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Making miracles happen

Family rebuilds its homestead after July fire

By Cass Friedman
Times-News writer

Don't call it a miracle. Miracles happen — a pool — with everybody standing around scratching their heads.

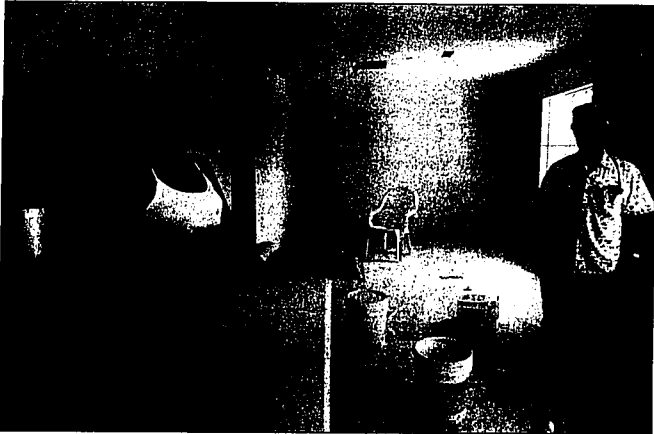
For 38 family members — four generations in many shapes and sizes — who sacrificed their evenings and weekends this summer to rebuild their family home after it burned July 1, there was no time to stand around and wait for a miracle.

In one month, the Miller family will complete their project, and Hazel, 81, and Lawrence Miller Sr., 82 will be able to return to their minuscule South Park home where they've enjoyed living 57 years and raising seven children.

Only when they return, it won't be so minuscule anymore.

"They all came in and did real good, just like they owned the place," Lawrence said, admiring the arched doorframes, the textured walls and the arched rooms. "Which (in a sense) they do. It was a good solid house. The studs didn't burn a bit. This was the home they lived in before they got married and moved away. And it's still their home when they come to visit."

But Alan Motley is one of dozens of "family members" working on the project who did not grow up here. He married a granddaughter. Sometimes the powerful notion of family is so big it draws in even those only one step removed from the generation gaps. And it



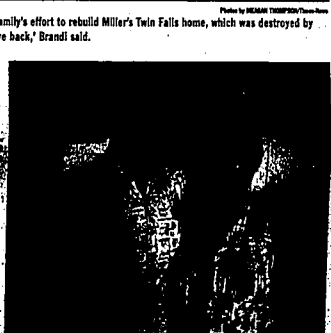
Lawrence Miller and his granddaughter Brandi Eckles, 32, talk about the family's effort to rebuild Miller's Twin Falls home, which was destroyed by fire in July. "My grandfather has always been there for us, so it's time to give back," Brandi said.



Lawrence Miller tries to unscrew a door in a cabinet salvaged from the fire as he gets help Saturday morning from his daughter Rhonda Line and granddaughter Kelly Morales.

bands individuals with different blood lines, making the frail and ancient home they never lived in appear as nostalgic as their mother's embrace.

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Lawrence Miller, 82, and his wife, Hazel, 81, pose in a family members' living room across the street from their home, Lawrence Miller estimates 40 people have worked to rebuild the house.

Bush favors N.Y. judge to replace Gonzales

By Deb Riechmann
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush has settled on Michael B. Mukasey, a retired federal judge from New York, to replace Alberto Gonzales as attorney general and will announce his selection today, a person familiar with the president's decision said Sunday evening.

Mukasey, who has handled terrorist cases in the U.S. legal system for more than a decade, would become the nation's top law enforcement officer if confirmed by the Senate. Mukasey has the support of some key Democrats, and it appeared Bush was trying to avoid a bruising confirmation battle.

The 66-year-old New York native, who is a judicial adviser to GOP presidential hopeful Rudy Giuliani, would take charge of a Justice Department where morale is low following months of investigations into the firings of nine U.S. attorneys and Gonzales' sworn testimony on the Bush administration's terrorist surveillance program.

Key lawmakers, Democrats and Republicans alike, had questioned Gonzales' credibility and competency after he repeatedly testified that he could not recall key events.

The White House refused to comment Sunday. The person familiar with Bush's decision refused to be identified by name because the nomination had not been officially announced.

Bush supporters say Mukasey, who was chief judge of the high-profile courthouse in Manhattan for six years, has impeccable credentials, is a strong, law-and-order jurist, especially on national security issues, and will restore confidence in the Justice Department.

Bush critics see the Mukasey nomination as evidence of Bush's weakened political clout as he heads into the final 15 months of his presidency. It's unclear how Senate Democrats will view Mukasey's credentials, but early indications are that he will face less opposition than a more hardline, partisan candidate like Ted Olson, who was believed to have been a finalist.

Mukasey has received past endorsements from Democratic Sen. Chuck Schumer, who is from Mukasey's home state.

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'The Sopranos' wins Emmy for best TV drama

By Lynn Elber
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — "The Sopranos" turned its cut-to-black final season into Emmy gold Sunday, winning the best drama series award, and newcomer "30 Rock" was named best comedy series.

The mob saga's victory was nearly unprecedented, with only a few other drama series, 1977's "Upstairs, Downstairs," having claimed the top trophy after leaving the air.

"In essence, this is a story about a gangster," said "The Sopranos" creator David Chase. "And gangsters are out there taking their kids to col-

lege, and taking their kids to school, and putting food on their table.

"And, hell, let's face it, if the world and this nation was run by gangsters — Chase paused and shrugged, as everyone laughed — "maybe it is."

"Sopranos" stars James Gandolfini and Edie Falco didn't fare as well. James Spader was named best drama series actor for "Boston Legal," stealing the honor of fellow nominee Gandolfini.

"Oh my goodness, I feel like I just stole a pile of money from the mob. And they're all sitting over there," Spader said, acknowledging him and the

rest of "The Sopranos" cast in the Shrine Auditorium audience.

Sally Field was honored as best actress in a drama for "Brothers & Sisters." Falco was among her competitors.

"How can that be? These wonderful actors," Field said. Cleary flustered. She lost her train of thought at one point, shouting at the audience to stop applauding while she struggled to finish her acceptance speech.

America Ferrera of the campy "Ugly Betty" was named best actress in a comedy series.

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Tina Fey and Alec Baldwin will pose backstage with the award for outstanding comedy series at the 59th Primetime Emmy Awards Sunday at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

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Craig's arrest makes airport men's room a new tourist attraction

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) — "When the bathroom door — That's the question camera-toting tourists in Minneapolis are asking as they visit the men's room where U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, was arrested in a sex sting.

"It's become a tourist attraction," said Karen Evans, information specialist at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. "People are taking pictures."

Craig was arrested June 11 by a Minneapolis airport police officer. The Idaho Republican pleaded guilty to misdemeanor disorderly conduct. Craig has since said his guilty plea was a mistake. His request to withdraw the guilty plea will be heard Sept. 25, just four days before he has said he will step down from his Senate seat.

Craig's arrest came to light Aug. 27, and Evans said the airport has since

been giving directions to the men's room near a central food court and shopping area. Just 15 minutes into her shift at the airport on Friday, Evans said she had been asked directions to the new tourist attraction four times. Other airport workers filed the same question.

"It's by the Lottery shop, right next to the shoeshine shop," said newsstand worker Abdulla Said, adding he

gets the question daily.

At the Royal Zino Shoeshine shop, the owner's grandson, Royal Zino, said he might have been working the day Craig was arrested.

"I might've actually been here. Me and my buddy were watching them doing a sting," he told the Idaho Statesman.

Zino said he gets to watch tourists now.

"People have been going inside,

taking pictures of the stall, taking pictures outside the bathroom door — man, it's been crazy," he said.

On their way to Guatemala, Jon and Sally Westby of Minneapolis made a visit to the new tourist attraction.

"We had to just stop and check out the bathroom," Sally said. "In fact, it's Jon's second time — he was here last week already."

"I checked it out," Jon said. "It's the second stall from the right."

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Today: Cooler with a stiff breeze developing. Perhaps a late day shower or thunderstorm. Highs low 70s. Tonight: Mostly cloudy. A small chance of rain exists. Lows low 40s.

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion and Auxiliary Twin Falls Post No. 7 Youth Appreciation Dinner, 6 p.m., Legion Hall, 447 Seastrom Ave., Twin Falls. The event will honor Boys and Girls State attendees and Poppy Poster winners.

GOVERNMENT

- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, 878-7302. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 544-2700.

HEALTH

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by email at sbrowne@magvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

All week

CSI library is open 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. today through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. CSI Adult Basic Education classes are open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today and Friday, and 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Meyerheffer second floor.

Today

U.S. Constitution Day video and informal question and answer discussion, 2 to 4 p.m., Aspen 108 (free; open to the public). CSI Asian Student Organization meeting, 6 p.m., Student Union 247.

Tuesday

Herrett Center for Arts and Science is open 9:30 a.m. to 9

p.m., also Friday. CSI Nurses Christian fellowship, noon, Taylor 258. CSI Ski and Snowboard Club meeting, 4 p.m., Shields 106. CSI Jazz Club Jam, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Fine Arts lobby (free; open to the public). Alcohol education and victims' panel, 6 p.m., Shields 117. "Mingle in the Jungle" free reptile raffle, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest. Idaho Small Business Development Center fair housing workshop, 6:30 p.m., Taylor 276. "Hubble Vision," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. CSI Anime Club meeting, 7 p.m., Shields 208. John Kilmer art exhibit, Herrett Center, Jean B. King Gallery (until Oct. 20). CSI Alpha meeting, 8 p.m., Student Union second floor.

Wednesday

Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition Board meeting, 6:45 a.m., Taylor 256. Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce adult leadership group session, 7:30 a.m., Taylor 276. Regional school superintendents meeting, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Taylor 277.

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Class boosts Parkinson's sufferers' skills

The ability to speak and move with ease is generally taken for granted. Not so for people with Parkinson's disease. Medications can help, but there is no cure. So local people with Parkinson's are being proactive—with the emphasis on active. They meet for an hour twice a week at a Twin Falls church for the Parkinson's Exercise Group.

Family, friends rally to rebuild home

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Mini-Cassia youngsters revisit Idaho history

Fourth-graders took a step back in time to learn what life was like for the pioneers and American Indians in Idaho during Cassia Joint School Districts' Living Idaho History Day at the Cassia County Fairgrounds last Thursday.

Heyburn water rates could rise; soon

HEYBURN — Water rates may soon be doubling in Heyburn as city officials attempt to finance upgrades to a water system that can no longer handle the demands of continued eastward expansion.

CSI students try to help Alzheimer's patients

A different demographic will soon be navigating the world of plastic and plastic, thanks to three students at the College of Southern Idaho who are studying how the Nintendo Wii could be used as a part of therapy for Alzheimer's patients.

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Friday

CSI Japanese Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Shields 106. Hugel's Basics chapter, Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113. "Hubble Vision," 8:15 p.m., "Altruistic Rock," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Thursday

Idaho Small Business Development Center business mentoring luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Desert 113. CSI Diversity Council presents Dr. David Adler "The Constitution in an Age of Terrorism," 6:30 p.m., Fine Arts Theater (free; open to the public). Southern Idaho Partners Against Drugs faith-based town hall meeting, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium. Idaho Native Plant Society meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 256.

Man who learned how to steal from TV show sentenced to 12 years in prison for burglary

RICHMOND, Ky. (AP) — A man who says he learned how to rob homes by watching a TV show was sentenced to 12 years in prison for a string of burglaries in central Kentucky.

Michael W. Hobbs, 36, of Waco, Ky., pleaded guilty to five counts of burglary. He was sentenced Thursday.

Police said Hobbs learned how to break into homes by watching the Discovery Channel TV show "It Takes a Thief." The show features two ex-convicts who show property owners how vulnerable they are to theft.

Police Maj. Steve Gregg said the ex-cons on the show

say skilled burglars typically don't keep stolen items.

"He didn't hold onto any of the property," Gregg said of Hobbs. "He had no physical evidence at his residence whatsoever. When we arrested a couple times, he said, 'Come on in, look around. I've done nothing.'"

But Gregg said Hobbs' always showed up at the burglary sites.

"He was one of the type of people who would come over the door and ask if (the homeowner) needed any further help," Gregg said. "Then the houses around there would get burglarized. That's just not coincidental."

