finish, that motor failure with six laps to go was devastating. He wound up 30th in his sixth DNF of the season, and the brief hug he shared with crew chief Tony Eury Jr. showed their heartbreak over another wasted run.

"We deserve to be in the Chase," he said. "We race hard. We don't quit. We love racing. That's what we do. It's just disappointing, man. These dang motors."

There's no doubt DEI's top officials were thinking the same thing, and they determined Monday that a broken oil pump belt — possibly from debris on the track — caused the failure.

Either way, there was no joy in Earnhardt's failure. After all, whatever is going on with his motors can very well spread to Truex's, and then DEI would have no shot at all at its first Nextel Cup title.

Jenna Fryer covers NASCAR for The Associated Press.

Pacman wins TNA tag team title belt

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Adam "Pacman" Jones can call himself a pro wrestling tag team world champion, even though his only wrestling move was to cover a wrestler knocked out by someone else.

The suspended Tennessee cornerback has a legal agreement with the Titans to avoid any physical move that could leave him injured. So Jones left the dirty work to tag team partner Ron "The Truth" Killings in TNA Wrestling's "No Sins" pay-per-view Sunday night against Kurt Angle and Sing.

Jones twice refused to tag in and turn the staged match.

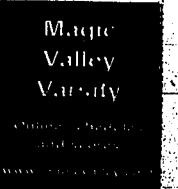
The turning point came when Angle's wife appeared ringside, refused to leave and then slapped Sing. She went down as if hit when the wrestler pointed for her to leave, and her husband came over to investigate.

By the time Jones finally tagged in and got into the ring, Angle put a move on Sing that allowed Jones to cover the wrestler for the victory.

TNA wasted no time promoting the victory, putting a picture of Jones and Killings with their championship belts on its Web site.

Jones was suspended for violating the NFL's personal conduct policy. His case won't be reviewed until after the Titans' 10th game on Nov. 19. He has two felony coercion charges pending against him in Las Vegas for a strip club fight and triple-shooting on Feb. 9.

TNA, which stands for Total Nonstop Action, is a Nashville-based pro wrestling league.





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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FH47797 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEES SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on December 20, 2007, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, in the LOBBY of ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW, 1411 FALLS AVENUE EAST, SUITE 1916, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property", situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho. LOT 13 IN BLOCK 76B OF TWIN FALLS TOWNSITE RECORDED IN BOOK 107 OF PLATS PAGE 7-17 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 414 WEST AVE WEST TWIN FALLS, ID 83401, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant of warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by ADAM T MOWER, a MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor, to NATIONAL REAL ESTATE INFORMATION SERVICES, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS ADMINISTRATOR OF ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 11/8/2005, recorded instrument No. 2005-01946. Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES INC. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(I)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 11/8/2005, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 9/1/2007 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT DUE PAYMENTS. THE ABOVE GRANTORS AND OTHER SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS ARE SET FORTH. Amount due as of August 10, 2007 including payments from May 01, 2007 4 payments \$1672.86 each, \$2,676.36. Total due through August 10, 2007 \$28,830.94. Monthly Advances: 30.00 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL \$2, 775.55 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$79,976.96, together with interest thereon at 7.499% per annum from the date of this obligation to the date of sale or until a final order is entered. DATED: 09/10/07, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, by: Kent Landeroy, Asset, Loan, Trust Origination, National TRUSTEES CORPORATION 3100 Main Avenue, 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sales Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP# 891128

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. NO. ID-07-980628 (H/F L/S) 4541910 ON 12/27/07 at 10:00:00 AM (relocated local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: daily at 10:00:00 AM at the Main Entrance to the County Courthouse, 132 Fairbank Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, 83401, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, on behalf of Citifinancial, Inc. by Citifinancial Mortgage Company, LLC, Trustee and recorder, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, abutting on the Southeast corner of the intersection of the following streets: The South one-half of Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Block 10 of Kimberly Township, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the plat thereon recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the Trustee. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 640 Monroe St. Kimberly, ID 83341, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant of warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Daniel E. Phillips, an unmarried man as grantor/Trustor, in which Citifinancial, Inc. is named as Beneficiary and Twin Falls Title & Escrow Co. is Trustee and recorder, dated 12/16/03, recorded in the County Recorder's Office, in the Office of the Recorder of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/27/03. The monthly installments of principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$399.79, one per month for the months of 4/8/2007 through 7/28/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$41,153.46, together with interest thereon at the current rate of 11.02% per annum from 11/02/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of moneys paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 9/27/07 By: First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee Quality Loan Servicer, 200 E 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 By: Dana Linder *** For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7850 or Login to: www.fidelityasp.com. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been notified by a credit reporting agency for this sale. If you have intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. A report will be made if you are thereby notified. A negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligation. ASAP# 854660

