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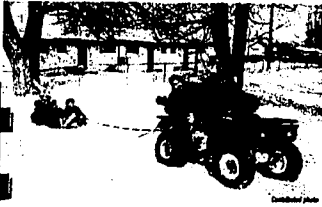
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ATVs are injuring riders as laws remain lax

FIRST OF TWO PARTS

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

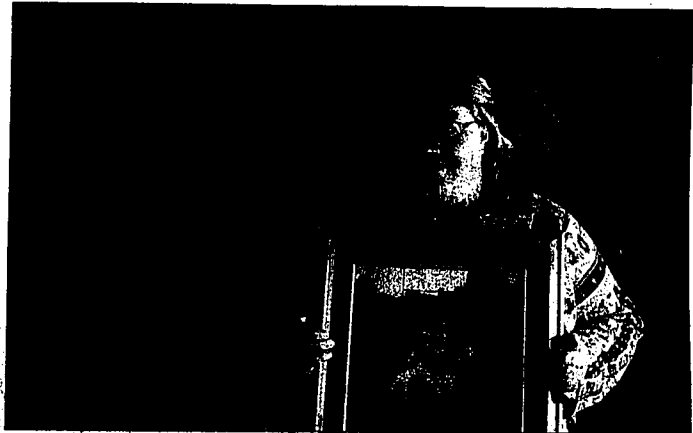
The day began with the promise only a child can know.

A beautiful fall weekend, school had just begun a few weeks earlier and 14-year-old Tyler Palomarez escaped north to ride all-terrain vehicles with two friends near Alturus Lake. The cool autumn air tickled their lungs, and smoke from a wildfire hung on the horizon.

Tyler rode his family's red Honda Recon, a 400-pound machine of metal and speed. His friends followed, sharing a second ATV. The four-wheeled tore up a rocky path toward a curve in the trail, and the boys gunned the engines. Tyler attempted the curve first.

He didn't make it. The ATV skidded off the trail, and Tyler flew into the air, landing on his stomach. He stood almost immediately and took off his helmet, staggered a few steps then lost consciousness and collapsed.

The ATV was unscathed.



Gall Palomarez looks at a photo of her son, Tyler, who died last October in an ATV crash in the Sawtooth mountains. At top, Tyler Palomarez drives his father's Honda Recon on his family's machine.

Tyler would never wake up. He died of internal injuries about six hours later in a Boise hospital after surgeons failed to stop the bleeding around his crushed liver.

The last time Tyler's mother, Gall, saw her boy at the hospital he was writhing in pain, legs kicking like he was riding a bicycle, she said. Gall reached down and touched the ankle of her son for the last time. She said she thought Tyler knew she was there, but she can't know for sure. She simply hopes.

After the last-ditch effort to save Tyler's life had failed, an emotional surgeon told Gall, "Never let anybody you

know or love get on an ATV."

More people — more children — are riding ATVs than ever, especially in the Magic Valley, where ATV registrations climbed 71 percent between 2001 and 2005, to 11,953.

More ATVs in Idaho have led to more injuries and deaths, according to Consumer Product Safety Commission reports. At three Magic Valley hospitals alone — St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, Minkidi Memorial Hospital and Cascade Regional — 70 people have been treated for ATV-related injuries so far this year, an increase over recent years.

Since 1992, at least 89

Idahoans died in ATV-related incidences — about a quarter of them were like Tyler, younger than 16.

Earlier this month, 6-year-old Jonathan Arvalo was killed near Malta when he was thrown from a Honda TRX350 ATV and struck a utility pole. The machine was being driven by his 14-year-old sister, according to a police report. A 3-year-old sister, who was also on the ATV, suffered serious injuries.

None were wearing helmets.

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AFGHANISTAN

Suicide bomber blows up bus, kills 30

By Alisa Tang
Associated Press writer

KABUL, Afghanistan — Wearing an army uniform, the suicide bomber easily blended in with soldiers as they waited outside a movie theater early Saturday for an army bus to take them to work.

When the bus arrived, officials began checking the soldiers' IDs and the bomber rushed forward, detonating explosives that ripped off the roof of the bus and tore out its sides, killing 30 people and leaving a charred hull of burnt metal in the street.

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An Afghan National Army soldier stands near a destroyed army bus after a suicide blast in Kabul, Afghanistan, Saturday.

Inside

Dealing with the enemy's artillery: The EID.

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Idaho ATV deaths

89	57	32	20
Total reported deaths (1982-2005)	Reported deaths (1982-2001)	Reported Deaths (2002-2005)	Reported deaths (1982-2001): Children under 16

On the Web

Check out the **Geared for Conflict** page on MagicValley.com. It's the only place you can find:

- The latest news on ATV safety
- Interactive maps of ATV trails
- A photo gallery of ATV accidents
- A list of ATV dealers in the Magic Valley
- A list of ATV safety courses

More news at the Magic Valley website: www.magicvalley.com

Mag Valley Regional Medical Center, Minkidi Memorial Hospital, Cascade Regional

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Wash. wheat farmers rolling in the dough

By Nicholas W. Geranos
Associated Press writer

ROCKFORD, Wash. — When wheat prices hit \$6.67 a bushel this year, farmer Michael Sargent decided to sell his supply because he'd never seen prices that high. Too bad he didn't follow the example of his wife.

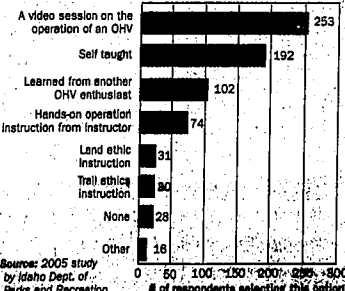
She held her share of the wheat crop back and now is selling it for a record price of around \$9.50 a bushel.

So it goes in Washington's farm country these days, where worldwide shortages have produced record prices that have people speculating this will be the first \$1 billion crop in the state's history.

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What training did you have prior to your first riding experience?

(Number of respondents selecting each option for off-highway vehicle education, out of 286 respondents).



Who's responsible for safety?

Loose federal standards leave it to ATV consumers

By Joshua Palomarez
Times-News writer

While four states in the West are starting to hold dealers and manufacturers of all-terrain vehicles responsible for safety requirements, Idaho is steadfast in leaving that responsibility up to the consumer.

California is discussing a law that would require licensing and proof of age in order to purchase ATVs with engines larger than 90 cubic centimeters. The danger being that larger engines have more power and weight that could increase hazards for younger riders.

Some states require riders to complete a safety course before they can purchase an ATV.



Was Well, a salesman for American Trailers, says he's seen a lot of accidents involving ATVs. But Idaho requires neither a safety course nor proof of age to purchase an ATV, so the burden is placed on consumers to follow safety standards laid out by ATV manufacturers.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS Today Tonight Monday
Warmer, mostly sunny and very nice
Increasing clouds, late night showers
Turning cooler and cloudy with showers

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Today: Mostly sunny skies and warmer. Highs in the middle 60s.
Tonight: Increasing clouds with a chance of late night showers. Lows in the upper 30s.
Tomorrow: Cooler temperatures, mostly cloudy skies and scattered showers. Highs in the mid to upper 50s.

Complete weather report: See page C8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

The 15th annual Thousand Springs Festival, sponsored by Southern Idaho Land Trust with arts and crafts, food, beverages and music, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ritter Island, in the Thousand Springs Festival Preserve near Hagerman, \$6 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children under age 12, and \$20 for a family, 432-5334.

National Alpaca Farm Day, Lost Shaker Alpacas and Magic Valley Alpacas invite the public to become acquainted with the alpaca; includes demonstrations and activities for children, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Lost Shaker Alpacas, 3685 N. 2600 E., 2 miles south of Highway 30 on 2600 E. (alpaca product, fiber and yarn available for purchase), 733-0555.

The 8th annual Renaissance Faire, with medieval jousting and ritual performances, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Festival Meadows, Sun Valley Road, \$10 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and students, and no cost for ages 13 and under, www.visitsunvalley.com.

B&G Produce of Filer corn maze and pumpkin patch, featuring games of mental and physical skills plus prizes, 1 to 5 p.m., \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12, pumpkins available for purchase, school groups and tours by appointment, 326-4935.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.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.

THREE-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Oct. 3 — Opening night of Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley's "Frankenstein," presented by the CSI Theater Department, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Theater, \$8 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students, 732-6781 or 732-7678.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Big sale at the Twin Falls Senior Center Bargain Shop, includes racks of clothing (four for \$1), skeins of yarn, puzzles, paperback books (10 for \$1) and many other items, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., through Oct. 15, 530 Shoshone St. W., (across from Depot Grill), proceeds benefit the center, 734-5084.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Oct. 2 — Magic Valley New Neighbors Club luncheon, program to provide information on canyon walking trails, wear walking shoes, 11:30 a.m., 1 Hog Restaurant, 1044 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, \$12, 733-2082.

Oct. 2 — Twin Falls Public Library Mystery Book Club meeting, discussion of "The Beekeeper's Apprentice" by Laurie R. King, 5:30 p.m., TFPL Program Room, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, open to the public, 733-2984, ext. 109 or hills@tfd.org.

Oct. 2 — The Burley District Grazing Board annual fall meeting and no-host dinner, 6 p.m., dinner and 7 p.m. meeting, Wayside Cafe, off exit 211, north of Burley, 436-6952.

Oct. 3 — Bilas Flower and Garden Club meeting, with co-host Marilyn Wilson and program provided by Master Gardeners Earleen Peterson and Cathy Stewart, 1 p.m., at Lavinia Moore's home, 352-4260.

HEALTH

Oct. 1 — American Red Cross blood drive, noon to 6 p.m., First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., Rupert, 436-1344 for appointment.

Oct. 2 — Wellness Secrets Group, especially for seniors, baby boomers and the "sandwich generation" with topics: "It's About How You Live," Asset Management and Family Involvement, Elder Law and New POST Form, noon to 2 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., no cost, \$40 Fed Meyer gift card door prize, 735-0700 or dpetersen@brookdalevalley.com.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Oct. 3 — The Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association meeting, members will play music for the public from 8 to 8:30 p.m., with monthly meeting to follow, Idaho Pizza Company, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, open to the public and prospective members, 735-1580.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Oct. 3 — The First Annual Filer High School Booster Club Hog Feed and Pig Wrestling event, four-people teams needed for the following categories: Elementary, Middle School, High School, Adults and Teachers; \$40 prize for the winning team, 6 p.m., teams report and 7 p.m. event begins, Filer Football Field, \$10 per team member, \$6 general admission, proceeds to benefit FHS Booster Club, 326-6944.

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COMING THIS WEEK

Mothers in motion

Magic Valley women who start their days by running together.



MONDAY IN IMAGE

The watermelon trials

Filer project gives new varieties a spin.



TUESDAY IN COUNTRY ROADS

Valley vegans

How well does Magic Valley cater to a vegan's culinary desires?



WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME

Jo and friends

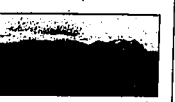
The Magic Valley Little Theatre will stage the Broadway adaptation of "Little Women."



THURSDAY IN TNT

A grueling adventure

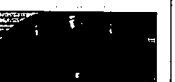
Stories from an attempt to conquer Lost River Range.



FRIDAY IN OUTDOORS

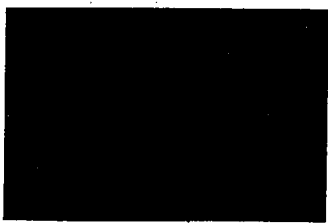
Rendering to God

Passing the plate at church just isn't what it used to be.



SATURDAY IN RELIGION

"After three days without reading, talk becomes flavorless." — Chinese proverb



Searching for lost senses

Have you lost your sense of smell or taste? The Times-News is doing a story on how people who have lost a sense adjust to the world. If you, or someone you know, have experienced a loss or significant impairment of your sense of smell or taste, please contact us. Please call reporter Ariel Hansen at 735-3376 or write ariel.hansen@ee.net, before the end of the day Monday.

MAGIC VALLEY



Weather keeps Jerome centennial crowd small

JEROME — The wind, gusting ferociously, would not let up. It knocked down the American flag. It blew over the microphone stand on stage. One audience member even watched his hat fly away.

And Diane Davis, superintendent at Magic Valley Christian School, withstood the wind on stage for 15 minutes as she gave a short speech on the founding of Jerome 100 years earlier. "I had so much more to tell you," she said Saturday over the rustling of her notes. "Like so many teachers, the lesson is never closed." SEE PAGE B1

State says it's up to consumers to follow ATV safety rules

While some states in the West are starting to hold dealers and manufacturers of all-terrain vehicles responsible for safety requirements, Idaho is steadfast in leaving that responsibility up to the consumer. SEE PAGE A1

Meetings scheduled on Filer bonds proposal

FILER — The Filer School District is making a final push to inform residents about a double bond election on Oct. 11, and has scheduled public meetings for Monday and Tuesday.

The meetings, aimed to better inform the public about the bonds proposal, are scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in the Filer High School cafeteria; 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday at Hollister Elementary; and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Filer Elementary. SEE PAGE B1

OBITUARIES

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Rule-less roads

Neither Tyler nor Jomatan should have been riding the machines, adult-model ATVs the manufacturers warn are not appropriate for children.

Kids are too light, the manufacturers and safety experts say, to shift weight needed to turn adult-size ATVs.

Manufacturers make smaller models more appropriate for younger riders, but many Idaho families own just one ATV — often a large machine.

Safety advocates, as well as some manufacturers, also warn against riding in tandem, on pavement, off designated trails and without training.

None of those recommendations are required by law in Idaho, where safety laws are sometimes so lax that people jokingly call it the "right-to-die state." When it comes to ATVs, that saying couldn't be more true. Only ATV riders younger than 18 must wear a helmet — and then only if riding on public land, according to the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America. Idaho is one of 20 states with no minimum age for riders. Some states require riders of all ages to have a safety education certificate. Idaho does not.

And that's the way some riders prefer things. "People have to be responsible for their own actions," said Stan Mai a Twin Falls resident and long-time ATV rider who opposes government-mandated safety rules.

There's been little interest in tougher regulations from enthusiasts or legislators here.

"Idahoans create laws in Idaho," said Jennifer Werneck, a spokeswoman for state Parks and Recreation that oversees a state ATV registration program. "Legislation is typically backed by the users."

It's the same story on the national level. About 20 years ago, the federal government declared ATVs an "imminent danger" and manufacturers stopped producing less stable "three-wheeled models. Injury statistics initially dipped but have remained steady since then. But lawmakers have made few efforts since the late 1980s to curb injuries and deaths.

Many manufacturers now offer rebates for buyers who complete an instructor-run safety program. In Idaho, those rebates are often "buy one, get one free." According to a 2005 Parks and Recreation survey, ATV riders are most

likely to say they gained primary training from informational videos about the technical operations of off-highway vehicles. About 65 percent say they were self-taught. Only a quarter of those surveyed said they received hands-on training from an instructor before their first riding experience. Nine percent had no training at all.

"Safety concerns aren't limited to recreational riders. "Everybody that rides ditches and sets water rides one of those dang four-wheelers," said Jeff Webster, one of four paramedic field supervisors at St. Luke's in Twin Falls. "These farm guys never take a course."

Tyler Palomarez, the 14-year-old killed last year, had no training. His mother, Gail, who called Tyler "an inexperienced rider," said she tried to enroll her son in a safety course but was told he wasn't eligible because he wasn't a licensed driver. Gail was unaware of other ATV safety programs for children.

Braking for safety

Several groups in Idaho, including the Parks and Recreation department, are hoping to change that. The department began an ATV safety training program about three years ago, held during the summers when more children can attend.

Jerome County 4-H received a grant this year to train its program coordinator, Tina Dickard, through the ATV Safety Institute, a national group that works with manufacturers to promote safer riding. Dickard is now a licensed safety instructor, and will begin teaching ATV safety courses for children this fall.

"ATVs are very dangerous," said Dickard, "especially for people who aren't properly trained."

Many mishaps are caused by people who don't know how to safely operate the machines or don't know what size ATVs are appropriate, she said.

"So many of them, you see 5- and 6-year-old kids out there on something this size," she said, pointing to her 500-pound ATV. "They have no business being on something this size."

Dickard concedes that even safety programs won't spare everyone from injury or death, but the programs have been shown to greatly reduce the chances of an incident.



Tina Dickard demonstrates riding her ATV in a farm field at her home near Kimberly, Dickard, fastening her helmet at left, has received training from the ATV Safety Institute, and will begin teaching ATV safety courses for children this fall.



She advocates mandatory safety training before anyone can ride an ATV.

That's not likely to happen anytime soon in Idaho.

An 18-year veteran of the state Legislature, Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, said he can't remember any safety-related ATV legislation proposed in recent years. And he doesn't expect any. There's virtually no way to enforce tougher laws, he said, because law enforcement cannot patrol all of the places ATVs can go.

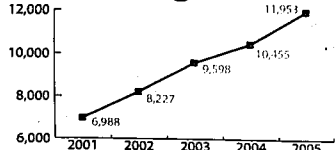
"It doesn't make much sense to pass a law if there's no way to enforce it," Stennett said.

Tougher laws and better training or not, the Palomarez family will never again own an ATV. Gail hasn't seen the machine her son died riding since after the incident —

they sold it immediately. "It'll never happen," she said. "It'll never happen again."

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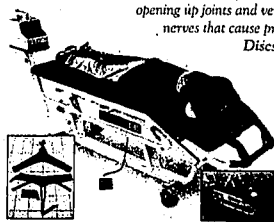
ATV Registration



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— Tina Dickard, Jerome County 4-H program coordinator, of her 500-pound ATV

Safety

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"I'm not really supposed to sell someone a 250 (cubic-centimeter engine) who is buying it for his son who isn't old enough to ride it," said Wes Wall, owner of Adventure Motorsports in Twin Falls. "But it's hard for me to know if he is going to do something like that."

ATV manufacturers set recommended age guidelines due to pressure from lawmakers. But most manufacturers say enforcement is left up to dealers. The requirement is supposed to prevent children younger than 12 from using an ATV or motorcycle with an engine larger than 90 cubic centimeters.

Spokesmen for Honda Motor Co.'s motorcycle division and Polaris Industries — two of the largest manufacturers of ATVs in the United States — said age requirements and other safety information is provided in user manuals.

But they said that enforcing the regulations is difficult because they vary by state, and neither manufacturers nor dealers know how consumers

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— Wes Wall, owner of Adventure Motorsports in Twin Falls

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plan to use the ATVs. "It's going to be more of an issue because ATV sales are growing. I think that more and more it's being considered family-friendly," Wall said. "But I suppose that someone could come back to the retailer or the manufacturer if they are injured and say they were responsible."

Although some dealers say more rigid safety requirements would not likely affect sales of ATVs, others say that increased regulations might reduce sales by making it more difficult to purchase ATVs.

However, for the time being, Idaho will hold owners of ATVs accountable for their own safety — even as other states push their own legislation for increased safety requirements.

As the end nears, Bush looks to his 'legacy list'

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — As he addresses a conference on el-

mate change Friday morning, President Bush will face not only a crowd of skeptics but the press of time. For nearly

seven years, he invested little personal energy to the challenge of global warming. Now with the end in sight, he has

called the biggest nations of the world together to press for a plan by the end of next year. This has been a week when

Bush seems to be checking boxes on the legacy list. He opened the week at the United Nations in New York

where he tried to rally support for his Middle East peace initiative and insisted his vision of a new Palestinian state is still "achievable" before the end of his presidency. And he pressed for more U.S. action against Iran, acutely aware he has less than 16 months left to stop Tehran's nuclear program.

Success in any of these areas would amount to a significant achievement and, in the view of advisers, could help rewrite Bush's place in history. No president wants to be remembered as the author of an ill-fated war and, while Iraq certainly will be at the core of the Bush administration's record, advisers hope to broaden the picture. Yet another war is in the cards to resolve the longstanding Israeli-Palestinian conflict on his watch, critics doubt his sincerity on climate change and Iran remains as intransigent as ever.

"The clock is ticking and there are certain things you want to accomplish before you go out the door," said Ron Kneffman, who was White House political director for President George H.W. Bush. "While most of these things are not new to his agenda, there may be a bit of a new urgency given the clock. No president wants to leave something on the table if they can get it done."