SPORTS



Jones a champion at Magic Valley Speedway

Pepsi Premier driver Steve Jones may have had a few nervous moments last Saturday night in the final event of the year at Magic Valley Speedway, but when it all was over he emerged as the feature division champion for 2007.



Seahawks drop heartbreaker to Cards

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Neil Rackers had been there before. So had the Arizona Cardinals — many, many times.

After a year on Monday Night Football, in Arizona's memorable collapse against the Chicago Bears, Rackers missed a 41-yard field goal from the left hash mark that would have won the game.

On Sunday, from the same spot with one second left, he nailed it.

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O.J. Simpson arrested in Las Vegas robbery

LAS VEGAS — O.J. Simpson was arrested Sunday and faces multiple felony charges in an alleged armed robbery of collectors involving the former football great's sports memorabilia, authorities said.

Simpson was arrested shortly after 11 a.m.

Plane crash kills 88 on Thai resort island

PHUKET — A plane carrying foreign tourists crashed Sunday as it tried to land in stormy weather on the resort island of Phuket, engulfing some passengers in flames while others kicked out windows to escape the smoke-filled cabin.

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Suspected Sunni rebels raid villages

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military on Sunday announced the arrest of a suspect in the killing of a sheik who spearheaded the U.S.-backed Sunni revolt against al-Qaida in Iraq, engulfing some passengers in flames while others kicked out windows to escape the smoke-filled cabin.

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U.S. cities cracking down on pants saggers

TRENTON — It's a fashion that started in prison, and now the sartorial craze has come full circle — low-slung street strutting in some cities may soon mean run-ins with the law, including a stint in jail.

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Fantagonism makes college football great

BOISE — I have always loved sitting with the fans when I watch games. The press box at Boise State University is in shambles. The writers are huddled in a plywood room and it's hot in there.

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Woods wins Tour Championship

ATLANTA — The FedEx Cup didn't change anything but Tiger Woods' bank account.

The PGA Tour's "new era in golf" came to a familiar conclusion Sunday when Woods captured the Tour Championship in record-setting fashion, closing with a 4-under 66 for an eight-shot victory.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"There is no grief which time does not lessen and soften."

— Cicero, Roman scholar (106-43 B.C.)

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Children, four generations removed, 6 and 8 years old, hammered their first nails this summer, laid texture on a wall and taped around a frame.

Six of the Miller's children who moved away when they got married returned home bringing reinforcements with them — like Motley.

Motley is working full time building a Jerome Elementary-Middle School this summer. When he clocks out, he races to Twin Falls and works until there's no light left or until he's too tired to move.

"I don't even know where summer went," Motley said.

In a shaded portion of the front yard, Vickey Fitzpatrick sits beside her mother, Hazel, explaining how they plan to install the trim.

"Can you see that?" she asked her mother, whose vision is weak. She's pointing at a sketch. "That's the way they are going to do it."

Fitzpatrick, the oldest of Hazel and Lawrence's children, was worried for her parents. She knew her father had kept a savings for after he retired from his job at the railroad. But it was intended to cover medical problems that covered by social security. Because no insurance company would cover the home — which is too old, and the electricity outdated and unsafe — the first thought had been to completely unprepared.

The money behind the effort



When Lawrence Miller's home caught fire in July he and his wife were left with the choice to rebuild or move on. To his family, the decision was simple, and within days of the blaze they were knocking down walls and clearing out debris. Alan Motley, 23, right and Vicky Eales, 32, who are married to Miller's granddaughters, have worked hard on the project.

to rebuild, outside of some donations, came entirely from her parents' pockets. Now those pockets are severely depleted.

"When you're in your 80s and something like this happens, it hurts," she said. "There's no preparing for something like this."

Hazel, however, exhibits none of that angst. She spent two weeks after the fire feeling scared. Her 7-year-old great-grandson, who started the fire when he practiced lighting matches to emulate his great-grandfather, also survived the fire without a scratch.

He continued to have nightmares for more than two weeks. "I'd wake up saying, 'Mom, it's too hot,'" Hazel said. "I think he's learned his lesson."

But today, after losing countless photos and memorabilia, Hazel and her husband are eager to move back in. And the company doesn't bother them either.

Lawrence wears a baseball cap that says: "Retired! Don't ask me to do a damn thing." Yet, he cannot help himself. He peeks over shoulders and occasionally drives home a nail.

"Nobody asked me to do anything," he said. "They all came in and said, 'What can we do to help?' So I'm doing it on my own."

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Emmys

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"This is such an amazing, wonderful achievement. The award is to be able to get up and go to work tomorrow," Ferris said.

The biggest laugh of the night was earned by presenters Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert, after they announced that Ricky Gervais of "Extras" had won the award for best comedy series actor.

"Ricky Gervais could not be here tonight. Instead we're here to give this to our friend, Steve Carell," the Stewart said. Carell, a nominee for "The Office," appeared on stage, sharing a group hug with Stewart and Colbert.

The Emmys spread the

awards wealth. Supporting actor honors went to stars of "Grey's Anatomy," "Lost," "Entourage" and "My Name is Earl."

"My own mother told me I didn't have a shot in hell at winning tonight," said Katherine Heigl of "Grey's Anatomy." "This is my dream come true. I've been doing this for 17 years."

A mob family, a former vice president and the cast of "Roots" brought the audience to his feet at the ceremony.

Al Gore received a standing ovation as his Current TV channel, which features viewer-created videos, was honored for achievement in interactive television.

"We are trying to open up the television medium so that viewers can help to make television, and join the conversation of democracy, and reclaim American democracy by talking about the choices we have to make," said Gore, whose global-warming documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" received an Oscar earlier this year.

Another standing ovation greeted the sprawling cast of "The Sopranos," which garnered stage after the drama had earned honors for best writing and directing. Actor Joe Mantegna paid tribute to the show as "having changed the face of television."

Queen Latifah helped salute

the groundbreaking miniseries "Roots" on its 30th anniversary.

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Judge

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In 2005, the liberal Alliance for Justice put Mukasey on a list of four judges who, if chosen for the Supreme Court, would show the president's commitment to nominating people who could be supported by both Democrats and Republicans.

"While he is certainly conservative, Judge Mukasey seems to be the kind of nominee who would put rule of law first and show independence from the White House, our most important criteria," Schumer said. "For sure we'd

want to ascertain his approach on such important and sensitive issues as retroactive and the appointment of U.S. attorneys, but he's a lot better than some of the other names mentioned and he has the potential to become a consensus nominee."

Last week, some Senate Democrats threatened to block the confirmation of Olson, who represented Bush before the Supreme Court in the contested 2000 election. Democratic senators have theorized that Bush might nominate Mukasey, in part,

because he wanted to avoid a bruising confirmation battle.

The possibility that Bush would pick Mukasey, however, angered some supporters on the GOP's right flank, who have given Mukasey less-than-enthusiastic reviews. Some legal conservatives and Republican activists have expressed reservations about Mukasey's legal record and past endorsements from liberals, and were drafting a strategy to oppose his confirmation even before it became known that Bush had chosen him.

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ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

One swing at a time



Mindy McDonald, an assistant professor of nursing at the College of Southern Idaho, works with students Friday morning during a class. McDonald's students are working on service learning projects throughout the community.

CSI students use video games to help Alzheimer's patients

By Kate Poppino
Times-News writer

Video games are normally considered the realm of teenagers and college students. But a different demographic will soon be navigating the world of pixels and plastic, thanks to three students at the College of Southern Idaho who are studying how the Nintendo Wii could be used as part of therapy for Alzheimer's patients.

Not even one year old, the Wii — Nintendo's latest video game system — has become known for its quirky, remote-like wireless controller that reads the motions of its wielder and translates those into actions on the TV screen. The console has already been tested as a therapy device by a range of hospitals, including a U.S. Army hospital in Germany and a nursing home in Illinois.

Now, Don Rock, Miguel Hernandez and Tiffany Downs, three students in a CSI psychiatric nursing class this fall, plan to take one of the machines to SunBridge

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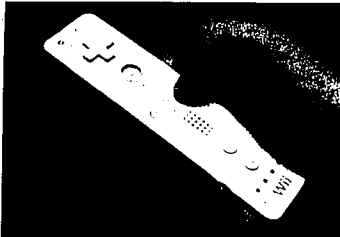
Class helps those suffering with Parkinson's disease to keep moving.

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Care and Rehabilitation in Twin Falls. Their generational-spanning challenge? To see if residents of the center with Alzheimer's can gain any benefit from a few rounds of video baseball.

The games could catch on with such residents, who get a lot out of tactile, interactive activities, said Dawn Meyer, Alzheimer's program director. And it fits with the center's approach — the staff is always looking for ways to make therapy more enticing. "We're very into culture change," Meyer said. "Them touching something and twinging ... I think they're really enjoying that."

The idea for the project was sparked by a conversation last spring, Rock said. When students in the class were split into groups and asked to come up with service-learning projects, Rock and his



Some of Mindy McDonald's students will use a Nintendo Wii when they work with Alzheimer's patients at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation in Twin Falls.

group saw the perfect chance to try it out. The group was inspired by reports on the device, including one about a 77-year-old former tennis player who used a sports game in a Minnesota hospital to recover from a stroke.

"(People who use the console) were just having the time of their lives," Rock said. At SunBridge, domestic environments — such as a standard kitchen or a back-

yard with laundry lines — are reproduced to give Alzheimer's patients some of the routine they used to have. Students say the machine should fit right in with that backdrop, geared for patients in the middle to late stages of Alzheimer's. "The approach is to make life more normal for them," Rock said.

Moving the controller can do more than stretch out a

hand or wrist. One stroke patient Downs learned about used a setup meant to exercise the damaged side of his body.

"He had to hold down a button to play the game with his good side, and use the bad side to play," she said. The project meant the three needed to gain some experience with the machine. While Hernandez and Rock both had access to one, Downs had never tried the Wii.

"I just posted a bulletin on MySpace: 'Hey, I need to play Wii,'" she said.

The trio will use Hernandez's Wii for the trial run, for which they're still setting up a time, and will report the results to their class in a 20-minute presentation. Where the research goes beyond that is anyone's guess — Hernandez said other games that test mental abilities could be used as well, and the only question is "Can we work with it?"

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Heyburn water rates may rise soon

By Rich Greene
For the Times-News

HEYBURN — Water rates may soon be doubling in Heyburn as city officials attempt to finance upgrades to a water system that can no longer handle the demands of continued eastward expansion.

The new proposed base rate would be \$22.69 for 5,000 gallons of water with an overcharge of 75 cents per 1,000 gallons used. The existing rate is \$12.97 for 5,000 gallons with an average charge of 55 cents per 1,000 gallons.

The increased rates would pay existing expenses and repay a proposed \$3 million bond that would be used to build a new public well, well house and water distribution system.

At last week's meeting, the city council also committed to move toward a November bond vote. City Attorney Steven Tuft warned the council any postponements would delay a vote to February.

The proposed rates came from a rate study performed by Boise State University's Environmental Finance Center. The rate study was performed free of charge. The study noted Heyburn's water department experienced a negative cash flow in 2005 and 2006.

"You hate to do it until you have to. Now we have to."

— Heyburn City Councilman Dee Ray Bailey on the city's efforts to not have to raise water rates

"The study also recommended the city council adopt a resolution placing a 3 percent increase in base rates to fund water department expenditures and provide for replacement capital.

Increases of five years of such increases the base rate would be \$30.02. City councilmen Rocky Baker and Dee Ray Bailey said they were expecting the recommendation to be a \$35 base rate.

The large jump in rates stems from years of city officials trying to hold the rate flat, said Bailey. "You have to ... until you have to. Now we have to," said Bailey.

Baker said municipalities all across southern Idaho are being forced to deal with water issues. The fire department has for years been hampered by low water pressure, a problem that will continue with the addition of a new subdivision and elementary school, Baker said.

Even if the bond does not pass, water rates will still have to be increased, Bailey said. The proposed increase would cover only the minimum needed for repayment of the loan.

In Manti-Cassia, Paul has the highest base rate at \$20 in summer and \$30 in winter. But Paul's summer rate is based on 15,000 gallons and there are no overage charges in the winter.