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

T.S. No. 07-3542 Title Order No. W7131000 Parcel No. AP 11721000002B A following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States: in the County of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1916, Twin Falls, ID, 83301 on 12/24/2007 at 11:00 am. (relocated local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 10/31/2006 as Instrument Number 2006-027679, and executed by Robert G. McMillan, a married man as his sole and separate property, as Grantor(s), in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Beneficiary, to FirstAmericanTrust Company, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Twin Falls County, Idaho: The South one-half of Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Block 10 of Kimberly Township, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, recorded in Book 6 of plats, page 46, recorded in Twin Falls County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 2162 S Elizabeth Blvd. Twin Falls, ID 83401 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured banking institution. Said sale will be made without covenant of warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust the default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment of \$501.02/2007 of principal, interest and impounds and associated installment due thereafter, until a final order is entered, with interest accruing at 8.875% per annum; together with all subsequent sales advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any amounts advanced to protect the principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$159,831.96. The above grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(I)(a) Idaho Code, and are authorized by the promissory note secured by the foregoing secured real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorney's fees, assessments and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect the Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause to be sold, the property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. Notice is hereby given that this firm is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose, and that the debt may be depicted. The above grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(I)(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. Dated: 09/09/2007 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: FirstAmericanTrust Company, N.A. 7157 Tapa Canyon Road, SWW-88 Simi Valley, CA 90069-1821 Phone: (800) 261-0219 Recorder's Trust Company, N.A. Successor Trustee Cathy Craig, Assistant Secretary ASAP# 97977

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CITY OF HOLLISTER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 08-14-2007

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2007" APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,113,113 IN DISBURSEMENTS AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF HOLLISTER FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE TAX, WITH A STATE AND FEDERAL TAXABLE PROPERTY AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH SAID APPROPRIATION IS MADE. BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hollister, Twin Falls County, Idaho, Section 1, That the sum of \$1,113,113 be, and is appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Hollister, Twin Falls County, Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007. Section 2, That the objects and purposes for which such appropriation is made, and the amount of each object and purpose are as follows: PROPOSED EXPENSES AND EXPENSES GENERAL ADMINISTRATION \$2,810 Administration 129,303 Insurance 6,200 Miscellaneous 3,000 TOTAL \$138,513 WATER FUND: Bond/Reserve Administration 15,045 Garbage 9,730 Maintenance 20,240 TOTAL EXPENSES \$49,800 Section 3, That a general tax levy on all taxable property within the City of Hollister be levied in an amount allowed by law for the general purposes of the City of Hollister for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007. Section 4, All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. Section 5, This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage approval, publication in one issue of the Times-News, newspaper of general circulation in the City of Hollister, and the official newspaper of the City of Hollister, Idaho, and upon suspension of rules upon which a roll call vote was taken and duly enacted an Ordinance of the City of Hollister, Twin Falls County, Idaho at a convened meeting of the City of Hollister City Council held on the 14th day of August, 2007. Mayor Dista Choate ATTEST: City Clerk Maureen Fleener

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101 Lost and Found

FOUND kitten, tabby, male, on Ash St., TF. Possibly was stuck under a car. 538-2826

FOUND Kitten, white with brown marks Found at 3rd and Sheehone in Wendell. Call 639-640

FOUND Shepherd X, 6-8 months old, neutered male. Likes people, wearing green collar, very skiny. 731-9507 or 644-9750

FOUND Sha X, 7-yr old, Found by Shirley Jr High school. 208-436-8978 or 431-1945

LOST 2 black boxes, 1 blue, 1 green, and an ugly stick fishing pole. Lost at Salmon Hostel. 0920207. Reward. 208-431-3699

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FOUND Cat, gray and white male, neutered, short hair on hind legs had for 3 months. Call 208-308-0707

FOUND Cat, gray with white paws & chest. Small, young. Lincoln St. in Twin Falls. Call 293-5555.