Even on Iraq, Bush clearly has an eye on the clock. While he no longer harbors hope of winning the war by Jan. 20, 2009, he wants to use his remaining time in office to stabilize the country, draw down some forces and leave his successor with a less volatile situation that would dampen domestic demands to pull out completely. If he can do these things, he can anchor his legacy. No record lunch this month, he thinks even Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York, Democratic frontrunner, would continue his policy.

The goal, as national security adviser Stephen Hadley told the Council of Foreign Relations recently, is that "a new president in January of '09, whoever he or she may be, will look at it and say, 'I'm persuaded that we have long-term interests here. It's important we get it right. This strategy is beginning to work. I think I'll leave Iraq alone.' And so that a new president coming in doesn't have a first crisis about 'let's pull the troops out of Iraq.'"

Bush has even quietly sent advice through intermediaries to Clinton and other Democratic candidates, urging them to be careful in their campaign rhetoric so they do not limit their options should they win, according to a new book, "The Evangelical President," by Bill Sammon of the Washington Examiner. Bush has been urging candidates. "Don't get yourself too locked in where you stand right now. If you end up sitting where I sit, things could change dramatically." White House Chief of Staff Joshua Bolton told Sammon.

Bush is also rushing to institutionalize some of the controversial tactics he has employed in the battle with terrorists so that they will outlast his presidency. That was a major reason he agreed to put his National Security Agency warrantless surveillance program under the jurisdiction of a secret intelligence court, aides said. And that's why he has pushed to find a way to close the prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and find other ways of handling suspected terrorists, although officials increasingly doubt they will be able to do so.

White House counselor Ed Gillespie said the president's team is not panicked about dwindling time but hopes to push steadily toward some goals that will bear fruit before the end of the administration. "On some of these things we've made a lot of progress," he said.

"We may not be in the red zone, but we're at a point where you don't need to throw the long ball. We can get there with three yards and a cloud of dust if we keep moving."

The focus on passing time and the coming judgment of history is common at this point in a two-term presidency, of course.

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Wheat

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While typically associated with high-tech products or apples, Washington is also a major wheat producer, with much of the crop grown in the fertile soil of the Pacific region. Washington ranks fourth in wheat production, after Kansas, North Dakota and Montana.

In 1950, the highest per capita income in the state was in Lincoln County, a wheat center west of Spokane. But times have been tough in more recent decades, and the average age of wheat farmers is around 60 years old, as young people in farm country seek other careers.

Still, the state's nearly 4,000 wheat farmers produce about 130 million bushels per year.

Tom Mick, president of the Washington Wheat Commission, said the crop could bring in a little over \$1 billion as drought and heat have reduced crops in other major wheat-producing nations.

The reason it's not worth more is because many farmers sold their wheat before the recent price surge, sometimes against their will when bankers called in loans, Mick said.

Much of the wheat crop sold for less than \$5 a bushel, which at the time seemed like a reasonable amount after prices had hovered around \$3.50 to \$4 a bushel for years, Mick said.

"Nobody knew it was going this high," Mick said.

Sargent sure didn't. Besides farming near Dusty — he calls himself a Dustyite — Sargent is a Whitman County commissioner.

Whitman County is the largest wheat-producing county in the nation, but its small towns are not yet reaping the benefits of higher prices, Sargent said.

One reason is that farmers had piled up so much debt over the years that much of this year's income is simply paying that down, he said. Farmers are also building up their savings accounts, he said.

"We have to see this sustained over a time," Sargent said.

Another issue is that many farmers had joined a federal program in which land was set aside as wildlife habitat, reducing the amount of wheat grown. As recently as 1996, Washington produced 182 million bushels of wheat, Jay Pennick, president of Northwest Farm Credit Services, a Spokane company that loans money to farmers, said that while many may have missed out on the booming prices this year, there is always next year.

And farmers are making enough money to pay down debt, purchase new equipment and improve their farms, he said.

The most lucrative wheat crop of recent years was in 1996, selling for \$755 million. Last year's wheat crop sold for about \$615 million, although that is not a final figure, said Linda Simpson of the Washington Agricultural Statistics Service.

She said there is a good chance the 2007 crop will join apples as the only Washington farm commodity to bring \$1 billion to farmers in one year.

"Growers will tell you the price of fertilizer and fuel and everything else is going up," she cautioned.

But there is no denying that there are a lot more smiles in farm country than when wheat prices averaged \$2.63 a bushel in 1996.

Prices this year started to surge in mid-May, when it became clear that drought and heat had ravaged the crop in other parts of the world.

At least 50 percent of the Washington crop was sold early in the surge, Mick said.

That's because bankers who were anxious to have loans repaid started calling in loans when prices reached around \$4.50 per bushel, he said.

"Farmers had been selling wheat at \$3, so when it got to \$4 and \$4.50 it looked attractive," Mick said.

As of late September, about 70 percent of Washington's wheat has already been sold, leaving

about 30 percent to garner the premium prices, Mick said.

The rising prices are primarily the result of drought in Australia, Argentina and parts of Europe, Mick said. The Canadian crop is also down as more farmers are planting oil seeds for bio-fuels, he said. Rice stocks are also down, driving demand for wheat.

Washington's soft white wheat is nearly all exported, primarily to Asia and the

Middle East, where it is used to make cookies, cakes and flatbreads, Mick said.

Mick doesn't think prices will remain this high in the future, though he hopes it doesn't drop below \$5 a bushel. Sargent said that no matter what, this year's prices will save some farms and keep the industry viable.

"If this price hadn't turned around, you would have seen a number of producers shaken out," Sargent said. "It gives people hope."



Cody Johnston, a 'wheat rat' for Davenport Union Warehouse Co., unloads a truck of club wheat into a silo on Aug. 2 in Davenport, Wash. In Washington's farm country these days, where worldwide wheat shortages have produced record prices, people are speculating this will be the first \$1 billion wheat crop in the state's history.

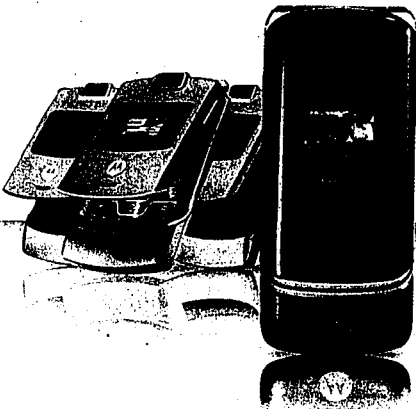
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Physician, heal thyself: Doctors often delay their own care

By Deitha Ricks
Newsday

MEMPHIS, N.Y. — Every year at one of the largest meetings of physicians who specialize in the treatment of cancer, doctors can be seen puffing cigarettes during breaks.

While the sight might strike many as shocking, it is only a snapshot of a broader picture involving doctors and health issues.

Doctors, as reluctant as they are to admit it, suffer from the same bad habits and serious health concerns as everyone else.

The difference between physicians and the populations they serve is that it might take them longer to acknowledge something is amiss.

Dr. Jeffrey Trilling, chief of family medicine at Stony Brook University Medical Center, said physicians can readily recognize health problems in others but find the task tougher when it comes to themselves.

Cancer, heart attack, stroke, alcoholism, smoking, obesity and drug abuse affect physicians just as they affect professionals in other lines of work.

"Physicians are more aware — and afraid — of the cascade effect of medicine," Trilling said. "That is, you order one test, it comes back equivocal and then you order another and it's more invasive, more painful than the previous, and that may be equivocal as well."

Trilling added that much of what is known about the way physicians handle personal health issues is anecdotal. But he said there are often common threads that link one physician's health story to another's.

"There are a couple of interesting things," Trilling said. "The first one is denial. And the other one is that physicians know too much. They know the symptoms that they're having may be significant, and it's just human

nature to procrastinate and deny."

The American Medical Association does not maintain statistics on the number of physicians who have chronic or life-threatening conditions. Most physicians confronting a health issue, Trilling said, seek the opinion of a colleague.

Doctors might lose sight of their own health because they are so focused on their patients, said Dr. Diana Fite, immediate past president of the Harris County Medical

Society in Houston. She is a vocal advocate for doctors paying attention to their health concerns.

Fite, an emergency physician, has high blood pressure and was aware that it had reached a potentially life-threatening level: 200/120. Normal blood pressure is less than 120/80.

After a brief period of taking medication for her blood pressure, Fite stopped because the drugs caused swelling in her throat and loss of her voice. "The medication

just wasn't working for me," Fite said. "I felt that I was young, I have children who are still young — I shouldn't have to worry about high blood pressure. I know now that was just plain stupid."

While leaving work in early June of last year, Fite, for a split second, felt weak on her right side. She was steering with her right hand and holding her cell phone in her left.

"I thought I must have worked too hard," she said of the weakness. "But within another second the car start-

ed weaving and I realized I had no strength at all. So I grabbed the steering wheel with my left hand. I had to get my foot off the gas pedal. It was just dead. I had to kick it off."

"I looked in the rearview mirror and tried to smile but the right side of my face didn't move at all. So I knew immediately that it was a full-blown stroke."

Fite managed to grab her phone, which had tumbled in her panic to steer. She punched 911. But words were

difficult to form: "I was making these horrible noises in the phone. It was a cell phone, and they couldn't find my location."

When the ambulance arrived, Fite instructed emergency personnel to take her to a stroke center, which was significantly farther away than the nearest hospital. As a doctor she knew she stood her best chance of full recovery if she was treated with the clot-buster tPA. She arrived at the center within the narrow time window.

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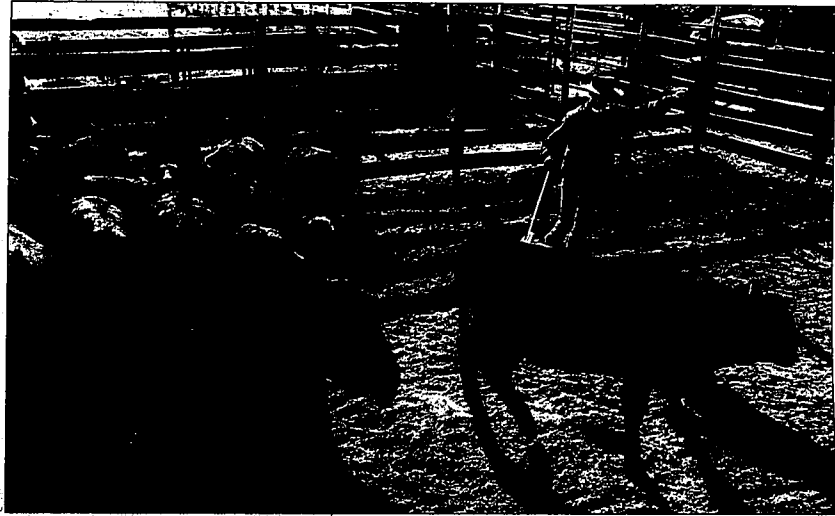
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Cattle wait to be unloaded at the Twin Falls Livestock Commission Company Wednesday.

When ranchers tallied up the high cost of feed, many decided that there was only one option left ...

Selling out



Photos by ADRIAN BIRTH/TIMES-NEWS

Cattle are sorted by weight and breed before being auctioned Wednesday morning at the Twin Falls Livestock Commission Company.

High hay prices and scorched range prompt cattle sell-off

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Jay and Melody Halloway rose at 4 a.m. Wednesday to separate 10 calves from their herd near Elko, Nevada, and to load them for the long drive to auction in Twin Falls.

The Halloways hoped an early start would allow them to be at the head of the long lines of trucks and trailers that would surely form at the Twin Falls Livestock Commission Company, which takes in livestock from across southern Idaho and northern Nevada. But when the Halloways pulled into the sale yard about 10 a.m., they discovered that virtually every other rancher within 400 miles had made the same plan.

"I guess we kind of expected it this year, but in the back of our heads we were hoping that we might be the exception rather than the norm," Jay Halloway said while sipping coffee and gathering the paperwork needed to sell his calves. "I guess we've all been hit pretty good this year, so we were selling early and digging in for the long haul."

Halloway and other ranchers in Idaho and Nevada face a series of environmental and economic

setbacks that have created the "perfect storm" for cattlemen. Hay prices have shot up about 40 percent in the past two years as growers shifted to more lucrative corn varieties that feed the growing ethanol industry. Then came last summer's wildfires aged across half of the range cattlemen use for winter pasture.

When ranchers tallied up the high cost of feed, many decided that there was only one thing left to do — sell as many head of cattle as they could before winter set in.

As of Friday, the livestock commission company reported an increase in cattle sales of more than 6,000 head compared to the same time last year.

"It's definitely going to be difficult for (cattlemen) because they can only afford so much," said Bruce Ellington, owner of the Twin Falls Livestock Commission Company. "The affect that it's having is that they are selling only this year and they are probably selling more than they normally would."

He said most ranchers are selling calves, feeder and kill cows about two weeks to a month, earlier than usual, with some barely breaking even because the flood of beef is driving down market prices.

Ellington said market price on Wednesday was already starting to decline a few cents per pound. Although a few cents may not seem like much, ranchers say that even a decline of about 50 cents per pound could cost even a small cattle operation more than \$1,000 — and most ranchers expect the decline to exceed 50 cents per pound.

Sitting in the Rancher's Cafe after offloading his calves, Jay Halloway tallied up the return.

"It's about a couple hundred (dollars) less than what we were hoping for," he said. "But I guess it could have been worse had we had to (feed) them through the winter."

Although Idaho's cattle industry is ranked second in terms of agricultural commodity cash receipts — exceeded only by the dairy industry — most state and regional officials say they don't know what, if any, impact the early sell-off will have on local economies.

One employee at the Department of Agriculture called Idaho's cattle industry the "quietest industry" in the state because other agricultural industries, such as dairy, corn and potatoes, are more often viewed as

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In Nebraska, new work rule could slow inspections

Idaho one of remaining states that tells inspectors to do what it takes to get the job done

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Agriculture has never been a nine to five job, and for that very reason the state of Idaho is telling its brand inspectors to do what it takes to get the job done this year.

As ranchers from southern Idaho and northern Nevada rush to sell off much of their cattle in the face of skyrocketing feed prices and lost grazing land, brand inspectors are being called on at all hours of the day and night to check the cattle before it's sold, slaughtered or shipped across state lines.

"A lot of guys raising these cows want to sell them off fast, so we could be working 50 to 60 hours a week just trying to keep up with it all," said Sean McCarthy, Twin Falls County brand inspector. "This industry has never been an 8 to 5 job — you just do what you need to do to get it done."

But things are different in other states, like Nebraska, where government officials are telling brand inspectors to avoid overtime. Shawn Hanks, based in Alinsworth, Neb., is gearing up for long days during the busy cattle-selling months of September through March. But the ranchers he helps should prepare for a slowdown in response time from Hanks and roughly 50 other inspectors



Sean McCarthy



To see a slideshow of Twin Falls County Brand Inspector Sean McCarthy at work, go to Mogel.com

in the western two-thirds of the state.

A work rule approved this week requires inspectors to log 40 hours per week year-round. Until now, inspectors often worked more than 40 hours during the fall and winter months, but less in the spring and summer.

With the new rule, inspectors will likely spend less time on call, ready to quickly drive to the site of a sale or other transaction.

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Subsidy payments continue with ethanol boom, record crop prices

By Tom Ichniowski
The Washington Post

RADCLIFFE, Iowa — Corn farmer Jim Handaker has found a slew of ways to ride the heartland boom in biofuels that is reshaping the economy of rural Iowa.

He sold some of his 2006 crop this year for more than \$4 a bushel, the

highest price in a decade. His stakes in two nearby ethanol plants brought in several thousand dollars more in dividends.

Meanwhile, soaring farmland prices have pushed the value of the 400 acres he owns to around \$2 million.

Even so, come October he will get a subsidy check from the govern-

ment, part of \$1.6 billion that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will send to corn farmers.

Those annual "automatic" payments to Handaker said thousands of other prospering corn growers have long been controversial. But coming at a time when taxpayers are already subsidizing the ethanol industry to the tune of more than

\$3 billion a year, the double-barreled support system for those who grow corn and those who turn it into fuel has begun to draw fire in Congress.

"Federal farm subsidies are already narrowly focused on certain crops and are excessive," said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., a farmer and former chairman of the Senate agri-

culture committee. "They become ridiculous given the exploding possibilities to grow crops for biofuels production."

So far, Congress has shown little inclination to adjust the subsidies to account for the new energy-driven rural economy.

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Marriott International, Inc. recently opened the 81-room Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott in Burley

Fairfield Inn & Suites opens doors in Burley

Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE:MAR) opened the 81-room Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott in Burley on Sept. 14. Located at 230 W. Seventh Street, the Fairfield Inn & Suites Burley will operate as a Marriott franchise, owned by locally by Oregon Trail Investments, LLC, an managed by InterMountain Management, LLC of Monroec, La.

InterMountain Management, LLC is an award winning hotel management and development company specializing in the select service and extended stay hotel segment. InterMountain Management, LLC currently owns and/or manages over 50 premium branded hotels nationwide with Marriott International and other leading hotel brand portfolios. For more information or to view hotel locations across the U.S., please visit their website at www.intermtm.biz.

Located off of Interstate 84, four miles from Burley Municipal Airport and 40 miles from Twin Falls Regional Airport, the Fairfield Inn & Suites Burley is located at the half-way point between Salt Lake City and Boise. The hotel offers guests convenient access to Pomerelle Ski Resort, Lake Walcott, Oregon Trail Museum and the Snake River. It is centrally located to shopping, dining, and local area businesses.

"We are pleased to introduce Fairfield Inn hotels in the Burley area," said Liam Brown, senior vice president for Fairfield Inn, Marriott International. "This hotel offers business and leisure travelers convenient, quality accommodations at an affordable price. We look forward to welcoming guests and providing the friendly

service that sets Fairfield Inn apart."

An innovative new offering from Fairfield Inn by Marriott in Burley, Inn & Suites Burley features a variety of enhancements to guest rooms and public areas, as well as the addition of distinctively designed suites. The signature "king suite" offers separate living and sleeping areas, pantry with coffee maker, mini-refrigerator and microwave, and a dividing wall with a 32-inch high-definition flat screen LCD televisions and state-of-the-art compact disc stereo system. Additional in-room amenities include an ergonomic desk chair, hair dryer and two phones, with free local calls.

"As events in Burley and the surrounding area continue to increase each year, we hope to support this trend and benefit our local economy," said Dave Nebeker, General Manager. Believing this hotel offers unparalleled quality, value and hospitality, he expressed a desire to become the hotel of choice in Burley for vacationers, road warriors and business travelers alike. "We are beyond proud to bring a Marriott property to Burley." A complimentary continental breakfast is available each morning in the lobby area. Other hotel amenities include an indoor swimming pool with whirlpool spa, exercise room, valet laundry service, 24 hour business center, and free high-speed wireless Internet throughout the hotel. The hotel also features a meeting room with 832 square feet of meeting space, and is the latest to offer Marriott's new, luxury business bedding, with plushier mattresses, custom comforters, crisp linens, dufter pillows, and a fresh

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ARBOR Education & Training held their ribbon cutting assisted by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors. Their office is located at 1139 Falls Ave. E., Suite C, Twin Falls. They can provide you with the tools to help you reach your employment potential including interviewing, communicating in the workplace, resolving workplace conflict and access planning. For more information, call 735-5326. Pictured from left, front row, Kriss Bridgeman; Margo Dixon, project manager; Lucy Bean, Jan Duff; back row, Marlon Van Holwegen; Lorana Lawrence; Dyl Dillion; Brenda Herman. Not pictured, Lisa Roberts, project director.

CRISIS CENTER CELEBRATES



The Crisis Center of Magic Valley cut the red ribbon recently to celebrate their 25th anniversary at the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center. They were accompanied by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors. They provide a safe haven for victims of domestic violence and enable them to put hope in their lives with a safe environment. The Magic Valley is a safer place because of the Crisis Center and their professional staff. For more information, call 733-0100. Pictured from left, front row, Deborah Cabard, director; Julia Emery, board of directors; Ben Hall, city councilman; back row, Rick McKinley, board of directors; Matt Pember, board of directors; Skies Hamilton, board of directors; and Bonnie Spencer, board of directors.