Bailey's base rate is \$14.50 for 3,000 gallons with a 52-cent per 1,000 gallons overage charge. Ruppert's base rate is \$13 for 2,000 gallons with 78-cent per 1,000 gallons overage charge.

Heyburn is expected to hold a public hearing on the proposed increase of water usage charges at the next City Council meeting, Sept. 26.

Council to hear update on pipeline project

Times-News

The Twin Falls City Council meets at 5 p.m. at 305 Third Ave. E. Meetings are open to the public.

Business is expected to include: • Gerald Martens, an engineer at EHM Engineers, will give an update on the construction project in northeast Twin Falls.

Through a public-private partnership, construction for several months has been under way to widen a one-mile stretch of Pole Line Road to Eastland Drive in northeast Twin Falls and add a sewer trunk line to accommodate more than 1,000 new homes.

New piping will attach to what is referred to as the Blue Lakes trunk line near

Locust Street along Pole Line Road and head south parallel to Eastland Drive. Smaller pipe systems from the nearby developments will latch onto the new line, which will flow west toward the city's plant by the canyon.

• Beginning at the intersection of Bridgeslev and Pole Line Road, the two-lane road will expand to three lanes and eventually five lanes for about a mile east to Candleridge Drive.

• Presentation by Nancy Choker of a landscape award to Mary and Art Hoag.

• Set Oct. 1 for a public hearing to increase water, sewer and sanitation rates.

• Set Oct. 1 for a public hearing to increase fees for the Adult Flag Football program.

Idaho history comes alive for fourth-graders

By Laurie Welch
For the Times-News

Fourth-graders took a step back in time to learn what life was like for the pioneers and American Indians in Idaho during Cassia Joint School District's Living Idaho History Day at the Cassia County Fairgrounds last Thursday.

"How many pairs of socks do you have, five, 10 or 30?" Carol June Anderson asked as she showed the students some of the socks she has made from wool she spins, dyes and knits.

"The pioneers had one or two," she said. Anderson said the students especially love to watch her while she spins at her spinning wheel, and they always love to touch the items.

"And, they always turn their nose up at how the wool smells," she said. "I like to teach them that they don't have to do anymore. The pioneers didn't have access to all our conveniences."



Richard Randall gives fourth-graders a lesson on the history of American Indian weaponry at the Cassia County Fairgrounds last Thursday.

The event also provided some fun for students.

"I liked making the rope. I liked the history and I like the rope," said Brody McGraw, from White Pine Intermediate School, about the piece of rope he helped make and got to keep.

The district's public information officer and event coordinator Mary Lynne Bristol said nearly 400 students participated. The day was designed to give the students a first-hand look at early

life in Idaho.

Seventeen stations were set up to show the students everything from how the early American Indians and pioneers lived to the history of mining in Idaho.

Kenna Wyatt, a teacher from White Pine, said the students love living history day. "They get to see a little bit of everything and then we refer back to it when we study Idaho history during the year," she said. "It lays a really good foundation."

OTHER VIEWS

Finally, a farm bill for farmers

Post Registrar, Idaho Falls

Undersecretary for Natural Resources and the Environment Mark Rey and Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns — both committed Republican conservatives — are advancing a more

equitable farm bill. Speaking to the *Post Registrar's* editorial board recently, Rey outlined several key reforms in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's proposal to diversify farming opportunities.

Sure, politics plays a role. President Bush wants to demonstrate fiscal restraint, and this package would trim the budget deficits. But it's a winner for rank-and-file farmers, and possibly could free up money for hundreds of worthy programs throughout the nation. It's mostly market-based fiscal wisdom.

Today, 9 percent of farms collect 54 percent of all federal commodity payments. The new bill would reverse that by imposing a stunning \$360,000 individual subsidy payment cap. The measure would also cut off individual farmers who earn more than an adjusted gross income — after taxes and other deductions — of only \$200,000. The current AGI limit is \$2.5 million.

They also detailed these reforms:

- Converting the current price-based support program to one based on a producer's revenue over time. That provides a stronger safety net for farmers who experience losses in any one year and it ends the practice of overcompensating farmers who produce more commodities than the market can absorb.

- Changing loan rates on price floors for corn, wheat, cotton, rice, soybeans and other major crops so they don't encourage overproduction and thereby depress market prices. The market assistance loan rates are proposed to be set for each commodity at 85 percent of the five-year average to minimize market distortions.

- Providing more money for conservation. The bill would increase the Wetlands Reserve program from 2.3 million to 3.5 million acres. It also adds \$4.2 billion for environmental quality land-use incentives and enhancing regional water quality.

- Providing \$3.2 billion to improve the Nutrition Assistance Program by purchasing more fruits and vegetables, which will particularly benefit school lunch and breakfast programs.

- Providing guaranteed loans to complete rehabilitation of more than 1,200 rural hospitals. It also includes \$500 million to reduce the backlog of rural infrastructure projects such as water and waste disposal.
- Protecting open spaces with an additional \$800 million to invest in conservation easements to help farmers and ranchers resist the pressure to sell out to developers.

The administration bill has one blemish — investing \$510 million in grants and loans for the fledgling cellulosic ethanol industry. Spending some \$500 million in bio-based product research may be justified. But cellulosic ethanol is unproven, and putting taxpayer dollars into it is premature.

But on the whole, the package is a decided improvement.

Their view:
The *Post Registrar* said farm bill reforms proposed by the Bush administration make sense for rank-and-file farmers. **What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

The Los Angeles Times

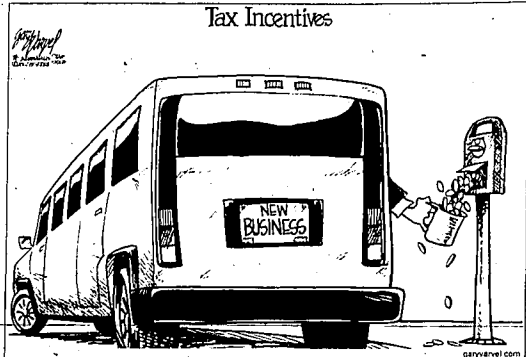
One of the most difficult questions posed by the subprime mortgage meltdown is who, if anyone, the government should be trying to help.

First-time home buyers misled by mortgage brokers are more sympathetic than, say, borrowers or lenders who deliberately took on outsized risks. But it's hard to set rules that can distinguish between the two.

The challenge is brought into focus by each proposal emanating from Washington. The latest example is a bill introduced this week by Sen. Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., the chairman of the Senate Banking Committee's housing subcommittee.

Schumer would have two government-sponsored agencies, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, boost mortgage lending by letting them expand their sizable portfolios of mortgages and mortgage-backed bonds by at least 10 percent. These portfolios, each of which is worth more than \$700 billion, were capped by Congress in response to accounting problems at the agencies.

The caps shouldn't be lifted until Fannie and Freddie have cleared the last vestiges of accounting fraud and come under more rigorous oversight. And although Schumer's bill would help some lenders and borrowers, they're not necessarily the ones the government should be helping. Beneficiaries would include



some of the homeowners whose adjustable-rate loans recently jumped to a higher interest rate or are slated to do so soon. The bill would require Fannie and Freddie to use at least half of the new buying power to add those loans to their portfolios, which would help the borrowers refinance under better terms.

But Fannie and Freddie's strict requirements for loan quality would appear to stop them from rescuing buyers stuck with the most problematic subprime mortgages, such as those with high prepayment penalties or ever-mounting balances. As a result, help would go to the

most creditworthy borrowers holding the least punitive loans — along with their lenders. Nor would the measure distinguish between borrowers who were duped into accepting bad terms and those who had foolishly bet on an endlessly rising market for homes.

Schumer also would help borrowers in communities with unusually high housing costs, such as Los Angeles and New York. Home prices are so high in these markets, many mortgages are more than \$17,000 — the largest loan Fannie and Freddie are allowed to buy. Schumer proposes to raise that limit by

to 50 percent for one year.

That's a potential boon not just to middle-class home buyers but to home sellers in those markets — in effect, it would help maintain the excessively high prices. Those buyers and sellers aren't the ones most directly affected by the subprime meltdown, though; rather, they're feeling the sort of pain that periodically spasms in the housing market.

The Federal Reserve may have kept interest rates artificially low for several years, but that's no reason for Congress to spring into action when the rate for jumbo loans inches above 7 percent.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Some Japanese-Americans deserved to be in camps

In support of a letter by Vaughn Phelps about World War II internment camps:

Now that tree-whining liberals are through whining, the camps are what we needed for the time. I will never believe all the people were good citizens. Read your history: at that time, they were a nation of fanatics and some were from.

I am not saying the Japanese-Americans who fought with honor in the European Theater weren't good people. Ask Sen. Hironaka of Hawaii. He lost an arm defending the USA. If you want proof Americans' feelings at that time, visit the Arizona Memorial. Read the names on the wall and look in the water and see the ship where they are entombed. Talk to a Pearl Harbor survivor and ask about that day. I have. You get the idea. They will be gone in a few years.

To them, Pearl Harbor didn't happen over 60 years ago — it happened yesterday. Ask a Bataan Death March survivor about these people. Ask the murderers, deaths of their fellow prisoners, treatment they endured. To them, this happened yesterday.

Over 70 years ago, I was stationed in Southern California. A neighbor's wife was from the Philippines. During the war, her father (a village chief) had his village help allied pilots. The enemy came looking for Americans. He said he never helped them. They didn't believe him. To get him to talk, they said they would kill a member of his family. He still says no. The wife witnessed troop barge her 3-year-old sister again and again.

The shame is feeling, as Americans, we were wrong about the news and, in their apology. Check history — rent or buy a DVD, "The Death of the Arizona." Look in the eyes of the storytellers.

ROBERT A. RYBRAND
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Robert Rybrand is a retired U.S. Navy chief petty officer.)

Some people trust the media too much

I was surprised by the letter by B.J. "Barny" Rowland. The problem I have with

Sen. Craig," in the Sept. 8 *Times-News*.

Call it mixed reviews. I applaud your stance on homosexual, B.J., since I, as a heterosexual, also have no problem with them. I've had gay friends myself and see that I see socio-genetic and other prejudices in society. There are no justifiable excuses for those biases, regardless of where anyone comes from.

But then, B.J., you do a complete 180-degree turn by assuming that everything you see in the media, or hear, is true. It frequently isn't. Or do you have firsthand knowledge regarding the senator's sexual status? Or the validity of the charges? Or of whether this embarrassment renders him unfit to continue? Or what?

My total disdain for Big Brother, which includes all media as integral organs, is no secret, and I make no apology for it. I realize that not all media people think a pimple on Madonna's butt is news. But I also know that all media are businesses. Often their main goal becomes selling the news and, in their sensationalist zeal, they ego-manically assume certain sources are sacrosanct. News flash — they're not.

And this media are not part of American justice though most Americans act as if they are. As do many media people. Homosexuality, certainly not a crime or real social bugaboo, is not my problem with your letter. The problem is that, in a different way, you have declared him guilty of homosexuality. I personally don't know whether he's guilty or not, and, in any event, and despite anyone's views, he's innocent until proven guilty. And, even then, our highly subjective systems (and media) are often wrong. Or does that matter these days?

BILL WOODFIN JR.
Eden

Republicans are too confusing

Do the Republicans confuse anyone else? Bill Sall, our congressional representative, said that our founding fathers would oppose a Muslim in Congress and a Hindu prayer being recited there when several of the fathers, including George Washington, Benjamin

Franklin and Thomas Jefferson weren't Christians and were assumed to be deists, meaning that they believed in God, but not the Christian God.

He absurdly believes that if you're not a Christian, you shouldn't be in Congress because you worship the "wrong" God, which has nothing to do with representing Idaho or America. Remember separation of church and state? Sall doesn't reflect rational people; for example, he voted against the minimum wage hike and linked abortion to breast cancer without proof. He's fortunate; our northern neighbors elected him into office, not because he's qualified but only because he's a Republican.

Larry Craig pled guilty to a misdemeanor after his perfectly legal game of restroom foosie, which didn't hurt anyone except for the homophobic Republicans who requested and received his resignation. Immediately, Craig knew they'd unjustifiably overreact when they heard the words gay, Republican, congressman and sex sitting in the same story, explaining his cover-up.