FOUND Chappapeke X, female dark brown, red South of Picabo. Call 208-788-4424

FOUND Chihuahua, Call to identify. 737-9244 or 404-4725.

FOUND Crown with tassels on feet in the Kimberly area. Call 208-539-1871

FOUND dog, nicely brown & black female. Bokerman In. Twin Falls. Call Party 539-1629

FOUND dog, small, female black & brown. NE area of TF. Found last night. 224-7407

FOUND Glasses, woman's, prescription. Found The TF county fair parking area 8/11/07. 208-316-0478, 4-10pm.

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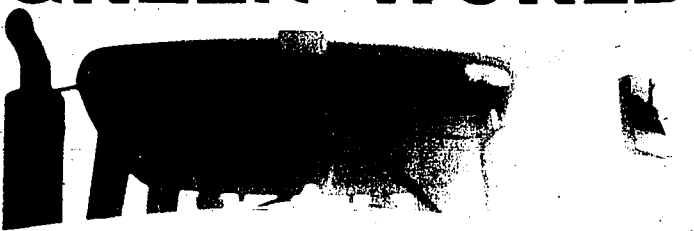
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*"On a hot summer night
He wrote 'Billy Bob loves Charlene'
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And the whole town said the boy should have used red
But it looked good to Charlene
In John Deere green"*

— "John Deere Green," by Dennis Linde, recorded by Joe Diffie

IT'S A GREEN WORLD

Across farm country and beyond, John Deere is everywhere



By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Gus Bryngelson has seen more John Deere green than most farmers do. He's a toy collector — and toy-maker — specializing in farm toys.

"Green and yellow — it's just distinctive," Bryngelson said Monday. "Other tractors are red, but the colors just set John Deere apart."

"I tell you, you better not leave a John Deere sitting in a field of corn," he quipped. "When you go back, you'll never be able to find it."

The 153-year-old Moline, Ill.-based company has the most recognizable logo in agribusiness — a leaping yellow deer in a green field. It's ubiquitous in farm country, and not just because Deere is the No. 1 manufacturer of farm equipment in the world.

Twenty years ago, Deere discovered that if it put its logo on a variety of non-farm-related products, merchants couldn't keep them on the shelves. Now there are dozens of company-licensed, green-and-yellow products ranging from video games to eyeglasses to scrapbooks to mailboxes.

"A lot of companies would kill to have the brand loyalty we have," said Jeff Gredvig, Deere's director of brand licensing.

Ermina Berberovic, an

apparel sales associate at JC Penney in Twin Falls, sees that every day.

"We sell a lot of it, mostly to guys or little kids," she said.

Penney's store manager Pat Garcia says the appeal is year-round.

"For summer we get T-shirts and hats, for winter we get sweatshirts," she said. "They're all popular."

Part of the appeal of the licensed spinoffs is the quality of Deere's core products, farm equipment, Bryngelson told the *Times-News* a few years ago.

Toys, for example, are sometimes released to coincide with the release of a new piece of farm equipment.

"It helps create a preference," Bryngelson said. "It's real subtle."

If kids get used to playing with toys from a certain brand of equipment, he says, that brand is the comfortable and natural choice when purchasing the real thing.

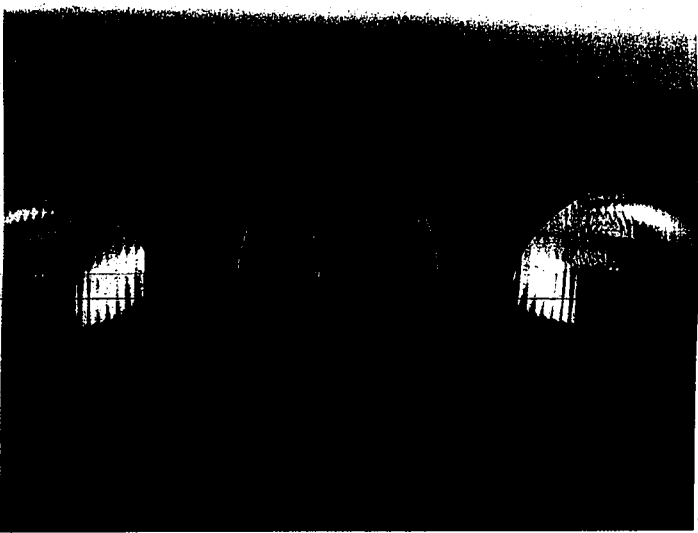
That said, a fair percentage of Deere licensed products are bought by folks who have never set foot on a farm.