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Brittany D. Jacobsen, a graduate of the American Association of Medical Assistants' CMA certification on June 30, giving her the certified medical assistant credential. Jacobsen is a graduate of the medical assisting program at the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed by Asthma and Allergy of Idaho in Twin Falls.

Greg Bloomfield and Ray Stroberg

SUN VALLEY Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Idaho recently elected new board members for the year 2007-2008.

The 83rd annual convention of the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Idaho, Inc. was held at the Sun Valley Resort. Two agents from the Magic Valley were elected.

Greg Bloomfield of Wood River Insurance Inc. in Halley was elected to the executive committee. Ray Stroberg of Covenant Insurance & Investments in Twin Falls was elected as a regional director.

The Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Idaho represents the majority of all independent agents and brokers throughout Idaho and belongs to the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America. Founded in 1896, it is the nation's largest insurance sales and service organization representing a network of over 300,000 agents, brokers and their employees.

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Obtaining the GRI designation is a beneficial way for realtors to advance their professional image. The extra measure of knowledge and prestige achieved by completing this course work is a tool that will advance a career in real estate on attracting and building new business.

New member of Westerra Group

JEROME — Westerra Real Estate Group announced that Patricia Hawkins has joined the group's Jerome firm at 1555 South Lincoln Ave.

Hawkins has her real estate license and has been an active realtor for three years. She is fluent in both English and Spanish.

Hawkins has teamed up with Deann and Scott Cook to offer a higher level of service by combining their management support skills and their dedication as a team to fulfill both buyers and seller needs. To contact Patricia Hawkins call (208) 324-2236 or (208) 731-6974.



Hawkins

Realtor awarded GRI designation

An Idaho Realtor was recently awarded the Graduate Realtor Institute (GRI) designation.

The Mini-Cassia Association member who completed the curriculum in 2003 with a Bachelor's degree in communications. She previously worked as a television reporter and anchor and the director of a non-profit organization.

Jared Howard is one of the new associates at Cooper Norman. Born and raised in Idaho, Jared graduated from Boise State University with a Masters of Science in Accounting in 2007.

Nikki Francis is a new addition to the Cooper Norman growing team of professional accountants. Francis is originally from Almo, Idaho and recently graduated from Utah State in 2006 with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and in 2006 with a Masters of Science in Accounting. Taxation is an emphasis on Taxation. Francis previously worked in the accounting department of a large Utah based trucking company.

Cooper Norman announces new members

Cooper Norman is glad to welcome Whitney Beem to their regional marketing team. Beem graduated from Montana State University in 2003 with a Bachelor's degree in communications. She previously worked as a television reporter and anchor and the director of a non-profit organization.

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Howard



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LAND TITLE AND ESCROW



Land Title and Escrow in Burley held an open house celebration Sept. 13 in Burley and Tuesday, Sept. 16 in Rupert to commemorate 50 years of business. Land Title in Burley opened in 1957, followed by the Jerome office in 1968, Gooding office in 1972 and the Rupert office in 1988. From left are, front, Bev Parsons, Karen Walker, Nevel Nelson, Bill Parsons, Larry Roberts and Doug Myers.



From left are Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Inna Potter and Carleen Clayville and Helen Marsh of Land Title in Rupert.

Federal Housing Administration to ban seller-financed down payments

The Washington Post
WASHINGTON — The Federal Housing Administration will prohibit borrowers from using seller-financed down payment assistance programs that have helped hundreds of thousands of people buy homes but have come under the scrutiny of federal authorities. Such programs allow home sellers to give money to charities, which then give down payment assistance to buyers. The sellers pay the charities a service fee, then often recoup the money by charging a higher price for the homes, usually 2 or 3 percent more, or an amount equal to the down payment, according to a study by the Government Accountability Office.

In a conference call with reporters, Federal Housing Commissioner Brian Montgomery said that the FHIA will publish its new rule in the Federal Register on Monday. The rule, which is little changed from a preliminary version put out for comments in May, will go into effect 30 days after publication. "These contributions often function as an incentive to purchase the home," Montgomery said. "But these gifts are ultimately paid for by the borrower through a higher mortgage amount. The home buyers are often unaware that the gift is something they end up paying for and is not a 'gift' at all." Almost 200 charities nationwide have participated in such arrangements. But the IRS and other government entities have raised concerns, particularly after the 2005 GAO study found that borrowers receiving assistance from the charities were more than twice as likely to default or become delinquent than other FHA borrowers were.

In a ruling last year, the IRS went so far as to call the seller-financed programs "tax avoidance." The charities of inflating home prices to default or become delinquent than other FHA borrowers were. "Down payment assistance programs administered by charities have unfortunately been an area where my investigations and the IRS have found a great deal of abuse," said Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, who has pushed for changes. "America's president is the FHIA rule and there is no evidence that down payment programs raise prices. The housing market has deteriorated so much that home prices are falling. The IRS is the enemy of the buyer has the limit," he said.

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U.S. Supreme Court returns to work Monday

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court is set to begin a term that could lead to enhanced rights for terrorist detainees, a ruling against part of a child pornography law and shorter prison terms for crack cocaine dealers.

Whatever happened to the court's march to the right? The answer, it seems safe to say, is that little has changed on the bench, where Justice Anthony Kennedy remains the decisive vote between four conservatives and four liberals.

The difference with the term that begins Monday is the mix of cases that are before the justices. Instead of last term's defining cases — abortion, race and campaign finance — in which Kennedy's views aligned him with the conservatives, big issues are those on which Kennedy has more often sided with the liberals.

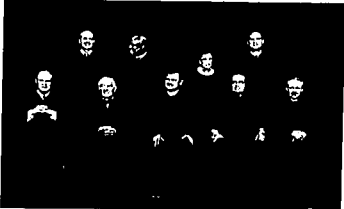
The court has become more conservative since Sandra Day O'Connor retired in 2006 and was replaced by Justice Samuel Alito.

Looking ahead to this term's lineup of cases, "I can't identify a significant win for conservatives," said Thomas Goldstein, a Washington lawyer who writes about the court and argues before it.

The justices are set to tackle an array of big issues. They include the legal rights of Guantanamo detainees, the constitutionality of lethal injections for executions, photo identification cards for voters and investors' struggle to find accountability in cases of fraud.

The court could add a blockbuster case to its calendar if the justices opt to take a Second Amendment case from Washington, D.C., that would test limits on the right to own guns.

The third year of Chief Justice John Roberts' tenure follows a contentious case that laid bare ideological divisions in a large number of cases decided by one vote. The frustrations of liberal justices bubbled up in dissents



The U.S. Supreme Court: front row, from left, Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, Associate Justice John Paul Stevens, Chief Justice of the United States John G. Roberts, Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, and Associate Justice David Souter. Standing, from left, Associate Justice Stephen Breyer, Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Associate Justice Samuel Alito Jr.

read aloud in the courtroom. Among them was one read on the final day by Justice Stephen Breyer, who said of his conservative colleagues, "So few have so quickly changed so much."

While there could well be many more 5-4 decisions this term, a frequent participant in cases at the high court doubts that relations among the justices will be as frayed.

"I don't think we'll have anything like that this term," said Charles Phillips, a lawyer with the Sidley Austin firm who has argued 54 cases before the justices. "It's pretty clear that last year was a breaking term for the justices. They were pretty happy to get away from each other."

Roberts, 52, suffered a health setback during the summer when he had a seizure on a dock in Maine, the second such episode in 14 years. He has resumed his public schedule and has said nothing more about his health, including whether he is taking medication to prevent another seizure.

Monday's opening session also coincides with the official release of Justice Clarence Thomas' long-awaited memoir "My Grandfather's Son." The book is Thomas' look back at his life from childhood in Georgia to his bitter confirmation battle that included testimony from former

employee Anita Hill that Thomas sexually harassed her.

On the court's calendar, the budding case so far involves the legal rights of Guantanamo detainees. The justices twice before have ruled that suspected terrorists held at the U.S. naval base in Cuba could pursue challenges to their indefinite confinement in U.S. civilian courts.

Each time, the Bush administration and Congress, then under Republican control, have changed the law to try to limit the detainees' rights.

"This is the most generous set of procedures ever afforded to a nation's military adversaries in the history of the world. They are, however, far short of what would be afforded a U.S. citizen caught up in the civilian justice system," said Brad Berenson, who served under Bush in the White House counsel's office.

Kennedy voted with the court's liberals in both earlier cases. Many scholars expect him to do so again. The Guantanamo case is the only national security matter the court has yet agreed to review. But related administrative policies, including warrantless wiretapping and the claim that state secrets could be revealed if some court cases

Major cases to be heard by the Supreme Court

- CHILD PORNOGRAPHY:** The government's appeal of an appeals court ruling declaring unconstitutional a portion of the child pornography law that criminalizes an individual's promotion of child porn, whether or not the actually possesses it. The part of the law making a crime to have child porn is not at issue. Oct. 30, (U.S. v. Williams, 06-894)
- LETHAL INJECTIONS:** Death row inmates claim that Texas' execution protocol is unconstitutional. Votes the Constitution's ban on cruel and unusual punishment. (Beze v. Ross, 07-5439)
- VOTER ID:** Delaware state court judges say laws requiring voters to produce photo identification in order to cast a ballot violates the Constitution. (Owens v. Marion County Election Board, 07-24, Indiana; Democratic Party v. Rueda, 07-25)
- CRACK POWDER COCAINE DISPUTES:** A dispute over whether a federal judge has the discretion to impose a more lenient sentence on a crime of crack cocaine possession. (United States v. Booker, 07-339)
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Bush jabs at Democrats for inability to finish spending bills

By Jennifer Lovan
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Saturday signed a bill to prevent a government shutdown, but not without complaint.

Bush lambasted the Democrats who control Congress for sending him the stopgap measure while they continue to work on more than a dozen spending bills funding the day-to-day operations of 15 Cabinet departments.

"Congress failed in its most basic responsibility," the president said in his weekly radio address.

The bills are tied up because Democrats want to add \$23 billion for domestic programs to Bush's \$93.3 billion request for the approximately one-third of the federal budget that funds the yearly spending bills. Bush has threatened vetoes on most of the bills, eager to re-establish his party's reputation as the place to go for fiscal discipline.

The president said Democrats are planning the "biggest tax increase in American history" to pay for the new spending. "Earlier this year congressional leaders promised to show that they could be responsible with the people's money," he said. "Unfortunately they seem to have chosen the path of higher spending."

Democrats say their spending add-ons are relatively modest given the overall size of the budget and in comparison with Bush's pending \$189 billion request for Pentagon operations in Iraq and Afghanistan in 2008. And most of the additional

money, Democrats say, simply restores cuts proposed by Bush to popular programs such as community development grants, health research and anti-crime initiatives. The new fiscal year begins Monday, and something had to be done before then or the government's authority to spend money would run out.

While calling this situation "disappointing," Bush extended a bit of an olive branch to Congress. He expressed his thanks that lawmakers passed a clean temporary measure with no new spending or policies, and that the measure does the same for a popular health insurance program covering children from low-income families. That program also is the subject of veto showdown between the president and the Democratic majority on Capitol Hill.

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Path of war sets doctors on warpath against disease

By Jia-Rui Chong
Los Angeles Times



U.S. military doctors and other medical personnel at the Combat Surgical Hospital in Balad, Iraq, treat the wounds of an Army soldier who was injured while on foot patrol.

The young American army medic would not stop bleeding.

He had been put on a powerful regimen of antibiotics by doctors aboard the hospital ship Comfort in the Persian Gulf. But something was wrong.

He was in shock and bleeding from small pricks where nurses had placed intravenous lines. Red, swollen tissue from an active bacterial infection was expanding around his abdominal wound. His immune system was in overdrive.

How odd, thought Dr. Kyle Petersen, an infectious disease specialist. He knew of one injured Iraqi man with similar symptoms and a few days later encountered an Iraqi teenager with gunshot wounds in the same condition.

Within a few days, blood tests confirmed that the medic and the wounded Iraqis were infected with an unusual bacterium, *Acinetobacter baumannii*.

This particular strain had a deadly twist. It was resistant to a dozen antibiotics. The medic survived, but the time Petersen connected the dots, the two Iraqi patients were dead.

It was April 2003, early in the Iraq war, and 4-12 years later, scientists still are struggling to understand the medical mystery.

The three cases aboard the Comfort for the first of a suburban outbreak that has spread to at least five other American military hospitals, including Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and the Army's Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

Hundreds of patients — the military says it has not treated how many — have been infected with the bacterium in their bloodstream, cerebrospinal fluid, bones or

lungs. Many of them were troops wounded in Iraq or Afghanistan; others have been civilians infected after stays in military hospitals.

At least 27 people have died in military hospitals with *Acinetobacter* infections since 2003, although doctors are uncertain how many of the deaths actually were caused by the bacteria.

The rise in infections has been dramatic. In 2001 and 2002, *Acinetobacter* infections made up about 2 percent of admissions at the specialized burn unit at Brooke Army Medical Center in Texas. In 2003, the rate jumped to 6 percent, and then to 12 percent by 2005.

Other military hospitals have reported similar levels. Petersen pleaded for help with an e-mail to an infectious disease mailing list.

"Can anyone familiar with (the) soil biology of Iraq or the drug-prescribing practices of the pre-regime medical system explain the severe drug resistance pattern we are seeing among our trauma victims?"

It was no surprise that

Petersen knew little about *Acinetobacter* — long seen as the slacker of the bacterial world.

The name *Acinetobacter* comes from the Latin word "motionless" because the bacterium lacks flagella or cilia to move.

"Organisms that are relatively wimpy pathogens ... are not high on people's list," said Fred Tenover, a microbiologist at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

The bacterium, however, is persistent and requires few nutrients. It lives naturally in soil and can survive for days on dry surfaces, such as door knobs or hospital equipment.

Acinetobacter usually threatens only people whose immune systems are compromised because of old age, trauma or disease. Even then, the garden-variety *Acinetobacter* is controlled easily with common antibiotics.

The question that Petersen struggled with was how this bug had found his way into modern military

hospitals. Responses to Petersen's plea on the mailing list poured into the Comfort.

A microbiologist wrote Petersen about Australian patients injured in the 2002 nightclub bombings in Bali, Indonesia, who returned home with astronomically high levels of very drug-resistant bacteria, including *Acinetobacter*.

"It gave me an idea that maybe it was something related to the process of aeromedical evacuation or the injury process," said Petersen, 39.

After Comfort reported its first *Acinetobacter* cases, infections began springing up in military hospitals in the Middle East, Germany and the U.S. The facilities took the cases seriously.

The night Marine Major K.C. Schuring arrived at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, a doctor told him that if his fever didn't subside within three days, his left leg probably would have to be amputated.

In 2003, Dr. Clint Murray, then a 33-year-old, Army

major at a frontline aid station in Iraq, began to dig for answers.

It took about three years for Murray and his colleagues to look through the entire chain of trauma, from the battlefields, to the field hospitals, to the tertiary care center in Landstuhl and finally the military hospitals in the U.S.

The results of their labor, published in May in the journal *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, showed that all seven field hospitals tested in Iraq and Kuwait had *Acinetobacter* in patient care areas.

"We can't be 100 percent sure, but the data supports that patients are probably getting exposed to *Acinetobacter* in field hospitals in Iraq," Murray said.

How the bacteria became entrenched in the field hospitals is still unknown. But, in many ways, it is irrelevant. It is there, and, as civilian

hospitals have found, it is not going away easily.

The military strain of the bacterium has caused at least one civilian death. *Acinetobacter* was growing in the lungs and bloodstream of a 35-year-old man whose immune system was suppressed because he had a kidney transplant at Walter Reed in 2005. There were no signs of infection until the man came down with acute shortness of breath one evening and died soon after.

For the most part, doctors have figured out the most effective drugs against the bacterium — an antibiotic called imipenem and an older class of drugs known as polymyxins.

The drugs have made the infections fairly manageable, though stricter controls, such as monitored hand-washing, infections rates have begun to show signs of dropping in some hospitals.

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Iran's parliament signs resolution to label the CIA, US Army 'terrorist organizations'

By AM Akbar Dardak
Associated Press writer

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's parliament on Saturday approved a nonbinding resolution labeling the CIA and the U.S. Army "terrorist organizations," in apparent response to a Senate resolution seeking to give a similar designation to Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

The hard-line dominated parliament cited U.S. involvement in dropping nuclear bombs in Japan in World War II, using depleted uranium munitions in the Balkans, Afghanistan and Iraq, supporting the killings of Palestinians by Israeli bombing and killing Iraqi civilians, and torturing terror suspects in prisons.

"The aggressor U.S. Army and the Central Intelligence Agency are terrorists and also nurture terror," said a statement by the 215 lawmakers who signed the resolution at an open session of the Iranian parliament. The session was broadcast live on state-run radio.

The resolution, which is seen as a diplomatic offensive against the U.S., urges Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's government to "treat the two as terrorist organizations. It also paves the way for the resolution to become legislation that is ratified by the country's hard-line constitutional watchdog — would become law.

On Wednesday, the Senate voted 76-22 in favor of a reso-

lution urging the State Department to designate Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps a terrorist organization. While the proposal attracted overwhelming bipartisan support, a small

group of Democrats said they feared labeling the state-sponsored organization a terrorist group could be interpreted as a congressional authorization of military force in Iran.

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EDITORIAL

More than anything else, Twin Falls needs identity

Here's an exercise in word association: What comes to mind when you hear Boise? The Broncos. Coeur d'Alene? Lake recreation. Sun Valley? Snow sports. Twin Falls?

Had to think twice? That's been a longstanding problem for our community whenever it comes to selling ourselves to the outside world. We lack any discernible identity.

To much of the rest of Idaho, Twin Falls is a working farm town with more than its share of strip malls and a big ditch in the front yard.

But even residents of the city are hard-pressed to describe what Twin Falls is — or should be.

For the third-fastest growing metropolitan area in Idaho, that's a problem. It's hard to decide where you're going when you don't know who you are.

The path of least resistance, of course, would be mind when you hear Boise? The Broncos. Coeur d'Alene? Lake recreation. Sun Valley? Snow sports. Twin Falls?



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

The "Wal-Mart environmental moment" starts with the CEO adopting a green branding strategy as a purely defensive, public relations, marketing move. Then an accident happens — someone in the shipping department takes it seriously and comes up with a new way to package the latest product...

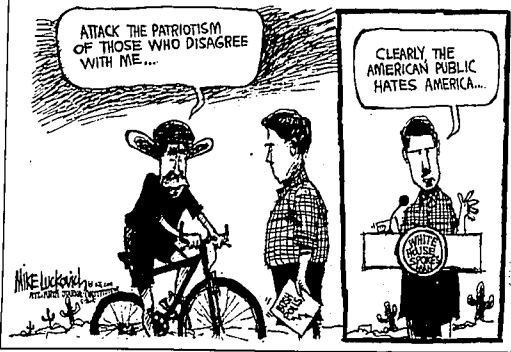
The company then hires a sustainability officer, and he starts showing how green design, manufacturing and materials can save money in other areas.

By that he meant innovation of a different kind of cooler? That doesn't come from petroleum-based Styrofoam, which is not biodegradable and usually not recycled.

Wal-Mart on Monday also announced a partnership with the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) to measure the amount of energy used to create products throughout its supply chain — many of which come from China.

Said CDP Chief Executive Paul Dickinson: "Wal-Mart will encourage its suppliers to measure and manage their greenhouse gas emissions, and ultimately reduce the total carbon footprint of Wal-Mart's indirect emissions. We look forward to other global corporations following Wal-Mart's lead."

China's leadership is not where Lee Scott is yet. Chinese officials still put their highest priority on growing GDP — by their bottom line. But for the first time, the costs of this breakthrough growth are becoming so



obvious on China's air, glaciers and rivers that the leadership asked for briefings on global warming. Many Chinese mayors are looking to get clean-technology industries — like wind turbines and solar — started in their cities.

At such a key time, if the U.S. government adopted a real carbon-reducing strategy, as California and Wal-Mart have, rather than the obligations of the Bush team, it would have a huge impact on China and only trigger more innovation in America.