This wouldn't have been half as newsworthy if it had been a real affair with a woman, which actually happened. Louisiana's Republican senator, David Vitter, admitted to being involved with an escort service but hasn't received much press and hasn't been asked to resign. Craig might be gay, but I might believe that if Craig might be gay, he cannot effectively represent Idaho.

In 2008, like in 2006, I will vote Democratic. They have a reasonable understanding of America, unlike Republicans, who think that they can bash non-Christian religions and commit adultery but can't tolerate "terrorists" religion or allow possible "immoral" homosexual activity within their party.

ERIC PARTON
Bury

Why can't they tell us how many cows are in Jerome?

I see that the two men commissioners of Jerome County have seen the need to protect the health and welfare of county citizens. Guess they finally read some information on the subject, i.e., a letter from 26 Jerome doctors!

I hope they study the Idaho Open Meeting Law manual and follow it. I've sat through many meetings where Charlie has ignored it and Roberts Rules. Their actions have caused Jerome County to be the laughingstock of the Magic Valley.

Charlie says he's a team player. He and Joe appear at commission meetings and give every indication of bias for diaries. The public is not allowed to speak and a public records request to Joe gets a response that he has not studied any material. So who tells him how to vote?

Diana studies the problem and shows copies of her material to support her suggestions. The men refuse to consider her proposals. Many citizens have observed their bias and discourtesy to Diana firsthand.

It's true that Charlie doesn't compromise until the public is outraged.

I am a proud member of Citizens Protecting Resources. Joe did attend about three meetings, and Diana has attended maybe five, other than the meet-the-candidates nights. We at CPTR care about this county and its health and welfare.

And I would still like to know why we can't find out how follow it. I've sat through how many were approved. Nobody knows! Not even our commissioners.

XENIA WILLIAMS
Jerome

Some police officers think they're above the law

We have a police officer in our town that has made a nuisance of himself.

He is parking on the wrong side of the road to catch people who may be speeding parking in someone's driveway or behind a house.

I thought that if you are an officer, you are to follow rules. I have been told you cannot park on the wrong side of the road, the side the oncoming traffic is on. He also went to turn around to get to the opposite side of the road and was almost hit by another vehicle.

In the last few days, I have counted myself 12 different stops. All I want to know is if he is breaking the law, can we give him a ticket?

LORI HURLEY
FLOR

QUOTES IN THE NEWS

By The Associated Press

"Please know that I leave today with the highest regard and the admiration for the employees of the department. And I leave having had the privilege and honor of serving as attorney general."

— Alberto Gonzales in remarks at ceremony marking his departure as U.S. Attorney General.

"It's stolen stuff that's mine. Nobody was roughed up."

— O.J. Simpson on his entering a Las Vegas casino hotel room to retrieve sports memorabilia at a private sale.

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THAILAND

Plane crash kills 88 on Thai resort island

PHUKET—A plane carrying foreign tourists crashed Sunday as it tried to land in stormy weather on the resort island of Phuket, engulfing some passengers in flames while others kicked out windows to escape the smoke-filled cabin. At least 88 people were killed.



Thai rescuers carry an injured passenger out of the wreckage of a plane that crashed at Phuket International Airport Sunday in Phuket, southern Thailand.

"The people have chosen and their decision is respected. PASOK fought hard but it did not succeed" said Papandreu, who heads the party founded by his father, former Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu.

IRAQ

Suspected Sunni rebels raid Shiite villages

BAGHDAD — The U.S. military on Sunday announced the arrest of a suspect in the killing of a sheikh who spearheaded the U.S.-backed Sunni revolt against al-Qaida in Iraq, even as the terror network launched a campaign of violence during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan.

Dozens of suspected Sunni insurgents raided Shiite villages north of Baghdad, killing at least 15 people and setting homes ablaze, police said. A bicycle bomb exploded at a cafe serving tea and food during the Ramadan fast in northern Iraq.

The surge of bloodshed — with 54 people killed or found dead nationwide — occurred a day after al-Qaida announced a new campaign aimed at countering the U.S. and Iraqi claims the terror movement is reeling following the U.S.-led offensives around the Iraqi capital.

But the U.S. military insisted it had the group on the run and said a man believed responsible for the assassination of a U.S.-allied Sunni tribal leader in Anbar province had been arrested north of Baghdad.

Abdul-Sattar Abu Risha, 37, was the leader of Anbar Awakening — an alliance of clans backing the Iraqi govern-

ment and U.S. forces against al-Qaida in Iraq that was touted as one of the success stories of the war. He and three companions were killed in a bombing Thursday outside his heavily guarded compound in the provincial capital of Ramadi, days after he had met with President Bush.

Gates opposes plan to give troops more rest

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Sunday he would recommend a veto of a Senate proposal that would give troops more rest between deployments in Iraq, branding it a dangerous "backdoor" way to draw down forces.

Democrats pledged to push ahead with the plan by Sen. Jim Webb, D-Va., and expressed confidence they could round up the votes to pass it, although perhaps by the margin to override a veto.

"The operational tempo that our forces are under is excruciatingly difficult for our soldiers, Marines, all of our personnel and their families," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I. "They deserve the same amount of time back home as they stay in the field."

The comments represented the latest political clash over the future course of the war. Last week, President Bush announced plans for a limited drawdown but indicated that combat forces would stay in Iraq well past 2008.

With the Senate expected to resume debate this week on anti-war legislation, Gates sharpened his criticism of Webb's proposal. It would require troops get as much time at their home station as their deployments to the war front.

GERMANY

Florida woman pursues mystery of Dachau album

BAD HOEISEN — Deep in Shari Klages' memory is an image of herself as a girl in New Jersey, going into her parents' bedroom, pulling a leather-bound album from the top shelf of a closet and sitting down on the bed to leaf through it.

What she saw was page after page of ink and watercolor drawings that convey, with simple lines yet telling detail, the brutality of Dachau, the Nazi concentration camp where her father spent the last weeks of World War II.

Arrival, enslavement, torture, death — the 30 pictures expose the worsening nightmare through the artist's eye for the essential, and add graphic texture to the body of testimony by

Holocaust survivors. "I have a sense of being quite horrified, of feeling my stomach in my throat," Klages says. Just by looking at the book, she felt she was doing something wrong and was afraid of being caught.

Now, she finally wants to make the album public. Scholars who have seen it call it historically unique and an artistic treasure.

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Financial Lesson of the Week

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Long-term Financial Moves in a Short-term World

As a society, we have grown accustomed to instant gratification. You can lose 20 pounds in two months, learn a language in six weeks and download your favorite songs in seconds. The idea of waiting for what we want. It seems, has become a quaint relic of bygone days. Of course, in many walks of life, there's probably nothing wrong with having your desire fulfilled quickly—but the "get it now" attitude can actually have some negative consequences when it comes to spending, saving and investing.

Want proof? Consider the following:

- In the fourth quarter of 2006, families spent 14.5 percent of their disposable income to service their debt—the largest share since 1980, according to the Center for American Progress.
The first quarter of 2007 marked the eighth quarter in a row with a negative personal savings rate, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.
Almost half of workers who are saving for retirement say that their total savings and investments (excluding the value of their primary residence and any pension plan) is less than \$25,000, according to the Employee Benefit Research Institute's 2007 Retirement Confidence Survey.

What can you do to avoid some of the financial problems that may arise from short-term behavior? Here are a few suggestions:

- Delay purchases. Try to think about all purchases overnight and calculate how long you'd have to work to pay for them. You might be surprised at how many items you can actually do without.
Limit your borrowing. It's easier said than done, of course, but the fewer debts you have, the more you'll have available to save and invest. While it may not be possible for you to pay "cash" for everything you buy, it's nonetheless a worthy goal, and the closer you can come to achieving it, the better off you'll be.
Pay yourself first. If you wait until you've paid all your bills and other expenses each month before you save and invest for the future, you're probably going to make very slow progress toward your goals. If you can "pay yourself first" by putting money in a savings or investment account every time you get paid—even if it's just a nominal amount at first—you'll help yourself greatly over time.
Be patient—and buy quality. From 1926 through 2006, large-company stocks provided an average annual return of more than 10 percent, while small-company stocks turned, on average, more than 12 percent, according to Ibbotson Associates, an investment research firm. Of course, past performance is not an indication of future results and you can't assume that, for a given year, your stocks or other growth-oriented investments will return 10 percent, 12 percent—or anything at all. In the short term, all growth vehicles fluctuate in price so you shouldn't be shocked at losing principal over a single year, or perhaps a couple of years in a row. But if you buy an array of quality investments and hold them for the long term—at least five to 10 years—you can help increase your chances to achieve some growth.

In all likelihood, our tendency to want things quicker is only going to accelerate. But when it comes to making smart financial moves, you'll want to take a "slow and steady" approach.

nie Newspaper in Education

GREECE

Conservatives claim win in parliamentary election

ATHENS — Conservative Prime Minister Costas Karamanlis declared victory in Greece's parliamentary election Sunday, although official results showed he would have a slimmer majority in parliament.

Karamanlis overcame widespread anger and accusations of incompetence following devastating forest fires that killed more than 65 people last month, and a challenge from a split in the right-wing vote to win a second four-year term.

"Thank you for your trust. You have spoken loud and clear and chosen the course the country will take in the next few years," Karamanlis said as thousands of party supporters thronged the streets of central Athens.

Official results from nearly two-thirds of the votes cast showed Karamanlis' New Democracy party ahead with 43.3 percent, while the opposition socialist PASOK party had 38.5 percent.

His statement came minutes after his rival, PASOK leader George Papandreu, conceded defeat.

The Herrett Forum presents: Ed Dahlberg. President and CEO of the St. Luke's Health System. Admission is free of charge. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Rick Allen Community Room of the Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Located on North College Road in Twin Falls.

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NEVADA

O.J. Simpson arrested in Las Vegas robbery

LAS VEGAS — O.J. Simpson was arrested Sunday and faces multiple felony charges in an alleged armed robbery of collectors involving the former football great's sports memorabilia, authorities said.

Simpson was arrested shortly after 11 a.m., Capt. James Dillon said. Prosecutors were planning to charge Simpson with two counts of robbery with use of a deadly weapon, conspiracy to commit robbery, burglary with a deadly weapon, two counts of assault with a deadly weapon and coercion, said Clark County District Attorney David Roger.

A conviction on the most serious charge, robbery with use of a deadly weapon, could bring a sentence of three to 35 years for each count, he said. "He is facing a lot of time," Roger said.

Simpson was being held at Las Vegas police offices pending the arrival of his lawyer, who was expected later Sunday, Dillon said. "He was very cooperative, there were no issues," Dillon said.

At least one other person has been arrested and police said Sunday that as many as six people could be arrested in connection with the alleged armed robbery that occurred in a room inside the Palace Station casino-hotel on Thursday.

Simpson, 60, has said he and other people with him were retrieving items that belonged to him, Simpson has said there were no guns involved.

the level of heroic," Martin said Saturday as he got ready for his journey. "I think of 9/11, when I saw people respond and put their health, their careers, their lives in jeopardy."

Walking briskly, he hopes to cover at least 30 miles a day in a march that, if all goes well, will end at San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge in about four months.

Martin said he was moved by the stories of World Trade Center rescue and recovery workers who began getting ill years after the terror attacks. There is evidence that some illnesses may be linked to the toxic dust of the twin towers.

NEW JERSEY

U.S. cities cracking down on pants saggers

TRENTON — It's a fashion that started in prison, and now the saggy pants craze has come back — in a new, dangerous street strutting in some cities may soon mean run-ins with the law, including a stint in jail.

Proposals to ban saggy pants are starting to ride up in several cities. At the extreme end, wearing pants low enough to show boxers or bare buttocks in one small Louisiana town means six months in jail and a \$500 fine. A crackdown also is being pushed in Atlanta. And in Trenton, getting caught with your pants down may soon result in not only a fine, but a city lawyer assessing where your life is headed.

"Are they employed? Do they have a high school diploma? It's a wonderful way to redirect at that point," said Trenton Councilwoman Annette Lartigue, who is drafting a law to outlaw saggy pants. "The message is clear: We don't want to see your backside."

The bare-your-butts fashion is believed to have started in prisons, where inmates aren't given belts with their baggy uniform pants to prevent hangings and beatings. By the late 80s, the trend had made it to gangster rap videos, then went on to skateboarders in the suburbs and high school hallways.