"John Deere has a reputation, and that has carried over into other areas," Bryngelson said.

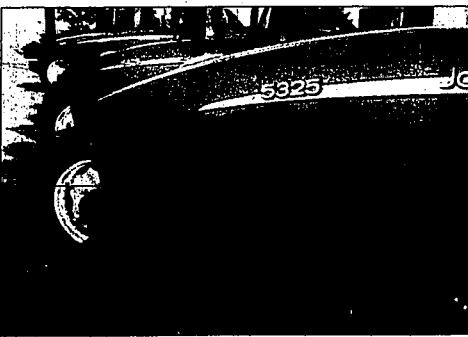
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— Twin Falls JC Penney store manager Pat Garcia describing how well John Deere apparel sells at her store



Twin Falls JC Penney associate Ashley Baumgartner, right, and Ermina Berberovic, say Deere gear is popular with most and younger children.

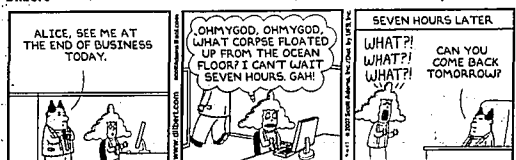
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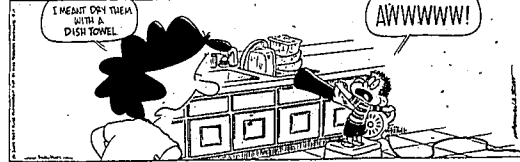
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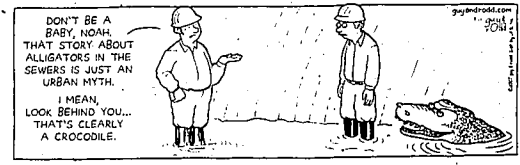
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Pisces, pay attention to others

IF SEPT. 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Play your cards right and you could win the entire pot in the year to come. Next March some surprising changes or unexpected events could put you in two different directions, but a beneficial opportunity will lead you to the right course just in the nick of time. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get a new lease on life. Perhaps you can start taking brisk walks after the lunch hour or join a gym this month. Find ways to improve your health or be more productive in the month ahead. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Start with a clean slate. You may wish to reconsider how you spend your free time or scrap a creative project in order to begin fresh. The next month may bring insights regarding children. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Sometimes you receive a second chance. Be grateful for any and every opportunity to start over or to correct mistakes. More time may be spent in the public eye during the next few weeks. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Turn over a new leaf...

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Snappy answers take off edge from questions about parentage



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to "Robin in Newark, Calif." (10/12), who stated that he was annoyed because people thought his son was his grandson. I have had a similar problem all my life. I am a 12-year-old girl. My father is 67. Kids ask me if he is my grandpa. When I was really young, I'd say, "No! He is my father!" Now that I am a little bit more mature, I say, "No, he is my brother's father. It's cheesy, but they get the hint."

DEAR MARCH: I like your answer. You're a wise young lady with a clever sense of humor. The letters I received from readers of all ages prove it's all "relative," regardless of how you say it. DEAR ABBY: My dad had an even better comeback when he was asked whether my younger sister was his grandchild. He would say, "No, she's my sister." It was just a funny comeback that wasn't offensive to anyone. —LOVES HER DAD

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Robin," who would become upset when people asked if his baby was his grandson.