Bush convened his climate photo op — oops, I mean "conference" — in Washington this week, which included Chinese and Indian officials. But, as Rob Watson, the CEO of EcoTech International, which works on environmental issues in China put it: "The Chinese are not going to take any thing we say seriously if we don't set an example ourselves."

David Moskowitz, who directs the Regulatory Assistance Project, a non-profit that helps promote green policies in China, was even more blunt: "The most frequent and difficult question we get in China with

every policy initiative we put forward is: 'If it is so good, why aren't you doing it?' It's hard to answer — and somewhat embarrassing. So we point to good examples that some American states, or cities, or companies are implementing — but not the federal government. We can't point to America."

Too bad. "It was America which put environmentalism on the world's agenda in the 1970s and '80s," recalled Glenn Feldman, a senior vice president for Conservation International. "But since then, somehow, the wealthiest and most powerful country on the planet has gone to the back of the line."

Leadership is about "follow me" not "after you." Getting our national climate regulations in order is necessary, ... but it will not be sufficient to move China. We have to show them what Wal-Mart is showing its competitors — that green is not just right for the world, it is better, more profitable, more healthy, more innovative, more efficient, more successful. If Wal-Mart can lead, and California can lead, why can't America?

Thomas Friedman is a columnist for the New York Times.

Twin Falls is too complacent about meth

Thank you for your editorial regarding a battle plan against meth that works, and all the help you are giving us to find answers to this age-old problem.

Several pastors and Southern Idaho Partners Against Drugs members worked very hard to pull this community together on Thursday night, Sept. 20, at the College of Southern Idaho Auditorium at 7 p.m. to come together to join hands and pray for taking a "community stand" against the meth problem in our midst.

Most question is this: What will it take to get our community out of "apathy and complacency" and into the "war against meth"? Will it take another "Dale Miller" episode on each and every block, losing a son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter to the devices of the enemy? What will it take?

This community to enter this war. They have stood to be counted in this eternal fight of good vs. evil. They deserve the encouragement, help and support of their own congregations and friends as well as the entire community. At least they are doing "something," and it's time for "you" to stand up and be counted also and get back on the front lines.

We Christians have "dropped the ball" in failing to teach the intensity of this "war" between good and evil



READERS COMMENT Gary and Sharon Custer

coming against our young people. We have to teach them who our enemy is before we can begin to learn to fight him, and the next step is to take the knowledge we have from the Word of God to tear down the strongholds of the enemy, to disempower and disable that enemy.

The victory can be ours, if we use the directions in the Word of God against our enemy.

Sharon Custer and Gary Custer are counselors at the Miracle Valley Ministry Center in Twin Falls.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Too many cow bells in America's coffee shops

I am frankly ashamed of the way the president of Iran has been treated by many of us.

Self-righteousness becomes more dangerous when we disguise it as God's righteousness. We claim God is on our side, all too often falling to ask if we are on God's side.

Wars are against all Jihad Holy wars. God is on our side! Our enemies are his enemies. When it all comes down to it, will you bet your life on that (or just somebody else's life)?

Love, on the other hand, is on-or-off, yes-no, good-evil, heads-tails. There is no box in the voting booth for "maybe."

non-judgmental of persons. It is respectfully) it does not condemn. It is patient and long-suffering, like a coin that when flipped and lands on its edge is not inherently unstable. Only when we love are we truly free because that cuts against our all-too-human grain. Ephraims like "Love the sinner, hate the sin," are tough. "If I make my enemy my friend, I've gotten rid of my enemy," makes sounge.

There is also something in us that wants to do this. To be "saints." Some deep desire for absolute certainty, but without the cleverly disguised fear, that produces apparent certainty. The sound of that bell is as fine crystal. Delicate, joyful, peaceful. There are too many cow bells in the coffee houses across America.

Presentist candidates sound loud and raspy. Pundits hear only the sound of their own voices. So, Mr. President, listen very carefully and stand on your edge if you can. PHIL FAUTH Twin Falls

QUOTES IN THE NEWS

"She was just racing to get in and beat the other person to the parking spot." — Bellevue, Wash., police Cpl. Marcia Harnden describing an accident in which a car slammed into a department store, injuring a girl inside.

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... Mike Crapo

The Post Register, Idaho Falls

Certainly by the end of 2008 if Larry Craig retires, Mike Crapo will become Idaho's senior U.S. senator.

He'll be the head of Idaho's congressional delegation, giving him enhanced stature but also new responsibilities.

With 14 years of congressional experience... Crapo comes prepared. And unlike Craig, he's not a polarizing figure. Like former Sen. James McClure, Crapo can work with virtually anybody.

... But Crapo's primary focus

has been himself. Friends and critics alike say he spends too much time on spin control and raising campaign cash. He spreads himself thin. With the exception of agriculture, his committee assignments — banking budget and finance — deal with national policies such as taxes or Social Security, not state priorities such as logging or Idaho National Laboratory funding.

That's a luxury a small Western state dependent on federal budgets cannot afford. INL and Idaho's universities, hospitals, water and sewer systems, and military installations all benefit from Crapo's clout on Appropriations. This year alone, Crapo boosted the INL budget 9.2 percent above the White House recommendation.

There's no reason Crapo can't land a seat on that panel — if not now, then soon. He has the seniority, the fundraising apparatus and the connections to do it.

Yet he seems reluctant to try. Crapo already has more seniority than the most junior GOP member of Appropriations, Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee. Vacancies are opening up. Crapo will be gone soon... This is Mike Crapo's moment to lead. It's time for him to step out of Larry Craig's shadow.

... Dogfighting

Idaho Press Tribune, Nampa

According to the Humane Society of the United States, Idaho is ranked as the worst state in the nation for its weak dogfighting laws.



Luckily, it appears that some of our lawmakers aren't going to stand for such a disgrace. Idaho and Wyoming

remain the only states in the nation that do not consider dogfighting a felony. As the Idaho law stands, dogfighters must literally get caught in the act to face prosecution. The state has weak misdemeanor penalties and has no penalty for owning, buying, possessing, breeding or training dogs for fighting purposes. This is unacceptable, and lawmakers such as Sen. Brad Little, R-Emmett, are working to correct the situation. He said there is plenty of legislative support for making Idaho's dogfighting laws much tougher... That's good news, because Idaho needs to catch up with the rest of the nation. At the federal level, President Bush signed the Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act in May 2007. That law strengthened penalties for moving animals across state lines to participate in animal fights... It's imperative that dogfighting be considered a felony everywhere. Idaho has

no good reason to be the exception.

... Teacher tenure

Lowland Morning Tribune

For the moment, let's ignore the question whether the new teacher pay plan two leaders of the Idaho Legislature propose is designed to bust the teachers union. A more fundamental question is whether the plan would serve its goals: increasing pay for good teachers while making it easier to fire poor teachers. It might succeed at the former, but it appears to be at cross purposes with the latter.

Bob Geddes, president pro tem of the Senate, and Scott Bedke, assistant majority leader of the House, call for increasing pay to teachers

who demonstrate good work, but only if they surrender their existing contracts. If it is those contracts, often referred to as tenure, that make it more difficult to dismiss teachers who acquire them after four years on the job.

What Geddes, R-Soda Springs, and Bedke, R-Oakley, haven't done is explain how such a voluntary program would result in poor teachers. If a continuing contract is the only thing protecting a teacher from dismissal, how likely is that teacher to surrender the contract, even for a shot at higher pay?

Being a lousy teacher is one thing. Being stupid is another. Surely Geddes and Bedke do not believe the potential for more money would lead every teacher to throw away job protection.

And if that did not happen, the probability is that the weakest teachers would be the last to leave themselves vulnerable to loss of their jobs.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Californication' is gross insult to many good folks

My husband and I were both born and raised in Idaho — he in Pler and I in Jerome and Buhl. We flew to California in the early '60s to find living-wage jobs and raise our families. We were welcome there and no one ever accused us of downgrading their way of life. We returned to Idaho in 2004 after we retired to live among our brothers, sisters, his father, and my mother and son.

To read the headline on Page 1 of the Sunday, Sept. 16, paper was the worst insult I have ever received. "Californication!" Such a nasty, hateful word! Such a negative article about people the author doesn't even know. It's the kind of article used for California natives who came to Idaho and became governor, congressman, mayor or sheriff was not identification, but identification. Quite a difference.

I think the writer of this article must have a real hate issue with Californians that he's had to vent privately. But most of all, I think the Times-News owes a lot of good citizens an apology for printing such an article as this.

MARY HESS Twin Falls

Gary Stone deserves our thanks for airport art

I was excited to see Gary Stone's art in the Times-News on Sept. 13. Yeah! Now they are going to give Gary and Bev more credit for all they do.

If you pay attention to what is around the Magic Valley, you will find Bev and Gary Stone at most any event taking place in the communities. They do things, contribute to benefits, auctions, school assemblies, sharing their art and vast knowledge of Magic Valley and Idaho history.

Instead of a tribute, it was more of a "Gary bashing." His mural is carved and painted on wood, not canvas. His paintings are on the ceiling and walls. You couldn't exactly say it is being stored.

Any artist can solicit work. Gary isn't keeping them from doing so. When did you last hear someone say, "Let's go out to the airport and check out and admire Lytle's signs, and while we are there, go to the Happy Landings Restaurant and Pub for some of the finest food and service in Idaho."

Keep up the good work, Gary Stone. Some of us appreciate all you and Bev do.

ELOIS IVIE SITES Wendell

Plenty of fish and bass to go around on Inra

MoveOn must have too many members for Bushco's usual shut-up tactic... But Congress was right on top of it as usual.

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Wearing a uniform does not mean someone isn't a shilling... spreading propaganda and downright lies. MoveOn has every right to buy an ad and say what they want about a public figure. This administration has lied to us, deceived us, misled us and, when posed with a challenge, this is how they

respond? — Keith G. Va. As for me, I am sick and tired of obnoxious loud-mouths who are so berof of independent thought that they repeat GOP talking points over and over. Hey, most of us know they were created out of thin air the first time we heard them; they don't impress us any

more coming out of different mouths. Those who continue to support this administration despite the lies, mis-use of power, death dealing and unprecedented water burdens are as guilty as the originators. That includes - AIMEE NEW Gooding

MAGIC VALLEY FLY FISHERS 38TH ANNUAL BANQUET AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE REPORT Our 2007 banquet drew 172 attendees and netted over \$9,500! A big "Thank You" to all MVFF donors. The Century Club Donors gave \$100 or more to support the banquet! Magic Valley Fly Fishers urge you to support the following merchants, companies and individuals whose generous support made this event possible and such a huge success!!

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Prisons face growing population of elderly inmates, rising health costs

By Shannon McCreffey
Associated Press writer

HARDWICK, Ga. — Razor wire topping the fences seems almost a joke at the Men's State Prison, where many inmates are slumped in wheelchairs or leaning on walkers or canes.

It's becoming an increasingly common sight: geriatric inmates spending their waning days behind bars. The soaring number of aging inmates is now outpacing the prison growth as a whole.

Tough sentencing laws passed in the crime-busting 1980s and 1990s are largely to blame. It's all fueling an explosion in inmate health costs for cash-strapped states.

"It keeps going up and up," said Alan Adams, director of Health Services for the Georgia Department of Corrections. "We've got some old guys who are too sick to get out of bed. And some of them, they're going to die inside. The courts say we have to provide care and we do. But that costs money."

Justice Department statistics show that the number of inmates in federal and state prisons age 55 and older shot up 33 percent from 2000 to 2005, the most recent year for which the data was available. That's faster than the 9 percent growth overall.

The trend is particularly pronounced in the South, which has some of the nation's toughest sentencing laws. In 16 Southern states, the growth rate has accelerated by an average of 145 percent since 1997, according to the Southern Legislative Conference.

Rising prison health care costs — particularly for elderly inmates — helped fuel a 10 percent jump in state prison spending from fiscal year 2005 to 2006, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. That growth in spending is projected to continue, the group said.

The graying of the nation's prisons mirrors the population as a whole. But many inmates arrive in prison after years of unhealthy living, such as drug use and risky sex. The stress of life behind bars can often make them even sicker.

And once they enter prison walls, they aren't eligible for Medicaid or Medicare, where the costs are shared between the state and federal government, meaning a state shoulders the burden of inmate health care on its own.

Estimates place the annual cost of housing an inmate at \$18,000 to \$31,000 a year. There is no firm separate number for housing an elderly inmate, but there is widespread agreement that it's significantly higher than for a younger one.

In addition to medical costs there are other, less obvious expenses. For instance, elderly inmates can climb to the top bunk so they sometimes need to be housed in separate units that require more space.

State lawmakers have been reluctant to tinker with the tough laws that are keeping more people in prison for longer sentences. Reacting to violent crime waves in the 1980s and 1990s, state lawmakers passed two- and three-strikes laws and abolished parole.

They are now seeing the results of those laws, said Ronald Aday, professor of aging studies at Middle Tennessee University who has written a book on aging prisoners.

"This number is going to keep going up and up until they address the issues that are putting these people there in the first place," Aday said.

At Men's State Prison in central Georgia, the older inmates stick together, said Manson Griffin, 66, and Joe Williams, 62.

They rattle off a list of ailments common to men their age: arthritis, high blood pressure, bad backs. Williams wears a neck brace and walks with a cane. Both are taking a laundry list of prescription medications.

Still, Griffin said he's in fairly good condition compared with some of the older inmates at Men's, where the



"You have to wonder why they haven't had a little leniency on them to let them go home? What can an 80-year-old man in a wheelchair do? Run?"


— Manson Robert Griffin, 66-year-old prisoner at Men's State Prison in central Georgia

average age is 52 and the oldest prisoner is 86.


"It's heart-rending to see some of the older people in

the condition they're in," Griffin said. "You have to wonder why they haven't had a little leniency on them to let

them go home? "What can an 80-year-old man in a wheelchair do? Run?"



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Better parts left over than parts left off

When I was in the Navy, they made each of us take apart a rifle and put it back together again. I wasn't a Marine, so I didn't have to do it blindfolded.

Yes, I ended up with parts left over anyway. No, I didn't have to fire the damn thing thereafter.

That started a long pattern for one mechanically challenged to a degree that my wife once bought me a T-shirt emblazoned with "Don't help."



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

I recently installed a new garbage disposal and ended up with a couple of spare rubber rings. I disassembled the lawn mower and wound up with an extra spark plug. So, I took apart my Subaru Outback. I'd have enough parts left over to build a Cooper Mini.

All of which appalls my mechanically inclined friends and my sons, who are constantly urging my wife to intervene in my household chores in the interest of everyone's safety.

The other day, my spouse was describing a botched household task to my youngest son on the telephone.

"Well," he replied flatly, "we knew that would happen, didn't we?"

That said, I have yet to have a machine that I assembled — with parts left over, of course — actually fly apart in my hands.

Oh, sure, they rattle a bit. And the chainsaw heated up so much that I burned one of my thumbs on the motor manifold. But I think most manufacturers nowadays over-engineer their products to accommodate idiots.

You wouldn't know that by the boxes they come in, of course, which contain more product warnings than a Cialis TV commercial. I think they should remove all of the technicalities and replace them with one label that reads, "Pretty much anything you do with this product will do your thumb off."

It's a little bit of a thumb about machines is that if they'll start, they'll run — and if they'll run, severe vibrations and ear-splitting metal-on-metal scratching are irrelevant.

That's why, I suppose, that I always throw away the instructions and mail in the warranty. Why try to avoid the inevitable?

I had a co-worker some years ago who would examine a balky piece of technology and proclaim, "It's broke."

That's about right. Bob W. and Ty Pennington are paid serious TV money to figure out why things fall apart. I say, let them do their jobs.

I'm sure I've sent my dad, who was a farmer and therefore handy, spinning in his grave many times. Some time after he died, my mom sent me out to the mailbox — which Dad had created — to put a series of mental letters on the side that spelled out "C-R-O-M-P."

They were attached with my screw, some of which I promptly dropped into the grass. So I stuck the "C" on the mailbox with airplane glue.

Within a week or so, our mailbox read "T-U-M-P." Mom rolled her eyes, and never asked me to do anything very mechanical again.

But at least I had parts left over.

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KICK ASH BASH

Sun Valley thanks fire crews



Bruce Willis performs with his blues band during the Kick Ash Bash Saturday night in Sun Valley.

Community celebrates success against Castle Rock Fire with a weekend of events, benefit concert

Photos by MEAGAN THOMPSON Times-News

RIGHT: Heidi Beaver and her son Scott, 13, cheer as the music begins Saturday night at the Kick Ash Bash concert in Sun Valley. Greg Beaver, Heidi's husband and Scott's dad, is chief of the Bellevue Fire Department and helped fight the Castle Rock Fire that threatened Ketchum from Aug. 16 to Sept. 4. Greg Beaver did not attend the concert because of the cold weather, but Heidi said she wouldn't miss it. "I love it," she said. "Carol King, Steve Miller, Bruce Willis — all of it."



As musicians prepare on stage, concert-goers fill the arena Saturday for the Kick Ash Bash in Ketchum. Several large insurance agencies donated a total of \$30,000 for the Wildlands Firefighters Foundation, a national organization based in Boise that helps firefighters injured or killed in the line of duty. The money will also go to local fire departments in the Wood River Valley. The Sawtooth Board of Realtors raised \$50,000, according to Carol Waller, executive director of the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber and Visitor's Bureau. "The whole event will be over \$100,000," she added, "Our community is extremely grateful for all the firefighters who came to our aid."

Weather keeps Jerome Centennial crowd down to a healthy few

By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News writer

JEROME — The wind, gusting ferociously, would not let up. It knocked down the American flag. It blew over the microphone stand on stage. One audience member even watched his hat fly away.

But Diane Davis, superintendent of Magic Valley Christian School, withstood the wind on stage for 15 minutes as she gave a short speech on the founding of Jerome 100 years earlier. "I had so much more to tell you," she said Saturday over the rustling of her notes. "Like so many teachers, the lesson is never closed."

Minutes later, most visitors to North Side Park, where the Jerome Community Founder's Day Celebration was held, headed for their cars. The day-long event, part of the year-long Jerome Centennial, drew just a few dozen people at its start and was nearly empty by noon. Some events were canceled and many vendors closed up early or didn't show up.

The low turnout was credited to the weather — and for good reason: The mid-morning winds were clocked at 35 mph, according to the National Weather Service. The 43-degree weather made Saturday, the coldest day

since spring. And those who hung around, whether with heavy coats or hot chocolate, echoed memories of settlers 100 years ago who, through a lottery, bought land and helped

found Jerome. They had few resources besides determination and persistence, and the people who stayed Saturday apparently had those same qualities.

"Weather in Idaho, if you don't like it, wait 15 minutes," Jim Rowe, the vice president of Jerome County Historical Society, said in between attempts to secure an American flag from blowing away. "We try to stress to the newcomers here that you have to always have a coat or warm clothing because you never know what the weather will be."

Organizers didn't choose the last two days in September arbitrarily. It was on those days in 1907 that plots of land were sold that would lead to the founding of Jerome. Pioneer games, such as three-legged and gurneysack races, were supposed to teach kids about the early 20th century.

"It was a chance we took," said Tammy Parker, who sits on the centennial committee. One shelter of solace, perhaps not surprisingly, was a tent where women sewed blankets. In honor of the city's centennial celebration, the women organized a year-long blanket donation drive for new babies born in 2007 at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. On Tuesday, they had already passed out 225.

"It was just something we wanted to do," said Ann Egbo, who lives in Jerome.

"There was a need."

The younger citizens of Jerome also showed that weather shouldn't matter.

"We're Boy Scouts from Troop 139 — who began the event with a flag procession — stayed to sell wreaths and snacks for money for summer camp. They dismissed any challenges posed by weather; they endured a middle of the night snowstorm on a camping trip last weekend."

"We're Boy Scouts. We're persistent," said 13-year-old Sam Wolfe. "We've been through weather worse than this."

Jim Eisenhower, of Kimberly, who owns Bud's Corn Sauce, typically sells his homemade delicacy at the Twin Falls Farmers' Market, but wanted to venture across the Snake River. Eisenhower and his family set up their stand at 7 a.m. and refused to pack things in more than four hours later.