"For young people, it's a form of rebellion and identity," Adrian "Easy A.D." Harris, 43, a founding member of the Bronx's legendary rap group Cold Crush Brothers. "The young people think it's fashionable. They don't think it's negative."

— The Associated Press

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NEW YORK

Former N.Y. Giants star begins a cross-country march for 9/11 victims

Saying he knows what real heroism is, former New York Giants star George Martin began a cross-country walk to raise money for ailing ground zero workers.

A captain of the 1987 Super Bowl champions, Martin was cheered on by a few dozen volunteers Sunday as he stepped onto the pedestrian walkway of the George Washington Bridge, which connects Manhattan and New Jersey.

"I've been termed a hero for playing a kids' game at a pro level, and that does not rise to

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Hasselbeck fumble leads to 23-20 Arizona victory

By Bob Baum
Associated Press writer

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Neil Rackers had been there before. So had the Arizona Cardinals — many, many times.
A year ago on Monday Night Football, in Arizona's memorable collapse against the Chicago Bears, Rackers missed a 41-yard field goal from the left hash mark that would have won the game.
On Sunday, from the same spot with one second left, he nailed it.

Holmgren said. "But I suppose if you stretch this long enough you'll see just about everything."
After Arizona blew a 17-0 lead, Darnell Dockett recovered a fumble by Seattle's Matt Hasselbeck, and Edgerin James — in his best game as a Cardinal — moved the team in to position for Rackers' kick.
"This offseason, I probably hit that ball 500 times, so I felt pretty confident going out there," Rackers said. "It's a big weight lifted off my shoulders."

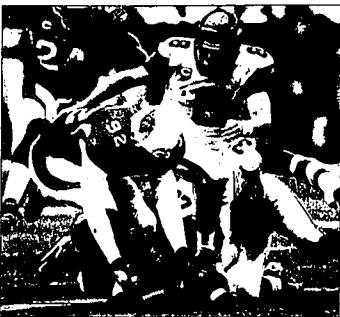
That goes for the rest of the Cardinals, too.
"It was one of those things where in so many games, last season, last week, where we just couldn't find a way to win," Matt Lelina said. "It was just great to see because we finally got a break at the end."
Lelina, who had a poor

performance in Arizona's loss at San Francisco Monday night, put in extra work in the short week and finished 23-of-37 for 299 yards and a touchdown. He was intercepted once.
Ruckers' 52-yarder tied it at 20 with 4:44 to play.
The Seahawks took the subsequent kickoff and drove toward what could have been the winning score. However, on first-and-5 from the Arizona 36, linebacker Gerald Hayes disrupted an already botched handoff from Hasselbeck to Shaun Alexander.

"I don't know, I think I'm just in shock right now still," Hasselbeck said. "I was kind of in-between-handing-the-ball-to-Shaun-or-just-holding-on-to-it, and a guy sort of came through the middle of us, then the ball was on the ground."
Holmgren said Alexander thought Hasselbeck had

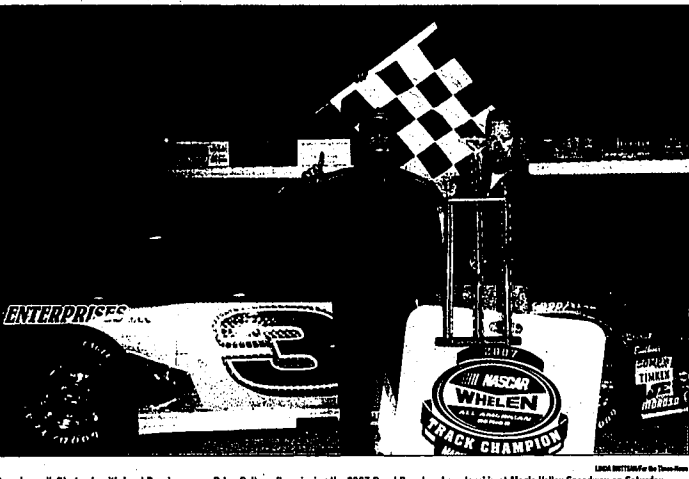
called an audible. The confusion came in the dirt created by the capacity crowd in the Cardinals' year-old stadium.
Dockett recovered at the Seattle 45 with 1:40 to go. James, who rushed for 123 yards and a touchdown in 23 carries, carried four times before Arizona called time out to bring on Rackers.
The Cardinals (1-1) gave Ken Whisenand his first victory as a head coach.
"The big thing is we made a play defensively at the end of the game when things weren't going great," Whisenand said. "One of the things people talk about this football team is not being able to finish a game. We're trying to learn how to do that as a young team."

Seattle (1-1) scored 20 consecutive points and took a 20-17 lead on Josh Brown's second 28-yard field goal with 9:52 to play.
Seattle Seahawks quarterback Matt Hasselbeck (8) and Arizona Cardinals' Bertrand Berry (92) battle for a loose ball after the Seahawks fumbled during the fourth quarter of Sunday's game in Glendale, Ariz. The fumble set up the game-winning field goal for the Cardinals, who won 23-20.



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Championship night



Steve Jones (left) stands with local Pepsi manager Brian Bolton after winning the 2007 Pepsi Premier championship at Magic Valley Speedway on Saturday.

Jones bags season title at MVS finale

By Linda Brittan
Times-News correspondent

Pepsi Premier driver Steve Jones may have had a few nervous moments Saturday night in the final event of the year at Magic Valley Speedway, but he emerged as the feature division champion for 2007 when it all was over.
When the green flag flew for the start of the 50-lap feature division in the Whelen All-American Racing Series main event, Mike Greco and David Patrick ran side-by-side trading places for the lead and continued the battle throughout the first half of the race.
A fleet of cars sailed closely behind the pair but Travis Monet finally made the bold move of the night, skirting under Greco and Patrick to take over second.
Moments afterward, Greco and the No. 27 car of Bob Vest crashed into each other in turns three and four, bringing out the caution flag with 21 laps remaining.
The pair was sent to the rear of the field for the restart and soon Greco and Randy Franks made contact. As the drivers followed the pace car to straighten out the lineup, Greco gave his regards to Vest's rear bumper and then exited to the pits, where his presence was required for the remainder of the race by the track officials.

It was bad news for Dan Doan and Dan Pohson when they got tangled up against the turn four wall with 10 laps to go in the race, but it was good news for Jones as he had a fire going down and needed the caution to make the repair and stay in competition.
The race was between T.J. Woodhull, on the inside lane, and Jerry McKeen, trying to stick to the outside, as the final few laps of the season wound down.
Soon McKeen got loose on the backstretch and even with the tires in the dirt managing to keep control of the car but fell back several positions in the field.
Woodhull then took control and captured his first win of the season finishing just ahead of Patrick and Monet.

"It feels really good to get this win," a relieved Woodhull said. "This is the most hooked-up this car has been all year, although I didn't know if I was going to make it through a couple of those wrecks. There were some scary moments out there but we did it."
Even though Jones had a 23-point lead going into the event, it was the timely caution that clinched up the 2007 track title for the driver of the No. 3 car.
"I could tell the right front tire was going down and it was just getting worse and worse and worse," Jones said.

INSIDE:
Bower wins first race in Chase.
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"I don't know what I would have done if those guys hadn't have wound up in that caution. But we finally got a championship bag under our belt. That was our goal for the year."
Rick Van Vooren made his comeback to MVS in a nice way, finishing sixth in the new No. 5 car just behind Vest and Rick Fowble.
Jerry McKeen called the Budweiser Grand Nationals title for 2007 with a main event win, his fourth victory in the five races included in the chase.
Louis Lopez, his closest rival for the championship, had a tough night and finished fifth in the race.
Josh Pitz and Kris McKeen both tried to round up their first main event win in the division and battled side-by-side for the first several laps until Jerry McKeen got in on the action.
Jerry McKeen had put Pitz and Kris McKeen behind him by Lap 21 of the 25-lap event, and the series champion met the checkered flag just a little more than half a second over the runner-up Pitz.
The Magic Valley Pipe Thunder Stocks welcomed a new champion in the series

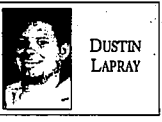
— Mr. Jim Shirley
Shirley finished third in the main event behind race winner Desi Ahrens and John Hoogendorn, but it was more than enough to bring home the title for 2007.
Misty Greco was crowned champion in the Quale's Electronics Queen Bee division while adding another main event win to her record.
Teen Bee driver Lane Buddenhagen came through with the title in the Teen Bee division while also capturing the main event win.

Magic Valley Speedway Results
Pepsi Premier: 1. J. Woodhull, 2. D. Patrick, 3. Steve Jones, 4. Bob Vest, 5. Dan Pohson, 6. Dan Doan, 7. Travis Monet, 8. Jerry McKeen, 9. Rick Fowble, 10. Rick Van Vooren, 11. T.J. Woodhull, 12. Mike Greco.
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'Fantagonism' makes a great game better

BOISE — I have always loved sitting with the fans when I watch games. The press box at Boise State University is in shameless. The writers are huddled in a plywood room and it's hot there.
Me? I sit outside on the top row, just to the north of the press box. I could squeeze inside, but I like to have the field in front of me, to hear the shouts from the visiting fans (I sit in their section), to hear the seven drunk cowboys in front of me cheer for the Cowboys.



DUSTIN LAPRAY

The first football game I covered was at Dietrich High. It was cold and windy and I stood with the players, moving up and down the field. There was no press box, just a rope dividing the players from their parents and fans. They came in wearing Camas County, who ran the ball all day and came away with a big win.
It was wonderful. I recall, being the guy who got to tell that story of what happened on that field. It was exhilarating, and it is every time.

There are a lot of cool people on that top row. The student newspaper, scouts, radio writers and sports information staff sit there. This week it was a man with the Dallas Cowboys taking a good hard look at Ryan Clady and Tad Miller. The week after that was a man from New Orleans I met a man from the Saints. We didn't talk much.
So for three years covering these Broncos I have sat inside only once. When it gets cold I take blankets only the rain and snow show me inside.
When you sit with the fans, you learn some things. That "Boise!" State cheer translates into "Boise!" "Sucks!"

And "that's another Boise State... fourth down!"
The drunks get tired and cheer less in the second half. Sometimes they don't return for it at all. It made me realize that visiting fans area people too, with children and young men they cheer for. And sometimes fans on both sides push it a little too far. Fights break out in the stands and the fourth and goal get went from a cheer to a fight. Wyoming shirts were boned at in Boise Friday night. A lot went to the country music bar; I have a witness.

At Washington, before the game the Broncos fans showed their might but when the Husky fans arrived their noise took over. The press box shook and started rocking on the fourth and goal get went for naught so late in the game. But the fans that I met were still stoked to have been there and to know that they have something still to brag about. Their team won the greatest game in the history of college football (or at least of the ones I have seen). Never had I clung to the edge of my seat for such an extended period.
And the majority of Husky fans were gracious and excited themselves, by the potential of that team.
Sit in such places you find this "fantagonism," this wonderful interaction between the fans of opposing teams. They are all following teams and the fantagonism they will keep.

TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP Woods eases to title

ATLANTA — The FedEx Cup didn't change anything but Tiger Woods' bag account.
The PGA Tour's "new era in golf" came to a familiar conclusion Sunday when Woods captured the Tour Championship in record-setting fashion, dosing with a 4-under 66 for an eight-shot victory at East Lake and his seventh title of the year.
The only difference? This was the first time Woods walked away from one tournament with two trophies.

Along with the Tour Championship and its \$1.25 million prize, Woods was a runaway winner of the FedEx Cup and the \$10 million that goes into his retirement account.
Woods stretched his three-shot lead to four at the turn, and the only drama was whether he would break the 72-hole scoring record on the PGA Tour. He had to settle for a 23-under 257, his PGA career low.
Master's champion Zach Johnson closed with a 68 and tied for second with Mark Calcavecchia, who shot a 71.
Steve Stricker and Phil Mickelson were the only players with a realistic chance of capturing the FedEx Cup, and their hopes were gone by the weekend. Stricker closed with a 67 and wrapped up second place in the Cup, giving him a \$3 million retirement boost.
There was no drama at East Lake, not with Woods hitting on all cylinders to wrap up.