My father was a judge in upstate New York when he married my mother. Two years later, when he was 50 and she was 38, I came along. I can still remember how Dad would respond when someone would ask if I was his granddaughter. He would chuckle proudly and say, "No, she's my daughter," and beam. The person who asked would be momentarily surprised, and then smile. Everyone felt good about it. Robin, you've got bragging rights. Revel in them! —STEPHANIE IN ALABAMA

DEAR ABBY: My husband, Joe, is 75, and we have a 2 1/2-year-old son. Joe goes through the same thing—people assume that he is "Grandpa." Unlike Robin, we love people's reaction when we tell them he is "Daddy." People think my husband is in his late 50s and are surprised he has a son who is so young. Imagine the look on

their faces when we tell them his real age. He has gotten handshakes, high fives, thumbs-up and pats on the back. People remember us because of our son. We enjoy the reactions, conversations and, sometimes, the friendships we have made because of our situation. Please tell Robin to take it in stride and be proud that he has a chance to be a daddy at his age. I know my husband is. —BRENDA IN OZONA, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: My husband, a college professor, took our 16-month-old son, Charles, to school with him one day. One of the students commented about his "grandson" when he came home, his ego was thoroughly deflated. I had a T-shirt made for our little boy that said, "He's My Dad" on the front and "Not My Grandpa" on the back. Charles wore the shirt frequently. That was more than 20 years ago. Charles has grown into a wonderful young man, but I'm not sure my husband ever completely recovered from that student's comment. —I'M THE MOM

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 11, the 254th day of 2007. There are 111 days left in the year.

Today's highlight: On Sept. 11, 2001, in the single worst act of terrorism committed on U.S. soil, nearly 3,000 people died when two hijacked jetliners crashed into New York's World Trade Center, causing the twin towers to fall, a commandeered jetliner smashed into the Pentagon and a fourth hijacked plane crashed in western Pennsylvania. The day is marked as Patriot Day.

On this date: In 1789, Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury. In 1814, an American fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812. In 1857, 150 years ago, the Mountian Meadows

Massacre took place in present-day southern Utah as a 120-member Arkansas immigrant party was slaughtered by Mormon settlers. In 1941, Charles A. Lindbergh sparked charges of anti-Semitism with a speech in Des Moines, Iowa, in which he said "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were trying to draw the United States into World War II. In 1967, "The Carol Burnett Show" premiered on CBS. In 1971, former Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev died at age 77. In 1972, the troubled Munich Summer Olympics ended. In 1973, Chilean President Salvador Allende died in a violent military coup. In 1974, an Eastern Airlines DC-9 crashed during a landing attempt in Charlotte, N.C., killing 71 of the people on board. In 1989, the exodus of East German refugees from Hungary to West Germany by way of Austria began.

Ten years ago: The Army issued a scathing indictment of itself, asserting that "sexual harassment exists throughout the Army, crossing gender, rank and racial lines." Soldiers voted to create their own Parliament after 290 years of union with England. Five years ago: With words of comfort and resolve, President Bush joined the nation in remembering "how it began and who fell first" in the terrorist attacks one year earlier. Defiant Palestinian legislators forced the resignation of Yasser Arafat's 21-member Cabinet. Death claimed actress Kim Hunter at age 79 and football Hall of Famer Johnny Unitas at age 69.

One year ago: The nation paused to remember the victims of 9/11 on the fifth anniversary of the terrorist attacks. In a prime-time address, President Bush invoked the memory of the victims as he argued for a continued military campaign in Iraq.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actress Betsy Drake is 84. Actor Earl Holliman is 79. Movie director Brian De Palma is 67. Rock musician Mickey Hart (The Dead) is 64. Singer- pianist Leo Kottke is 62. Rock singer musician Tommy Shaw (Stryper) is 54. Sports reporter Lesley Visser is 54. Actor Reed Birney is 53. Singer-songwriter Diane Warren is 51. Musician Jon Moss (Culture Club) is 50. Actor Scott Patterson is 49. Rock musician Mick Talbot (The Style Council) is 49. Actress Roxann Dawson is 49. Actress Virginia Madsen is 46. Actress Kristy McNichol is 45. Musician-composer Moby is 42. Business reporter Martin Bartromo is 40. Singer Harry Connick Jr. is 40. Rock musician Bart Van Der Zeeuw is 39. Actress Laura Wright is 37. Rock musician Jeremy Popsifery is 36. Singer Brad Fischer (LFO) is 32. Rapper Mr. Black is 30. Rock musician Jon Buckland (Coldplay) is 30. Rapper Luadaris is 30. Actor Ryan Slatery is 29. Actor Tyler Hoechlin is 20.