"I don't regret it. It's just a hammer," he said. "We're committed to being here."

As Eisenhower spoke, a horse-drawn wagon made its way down the street, perthaps reminding the few passengers on board that conditions cannot be easily forgotten.

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



Jerome residents gathered for the Jerome Centennial celebration Saturday. The event was held at North Side Park. Photo by M. Thompson/Times-News.

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Raymond Carl Lassen

FILER — On Sept. 27, 2007, while Ray was fishing with some of his good friends, the Lord cast his line and reeled in a "keeper." Ray was born Aug. 1, 1924, in Clover, Idaho. He was married to Jens and Hulda Lassen. He was the fifth of six children. He was born in the same home this he resided at the time of his death.

Inc. and Green Giant Co. in Buhl, Idaho, while farming and milking his cows. He finally sold his cows in 1985. Ray continued farming until 2006, when his health would not allow him to continue his irrigating which was his favorite farm activity.

Next to farming, Ray's greatest pleasure was playing pinocle with family and friends. Anyone, anywhere, anytime. He also enjoyed coffee at the neighborhood shops and in his later years fishing with his fishing friends.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Jens and Hulda (Kluender) Lassen; brother, Vernon (Esther) Lassen of Twin Falls, Idaho; sisters, Dorothy Schwarz of Sweet Home, Ore., and Elaine (John) Orshel of Filer, Idaho; daughters, Joyce (Doug) Larsen of Buhl, Idaho, and Kathy (Doug) Morrison of Kithvau, Utah; sons, Roger (Carla) Lassen of Filer, Idaho, and Ron (Becky) Lassen of Buhl, Idaho; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A special thanks from the family to Gary Schroeder, Bob MacDonnell, Don Lierman and Roger Clark who were with Ray to share his last moments.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Clover Trinity Lutheran Church in Buhl, Idaho. A public viewing will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl, Idaho.

BURLEY — Fern Rose, a 92 year old, passed away Sept. 26, 2007, at Murray Care Center in Utah. Fern was born Dec. 11, 1914, in West Murray, Utah. She was married to William Albert McFarland and Esther Hogg.



She married John Fred Rose on June 22, 1931. She moved from West Weber to Hansen, Idaho, at about age 3, and attended school in Hansen and Murtaugh. She resided in Murtaugh until 1988, when she moved to Burley to live with her daughter Barbara. In 2002, she moved to the Golden Living in Taylorsville, Utah, and later moved to the Murray Care Center in Murray, Utah, where she resided until her death.

She helped her husband on the farm and worked at the Sunbelt Simplot's in quality control for a few years, and was a great stay-

Fern Rose

Chase Gavin Lucas

at-home mom when her children were growing up. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in Relief Society, Primary and Sunday school and as ward librarian. She was an excellent seamstress and loved to do crossword puzzles.

Fern is survived by her children, Barbara (Wayne) Perkins of Burley, Margaret Parker of Sandy, Utah, and Robert Rose of Nampa, Idaho; 16 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren; and 20 great-great-grandchildren. Fern was preceded in death by her husband, John Fred Rose; her parents; two sisters; four brothers; and two great-granddaughters.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Payne Mortuary in Burley with Bishop Brent Lee officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service Tuesday. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

JEROME — Chase Gavin Lucas, age 4, beloved baby boy, angel son of Karla Lucas and Tom Lucas, of the Jerome LDS 5th Ward Chapel, located at 100 S. 50 E., with Bishop Robert Kinghorn officiating. A viewing will be from 9 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.



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Rocky T. Bettazza

RACINE, Wis. — Rocky Thomas Bettazza, 32, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2007, as the result of a traffic accident in Dover, Wis.



Rocky was born in Chico, Calif., Oct. 13, 1974. He graduated from Minico High School in Rupert, Idaho, in 1993. Shortly after, he moved to Illinois, where he resided until moving to Wisconsin two years ago. Among his places of employment, Rocky truly enjoyed driving a semi-tractor trailer for McLane Food Services since April 5, 2004.

Kind and outgoing, Rocky's forte was socializing and meeting his many used to be friends. Rocky liked playing softball, watching movies, listening to his favorite music, riding motorcycles and jet skis, just to name a few. Rocky also had a great appreciation for animals. He will be remembered for his positive outlook on life and infectious smile.

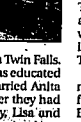
Surviving are his mother, Sharon Bennett; brother, Shaun Bettazza, both of Buhl; grandparents, Dick and Phyllis Bennett; uncle, Brian; (Laura) Thomas; cousins, Jennifer and Kaydin Bennett; and by many other special relatives, Ted (Granny) Warren and Earl Warren, co-workers who mentored Rocky to numerous to mention by name.

A memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at Drager-Langendorf Funeral Home in Racine. A reception will follow. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Kansasville Fire Department, 23730 Durand Ave., Kansasville, WI 53139, in recognition of the volunteer members who risk their lives in order to help others, just as they did for Rocky. Rocky's family wishes to extend their sincere gratitude to the first responders who heroically tried to help on Tuesday morning. Also, to his wonderful co-workers at McLane Food Services, Rocky loved you all!

Donald Ray Taylor

FILER — Donald Ray Taylor, 50, of Filer, passed away Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.



Don was born Dec. 18, 1956, to Von and Roberta Taylor (Mitchell) Taylor in Twin Falls. He grew up and was educated in Hansen. He married Anita Stuart, and together they had three children, Roy, Lisa and Kimberly. They were later divorced. He then married Angela Coleman. Don loved playing with his precious grandchildren. He also loved playing pool and was an exceptional pool player. Hunting was also among Don's favorite things to do.

He is survived by his wife, Angela; his mother, Roberta (Angela); one son, Roy (Sara) Taylor of Filer; two daughters, Lisa Taylor and Kimberly Taylor, both of Twin Falls; nine grandchildren, Sylvie, Sydney, Termination, Savannah, Nikara, Riley, Jayden and Alex; three brothers, Darrell (Kathy) Taylor of Buhl, Mike Taylor of Hansen and Dean (Valerie) Taylor of Rupert; one sister, Vonda (Willey) Thomas of Twin Falls; numerous nieces and nephews; and his first wife, Anita. He was preceded in death by his father, Von Taylor.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a memorial fund set up at Wells Fargo Bank. A celebration of life will be held in conjunction with benefit pool tournament at noon Saturday, Oct. 6, at The Pocket in Twin Falls. Tournament proceeds will go to the memorial fund at Wells Fargo. For information concerning the tournament, call Chuck Whitney at 736-1844. Arrangements are under the care of White Mortuary Chapel of the Park in Twin Falls.

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Dorothy Underwood JEROME — Dorothy Underwood, 83, of Jerome and formerly of Pocatello, died Friday, Sept. 28, 2007, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Colonial Funeral Home in Pocatello.

Charlotte E. Thackeray

JEROME — Charlotte E. Thackeray, 86, of Jerome, died Friday, Sept. 28, 2007, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome. A memorial service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome, with Father Ron Weckerle officiating. A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Duane A. Hansen

HAZELTON — Duane A. Hansen, 92, of Hazelton, died

Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at Countryside Care and Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen-Payne Mortuary of Burley.

Patrisa L. Hennefer

CAREY — Patrisa Lynne "Tam" Hennefer, 54, of Carey, died Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, in Boise. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Carey LDS Chapel on Main Street. A visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church and one hour before the service Tuesday. Arrangements are under the direction of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Betty Adamson

GOODING — Betty Adamson, 80, of Gooding, died Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital in Gooding. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

SERVICES

Verne E. Santos of Rupert and formerly of Salmon, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Santos private cemetery in Salmon (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Dorcas Janette Smith Wilson of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Unity LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, 275 S. 250 E. of Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Ransussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 18th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:40 a.m. Monday at the church.

Ethel Jo (Schuett) Gerber of Hagerman, memorial service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Kenneth LaVern Pool of Burley, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and from noon to 12:45 p.m. before the funeral Monday at the mortuary. Jacqueline Marie (O'Dell) Miller of Twin Falls, graveside service at 3 p.m. Friday

at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Evelyn V. Arerburn Durfee of Glenns Ferry, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Hagerman Cemetery; viewing for family and friends from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Emma Lou Andrews, formerly of Hazelton, graveside

service at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Twin Falls Cemetery; celebration of life will follow from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Turf Club (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Dorothy Louise Barnhardt Roake of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary, 1300 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls; reception will follow from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Jerome Country Club on Golf Course Road.

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FIFTH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included:

Twin Falls City

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS
Clyde N. Turner, 51, Twin Falls: one count driving under the influence; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count failure to stop/leave the scene of an accident dismissed.

Adrian M. Bemis, 18, Twin Falls: one count driving under the influence; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for one day served; one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; \$244 court compliance fees; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; 24 months probation; one count carry a concealed weapon dismissed.

Michelle C. Vassallo, 34, Twin Falls: driving under the influence; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Jeremy M. Langan, 25, Jerome: driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for one day served; four days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Sharon R. Dolezal, 73, Twin Falls: driving under the influence; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Ejangelina Lopez, 43, Twin Falls: one count driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 85 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count failure to purchase/invalid driver's license dismissed.

Gary R. Barrus, 33, Jackpot, Nev.: driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 87 suspended, credit for one day served; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Cottonwood: driving without privileges, second offense; \$1,000 fine with \$800 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

John F. Abreu, 31, Twin Falls: one count open container; \$400 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; one count driving under the influence dismissed.

Jose J. Rodriguez, 23, Twin Falls: provide false information to an officer; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 13 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Janel K. Schreder, 33, Twin Falls: domestic battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 64 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Dale P. Welch, 19, Twin Falls: possession of a controlled substance; \$800 fine with \$400 suspended; \$92.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 179 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Jon P. Williams, 31, Twin Falls: one count battery; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 159-suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; one count discharge of a firearm within city limits; domestic assault, dismissed.

Joquin D. Pereira, 20, Twin Falls: one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 91 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; one count possession of drug paraphernalia dismissed.

Miguel A. Perez-Delacruz, 20, Twin Falls: failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; \$1,004.97 restitution.

Ronald J. Ostermiller, 46, Twin Falls: threatening a police officer's life; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; 12 months probation.

Nicholas J. Chapman, 22, Buhl; frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended, credit for 10 days served; 12 months probation.

Wendy M. Marzietti, 30, Twin Falls: failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$400 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Lisa R. Jacobson, 32, Twin Falls: injury to a child; amended to frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$500 fine with \$250 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; 12 months probation.

Rose L. Chisum, 29, Twin Falls: possession of drug paraphernalia; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$82.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 170 suspended; 24 months probation.

Orlando Bagay, 22, Twin Falls: one count battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Kevin S. Mechem, 20, Twin Falls: one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$250 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for one day served; four days work detail; 12 months probation.

April S. Jarvis, 29, Jerome; poik theft; amended to willful concealment; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Joachim J. Houpt, 36, Burley; failure to appear; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs; credit for one day in jail, already served.

Helio R. Azevedo, 25, Buhl; obstructing an officer; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Allisha S. Franks, 18, Kimberly; poik theft; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Timothy S. Whitmarsh, 20, Twin Falls: possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$250 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 179 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Jeremiah J. Bateman, 29, Twin Falls: possession of a controlled substance; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 180 days in jail with balance suspended; 12 months probation.

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Anthony S. High, 25, Shoshone; poik theft; \$700 fine with \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; 12 months probation; restitution to Shogho.

Charles D. Robbins, 47, Boise; pedestrian under the influence of alcohol or drugs; costs waived; 28 days in jail, credit for time served.

Corey P. Needs, 32, Twin Falls; poik theft; costs waived; 60 days in jail, credit for 31 days served.

Daniel R. Garza, 27, Twin Falls; flee or elude an officer; costs uncollectible; 180 days in jail with balance suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Kevin M. Anderson, 21, Twin Falls: one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$82.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for one day served; two days work detail; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count minor consumption, second offense; \$500 fine; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Luis J. Navarez, 24, Twin Falls: one count driving under the influence; amended to driving without privileges; costs uncollectible; 180 days in jail, credit for 90 days served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance; 180 days in jail, credit for 90 days served.

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS
Kevin Hamblin, 22, Twin Falls; reckless driving; dismissed by prosecutor.
Eric D. Hafer, 41, Twin Falls; obscene conduct; dismissed by prosecutor; to return to Montana on a probation violation.

MISDEMEANOR ACQUITTALS
Andrew S. Foukal, 20, Twin Falls; racing on public highway; found innocent.

COMMUNITY NEWS

50TH CLASS REUNION



Gooding High School's class of 1957 had their 50th class reunion Sept. 7-9. Activities included an informal gathering at El Cazador Restaurant, an informal dinner on Saturday evening, and breakfast on Sunday at the Basque Center. A memorial was held for the 10 classmates who have passed away. Pictured from left, front row, David Smith, Dick Graves, Lloyd Blackmer, Carol Osborne Miller, Terry Tucker, David Silman, Fred Faulkner, Dorothy Kistler Schmidt, Carl Ashmead, and Ken DeThorne; middle row, Maxine Carrico Parkerson, Betty Ferrin Armstrong, Janet Colera Sehera, Georgia Daniel Smith, Lois Behunin Gehrig, Rose Low Holman, Julia Sabala Spackman, Arlene Patterson Marshall, Rosemary Varin Gerick, Sharlene Roy Alford, Lucy Astorquia Osborne, Donna Tate Purdum, Sharon Walker-Sonalla, Loretta Woolley Myers; back row, Gene Gentry, Ervin Wimmer, Milford Condie, Ray Williams, Clark Meek, Royce Abarnathy, Frank Nelson.

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Boise police arrest woman, investigate decades-old killing

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Police arrested a 61-year-old woman and spent Saturday combing through a home in Idaho's capital where they say a killing took place nearly three decades ago — but that went undiscovered until now.

Judy Gough, 61, was arrested for investigation of first-degree murder and is expected to be formally charged in Third District Court on Monday, said Boise Police Department spokeswoman Lynn Hightower.

Officers learned of the killing recently, and police officials refused to release the

name of the person killed, saying this is an ongoing investigation and that family members had not yet been notified.

"This is a case that is a brand-new investigation," Hightower said. "This is not related to any case that BPD has ever investigated."

She declined to say how police learned of the slaying.

"Though the murder is alleged to have been committed in the home in Boise around 1980, Gough was arrested in Nampa, Idaho, where she now lives. She is being held in Canyon County jail in nearby Caldwell.

Officers are likely to continue their search of the home,

located in a quiet south Boise neighborhood, for the rest of the weekend, Hightower said. The single-story, ranch-style home made of brick is about two blocks from the Hillcrest Country Club.

"They're still out there looking for evidence," Hightower said. "There is a story here, but detectives are doing their best to piece it all together. We're still in that process now."

According to 2006 Ada County tax records, the home is owned by Thomas K. Gough.

Phone calls to a phone number listed for Thomas and Judy Gough in Nampa weren't returned.

This is at least the second time this year in which law enforcement officials in southwestern Idaho have investigated a crime in Boise stretching back more than two decades.

In August, new DNA evidence in the death of a 14-year-old girl linked a man who was already serving a life sentence for an unrelated murder.

The discovery came 25 years after detectives dismissed Wesley Allen Tuttle as a potential suspect in the death of Lisa Chambers, a developmentally disabled girl from Boise who was sexually assaulted and strangled with a shoelace in 1982.

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Duncan gets legal help from 'one-woman Dream Team'

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A death-penalty specialist who once represented Unabomber Ted Kaczynski has joined lawyers already defending convicted triple-murderer Joseph E. Duncan in his January 2008 federal trial.

Judy Clarke, former director of the Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho, helped keep Kaczynski, Olympic bombmaker Eric Rudolph and Susan Smith, convicted of killing her two children in a South Carolina lake, off death row.

Clarke filed paperwork in U.S. District Court in Idaho on Friday asking that all documents in Duncan's case be sent to her.

She left her post at the Spokane, Wash.-based non-profit federal defender organization in 2002 after accepting a newly created position as a roving federal defender specializing in death penalty cases.

Duncan has already pleaded guilty in Idaho state court to killing members of the Greene family at their Coeur d'Alene area home in May 2005, so that he could kidnap two children for sex. Brenda Greene; her fiancé, Mark McKenzie; and her 13-year-old son, Shade Greene, were fatally bludgeoned with a hammer.

In his upcoming federal death-penalty case, Duncan is accused of kidnapping Brenda Greene's two youngest children and later killing one of them. Prosecutors say Dylan Greene, 9, was killed at a remote Montana campsite while his then 8-year-old sister Shasta Greene watched. Shasta was rescued weeks later and was the attack's lone survivor.

Clarke also helped Kaczynski avoid a death sentence for his deadly decade-spanning letter-bomb spree.

Colleagues described Clarke as a "one-woman Dream Team" after she helped defend Susan Smith, the South Carolina mom who avoided a death sentence after being convicted of drowning her two little boys in the mid-1990s.

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Unsolved prison escapes in Utah date back to 1981

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) — The list of missing inmates includes one man who took off while making a prison milk run and another whose method of escape has been lost to history. Both cases date to the 1980s.

Also, state corrections' Most Wanted list includes 15 parole fugitives who absconded in 2006 and 2005.

Authorities have just added the names of convicted killers Danny Gallegos and Juan Diaz-Arcvalo, who made their break from the Daggett County jail on Sept. 23 by scaling a razor-wire fence to a roof where they jumped to freedom.

Authorities spent the week chasing false leads and were still looking for the pair on Saturday, a sheriff's spokesman said.

The older escapes at the

Utah State Prison have drawn less notice as the years pass by.

In 1985, Lyndal Dale Ritterbush was dispatched to a prison dairy when he abandoned a truck near a barn and walked away through some hay fields. A fellow escaped convict was captured.

Ritterbush, then 40 and serving time for incest and attempted aggravated sexual abuse of a child, remains at large. He would be 62 now.

Less is known about Robert Leon Jackson, who was in prison for robbery when he escaped in 1981. His case is so old, prison files contain no details on how he escaped. He would be 73 now.

A \$500 reward remains in effect for the capture of Ritterbush or Jackson.

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Woman dies after fall in Yellowstone

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — A California woman died in a fall off a cliff, park officials said Saturday.

The incident in the Cascade Springs area just north of Tower Falls was reported about 6:30 p.m. Friday, according to a National Park Service news release.

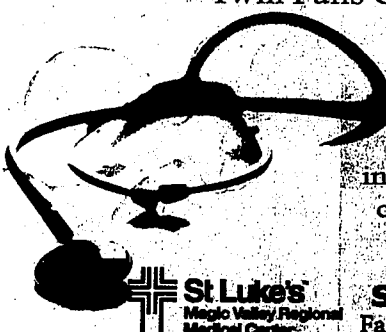
The 32-year-old woman was from the Los Angeles area, it said. Her name is being withheld pending notification of relatives.

Rangers responding to the scene spotted the woman lying immobile on the canyon floor near the Yellowstone River. A ranger who rappelled down a steep 500-foot embankment to reach the woman Friday night confirmed she was dead.

The incident was under investigation.

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After a decade, foresters have plan for family woods

By Gene Johnson
Associated Press writer

CENTRALIA, Wash. — Doug Stinson traces his love of trees to the 1940s, when at 14 he asked his parents for permission to plant shortleaf pines on their cattle farm in the Missouri Ozarks.

Sixty years later, his sinewy hands and weathered skin betray a lifetime spent in the woods — as a smokejumper, logger and finally, owner of his family's tree farm, which covers 1,150 acres in south-west Washington.

A maze of environmental regulations governs which of the towering Douglas firs he can cut. His mail brings weekly overtures from developers willing to pay cash. It's easy to see why someone less committed to the trees might be tempted — and why the conversion of private timberland to sprawling cul-de-sacs is one of the greatest threats facing the Northwest's salmon and other protected species.

A big problem that Stinson, his son Steve, and a few other local foresters decided to do something about. They immersed themselves in the impossibly complex minutia of forestry policy. How close to a stream should you be able to log? How much shade is needed to keep the stream cool enough for fish? — and a decade later, they have a plan.