Broncos repeat last-gasp magic

DENVER — Jason Elam's 23-yard field goal with 5:48 left in overtime gave the Broncos a 23-20 win over the Raiders after the Raiders had been celebrating what they thought was their own wild win.

Substant Janikowski nailed a 52-yard field goal at 11:13 of overtime, but as the Raiders rushed the field in celebration and the Broncos (2-0) hung their heads in defeat, officials ruled Denver called a timeout just before the snap. On the replay, Janikowski's kick hit the upright and the Broncos' life and the hall at their 42.

They drove to the Oakland 6 and Elam nailed it on first down — and the Raiders' coach, Mike T. Butler, called their own timeout.

BROWNS 51, BENGALS 45
CLEVELAND — Derek Anderson threw five touchdown passes, Jim Lewis rushed for 216 yards and the Cleveland Browns, so desperate after losing their home opener, they traded their starting quarterback, outlasted the Cincinnati Bengals and Carson Palmer.

Anderson had a breakout game against the Browns (1-1), going 20-of-33 for 328 yards and five TDs, which tied a team record shared by Peyton Manning, Brett Favre, Brian Sipe and Kelly Holcomb.

PATRIOTS 38, CHARGERS 14
FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Tom Brady threw 279 yards and three touchdowns, and got three TDs from players picked up last spring: Randy Moss, two receivers and Adalius Thomas with a 65-yard interception return.

Moss had eight receptions for 105 yards and 24 yards on TD catches. Wes Welker had eight catches for 91 yards.

PACKERS 35, GIANTS 13
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Brett Favre picked a near-perfect way to become the winningest quarterback in NFL history.

Favre completed his first 14 passes of the second half and threw three touchdown passes to rally the Green Bay Packers over the Giants (1-1) and the New York Giants. The victory was the 149th of Favre's 17-year career, giving him one more win than Hall of Famer John Elway.

TEXANS 34, PATRIOTS 21
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — With Matt Schaub throwing for 227 yards and two touchdowns and backed up by an effective running game, the Houston Texans forced three turnovers and recovered from a sluggish start to go 2-0 for the first time in franchise history.

Houston went 24-56 in its first five years with Dan Fouts as quarterback, released in the offseason when the Texans traded for Schaub.

OLDS 22, TITANS 20
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Peyton Manning threw for 312 yards and a touchdown, and the Indianapolis Colts held off Tennessee when they stopped Vince Young on a final-drive comeback.

Unlike last December, when Rob Gronkowski capped a similar comeback and ended a 10-game losing streak in the playoffs, the Colts collapsed and 4-4. That forced him to fold the ball away in the final seconds.

49ERS 17, RAMS 16
ST. LOUIS — Dante Hall fumbled while trying for a punt, and Marcus Hodge intercepted for San Francisco.

setting up the winning field goal by Joe Nedney.

The Rams' Jeff Wilkins scored a 54-yard field goal try with 59 seconds to play, the ball falling about a yard short of the goal post.

BUCCANERS 31, SAINTS 14
TAMPA, Fla. — Joey Galloway caught four passes for 135 yards and two touchdowns, tormenting the Saints for the six straight games between the NFC South rivals and leading the Buccaneers to a victory.

The Saints (0-2) were embarrassed for the second consecutive week and have been outscored 72-24 after having one of the NFL's most explosive offenses and reaching the NFL's championship game last season.

STEELERS 26, BILLS 3
PITTSBURGH — Willie Parker ran for a touchdown and 125 yards, and Ben Roethlisberger threw for a score as the Pittsburgh Steelers controlled the clock and the tempo, pulling away from Buffalo.

It was the Bills' first game since tight end Kevin Everett badly injured his spinal cord.

JAGUARS 13, FALCONS 7
JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The Jaguars sacked Joey Harrington seven times and held the Atlanta Falcons under 100 yards rushing.

Atlanta's biggest problem came on special teams, where rookie Matt Prater missed two field goals in the second half. Sunday would have given the Falcons (0-2) a 10-3 advantage.

BEARS 20, CHIEFS 10
CHICAGO — Devin Hester scored on a 73-yard punt in the second quarter and set up a field goal in the third with another long return for the defending NFC champions.

Codric Benson carried 24 times for 101 yards, eight shy of his career high, but the Bears (1-1) lost to the Redskins (1-1). Ross Grossman was 20-of-34 with 160 yards and a touchdown, but was picked off twice after passing for 145 yards against the Chargers.

RAVENS 20, JETS 13
BALTIMORE — Kyle Boller threw for 185 yards and two touchdowns, and the Baltimore Ravens overcame a late charge by Kellen Clemens and the New York Jets in a matchup of backup quarterbacks.

Making his first NFL start, Clemens cut a 20-3 deficit to seven points in the fourth quarter and took the Jets (0-2) to the Baltimore Ravens' Ray Lewis. Intercepted by a deflected pass by an eager rookie in the end zone with 1:04 left to preserve the win.

COWBOYS 37, DOLPHINS 20
MIAMI — After winning a shootout in the season opener, Dallas took advantage of Vince Young's incompletion and two interceptions released in the offense when the Texans traded for Schaub.

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National Football League Scoreboard

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Twin Falls Christian at Magic Valley Christian, 7 p.m.

CHAMPIONSHIPS & COOPERS I

ARIZONA
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PGA TOUR Championship
At East Lake Golf Club
Atlanta, Ga.
Par: 70
Yards: 7,297

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Champions Tour Greater Historic Classic

At West Boca National Golf Course
Tampa, Fla.
Par: 72
Yards: 7,070

Tulsa QB Smith tosses 5 TDs in 55-47 win over BYU

TULSA, Okla. — Senior quarterback Paul Smith passed for a career-high 454 yards and five touchdowns as Tulsa led 55-47 to victory over Brigham Young on Saturday night. In a game in which the teams with proud passing traditions combined for 1,289 yards, including 1,027 in the air, it was four second-half interceptions and two fumble recoveries — by the Tulsa defense and two penalties on a late BYU possession that spelled the difference. BYU (1-2) drove to a first down at the Tulsa 12 with just two minutes left. But consecutive fumbles started bumpy the Cougar back to the 22 and quarterback Matt Hiff misfired on four consecutive passes from there. Hiff passed for a career-high 526 yards, completing 34 of 57 passes with four touchdowns and two interceptions.

Denny Stadium crowd. At the top of the poll, No. 1 Southern California recaptured some of the fan accolades it lost to No. 2 LSU in the previous two weeks with a 49-31 win over Nebraska that was not as close as the final score indicated. LSU continued to impress with a 44-0 victory over Middle Tennessee, sent second shutout of the season. The Tigers received 18 first-place votes and 1,577 points in the latest Top 25. Florida slipped past Oklahoma into the third spot behind USC and LSU, but the Gators and Sooners are just three points apart (1,437-1,454). There were three other new teams in the Top 25 this week along with Alabama, No. 21 Kentucky, No. 23 South Florida and No. 25 Missouri entered the poll for the first time this season.

Sports Shorts

National and Magic Valley briefs
MAGIC VALLEY
Hansen Booster meeting tonight
Hansen — The Hansen Booster Club will have a meeting at the old city hall building tonight at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Jay at 293-7047.
Burley Muni hosts King of the Snake
BURLEY — The Burley Municipal Golf Course will host the King of the Snake River tournament on Saturday. The course will be set up to an extreme difficulty for the 10 a.m. shotgun start. Six lights will be set up in the area of individual gross and net scoring awarded. There is a \$50 entry fee, with greens fees waived. For more information, or to register, call the pro shop at 878-9807.
Brule Boosters to meet tonight
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School

Brin Boosters will be holding a meeting at 7 p.m. this evening in the Twin Falls High School facility. Items on the agenda include the upcoming school year activities, fundraising and other events planned for the 2007-2008 school year. For more information contact Ed Reeves at 733-2305.
T.F. Member-Guest rescheduled
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Member Guest golf tournament has been rescheduled for Saturday and Sunday at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Entry fee is \$200 and includes greens fees, cart and tee prizes. The format is a St. Louis Scramble on Day 1, beginning tonight with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start and a best-ball on Day 2 with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. Long drive and closest to the pin contests will be held.
Brins host Punt, Pass and Kick
A free NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick Contest will be held on Saturday at Twin Falls High School's Bruin Field. Boys and girls ages 8-15 will compete separately in four age divisions. Participants must show proof of age. No cleats are allowed and only soft-soled gym shoes will be permitted. Contact Shane Gund at 734-3235 for more information.
DOWNS BROOKLYN
GREEN BAY PACKERS
CARTER VILLAGE
Carter Village is a new resort area.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Tide rolls into latest Top 25 poll
Nick Saban needed three days to get Alabama back to the Top 25. The Crimson Tide jumped into The Associated Press poll Sunday at No. 18, its first time in the rankings since the final poll of the 2005 season. Alabama blew a big lead to Arkansas then rebounded with a late rally of its own to beat the Razorbacks 41-38 in front of a swooning Bryant-

BASKETBALL

Mercury wins first WNBA title
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Phoenix's fast start made the Mercury the WNBA's first road champion. Penny Taylor scored 30 points and the Mercury cruised to a 108-92 victory Sunday over the defending champion Detroit Shock in the fifth and deciding game of the WNBA Finals. Cappie Pondexter added 26 and Diana Taursant had 17 for Phoenix, the first team to clinch the

FOOTBALL

The AP Top 25
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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cooler. No rain likely. Highs near 70.
Tonight: Seasonal with passing clouds. Lows 40s.
Tomorrow: Increasing clouds. Perhaps a passing shower. Highs near 70.

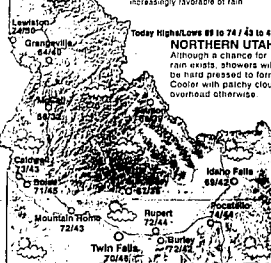
BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Cooler with a stiff breeze developing. Perhaps a late day shower or thundershower. Highs near 70s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy. A small chance of rain exists. Lows low 40s.
Tomorrow: Partly to mostly cloudy and cool. A small chance of showers this afternoon. Highs low 70s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
A change towards cooler and occasionally showery weather will emerge for the start of the week. Drier and milder weather will likely ensue over the week.

Today Highs 48 to 68. Tonight's Lows 20 to 28.
The cool down will continue, but the really cool will not arrive until Tuesday. Conditions will become increasingly favorable of rain.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

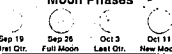
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Table listing weather for various cities: City, Hi, Lo, Precip.

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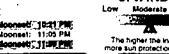
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MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for today, tomorrow, and the next day.

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REGIONAL FORECAST

Table showing regional forecasts for cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

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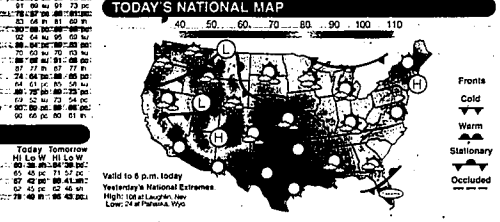
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Table showing world forecasts for major international cities.

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CANADIAN FORECAST

Table showing Canadian forecasts for cities like Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver.



Thome hits No. 500 in style Bowyer scores first career victory in Chase opener

CHICAGO — Jim Thome's 500th home run was a game-winner. Thome hit a two-run shot in the bottom of the ninth inning to give the Chicago White Sox a 9-7 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Sunday, becoming the 23rd player to reach 500 home runs.

YANKEES 4, RED SOX 3
BOSTON — Mariano Rivera retired David Ortiz on a pop-up with the bases loaded for the final out, and Derek Jeter broke an eighth-inning tie with a three-run homer that sent the Yankees to a 4-3 win.

CUBS 4, CARDINALS 2
ST. LOUIS — Matt Murton hit a three-run homer, and Jason Marquis allowed his former team just one run while pitching into the seventh inning to lead the Cubs past his former team.

ROCKIES 13, MARLINS 0
DENVER — Todd Helton hit his 300th home run. Chris Lannetti also had a three-run homer and the Rockies avoided being swept at home for the first time this season.

BREWERS 5, REDS 2
MILWAUKEE — Carlos Villanueva pitched seven scoreless innings and Joe Dillon drove in a career-high four runs, leading the Brewers past the Reds.