THOUGHT

"A hero is no braver than an ordinary man, but he is braver five minutes longer."

—Ralph Waldo Emerson, American poet and essayist (1803-1882)

Would-be burglar runs off with no loot and no clothes in Minnesota

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) — A man who allegedly tried to burglarize a home lost his clothes in a scuffle with the 68-year-old homeowner and was taken to a hospital before he was arrested. Wayne and Kathie Boniface returned home from dinner Thursday night at a neighbor's to find the man in the hallway. Boniface said the man made the mistake of grabbing

his wife. "As soon as he grabbed my wife, I had him in the kitchen wrestling him to the ground in a headlock and arm-lock," Boniface said. "First, Boniface said, he ripped the man's shirt off. Then, "his head was down over the railing, and in today's world, pants are worn fairly loose. I pulled his pants, and his pants and under-pants and shoes came

pletely off. He was completely nude." When police asked Boniface if he could identify the suspect, he said, "Oh, yeah, I believe he's the only guy running nude in Duluth." The 20-year-old man was apprehended about 20 minutes later. He has been charged with two counts of first-degree burglary. The man's name was not released.

Become a better plant buyer

Don't be shy about slipping a plant out of its pot to examine the roots

By Adrian Higgins
The Washington Post

Surf the Databases of the National Agricultural Statistics Service — not exactly summer beach reading. I grant you — and you might find something weird and wonderful.

Surely, not a lot of people know that in Tennessee, the value of greenhouse and nursery crops is outranked only by soybeans, broiler chickens and cattle? In Maryland, horticulture is a \$1-billion-a-year industry. In Virginia, nursery crops top all others in cash value.

For a producer that looms so large in our lives, it is quite remarkable how little we know about making good choices when we shop for plants for the garden.

Figuring out if a plant is healthy and well grown — never mind if it is suited to its site or how large it will grow — is a tricky endeavor. Shoppers do respond to plants that are large, bushy, green and vigorous, but those cues may not be enough to know that you're

getting the best individual in a row of cloned trees.

September and October are the optimum period for buying woody plants and setting them into the ground as air temperatures cool but the soil remains warm for root growth.

Woody plants are usually sold balled and burlapped or in containers. Generally, larger trees are dug in the field and then wrapped in burlap, but the industry has moved toward raising more in stock in containers, including larger trees. This shift has vastly widened the range in plants since the 1970s because containerized plants can be shipped to market for more easily than those that are field-grown and then wrapped.

But if a tree or shrub is left too long in the pot, its roots can become congested to the point of harming the plant's long-term health.

"The roots of a containerized plant need to be developed at the point where the soil but not to the point of excessive growth," said Warren Quinn, vice

president for operations of the American Nursery and Landscape Association. This balance "is not completely definable or specific, but it's something a consumer, over time, can get a feel for." In other words, don't be shy about slipping a plant out of its pot to examine the roots.

Quinn edits the American Standard for Nursery Stock, a trade manual that establishes standards, specifications and guidelines for nursery plants as they make their way through an industry with a lot of middlemen and players. The holly you buy at the garden center may have been through three growers and two or three nurseries before it reaches you.

The manual is available online (www.anla.org), click on "publications," but is technical and of limited use to consumers, Quinn said. However, it contains a few numbers of evident value for all.

For balled and burlapped shade trees, those with a trunk width of one inch should have a root ball that is 16 inches across. A 15-inch tree should have a root ball 20 inches across; a two-inch tree, 24 inches; and a three-inch tree, 32 inches.

The same table also gives proper root-ball sizes for smaller ornamental trees such as dogwoods and red-tails.

Woody plants that are not single-trunked present more of a challenge. For narrow or upright shrubs and for multi-stemmed trees, the manual recommends a root ball of 22 inches for a plant six feet high. An eight-foot plant should have a 28-inch ball.

The depth of the root ball is also important and generally, for root balls smaller than 20 inches across, should be 65 percent of the diameter. For those above 20 inches, the ratio is 60 percent. Thus, a 16-inch root ball should have a depth of 10.5 inches. A root ball 28 inches wide should be 17 inches deep. The ball is measured from the point where the trunk flares into the roots.