Nearly 400 pages long, it's designed to let small-time timberland owners in Lewis County cut more of their trees while still protecting critters and, hopefully, keeping their land forested for generations. It's the first time in the history of the Endangered Species Act that a group of private landowners has undertaken such an effort, federal officials say.

The county has signed on, submitting the document this month for review by the federal agencies charged with enforcing the act. But the approach is contentious, as some environmentalists worry that it could set a template for easing logging restrictions across the state.

"You watch all this land being developed around you, and you know you could go out and make a fortune in a heartbeat," Stinson, 74, said recently as he surveyed a stand of pencil-straight firs.



Forester Tom Fox, left, walks with Steve Stinson, center, and Stinson's father, Doug Stinson, Sept. 13 through land owned by Don Christensen (not shown) that was recently partially harvested for timber near Centralia, Wash. The three have worked more than 10 years to come up with a detailed plan that would allow small-time timberland owners in Lewis County, Wash., to cut down more of their trees while still protecting fish, animals and their habitat.

"Most small family handovers don't want to do that." Family-owned forestland covers an estimated 5,000 square miles, or 8 percent of Washington. That's a far cry from the massive swaths covered by state, federal and timber company land. But many of the family-owned forests are at low elevations between residential areas and larger tracts of forest, making them the front lines in the fight against sprawl — and tens of thousands of acres are believed to be converted to development each year.

In Lewis County, an estimated 2,200 family foresters own about 200 square miles of land, with an average size of around 55 acres, according to the Family Forest Foundation, a group started by the Stinsons, local logger Tom Fox and others.

Those landowners are typically required to abide by the same logging restrictions as timber companies such as Weyerhaeuser, though the rules are more onerous on their smaller parcels, possibly making them more likely to sell.

If a stream meanders through a tree farm of 50 or 100 acres, regulations requiring no-cut and partial-cut buffers totaling 170 feet on either side can take a huge chunk out of profits.

In the 1980s, Don Christensen bought 75 acres in Lewis County that had been subdivided into 5-acre lots. Christensen kept the property as a tree farm, but a

stream that runs at Barely a trickle in the summertime prevents him from logging one-quarter of it, he said.

That's the type of story that infuriates the Stinsons and Fox: Christensen and others, they say, are financially punished after doing the right thing by not developing their land.

Another example, they say: Small-time landowners who let their trees grow big enough to provide much-needed habitat for spotted owls would be rewarded by being barred from logging on much — if not all — of their land if the threatened birds actually move in.

Their plan would make several changes to the state's forest practice rules, primarily by substantially narrowing the no-cut buffers along streams. It would also grant exemptions for incidental harm to species protected by the Endangered Species Act.

The foresters would agree to keep their land as working forests for 100 years; however, there is nothing to prevent them, or their descendants, from getting out of the plan and selling.

They would grow their trees longer — at least 50 years upland, and — before cutting them. There are no such time limits currently. It is generally considered economical to harvest after 40 years.

The foresters would be

encouraged — but not required — to leave buffers around nests or dens for dozens of upland species, such as the pileated woodpecker, that aren't otherwise protected.

The foresters would abide by these rules for the length of the plan, even if state rules become stricter.

"You need to have stability," Doug Stinson said. "We have to know if we plant a tree that 60 years from now we'll be able to harvest it."

Bill Vogel, a Fish and Wildlife biologist, years ago suggested that the Stinsons and Fox devise a countywide plan for family foresters because the services don't have enough staff to write habitat plans for individual landowners. He said the agencies are determining whether the plan is scientifically adequate to be publicly reviewed.

"The science they've put together is a good body of science," Vogel said. "Fish and Wildlife considers these small landowners to be very important. They're in key places in the landscape, so we've tried to understand how they do their business. They've got good stewardship of the land at heart, and it's also about their way of life."

Preserving family forests

THE ISSUE: Tens of thousands of acres of family-owned timberland in Washington are sold to developers each year. A group of Lewis County foresters believe that allowing the landowners to cut more of their trees, especially near streams, will help keep the land in forestry.

Forest Foundation says it has developed new modeling to examine how harvesting trees closer to streams might affect fish habitat, and that results show the narrower buffers are justified. Some scientists have rejected the modeling, saying its results were biased and that the no-cut buffers proposed are inadequate.

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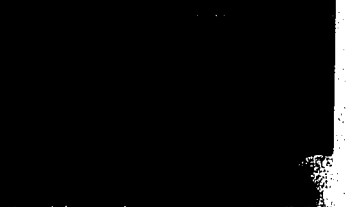
In this photo provided by Truckee Animal Control, a bear is seen clinging to a ledge as rescuers watch on Rainbow Bridge along Highway 40 near Truckee, Calif., on Sept. 15.

Bear rescued from Sierra bridge after nearly falling off

TRUCKEE, Calif. (AP) — A 250-pound bear got a lift to safety after it found itself stranded on a bridge near Lake Tahoe and at one point dangled over the edge. The bear was walking across Rainbow Bridge on Highway 40 west near Donner Summit in the Sierra Nevada when at least two blimbing cars spotted it, according to a rescue team. The bear was rescued after being pulled from the bridge.

Dave Baker of the Truckee Bear League was the first to arrive on the scene Sept. 15. He spotted the bear walking on the concrete railing when he saw the bear's head and neck sticking over the edge.

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Hope wanes among Myanmar protesters, even after U.N. sends envoy to negotiate

YANGON, Myanmar (AP)—Die-hard protesters waved the peacock flag of the crushed pro-democracy movement on a solitary march Saturday through the eerily quiet streets of Myanmar's largest city, where many dissidents said they were resigned to defeat without international intervention.

Housewives and shop owners taunted troops but quickly disappeared into alleyways. According to diplomats briefed by witnesses, residents of three neighborhoods blocked soldiers from entering the monasteries in a crackdown on Buddhist monks, who led the largest in a month of demonstrations.

The top U.N. envoy on Myanmar, Ibrahim Gambari, arrived in the country but many protesters said they were nonetheless seeing a repeat of the global reaction to a 1988 pro-democracy uprising, when the world

Thousands denounce Myanmar on Thursday

Nine people were reported killed in Myanmar on Thursday, including a Japanese journalist. It was the 10th straight day of protests against the ruling military junta.

Recent Myanmar events
Aug. 16: Government raises fuel prices by nearly 500 percent

Sept. 5: Soldiers fire warning shots at monks' protest
Sept. 6: Monks briefly hold about 20 officials hostage, demand an apology

Sept. 25: Military leaders impose curfew; ban public assembly

Aug. 19: Up to 500 people in Yangon stage rare public protest
Aug. 21: Government arrests 13 members of pro-democracy group

Sept. 22: Up to 10,000 monks protest in Mandalay; Suu Kyi greets monks in Yangon, her first public appearance in four years
Sept. 24: Up to 100,000 people led by monks demonstrate

Sept. 26: Forces fire shots, tear gas while beating and hauling away monks; some monasteries raided
Sept. 27: Soldiers fire into crowds, killing nine people



stood by as protesters were gunned down in the streets. "Gambari is coming, but I don't think it will make much of a difference," said one hotel worker, who like other residents asked not to be named, fearing retaliation. "We have to find a solution ourselves."

Soldiers and police were posted on almost all corners in the cities of Yangon and Mandalay. A young woman who took part in a massive demonstration in Yangon Thursday said she didn't think "we have any more hope to win." She was

separated from her boyfriend when police broke up the protest by firing into crowds and has not seen him since. "The monks are the ones who give us courage," she said. Most of the clerics are now besieged in their monasteries behind barbed wire.

Tropical Storm Melissa forms in far eastern Atlantic; no immediate threat

MIAMI (AP) — Tropical Storm Melissa formed in the far eastern Atlantic early Saturday, becoming the 13th named storm of the hurricane season, but posed no immediate threat to land, forecasters said. At 5 a.m. EDT, Melissa had maximum sustained winds near 40 mph, and slight strengthening was forecast during the next 24 hours,

according to the National Hurricane Center. The center of the storm was located about 260 miles west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands. Melissa was moving west near 3 mph and was expected to gradually turn west-northwest. Meanwhile, Tropical Storm Karen continued weakening in the open Atlantic.

Marissa Sanchez

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Lawyers, riot police battle at Pakistan Supreme Court

The Washington Post

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Police in riot gear attacked lawyers and journalists with batons, tear gas and rocks in a running battle Saturday at the gates of the Supreme Court, a day after judges ruled that President Pervez Musharraf can stand for another term.

The clash, which lasted nearly four hours, began when about 200 lawyers tried to march from the Supreme Court to the Election Commission to protest Musharraf's candidacy. They were vastly outnumbered by security forces, who charged into the crowd swinging

metal-tipped sticks. The lawyers fought back, and a melee ensued in which more than 40 people were injured. Police chased the black-suited lawyers onto the grounds of the Supreme Court, which was shrouded in a haze of tear gas for much of the day.

"This is a naked dictatorship," said lawyer and human rights activist Asma Jahangir, her shawl soaked in blood after she used it to stanch the bleeding from a fellow lawyer's head wound. "Musharraf wants to show he is lord and master. He wants to show he has the gun. When you have no moral authority, you use what you have."

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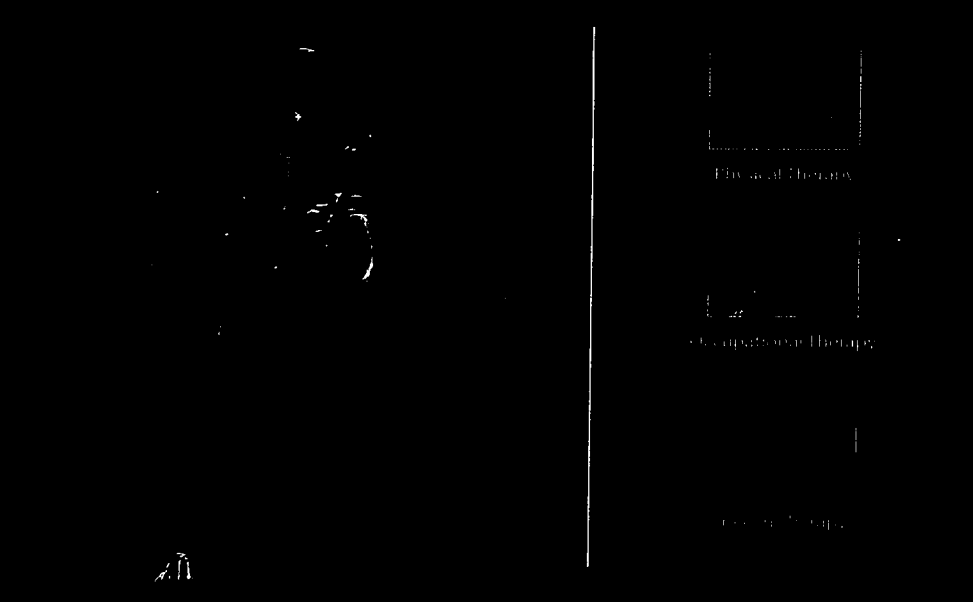
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Staying nice, staying fit

Mountain View Elementary introduces new student programs

By Treana Tegan
For the Times-News

Mountain View Elementary School has implemented several new programs to help its students excel outside the classroom as well as inside.

National No-Bully Week, Sept. 10-14, was used to kick off the full-year program that will teach children not only to refrain from bullying, but to help others who might be the target of a bully.

"Captain Kindness" will make a monthly appearance to reward the children who are "caught being good."

"Instead of just preventing 'meanness' we want to encourage kindness," says Tricia Ellinger, the program facilitator at Mountain View.

Although according to Ellinger bullies are not a big problem at the school, the administration hopes the program will prevent any problems that could occur. In fact, the older children at the school even have the opportunity to participate in the "Bully Patrol." Members of the patrol receive "special training" to come between a bully and his intended target.



'Captain Kindness' (second-grade teacher Randy Rainsford) visits students at Mountain View Elementary School in Burley. Captain Kindness will make monthly visits to the school to reward children who are 'caught being good.'

In the program the children are taught that bullying does not always consist of physical violence, but can also be emotional. They also learn that emotional hurt can take longer to heal than physical injuries.

"Everyone has a 'bully story,'" Ellinger says. "We're trying to teach the children that bullying doesn't have to be part of growing up."

Staying fit

Another new program at the school is the Pacers Club. The goal of the Pacers Club is to encourage physical fitness.

"We had a lot of kids that just weren't physically active," says Amy Despain, who helps organize the activity at the school.

Each day at 1:45 p.m. the



Mountain View Elementary students for the week of Sept. 17 show off the map of the United States used to track the miles walked by students in the Pacers Club. Students include Jared Smith, Riley Stephens, Courtney Yamayo, Edith Campos, Ryan Orton, Kennedy Smith, Garrett Westel, Brandon Kamin, Tati Woodhouse, Carli Hillward, Eli Thompson, Alyson Rogers, John Tran, McKenna Ward, Hunter Schold, Malte Martinez and Stacy Garm.

children go outside and walk or run laps around the playground for 15 minutes. Each lap is one-quarter mile, and they receive a token for each lap they walk. These are turned in to track the miles and earn prizes. The miles are marked on a large map of the United States in the school gymnasium to show the distance they would have traveled as a group if they

were walking across the country.

"The kids have totally caught the spirit," Despain says.

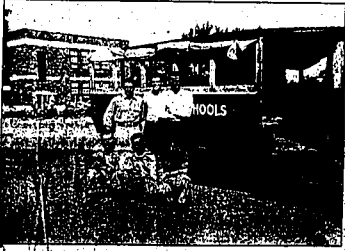
Many of the children use the time as a challenge and run at the whole time, others walk at a casual pace, but all the children seem to look forward to the daily activity, organizers say.

Parents are invited to join

the children on their walk at any time, but a special visitors day is held at once a month where children count the laps.

"We've been thrilled to see the amount of support from the parents," Principal Bonnie Blair says. "We want people to see the good in the schools, and it's so important to the kids when the parents participate."

HISTORIC DRIVERS



Adult bus drivers during World War II were in short supply, so Rupert High School contacted the help of students to drive the buses. This photo was taken at the high school in September 1944. From left, back, David Wheeler of Wooding, Terry Hyde of Washington, the late Laron Walton; and front, the late Jack Schab, Lon DeWald and Gary Looslie of Rupert, Mot

secured, but also working as bus drivers, were Don Ramsey, Richard Smith, Jim Carter and George Biederback. "The Boys Who Were Men," the 1944 World War II Rupert student school bus drivers will be featured during the program at the 89th Annual 'Old Settlers' meeting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at Cozart's Cafe, Interstate 84 and State Highway 27 in Burley.

A complete noon dinner will be served family-style. Cost is \$10 per person at the door. Dinner reservations can be made by calling 435-3362. If no one answers, leave a name and the number of people who will be attending. The event is open to the public and there is no fee.

After the flames

Some vegetation spared from the Castle Rock Fire

By Karen Bosack
For the Times-News

Erin Rheinschild jogged to the top of Wanderer's Way, her dog running in front of her. She paused, drinking water from the canteen, and looked at the scenery around her.

"Yellow" aspen leaves danced in the breeze, their colors vivid against the blackened trees behind them. The sea of green conifers provided a sharp contrast to the burnt brown next to them.

This is "amazing," Rheinschild said. Hiking and biking trails that have reopened in Adams Gulch since the Castle Rock Fire are providing an opportunity for people to get out and see the aspen turn colors.

The fire, which started Aug. 16 from a single lightning strike, ran roughshod over 46,500 acres of forest before 1,700 firefighters quelled it three weeks later. But it didn't burn every square inch of the affected acres. In many cases, people may be surprised to see just how much the fire spared.

Shadyside Trail, popular for the shade it provides during the dog days of August, is currently closed, because officials fear the trees that were burnt pose a hazard. But there was an awful lot of Shadyside that survived.

Continue down the trail and you'll find scorched earth on one side, the burnt remnants of what used to be willows curling to the sky like gnarled witch's fingers. Look at the willows swaying in the breeze on the other side, their leaves a brilliant gold, and you'll be hard-pressed to believe there ever had been a fire.

"The fire has given many trails a completely different feel," said Chris Leman, who

heads Big Wood Backcountry Trails.

The aftermath of the fire is a photographer's dream, of logs and the configurations of trees that bent and snapped under fire. Ribbons of white ash trail across blackened earth marking the cremated remains of trees that stood where the fire raged. The beige dust of fine, colorful, "cottons" for the scorched ridge tops they run through.

"It'll come back," said Andy Andrews, resting atop one such ridge. "We ride Fisher Creek and fire devastated that area a few years ago. But it's amazing what's come back — aspen, willows, ..."

Nature lovers will do well to get out and see the trails now, especially as aspen leaves turn yellow and ground cover turns red. You won't get another chance to see it this way next year.

"You're going to see changes for the next several years," said Jim Rheinholt, ranger with the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. "Every time you go through one of these areas, you're going to have to look to see what's new."

When the snow melts, a cornucopia of lupine, sego lilies and other flowers are likely to burst forth in Adams Gulch. Fire releases nitrogen into the soil, which spurs the proliferation of lupine, says Deb Taylor, botanist for the Ketchum Ranger District. And any fire retardant that has been dropped in the area during firefighting operations is a source of fertilizer. Fireweed, a pinkish-lavender plant in the primrose family, emerges in areas where other plants have been eradicated by fire, as do

mushrooms. Unfortunately, noxious weeds, such as knapweed and toothflax, also do better in the absence of other plants, said Taylor.

"So we'll be stepping up our monitoring and spraying and pulling. But we're going to have to have the community's help as well, in pulling these weeds when they see them," she said.

Scott Hunter Douglas' fire and lodge pole pines that still have green needles may come back if the fire didn't burn too hot around their root system. Douglas Fir, in particular, can't get out fire because of its thick bark. But many of the survivors will be more susceptible to beetle disease than trees that weren't burnt.

"We'll be monitoring those and perhaps treating them with pheromones, basically hanging out a 'No vacancy' sign for beetles that might want to take advantage of the trees in their weakened state," said Rheinholt.

Aspen is another species that thrives in areas where other trees have been wiped out. Hikers could see some emerging on the hillside where conifers were killed — if there were aspen there before the pines took over. Aspen grows from the root system so if the tree above was killed the roots will thrive. By the end of summer

you could see some new aspen six feet tall," said Joe Mierzanski, recreation program manager for the Ketchum Ranger District. Willows in Adams Gulch should also come back.

"The 2005 fire was the (near Stanley) burning hot and now the willows there are 2 feet tall," Taylor said. "While the burnt trees and scorched earth may add an element of interest to a hike, they also add an element of danger. And, while it's true that the fire may have opened up some new areas for backcountry riding, trees in those areas are likely to be unstable through this winter."

"We can't predict every tree that might fall or rock that might roll. And there are other areas where the roots have burnt, leaving holes. So people will have to travel at their own risk and it will be that way for years to come," said Mierzanski.

He said there is a possibility he may be able to open some trails that are still closed. "We can't predict what hot spots are going to be around the country to clear the trails as the fire season winds down." "We know people love their trails so we're going to do what we can," he said. For more information, call Chris Leman at 208-726-2948.

FIGHTING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



In 2005, the U.S. Department of Justice announced that violence against adults and children continues to be a major national problem, and it is fitting to set a special time to bring this issue to the attention of all residents of Idaho. The State of Idaho is proud to honor the victims of domestic violence and the families who have been affected by this crime. The Idaho Department of Corrections, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, the Idaho Department of Justice, and the Idaho Department of Labor are pleased to announce the Idaho Domestic Violence Awareness Month in their respective cities. The Idaho Department of Justice is pleased to announce that violence against adults and children continues to be a major national problem, and it is fitting to set a special time to bring this issue to the attention of all residents of Idaho. The State of Idaho is proud to honor the victims of domestic violence and the families who have been affected by this crime. The Idaho Department of Corrections, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, the Idaho Department of Justice, and the Idaho Department of Labor are pleased to announce the Idaho Domestic Violence Awareness Month in their respective cities.