BRaves 3, NATIONALS 0
WASHINGTON — Tim Hudson held Washington to seven hits in a complete game and the Braves kept their flickering playoff hopes alive.

ASTROS 15, PIRATES 3
HOUSTON — Josh Anderson had a five hits and drove in three runs, and Houston piled up a season-high 22 hits to help Brandon Backe win for the first time in more than a year.

ROYALS 4, INDIANS 3
CLEVELAND — Billy Buckner earned his first major league win, slowing Cleveland's drive toward a division tie by pitching Kansas City past the Indians.

DIAMONDBACKS 6, DODGERS 1
LOS ANGELES — Edgar Gonzalez won his seventh straight decision, Chris Snyder hit a three-run homer and the Diamondbacks salvaged the finale of a three-game series.

PADRES 5, GIANTS 1
SAN DIEGO — Jake Peavy lowered his major league-leading ERA to 2.39, struck out 10 to take over the big league lead and pitched the Padres to another phenomenal season. He won seven times in 16 starts on the PGA Tour, and was also unbeatable the last two months of the season. Woods was 75-under par in his last five tournaments, four of them victories.

RAMBLERS 11, ATHLETICS 9
OAKLAND Calif. — Michael Young drove in a career-high seven runs, including a go-ahead grand slam in the eighth inning, and Texas beat Oakland in a game that fea-

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another important win.

LOUDDON, N.H. (AP) — Clint Bowyer was seeded last in the Chase for the championship field. With two Nexcel Cup wins and hardly any laps led, he went off as a 30-1 long shot to win the series. One race into the Chase, Bowyer has turned into a legitimate contender. He needed to be the first victory of his Cup career on Sunday by embarrassing the field at New Hampshire Motor Speedway, where he started from the pole and led 221 of 300 laps while beating Jeff Gordon to the finish line by over 6 seconds. "Once you get into the Chase, you've got to go for broke," Bowyer said. Bowyer started the Chase as the 12th seed, the only driver in the Chase field without a victory. He'd never finished higher than third before, and had led just 196 laps in his Cup career — 84 this season. But NASCAR's scoring system rewards consistency, and Bowyer earned his spot in the title hunt with 12 top-10 finishes. Now he's got that coveted win, and it pushed him up eight spots in the standings to fourth. He trails Gordon and Jimmie Johnson, who are tied for the

lead, by just 15 points. "This proves we earned a spot and we're here for a reason and just happy to be a part of the Chase," Bowyer said. "It's such a neat deal and, hey, this is the Nexcel Cup, baby."

Gordon, the four-time series champion, finished second and was followed by two-time series champion Tony Stewart. Kyle Busch was fourth and followed by Martin Truex Jr., Johnson and Matt Kenseth as Chase drivers took the top seven spots. The Chase opener wasn't so kind to Carl Edwards (12th), Denny Hamlin (15th), Kevin Harvick (17th), Jeff Burton (18th) and Kurt Busch (25th). Although they were all running at the end, it's going to take top-10 finishes to decide this championship, and the competition is off to a tremendous headstart.

Johnson and Gordon are tied for the points lead, and Stewart is 10 points back. Bowyer moved into fourth place, 15 points out. Kyle Busch jumped four spots to fifth and is 35 points behind. Truex is sixth, 40 points back, and Kenseth is seventh. "We need to run better than

that, obviously, to contend for a championship," said Kenseth, 34 points behind. Edwards dropped four spots to eighth, and Hamlin fell three spots to ninth. Harvick is 10th, Burton 11th and Kurt Busch plummeted seven spots to 12th and is 102 points behind the leaders. "It's kind of a bummer, but we worked hard to get in this Chase and we'll still work hard," said Kurt Busch, who had a motor problem. The day belonged to Bowyer, who joined Truex as the two newcomers to the championship field. But because he had never been to Victory Lane, few considered him a legitimate title contender. By blowing away the field, he changed that. "If you are going to win the first one of the year, that's the time to do it," Gordon said. "I think everybody is happy for Clint. When we were up in New York, it seemed like everyone was like 'Clint Bowyer, he doesn't have a shot at the championship.'" "I think today was a real statement for him and I think it just proves that anybody in the top 12 can win this championship."

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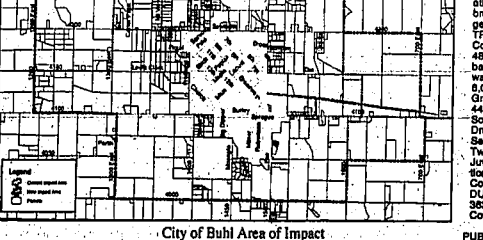
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Mobility matters



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Parkinson's sufferers keep moving with help of class

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

The ability to speak and move with ease is generally taken for granted. Not so for people with Parkinson's disease.

The motor system disorder is due to loss of dopamine-producing brain cells, says the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke. Primary symptoms are tremor (trembling in the hands, arms, legs, jaw and face), rigidity or stiffness of the limbs and trunk, slowness of movement and postural instability, or impaired balance and coordination. As symptoms become more pronounced, patients may have difficulty walking, talking or completing other simple tasks.

Medications can help, but there is no cure.

So local people with Parkinson's are being proactive — with the emphasis on active. They meet for an hour twice a week at a Twin Falls church for the Parkinson's Exercise Group, sponsored by St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and facilitated with good humor by occupational therapist practitioner Tammy Dimond.

She guides the group through sitting and standing exercises, using chairs for balance. Participants get all the way down to the floor and up again.

"A lot of the exercises are geared to agility and to promoting balance, and to increasing strength," Dimond said.

Participants' physical limitations don't prevent them from performing the gentle exercises. They also work on breathing, voice and articulation. Participants are asked to yawn, then say "Ahhhhh" — which resonates through the spacious room. Their "Oooo" is full-bodied, but softer.

Next they slowly, carefully spell in unison: "M-I-S-S-I-S-S-I-P-P-I-O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A-A-N-D-H-E-R-E-W-E-H-A-V-E-I-D-A-H-O." They slowly enunciate familiar ditties like "Hickory Dickory Dock" and "The Owl and the Pussycat."

The men and women at a recent session, equally represented, expressed enthusiasm about benefits of the class. Pat Czerny, 75, of Twin Falls said it keeps her limber.

"We really should have another day," she said. "We only come on Tuesday and Thursday."

Imogene Aldritt, 75, of Kimberly, who has had Parkinson's for about three years, has attended the class for five months.

"With all the transitions that are taking place, I hope that this will continue on, because I can see it helps so many people," she said.

"I appreciate the Episcopal church letting us use this room free of charge, and I appreciate St. Luke's for helping sponsor it." And Tammy, our instructor, does a wonderful job.

Gerard Romans, 78, of Filer, who has had Parkinson's for about five years, echoed her enthusiasm.

"I look forward to it," he said. "It's only been going about six weeks and I feel a difference in mobility."

Dr. Lyle Wonderlich, a



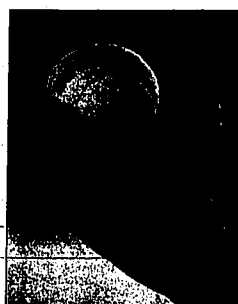
Frank Carrington of Twin Falls works on soft exercises Thursday morning during a new Parkinson's Exercise Group that helps delay the progression of symptoms.

Getting active
The Parkinson's Exercise Group's soft exercises can help the progression of symptoms. Exercises include: breathing, voice and articulation. Participants are asked to yawn, then say "Ahhhhh" — which resonates through the spacious room. Their "Oooo" is full-bodied, but softer. Next they slowly, carefully spell in unison: "M-I-S-S-I-S-S-I-P-P-I-O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A-A-N-D-H-E-R-E-W-E-H-A-V-E-I-D-A-H-O." They slowly enunciate familiar ditties like "Hickory Dickory Dock" and "The Owl and the Pussycat."

retired Twin Falls anesthesiologist, said participants can carry most of the exercises back into their daily lives.

"It's not just exercise for exercise's sake," he said.

Joan Bean may be reached at 735-0880.



Tammy Dimond demonstrates an exercise that combats the effects of Parkinson's disease.

Retired doctor's suggestion brings class to town

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

Dr. Lyle Wonderlich of Twin Falls, a retired anesthesiologist, and Muhammad Ali, a heavyweight boxing champ, have something in common: Parkinson's disease.

Five years ago while snowbirding in Phoenix, Wonderlich read a newspaper article about the Muhammad Ali Parkinson Center there. He began attending and benefited from the exercises.

Wonderlich saw a need for such a class in Magic Valley and two years ago mentioned it to John Kee, then

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Must. Go. Home.

Show this to your boss: A study confirms that longer work weeks are associated with high blood pressure. In a study of 24,305 employees, those who worked 40 hours a week had a 14 percent higher risk of hypertension than those who worked less.

The risk was 17 percent higher in those who worked 41 to 50 hours and 29 percent higher in people who worked even more. The study, in the journal Hypertension, found that clerical and unskilled workers were more likely than professionals to have high blood pressure.

Big surprise: TV and inactivity

The more television you watch, the less active you will be, suggests a study in the American Journal of Public Health. Researchers asked 486 residents of low-income housing in Boston to use a pedometer to count the steps they took for five days, and also to record the number of hours they watched TV.

Participants spent an average 3.6 hours a day in front of the TV, each hour they watched accounted for 144 fewer steps. Other factors that may have affected these participants, said researchers, include barriers to outdoor activities such as fear of street crime and poor maintenance of parks.

Obesity contributes to misdiagnosis

Can fat affect your medical diagnosis? Yes, according to a study in the Journal Radiology. To determine the effects of obesity on diagnostic imaging, investigators analyzed all radiology exams performed at Massachusetts General Hospital between 1989 and 2003. They found that 300 exams were inconclusive because of oversize patients in 2003 — about one in every 500 exams — up from 292 in 1989, or one in every 1,000. A trend that correlates with the growing obesity epidemic.

Obesity can lead to misdiagnosis, further testing and increased hospital stays for patients, assert the researchers.

For men, more incentive to move

Regular aerobic activity is not only tied to better mood, improved sleep and a lower risk of death, it's also associated with a lower risk of colon polyps and colon cancer in men, according to a study in Cancer Epidemiology and Prevention.

Researchers at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle randomly assigned 100 healthy women and 102 healthy men, aged 40 to 75, to two groups: One was prescribed an hour of moderate to vigorous exercise six days per week; the other received no exercise prescription. After a year, an inspection of the lower colon lining showed less cell growth among men in the exercise group than in the non-exercising group. No such relationship was found among women, however.

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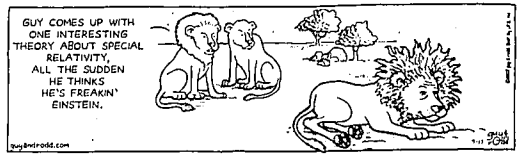
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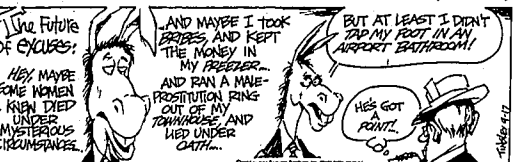
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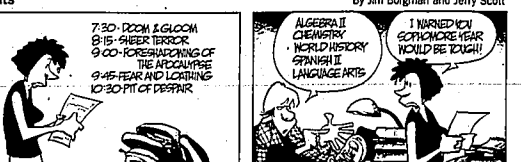
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Keep your nose to the grindstone, Cancer

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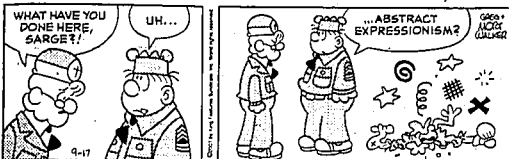
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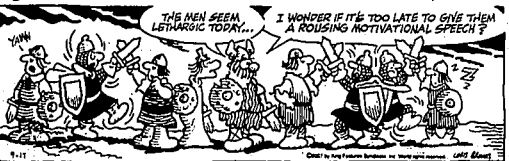
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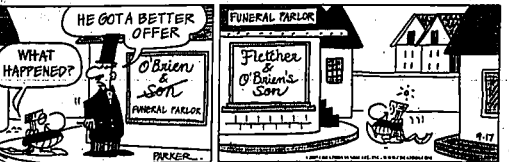
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Widow ready to take action against scourge of Alzheimer's

DEAR ABBY: After a 10-year battle, I recently lost my husband to Alzheimer's disease. My darling was handsome, brilliant and athletic, a chemist and an avid golfer. Our family was confused and concerned when he began losing the ability to do simple tasks.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

The progression of his illness was devastating physically, emotionally and financially. No one should have this disease, either as a person afflicted with it or as a caregiver who is helpless to intervene. Alzheimer's disease is not the funny punch line of a joke that it has been made out to be. It's the seventh-leading cause of death in this country, yet it doesn't seem to get the attention that cancer, heart disease or even AIDS does.

people will have it by the year 2050. I applaud your determination to get involved. Sept. 21 is World Alzheimer's Day, and I hope that you — and others — will join the Alzheimer's Association by becoming an Alzheimer's Champion, as I have. To learn more about the disease and how you can take steps to join the fight, visit www.alzainc.org.