Another important feature is for the trunk to be at or close to the center of the root ball, so that the tree's roots are preserved as much as possible when it is dug.

The recommended container sizes are more complicated to navigate in the manual, and they change based on the type of plant



For a product that looms so large in our lives, it is quite remarkable how little we know about making good choices when we shop for plants for the garden. Adrian Higgins slips a boxwood out of its pot to examine its roots, which have become congested through a life too long in the container.

grown and also on its mature size. Suffice to say, there should be an obvious balance in the size of the plant and the container it is in.

Beyond all these considerations, which have to do with the root health, I look for specimens with a pleasing and healthy branch structure, so that the tree can be trained when young to mature into something special. This often means looking for one whose trunk rises to a dominant leader.

Quinn concedes that it is not easy for a consumer

without a horticultural background to divine all these aspects of plant buying. "It's tough. It's not the easiest product to purchase," he said.

Independent retailers can certainly do a good job of communicating value; they can buy high-quality stock and display it well and have knowledgeable employees. That's how good retailers sell.

But also carry this advice from Quinn next time you're shopping at the nursery: "The roots are everything."

Book pays homage to various flowers

Newsway

Granted access to the Royal Horticultural Society's Lindley Library in London, Charles Elliott has compiled a selection of poetry and prose that pays homage to various flowers: "Royal Horticultural Society Treasury of Flowers: Writers and Artists in the Garden" (Frances Lincoln Ltd., \$9.95). Elliott is an editor and

writer who lives in London and gardens near Wales. His essays have appeared in British and American magazines, and his books include "The Transplanted Gardener," "The Potting Shed Papers" and "More Papers from the Potting Shed." This is his third collection of historical garden writings.

Excerpt: "Thou art the Iris, fair among the fairest, who,

armed with golden rod, And winged with the celestial azure, bearest the message of some god. O! flower-de-luce, bloom on, and let me strive longer to kiss thy feet! O! flower of song, bloom on, and make for ever The world more fair and sweet."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, "Flower-de-luce" (1818)

Celebrating blossoms as art, this book easily could

have been titled, "Ode to My Flower." Prose by the likes of Shakespeare, Lewis Carroll and William Carlos Williams honors more than 130 flowers with one-page tributes illustrated with botanical prints from the Royal Horticultural Society's Lindley Library. This volume would serve well as a romantic gift that would be appreciated by garden lovers and poetry buffs alike.

Sand your morning glory, moonflower seeds

The Washington Post

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For lilacs to bloom, give them plenty of light

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Q. We have lilac bushes along one side of our home. In the fall, the leaves turn curly and black. What would cause this? The lilacs are also reluctant to flower even though we carefully trim the shrubs right after they have bloomed. How do we fix this?

A. Lilacs are not known for their stunning fall leaf color. At best they turn a dull yellow-green before they drop. In periods of frost or frequent rain, they turn black. Miss Kim is a variety that has better fall leaf color, turning reddish

purple. In the spring, the flower clusters are small but as fragrant as any lilac. It is a smaller, more rounded shrub and is a better choice than common lilac if you don't have a lot of space.

Your problem with sparse bloom is probably related to inadequate light. Unless they are planted against the south side of your home with no shade from nearby trees, they probably don't get enough sunlight to bloom well. Also, do not attempt to shear or shape lilacs — pruning should be limited to removal of the oldest, thickest stems every four or five years at the most.

Miss Kim will tolerate more shade than most lilacs but must have at least six hours of direct sun to bloom well. If you are dealing with more shade than that and you need a shrub with fragrant flowers, you might consider planting dwarf foxtailgilia. It has wonderfully fragrant white bottle-brush-shaped flowers in spring, blue foliage all season long and brilliant fall color. Mount Airy is a variety known for its superior fall color.

Scott Aker is a horticulturist

Resurrecting old breeds

Many people know about heirloom plants, but few have heard of heirloom animals.

NEXT WEEK IN COUNTRY ROADS

Stop orchard larvae

The Washington Post

Thoroughly irrigate the root zones of cherry laurels and Japanese cherry, apricot and plum trees to reduce the risk of attracting the peach tree borer.

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