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- 5:30pm BHS Girls Soccer against Wendell at Wendell
- 4:00pm BHS Cross Country at Canyon Springs
- 7:00pm Jr. Varsity Football against Jerome at Buhl
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- 5:30pm Opening Reception at Buhl
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- 4:00pm BHS Cross Country at Gooding County
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- 4:00pm Middle School Football against Kimberly at Buhl
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- Field Day for 1st - 5th Grade Popperwell Elementary
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- 4:00pm Cross Country District Qualifier
- 4:00pm Middle School Football against Dado at Dado
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- 7:00pm Varsity Football against Dado at Buhl
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CSI takes five-game win over Snow

Golden Eagles hold up under pressure

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

That's one question answered. Through 36 matches, College of Southern Idaho head coach Heidi Cartisser has wondered how her team would respond when pushed into a corner. She found out Saturday afternoon at the CSI gymnasium in Twin Falls. Trailing two games to one to visiting Snow

College, CSI won consecutive must-win games to take a 30-25, 25-30, 27-30, 30-25, 15-9 Senior West Athletic Conference victory.

"We want to win when there's pressure put on us," Cartisser said. "In those pressure situations, we haven't always played well."

Tight-fought matches haven't been the norm for CSI, as Saturday's match was only the fifth time in as many seasons that a Golden Eagles match has gone five games. While Cartisser and her No. 10 Golden Eagles would have liked to win in a more prompt fashion, CSI beat the defensive-minded Badgers at their own game, topping Snow 81-

73 in digs and 18-11 in blocks. "They have great, great ball control," Cartisser said of Snow. "You think a ball's down and how many times did it happen when it was back on our side again? I felt like we did scramble and do some of those things too."

CSI put its best performance together in the fifth game, scoring nine of 15 points on kills while limiting the Badgers to six kills. Sophomore captain Gabriela Hofnawczyk led the way in the win, pacing CSI with 15 kills and 12 digs. The Polish outside hitter was pleased with the win, but spoke of CSI's need for continued improvements in its passing game.

"That's something that whenever we play, there's one part working and others that are sometimes

falling," she said. "This weekend it was passing, which we were practicing a lot during the week. But that's something that will tell us that we're supposed to work more."

Alyssa Wistrick added 14 kills and eight blocks, while Jasmine McAdams finished with 10 kills, 13 digs and six blocks. The 29-8 (3-1 SWAC) Golden Eagles also got 13 kills and 16 digs out of Santa Sanders, while Iliki Moreland added 10 kills and Chanelle Esteban finished with 19 digs.

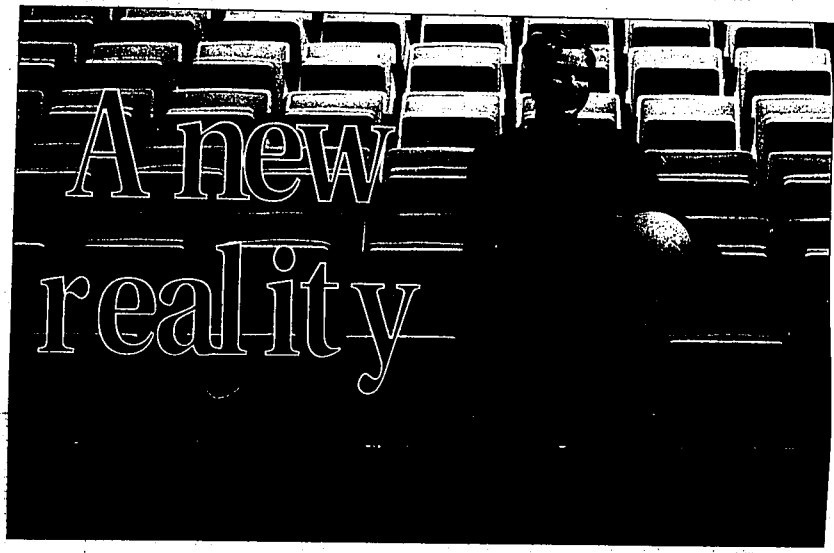
The 7-11 (0-3) Badgers were paced by a career match by Jori Donaldson. The sophomore outside hitter finished with a match-high 25 kills and 15 digs.

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CSI's Santa Sanders goes up for a block Saturday afternoon during the Golden Eagles' match against Snow College in Twin Falls.

Photo by [unreadable]



College of Southern Idaho freshman Megan Parrish stands in the CSI gymnasium bleachers. The former Jerome High School standstill is now a Golden Eagles freshman.

Longtime CSI fan Parrish adjusts to life as a Golden Eagle

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

It seemed so effortless. It was there in the way they moved, the way they would have a match won before the first serve was lobbed toward the rafters. It was there in those rafters, in the number of championship banners hanging overhead. As sure as fireworks on the Fourth of July, one more banner would flutter in the breeze of those massive fans that fought to cool the air over the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium's halcyon hardwood come August's start of a new season. It was that and still hopes to be, is a sense that those six Golden Eagles on the floor are inherently better than any six volleyball players anyone could possibly pit against them. It is a simple truth: Megan Parrish grew up with — CSI

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— CSI freshman Megan Parrish

volleyball does not lose. As soon as Parrish was old enough to be concerned with heroes or role models, the Golden Eagles were ralling off 291 wins in 292 tries. By the time she started dominating matches as a sophomore middle blocker at Jerome High School, CSI had seven of those national championship banners up in the gym. Parrish took notice at each summer camp, each match she was dreaming in the stands as year after year, the Golden Eagles were beautiful, fearsome, unbeatable. "I wanted to be like them," Parrish said. "I remember practicing, being like, I want to be like the

CSI players some day. I would think that." Those thoughts came to fruition last year when Parrish became one of Heidi Cartisser's first recruits for the 2007 season. Parrish had seen the end result of the Ben Stroud championship era from 1993-2005: Eight national titles, a 631-73 record. What she hadn't experienced was just how much effort the Golden Eagles put into those seemingly effortless victories. As a freshman outside hitter, Parrish is learning the reality of CSI volleyball and a new simple truth that winning a ninth national championship will demand more of her than this game has ever asked.

"There's so much involved," she said. "It's a huge step from high school. The goals, the expectations, the time you put in. There's so much to make the program work." "Here we spend the time to make the program work, I can testify to that." If there's a testimony to be given about Parrish's time at CSI to date, its one of the value of determination. Parrish won't be an All-American selection this year. She's a part-time player averaging just over one kill per game. She's struggled at times in the passing game, been inconsistent attacking the ball. However, there is a resolve in Parrish, who in time will be great. She practices with assembly-line efficiency. Do the work, fix the errors, move on. There is no bravado over

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Clinic puts CSI's success on display

Never forget how special this place is. It's so easy to take the College of Southern Idaho athletic department for granted. Its programs have been so good for so long that Saturday morning, when the Golden Eagles men's basketball program brought two of the biggest names in collegiate coaching to Twin Falls, it seemed like no big deal.



ERIC LARSEN

But having San Diego State University head coach Steve Fisher and University of Kansas head man Bill Self in town is a big deal. One coached Michigan's "Fab Five" and won the 1989 NCAA Division I championship. The other may just win this year's title. Saturday, they both spoke in front of more than 70 regional high school and small-college coaches — not in some grand hall in New York or national clinic, but here in Twin Falls with the high-desert wind whipping leaves off the trees outside the CSI gymnasium. But why here? "I've been real impressed with the situation out here in the little bit of time I've spent out here," Self said. "And to be real candid, CSI is always going to have players you potentially want to recruit. No better way to recruit than to develop relationships with the people that are involved in their day-to-day lives." Those players are part of a tradition that traces back to Eddie Sutton, whom Fisher called a good friend, and whom Self worked to become an assistant at Oklahoma State. "It's that tradition that helped bring Fisher and Self in, who in turn imparted their knowledge to men like area high school coaches Matt Harr and Ryan Bowman. These are the men who area players will look up to for guidance, for role models. "When I started, my dad was my first coach. My junior high coach was my best coach," Fisher said of the men who inspired him to coach. "They don't have to be household names." If Golden Eagles men's head coach Barrett Peery isn't a household name in the Magic Valley yet, people haven't been paying enough attention. Peery and his staff have taken the enormous burden of CSI's tradition and added to it. Saturday provided another example of how

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Five interceptions not enough for Vandals

The Associated Press
MOSCOW — Colt Brennan certainly wasn't at his best. Hawaii's defense picked up by its star quarterback. Adam Leonard and Myron Newberry returned interceptions for touchdowns and No. 19 Hawaii overcame a career-high five interceptions by Brennan as the Warriors routed Idaho 48-20 on Saturday. Hawaii improved to 5-0 — 2-0 in the Western Athletic Conference — for the first time since 1981 when the Warriors started 7-0 and moved up to 1995 in the rankings, the highest in school history. Brennan was a spectator last week-

resting a sprained right ankle while backup Tyler Graunke kept Hawaii's offense rolling in a 66-10 win over Charleston Southern of the Football Championship Subdivision. Brennan finished 30 of 49 for 369 yards with three touchdown passes and added a 1-yard TD plunge in the third quarter. Brennan's five interceptions tied a school record, but while the Warriors' star struggled, Hawaii's talent easily overmatched the Vandals. The Warriors defense controlled the line of scrimmage, holding Idaho's running game in check. The Vandals (14, 0-1) played most of the game without Deante Jackson, the WAC's leading rusher entering the week, who suffered a high ankle

sprain in last week's loss to Northern Illinois. Without fear of Jackson in the backfield for most of the first three quarters, the Warriors were optimistic against Idaho's redshirt, freshman quarterback Nathan Enderle, who completed just 15 of 34 passes for 186 yards, but also threw five interceptions. Idaho pulled even at 7-7 midway through the first quarter when Eddie Williams took a reverse 18 yards for a score. Brennan then was intercepted by Bryson Williams on Hawaii's next possession. Leonard quickly reversed the momentum, jumping Enderle's short pass and returning it 40 yards to put the Warriors up 14-7. After an Idaho



Hawaii wide receiver Derron Bess celebrates as he crosses the goal line for a touchdown in front of Idaho defensive back Bryson Williams during Saturday's game at the Kibbi Dome in Moscow. three-and-out — one of five in the first half — Brennan took one of his few shots downfield, hitting Malcolm Lane in stride for a 41-yard TD.

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GAME PLAN

TV SCHEDULE
11 a.m. ABC - NASCAR Nextel Cup.
Lifetoken, 40, Kansas City, Mo.
7 p.m. GOLF
TGC - European PGA Tour.
Sage Trophy, final round...

MOTORSPORTS

1:30 p.m. SPEED - FM World Superbike.
Same as TV.
NFL FOOTBALL
11 a.m. FOX - Oakland at Miami.
CBS - Seattle at San Francisco.
2:15 p.m. CBS - Denver at Indianapolis.
6:35 p.m. NBC - Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants.

BASEBALL

MLB RESULTS
Chicago 2, Cleveland 1
St. Louis 3, Houston 2
San Francisco 4, Oakland 3...

FOOTBALL

NFL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Sunday Games
Chicago at Detroit, 11 a.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 11 a.m.
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GOLF

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BASEBALL

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Duke president apologizes to lacrosse players, families

DURHAM, N.C. — Duke University President Richard Brodhead apologized Saturday for not supporting the men's lacrosse players falsely accused in last year's highly publicized rape scandal.

Brodhead, speaking at the university's law school, said he regretted Duke's "failure to reach out" in a "time of extraordinary peril" after a woman died, causing the families to feel abandoned when they were most in need of support.

Brodhead spoke at a school-sponsored forum on legal and ethical issues concerning high-profile cases, and he received a standing ovation following his speech.

Brodhead apologized to lacrosse players, families and the university community, saying he would be available for further comment.

Coach Greg Ryan announced the decision 24 hours before the game and last two days after Solo went public and criticized him for benching her for the semifinal with Brazil.

Ryan went with 36-year-old veteran Briana Scurry, but it didn't matter. Brazil overwhelmed the top-ranked Americans 4-0, superior to any other team of the game.

"We have moved forward with 20 players who have stood by each other, who have battled for each other," Ryan said on Saturday.

"And when the hard times came — and the Brazil game was a hard time — they stood strong. Now it's the 20 who have stuck together, or who will be ready to go out and compete against Norway."

Solo, 25, in a widely seen interview, said Ryan had made the "wrong decision" by benching her. She also said she would have made the same decision if Scurry, who led the United States to the '99 title and gold in the 2004 Olympics.

Sports Shorts

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This is the fourth time the league has opened its season outside North America, the other times in Japan (1997, 1998 and 2000), the two California teams will play the second game of their series Sunday.

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Soccer

Solo dropped for third-place game
SHANGHAI, China — Outspoken U.S. goalkeeper Hope Solo was not with the team for Sunday's third-place game against Norway in

Hockey

Kings beat Ducks 4-1 in NHL opener
LONDON — With a touch of an English accent, the NHL opened its season in unfamiliar territory Saturday — and the

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National Hockey League
All Times MST
Los Angeles Kings at Anaheim Ducks, 7 p.m.

Favre goes for TD pass record against a tough D

NEW YORK (AP) — Even when Brett Favre was the QB for Super-Bowl caliber Green Bay teams, he had trouble in Minnesota. That's where he will be Sunday, hoping to throw his 421st touchdown pass, which will give him the career record, one ahead of Dan Marino.

There's a lot more on the line than records for the Packers, who at 3-0 are one of five unbeaten teams left in the NFL.

But they are a better team than the Vikings, who can play defense, even score that way — but have no offense except for rookie running back Adrian Peterson. Journeyman Kelly Holcomb was the starting quarterback in a 13-10 loss in Kansas City last week and the entire game plan revolved around Peterson, who rushed for 102 yards.

"Our defense has played well enough for us to be 3-0," said Holcomb, who will start Sunday against Green Bay if Favre's groin hasn't healed. "Offensively we have to pick it up in Kansas City. Everybody is going to come in here and we're going to start working."

The Packers, favored by two points, probably hope the promising but untested Brock Huard is the starter. He threw four interceptions two weeks ago against a

Detroit defense that was torched for 56 points by the Eagles last week.

Favre, 5-10 in the Metrodome during his 15 seasons with the Packers, has been carried over records. He'd be content to hand off if the Packers win. They probably will. **PACKERS, 17-13**

New England (minus 7) at Cincinnati (Monday night) Is there any question how many points New England will put up? **PATRIOTS, 38-14**

Denver (plus 9½) at Indianapolis The Broncos have allowed a total of 90 points the last two times they've been to Indy. **COLTS, 9-0** — check that, 31-10

Kansas City (plus 12) at San Diego Despite all the handwringing, if the Chargers win this, they look serious about winning the AFC West title. A lot of good things can happen down the road. **CHARGERS, 27-11**

Pittsburgh (minus 6½) at Arizona The Steelers consider this one of the biggest games on their schedule because Ron Whisenand and Russ Grimm, who ran their offense for the past few years, now run the Cardinals. **STEELERS, 20-17**

Chicago (minus 2½) at Detroit Brian Griese is the QB now, presumably a safer option than

Grin and Bear It

At 1-2 and with the NFL's 200-ranked offense, the Chicago Bears will bench quarterback Rex Grossman in favor of Brian Griese. Open dates: Jacksonville, New Orleans, Tennessee, Washington

Chicago at Detroit (1-2) (2-1) In a move most Bears fans long desired, Brian Griese will start at QB in Detroit. Lions' first loss, a 56-21 trouncing in Pro-Fly last week.

Pittsburgh at Arizona (3-0) (1-2) Mike Tomlin uncertain as head coach. Cardinals run a platoon at QB. Matt Leinart will start by Kurt Warner.

Tex Grossman. Let the defense do it. **BEARS, 27-17**

Philadelphia (minus 3) at New York Giants In the 144-game history of this series, the Giants have scored 2,724 points, the Eagles 2,600. **GIANTS, 27-26**

St. Louis (plus 11) at Dallas Steve Jackson is out. Marc Bulger plays in his third. Orlando Pace already has

Houston at Atlanta (2-1) (0-3) Matt Schaub looks Atlanta team that traded him and needs him back despite Joey Harrington's 301 yards passing in Carolina loss last week.

Oakland at Miami (1-2) (0-3) Raiders still lack talent but Lane Kiffin has them competing. Dolphins problem in an aging defense allowing 28 points a game.

Denver at Indianapolis (2-1) (2-1) Colts have consecutive road wins over Tennessee and Houston. Broncos have given up 80 points in last two trips to the HCA Dome.

been lost for the season. Probably means the Rams win. **NO. COWBOYS, 37-13**

Seattle (minus 1½) at San Francisco The Seahawks aren't very good on the road. **49ERS, 17-16**

New York Jets (minus 3½) at Buffalo Trent Edwards is supposed to have a nice future. But the future isn't now.

N.Y. Jets at Buffalo (1-2) (0-3) Jets know sure to Patriots and at Ravens, not games they could anticipate winning. Bills seem in deep trouble with injuries.

Green Bay at Minnesota (3-0) (1-2) Brett Favre is tied with Dan Marino for the most TD passes in history (420). Going into the Metrodome where he is 6-10 lifetime.

Kansas City at San Diego (1-2) (1-2) Chargers have lost as many games as last season, but are still the class of the AFC West. Chiefs coming off 13-10 victory over Vikings.

JETS, 30-9

Tampa Bay (off) at Carolina The "off" is for Jake Delhomme's questionable status. The bigger problem is that the Panthers' cohesion seems to "off." **BUCS, 17-12**

Baltimore (minus 4½) at Cleveland Matt Leinart was pulled against the Ravens last week because they're tough on young QBs. Young QBs are all the Browns

Baltimore at Cleveland (2-1) (1-2) Ravens can't slow progress, so this may be an opportunity for the Browns, who had a game-winning field goal negated in Oakland.

Tampa Bay at Carolina (2-1) (1-2) The Bucs have been one of the NFL's pleasant early season surprises. The Panthers have been less impressive.

Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants (1-2) (1-2) Both teams come off season-long wins. Donovan McNabb remains one of NFL's best QBs. Giants failed to beat Houston last week.

have. **RAVENS, 19-13**

Houston (minus 3) at Atlanta The Falcons would love Matt Schaub back. Matt is perfectly happy in Houston. **TEXANS, 31-17**

Oakland (plus 4) at Miami Lane Kiffin got his first win. Time for Cam Cameron. **DOLPHINS, 27-20**

LAST WEEK: 12-3-1 (spread); 14-2 (straight up)

St. Louis at Dallas (3-0) (3-0) This is one of those games that scores coaches of union teams — it's the perfect time for the Cowboys to get overconfident.

Seattle at San Francisco (2-1) (2-1) Seahawks will probably win — home teams tend to in this rivalry match (make that record of division). Seahawks struggle on road.

New England at Cincinnati (3-0) (1-2) Bengals skilled enough to score on New England. Patrick's offense is likely to prevail in a shootout because it has a defense to support it.

Good guys should trump bad guys in pro football

NEW YORK (AP) — Last season, Keith Bullock approached a Tennessee teammate and suggested to the young man that he try harder this year of football. The teammate blew him off.

Bullock had three interceptions for the Titans on Monday night. The teammate? Patrick Jones. And what he's doing these days other than sitting out a year-long suspension, consulting with lawyers and awaiting trial on charges stemming from a shooting that left a man paralyzed.

The Bullock-Jones conversation illustrates why bad too often prevails over good in the NFL these days. Because the spotlight falls on bad guys, mouthy guys and me-first guys who use their fame to advertise themselves.

Bullock is an example of the best the NFL can offer, a Pro Bowl-caliber linebacker who overcame a troubled early life to excel on the field and off it. Yet he was lumped in with the "obscure" Titans during one of Tennessee's few recent nationally televised games, simply a member of Vince Young's supporting cast until he started making plays that put him in the spotlight.

It's not those athletes who end up in trouble with the law who get our attention. "I think of the guy known by his initials who spent the 2005 season in Philadelphia as the main character in what amounted to a soap opera carried hourly by the nation's 24-hour cable sports network. And think of ..."

Larry Johnson, a classic me-first running back, who complained last week about Kansas City's play-calling because he has just 140 yards on 50 carries over seasons 2-3 average. The complaint came after a win. In other words, winning isn't everything, his stats are.

And a major reason Johnson has so few yards is the "long prison" holdout he staged.