DEAR ABBY: I'm an active, 31-year-old woman. I exercise regularly, play tennis and walk to work instead of driving. As a result, I have developed an athletic physique. According to my doctor, my height and weight proportions are ideal since someone who exercises regularly and my muscle/fat ratio is healthy.

My problem is my mother. She stands 5-foot-5 (the same height as me) and weighs all of 95 pounds. She raised me to accept myself the way I am and not to change my appearance just because others want me to.

In spite of this, she constant-

ly belittles me about my appearance with comments such as, "Oh, you would look so much better if you lost 15 pounds," or, "Oh, maybe you should eat a little healthier — you've put on weight." The mass in question is muscle, not fat. I had this checked by my doctor, who assured me that I have a healthy build. I have tried explaining to my mother that my build is the result of muscle as well as genetics, but she won't stop.

I have tried ignoring her comments, contradicting them with medical evidence, even saying that her comments were the way she raised me, but she continues anyway. What more can I do to stop this? She's chipping away at my self-esteem.

ATHLETIC IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA: DEAR ABBY: Perhaps the reason your mother is pre-occupied with your weight is because she's obsessed about her own. At 5-foot-5 inches, she's seriously underweight. Could she have an eating disorder and be projecting her obsession on you?

Two things you can do to help yourself in this situation: The first is, put the subject of your weight strictly off limits with your mother. Warn her that if she raises it, she'll see far less of you than she has. Then, follow through.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Sept. 17, the 260th day of 2007. There are 105 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Sept. 17, 1787, the Constitution of the United States was completed and signed by a majority of delegates attending the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia.

On this date:

In 1862, in the bloodiest battle day in U.S. history, Union forces hurled back a Confederate invasion in the Civil War Battle of Antietam at Sharpsburg, Md.

In 1920, the American Football Association — a precursor of the National Football League — was formed in Canton, Ohio.

In 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Poland, and two weeks after Nazi Germany had launched its assault.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied paratroopers launched Operation Market Garden.

landing behind German lines in the Netherlands. (After initial success, the Allies were beaten back by the Germans.)

In 1947, James V. Forrestal was sworn in as the first U.S. Secretary of Defense.

In 1948, the United Nations mediator for Palestine, Count Folke Bernadotte, was assassinated in Jerusalem by Jewish extremists.

In 1957, two male attorneys "stood in" as actress Sophia Loren and producer Carlo Ponti were married by proxy in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. (Legal issues later forced an annulment; the couple wed in Severs, France, in 1966.)

In 1987, the city of Philadelphia, birthplace of the U.S. Constitution, threw a big party to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the historic document.

Ten years ago: A U.N. helicopter slammed into a fog-shrouded mountain in central Bosnia and burst into flames, killing German diplomat Gerd Wagner, five Americans and six others. President Clinton rejected a ban on land mines endorsed by 89 countries.

Comedian Red Skelton died in Rancho Mirage, Calif., at the age 84.

Five years ago: After years of denials by his country, North Korea announced in February it admitted that North Korean spies had abducted about a dozen Japanese citizens decades earlier, and that at least four of the Japanese were still alive. NBA star Patrick Ewing announced his retirement.

One year ago: Pope Benedict XVI said he was "deeply sorry" for his recent remarks on Islam and violence had offended Muslims, but the unusual expression of papal regret drew a mixed reaction from Islamic leaders, some of whom said it wasn't enough. Five Duquesne basketball players were shot and wounded during an apparent act of random violence on campus. (Two alleged gunmen and two women were allegedly helped facilitate the shooting; one awaiting trial.) Patricia Kennedy Lawford, the sister of President John F. Kennedy and ex-wife of actor Peter Lawford, died in New York City at age 82.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actor David Huddleston is 77. Sen. Charles E. Grassley, R-Iowa, is 74. Actor Paul Benedict is 69. Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter is 68. Singer LaMonte McLemore (The Fifth Dimension) is 68. Singer Fee Waybill is 57. Actress Cassandra Peterson ("Elvira, Mistress of the Dark") is 56. Muppeteer Kevin Clash is 51. Movie director Baz Luhrmann is 45. Singer Bebe Winans is 45. Actor Kyle Chandler is 42. Rapper Doug E. Fresh is 41. Actor Malik Yoba is 40. Rock musician Keith Flint (Prodigy) is 38. Actor Matthew Settle is 38. Rapper Vinnie (Naughey By Nature) is 37. Rock singer Anastacia is 34. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marcus Sanders (Hi-Five) is 34. Actress-singer Tera Lynne is 33. Pop singer Malle Melajon (Eden's Crush) is 31. Country singer-songwriter Stephen Cochran is 28. Rock musician Chuck Comeau (Simple Plan) is 28. Country singer Desi Wadkin (3 of Hearts) is 24. Rock musician Jon Walker (Panick at the Disco) is 22.

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TO DO FOR YOU

Brain injury support

The Brain Injury Support Group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at St. Luke's Idaho Elks Community Rehab, 560 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Kathy Shea, claims representative for the Social Security Administration, will discuss disability and supplemental security income.

The group is for people who have had a brain injury and for their family, friends and caregivers. The meetings are free. Call 737-2126.

Diabetes support

The Diabetes Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at South Central District Health, 1020 Washington St. N., in Twin Falls. Use the north entrance.

Thomas Stricker, regional coordinator for Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors, will discuss Medicare and diabetes with the topic "How to Pay for Diabetes Care."

The meeting is free and open to the public. Call Susie Beem at 737-5946.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me" classes from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays at the Jerome Recreation District, 2032 S. Lincoln. This week's topic is exercise.

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years. The class is free. Call 324-7262.

About childbirth

St. Benedict's will offer the third class of the prepared childbirth series from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Jerome Recreation District, 2032 S. Lincoln.

The topic will be labor, including the starting of labor, timing and comfort measures. Bring two pillows, a blanket and, if possible, a support person. The suggested fee is \$5 per class. To register, call 324-

1122, ext. 3361.

Alzheimer's support

The SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at SunBridge, 640 Filer Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The group is open to Twin Falls-area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's. Call Steve Jones on Dawn Meyer at 734-8645.

Cancer support

Living Through Cancer Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the reception area at St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute, 656 Addison Ave. W. The group is open to newly diagnosed and longtime cancer survivors and their families and friends. The meeting is free. Call Andy Hall at 737-2000 or Sandy White at 737-2441.

About C-sections

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

Topics will include cesarean deliveries, nonconforming labors, pain management and hospital procedures. Wear comfortable clothing; bring two pillows and, if possible, a support person. The class is free. Preregistration is required; call 732-3148.

Learn to eat well

Health counselor Jill Sherman Skeem will teach the "Eat Well and Be Healthy" class series on Wednesdays, this week through Oct. 10, in Shields 102 on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Classes can be taken individually, but the first class is required in order to take any of the other three.

• Week one, 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday — Learn why

diets do not work, why someone gains weight, the truth about nutritional myths, where foods accumulate in the body and healthy eating habits.

• Week two, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 26 — Learn about cravings: what causes them and what they mean. Learn how to eat to satisfy cravings in a healthy way.

• Week three, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 3 — Learn what foods to eat or not to eat for true health. Understand how food affects your body, how cooking methods affect food and which methods to use.

• Week four, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 10 — How to eat out and make healthy choices. Learn how to choose what to eat at a party or during the holidays and what to look for when grocery shopping. Food labels will be discussed.

Cost for the full series is \$80. Fee for the first class is \$40, and cost for the other classes is \$25 each.

To register, call the CSI community education center at 732-5290.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, this week through Oct. 18, in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

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

Wear comfortable clothing; bring two pillows and, if possible, a support person. Cost is \$50. Preregistration is required; call 732-3148.

Learn CPR/first aid

A first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class

will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the Sage Room at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional's Education Center, 508 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

The class combines first aid and CPR training under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants.

The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Cost is \$50. Preregistration is required; call 737-2007.

Diabetes screenings

The Magic Valley Diabetes Coalition is offering a free "Head to Toe" exam from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho Senior Expo. Eye screenings, foot exams and hemoglobin A1c tests will be available for people with diabetes. The coalition will use the Lions Club Mobile Screening Unit, which will be parked outside the CSI gymnasium.

The American Diabetes Association and the Idaho Diabetes Prevention and Control Program recommend that people with diabetes receive a dilated eye screening and a neurosensory foot examination at least once a year. According to South Central District Health, "To qualify for the free diagnostic examinations, people must be newly diagnosed with diabetes, have no insurance, or have not received an eye or foot screening in several years.

Appointments are required; call Susie Beem at 737-5946.

"To do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Submit information by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Image section. E-mail notices to ramona@magvalley.com.

Skin tone doesn't earn a pass on cancer

The Washington Post

Dark-skinned individuals, who are less likely to burn under the sun and get melanoma, are more likely than whites to die from skin cancer and its complications, according to a study presented to the American Academy of Dermatology.

A review of data collected over the past 50 years showed that those with dark skin — including blacks, Asians,

Hispanics and Native Americans — developed fewer skin cancers than whites, but when the cancer did occur, it was more aggressive and diagnosed in later stages.

Researchers speculated the delayed diagnosis may be due to a false perception that darker-skinned people don't get skin cancer. They recommend regular use of sunscreen and self skin checks for everyone.

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Rest now and you'll recall later, research suggests

Los Angeles Times

Throw out the ginkgo. Forget mnemonics. New research suggests there's a simple way to lock in new info: Sleep on it.

Researchers at Harvard Medical School at Harvard asked 49 subjects to learn a list of 20 pairs of words and then tested them 12 hours later on their recall of the pairs. Some

subjects were taught the words at 9 a.m., while others learned the words at 9 p.m. and then went to sleep.

The results were a wake-up call for all-night exam crammers: Subjects in the sleep group remembered 12 percent more words from the list than subjects who learned the words at 9 a.m.

Half of both groups also were

asked to learn a second list of words just before testing, to study the effect of distracting information on recall. Yet again, subjects in the sleep group did better, recalling 44 percent more words than subjects in the non-sleep group.

Lead author and neurologist Dr. Jeffrey Ellenbogen said he believes the memory boost could be caused by the brain

replaying daytime information during sleep, similar to a rehearsal.

And he has some advice for sleep-deprived students. "I tell my students that you might not OK if you cram for an exam all night long, but don't expect that memory to last very long," he says. "Sleep is important for making memories stable and strong."

Doctor

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CEO of St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, who liked the idea. Tammy Dimond, an occupational therapist, volunteered to go to Phoenix for instructions on leading the class.

"She has done very well. Wonderlich said, 'The hospital runs it as a community service.'"

Wonderlich, who has had Parkinson's disease for about 12 years, said he benefitted a great deal from the class. A

car wreck last November slowed his progress.

"I did definitely do better before the car wreck," he said. "I still have trouble with my speech and being able to get down and get off the floor."

In addition to exercise, the class works on speech, breathing, swallowing and other activities the disease can impact.

Dimond gives credit to John Argue of California, creator of the program, who wrote a book called

"Parkinson's Disease and the Art of Moving" and conducts seminars across the country. Dimond said the exercises are geared to improving agility, balance and strength. Several people in the class, she said, told her they noticed a difference in their walking, their balance and their ability to move about.

"They are more sure of themselves," Dimond said. "All of the participants have felt like they have gained from this program."

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