DeAngelo Hall's meltdown for Atlanta, which cost the Falcons 87 yards of penalties on one drive, led to a Carolina touchdown and probably cost his team a win, which they are likely to be missing for a while.

Michael Vick (again) by the state of Virginia, a charge that seems a little redundant, because Vick already has pleaded guilty to a federal charge for his involvement in dogfighting. That came a day



Atlanta Falcons defensive back DeAngelo Hall has a message for Cincinnati Bengals receiver Chad Johnson played in his head, during a preseason football game against the Bengals in Atlanta, on Aug. 27.

before a judge disclosed that Hall had tested positive for marijuana.

Start with Johnson, who held out until after the second exhibition game for a six-year contract extension that got him \$19 million in guaranteed money.

You'd think he should provide more than 28 yards a carry for that much, though there are extenuating circumstances: the retirements in the last two years of Pro Bowl offensive linemen Willie Ford and Will Shields, and the lack of a top-drawer quarterback, which allows opponents to play eight and nine men up to stop Johnson.

But Johnson chose to shoot off his mouth.

"I learned a long time ago about coaches," he said. "They're always going to do that they want to do. It's usually an ego thing rather than trying to be better or trying to get better or trying to listen to input. It's just hard to change a coach's perspective or change an offensive coordinator's plays when this is what they've been used to doing ever since they came into the league."

There's actually some truth to that. And Johnson does have firsthand knowledge — his father is the defensive line coach at Penn State.

But it doesn't exactly contribute to harmony on the field. Johnson, especially coming from a guy who held out for his own selfish reasons and isn't overly popular with his teammates. When he yells about "my" average and "my" carries after a win, what message is he sending?

30th overall in 2000. Who cares? Draft status disappears, except financially, once you start playing in the NFL.

But the "obscure" Titans demonstrate the modern NFL perfectly.

The best known is Young, a college superstar, the third overall pick in the 2006 draft, and one of the NFL's best young quarterbacks. Good, he gets the headlines on merit.

Next? Maybe Bullock, or Albert Haynesworth, the defensive tackle who was suspended for five games last season after stomping on the head of Dallas center Andre Gurode during a game.

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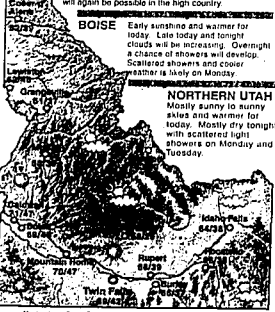
Today: Morning sunshine and warmer with clouds moving in late. Highs in the upper 60s.
Tonight: Turning cloudy and breezy with late night showers.
Lows in the lower 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies and warmer. Highs in the middle 60s.
Tonight: Increasing clouds with a chance of late night showers. Lows in the upper 30s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Today will be a much nicer day. Be sure to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and warmer temperatures.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Yesterday's Weather. Includes icons and temperature ranges.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 6 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Pollen Count. Includes monthly trends.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for Oct 3, Oct 10, Oct 19, Oct 26.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Monday and Tuesday.

U.V. INDEX

Table showing U.V. index levels: Low, Moderate, High.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, etc.

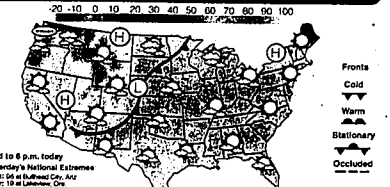
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

You can't see accomplish something, then you can't see it. You have to have confidence in what you're doing, and then be tough enough to follow through.

CANADIAN FORECAST

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Johnson wreck, Stewart curse gives title chasers hope

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — To get back into contention for the Nextel Cup title, drivers in the back of the standings need both a near-perfect performance and a collapse from the competition.

Stewart and Co. will all simultaneously combust and open the door for the stragglers. Or is it? Johnson wrecked his lightning-fast car in Saturday's final practice and the defending series champion had to pull out his backup.

It comes just days after contender Carl Edwards was docked 25 points because last week's race-winning car failed inspection, and gives hope to the rest of the Chase for the championship field.

"Last year we said it would never happen and I was out of it, and I felt the same," he said. "But before you knew it, we were back in it. I don't think we know until two races to go who is going to win this thing because until then, everybody is still in it."

Busch slips past Kenseth to win Busch race at Kansas Speedway

Busch slipped inside of Matt Kenseth with just over 17 laps to go, then held off Kenseth's challenges after a late restart to win Saturday's NASCAR Busch Series race at Kansas Speedway.



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Sunday Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams
MAKING MOVIES by Robert H. Wolfe, North Woodmere, New York

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212 Miscellaneous
Miscellaneous
 Full-time or part-time RN & LPN. Please apply in person at 500 Polk St E in Kimberly

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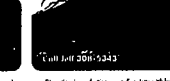

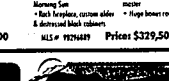
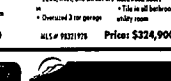

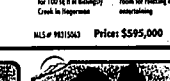
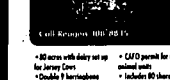
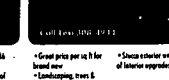

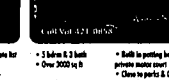
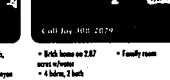
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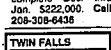
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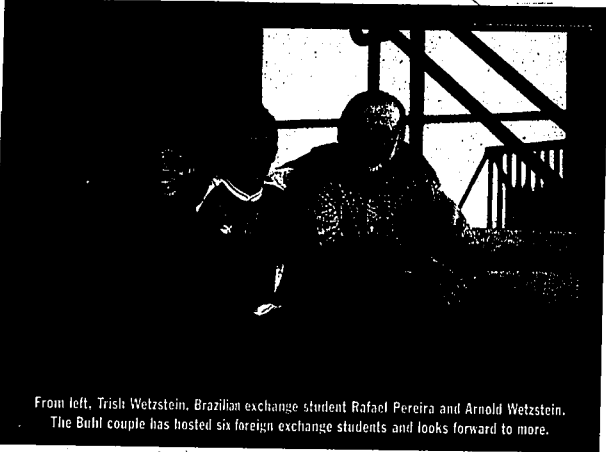
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Extending the family tree



From left, Trish Wetzstein, Brazilian exchange student Rafael Pereira and Arnold Wetzstein. The Buhl couple has hosted six foreign exchange students and looks forward to more.

Hosting foreign exchange students changes lives of families, too

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Arnold and Trish Wetzstein never intended to open their hearts and home to foreign exchange students.

The Buhl couple had grown comfortable in their empty nest and thoroughly enjoyed their careers; he is a U.S. Department of Agriculture engineer, she teaches English at Buhl High School. If the Wetzsteins wanted to visit their two grown children and growing brood of grandchildren, they just had to make the short trip to Boise. Life was complete.

A dinner party six years ago changed that. The events of 9/11 were still fresh on everyone's minds, and the group had shared a few beers.

"Someone started saying that if attacks happened here and the Rotary Club gets bombed during a luncheon or something, back-up host families for the group's foreign exchange program would be needed. We were asked a hypothetical, if that happened would you do it? And we said yes," Arnold said.

A year later they were called upon, and the couple is now hosting student No. 6, Rafael Pereira, 18, of Brazil.

"It has been such a blessing on our lives. We still keep in contact with all of our past students. They really do become part of the family," Arnold said.

Every student hosted brings an opportunity for insight and personal growth, the Wetzsteins said. "Our job as host families is to lay the foundation for these kids' expe-

rience and to make sure they have the best experience they can. We've had kids from Brazil, Chile, Norway and Germany, and you learn something from each of them," Trish said.

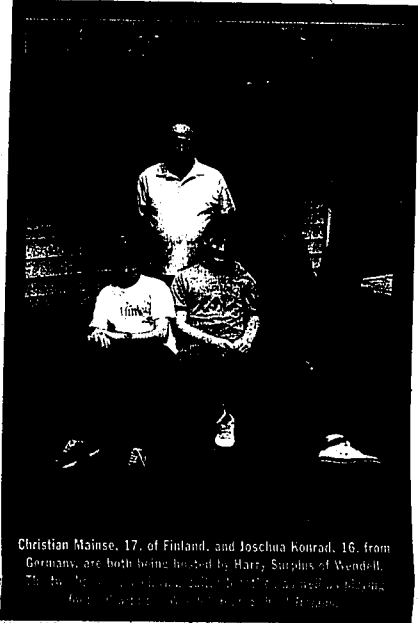
Since his Aug. 24 arrival, Rafael has shown the Wetzsteins the value in a quick smile, an open mind and eating more rice and beans.

"He is just amazing. In Brazil, Rafael never had the opportunity to be on a team. He isn't the most athletic but is so excited to be a part of the boys' soccer team here at the high school," Trish said. "I think as adults we get so wrapped up in succeeding and forget how to just have fun."

For Harry Surplus of Wendell, as well, the chance to host foreign exchange students has been life altering.

"Harry is a really nice person. He knows everybody in town and is a great cook — ask anybody in town," said Joshua Konrad, 16, of Germany.

Konrad and Finnish student Christian Mainz, 17, will live with Surplus through the



Christian Mainz, 17, of Finland, and Joshua Konrad, 16, from Germany, are both being hosted by Harry Surplus of Wendell. The boys' soccer team is one of the things that has helped them adjust to life in Idaho.

school year. The boys keep him busy.

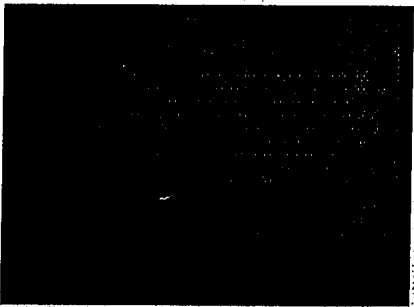
"They are great company. I find it interesting that even though these two are from different countries that they are adapting well — to the food, culture and even to each other," Surplus said. "Without these students I'd probably be bored. We go to the movies and do things together. I don't know what I'd be doing without them."

Hosting the pair has a down side: having to break up sibling-style altercations. "They have been fighting like brothers," Surplus chuckled.

"Every day they argue — one has been in the bathroom too long, or they argue about whose guitar pick is whose. Usually, there aren't any big run-ins because these kids are on their best behavior and don't want to do anything to jeopardize their being here."

"Once a student from Ecuador turned 18 while he was here and after that got the attitude that he didn't have to follow the rules, and his stay was terminated. That was tough, but very rare."

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Colleges ditching twin beds for doubles

By Valerie Strauss
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Accustomed to sleeping on a queen-size, 60-by-80-inch water bed at home, Ellisse Robinson got a ride awakening when she headed off to college: a twin-size bed, somewhere around 38 by 75 inches, with a mattress that had seen better days.

This fall, three years after living with a "very, used, somewhat stained" mattress, the 21-year-old senior got a new bed from officials at American University, a double



After three years of living with a used mattress, Ellisse Robinson, in college, got a double bed this fall at American University. Many colleges, even those offering air conditioning, are offering beds such as these as dorm beds.

Study: TV viewing habits have lasting effect on children's lives

By Sandra O. Goodman
The Washington Post

There is a new wrinkle in the long-simmering debate about the influence of television on the development of attention problems in children.

A long-term study of 1,037 children published in the current issue of *Pediatrics* found that those who watched more television when they were 5 and 7 were more likely to show



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SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls

Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$4.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5.50 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Meats:

Monday: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, peas and eggs, cabbage, banana salad, bread, fruit bar
Tuesday: Barbecue ribs on a bun, fries, vegetables, carrot/fraisin salad, banana cream pie
Wednesday: Beef and noodles, red beets, salad, biscuit, lemon cheesecake
Thursday: Spaghetti, vegetables, bread stick, green beans, apple cobler
Friday: Baked potato bar, fruit salad, butterscotch bars

Activities:

Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.
Monday bridge, 9 a.m.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday
Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon
Exercise class, 1:30 p.m.
Wellness seminar, noon to 2 p.m.
Wednesday: Quilting, 9 a.m.
Elks Club Quil, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m.
Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Exercise class, 1:30 p.m.
Lunch bingo

West End

Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St. Buhl

Lunch served at noon Monday through Thursday. Suggested donation is \$4 for seniors, \$5 for under 60, Sunday buffet at 1 p.m.; \$4.50 for seniors, \$5.50 for under 60, \$3.50 for 12 and under.

Meats:

Monday: Clam chowder, lunch meat sandwiches
Tuesday: Fowl lunch with chicken and vegetables, salad, bread, dessert
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Thursday: Spaghetti casserole, vegetables, salad, bread, dessert

Activities:

Monday: SilverSnakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Cards and dominoes, 9 to 9 p.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: SilverSnakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Blood pressure, 11:45 a.m.
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.
Friday: SilverSnakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

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Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

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Full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; take-out available; suggested donation is \$4 for seniors 60 and above, \$5 for people under 60, \$2.50 for children under 12.

Meats:

Monday: Sauerkraut and franks, mashed potatoes, baked squash, tapoca pudding
Wednesday: Spaghetti, broccoli, spinach, 'ambrosia' dessert
Friday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, dessert
Sunday: Ranch steaks, potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, ice cream and cookies

Activities:

Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
AA meeting, 9 p.m.
Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome



Wednesday: Enchiladas, rice and beans, salad, crispiitos
Thursday: Bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich, Tater Tots, vegetables, salad, pudding
Friday: Smorgasbord; chicken or fish, potatoes, macaroni and cheese, salad bar
Activities:
Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Pool, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
SHIAA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 878-0727 for appointments
Friday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center
2421 Overland Ave., Burley
Meats:
Monday: Hot beef sandwich, potatoes, corn, fresh fruit, cucumber salad, ice cream sandwich
Tuesday: Car Linzy birthday choice
Wednesday: Howard Peck birthday choice
Thursday: Dick Member birthday choice
Friday: Bill Morrison birthday choice
Activities:
Monday: Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Tuesday: Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.
Radio show, 9:05 a.m.
Exercise
Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Thursday: Pool
Exercise
Community pinochle, 6 p.m.
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool
Exercise
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: NA' meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m.

Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Music with June Koontz. Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Lunch (soup and sandwich-ess), noon
Jackpot trip
Saturday: Breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.
Noon meal served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.
Meats:
Monday: Hamburger stew or tomato soup, plikdedd stew, fruit, cookies
Tuesday: Liver and onions or chicken patty, potatoes au gratin, peas, Jell-O, peanut butter bars
Wednesday: Spaghetti, green beans, fruit, salad, bread
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, fries, Brussels sprouts, fruit, apple salad, tapoca pudding
Friday: Hot turkey sandwich, potatoes and gravy, corn, fruit salad, pineapple cake
Activities:
Monday: SilverSnakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Sneak bar, 6 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSnakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
John and Dick entertaining
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: SilverSnakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Gem State Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Flier Senior Haven
222 Main St.
Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.
Meats:
Tuesday: Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, buttered corn, tossed salad, bread, fruit sauce
Wednesday: Sausage strata, scalloped tomatoes, cottage cheese with pears, chocolate cake
Thursday: Chicken fingers, Tater Tots, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, bread, oatmeal cookies
Activities:
Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center
140 E. Lake
Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is \$4 for seniors; \$5 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12. Thrift shop open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free high-speed internet available on public computers during center hours.
Meats:
Monday: Turkey and dressing, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salads, fruit, bread, dessert
Wednesday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salads, fruit, bread, dessert
Friday: Baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salads, fruit, bread, dessert
Activities:
Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Blaine County Senior Center
721 Third Ave. S., Halley
Meats:
Tuesday: Beef stew, biscuits, pears, cheese, lettuce salad; or salad bar with beef stew, butterscotch brownies
Wednesday: Baked cod or finger steaks, pen salad, wheat rolls, baked potato, peaches and cottage cheese, ranger cookie
Thursday: (Carey) Inaagna, garlic cheese bread, fresh green salad, Italian vegetables, cherry pie, ice cream
Friday: Oven-fried chicken, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, baked beans, Waldorf salad, cherry pie, ice cream
Activities:
Monday: Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.
Foot clinic, 10 a.m.
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Yoga, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.
Bingo, 5 p.m.
Friday: Hearing counselors, 10:30 a.m.

Richfield Senior Center
Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Meats:
Monday: Ham and beans, fried potatoes, buttered beets, rice custard
Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, apple pie
Gooding County Senior Citizen Center
308 Senior Ave., Gooding
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.
Meats:
Monday: Barbecue chicken, baked beans, potato salad, fruit, bread sticks
Tuesday: Hamburgers, potato wedges, fresh vegetables, strawberry shortcake
Wednesday: Enchiladas, cauliflower, fruit salad, custard
Thursday: Roast pork, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, carrot-raisin salad, Jell-O cake, rolls
Activities:
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.
Wild one, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt, social, 9 a.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Center
Eden
Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors and \$5 for non-seniors. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.
Meats:
Tuesday: Baked cheese sandwich, tomato soup, cauliflower, fruit, dessert
Thursday: Turkey tetrazzini, deviled eggs, mixed vegetables, fruit, salad
Activities:
Wednesday: Bake day
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Camas County Senior Center
127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield
Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Suggested donation for the meal is \$4 for ages 10-59; \$3 for 60 and above; and \$2 for children under 10.
Meats:
Tuesday: Polish sausage, sauerkraut, vegetable salad, hash browns, fruit, bread pudding
Wednesday: Tamale pie, cottage cheese, raw vegetables, fruit, cookies, ice cream
Friday: Pork roast, potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, apple-raisin cake
Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.

Golding County Senior Citizen Center
308 Senior Ave., Gooding
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Meats:
Monday: Barbecue chicken, baked beans, potato salad, fruit, bread sticks
Tuesday: Hamburgers, potato wedges, fresh vegetables, strawberry shortcake
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Bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt, social, 9 a.m.

Glen Years Senior Citizens Inc.
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone
Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Meats:
Tuesday: Chicken fritter steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread, tapoca pudding
Wednesday: Beef noodle soup, egg salad, sandwich, carrot sticks, apple pie
Friday: Baked potato bar, strawberry trifle cake
Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center
702 11th St. Rupert
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request.
Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.
Meats:
Monday: Sloppy Joe, french fries, vegetables, salad, ice cream
Tuesday: Chef's salad, Texas toast, fruit salad, apple turnovers

Three Island Senior Center
492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry
Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals.
Rides are available by phoning the center at 366-2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Meats:
Monday: Liver and onions or chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, whole wheat bread, cookie
Tuesday: Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, winter mix vegetables, pudding, whole wheat bread
Thursday: Pork roast, sauerkraut, whole potatoes, carrots, whole wheat bread
Activities:
Thursday: Blood pressure
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.

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SYMPTOM	SINUSITIS	ALLERGIES
Facial pressure/pain	Yes	Sometimes
Nasal Discharge	Thick, yellow-green	Thin, whitish or thin
Nosebleeds	Sometimes	Sometimes
Bad Breath	Sometimes	No
Nasal Congestion	Yes	Yes

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Beds

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 "I had a twin bed, I'd have more space" in the room, "but this is much, much better," said Robinson, who grew up in Okton, Va. "It's where I sleep, do my homework and everything else. It's just more of an adult thing to have a bigger bed."
 University officials hoping to keep students on campus and conserve off-campus housing are trying new room designs and all manner of amenities to appeal to the millennial generation, especially those seeking the comforts of home while in school. Some have given single rooms to students not used to sharing. Others have offered mild service and microkitchens. Now they're giving them a larger space on which to lay their heads.

The trend seems to be that there is more competition among different schools for the student. "I would guess literally — with larger beds," said Ryan Trainer, executive vice president of the nonprofit International Sleep Products Association.
 "Once, everyone got a twin bed (although some schlepped larger mattresses from home to squeeze into their rooms). But anymore, said Nancy Shingler, director of the Better Sleep Council, the nonprofit consumer-education arm of the International Sleep Products Association.
 Trainer said some manufacturers have noticed a change in orders, with universities ordering the bigger beds when space permits.
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 "Our students are constantly giving feedback about having to sleep on a single bed," Treter said. "Many of them are not coming from single beds. Many come from doubles and queens, so they have to readjust to living on the single bed."
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dents, used to larger beds at home, thought the twins were "too small and uncomfortable." The larger beds "accommodate" students more comfortably, especially taller students, and better meet student needs," she added.
 Treter said students also indicated "that sometimes they are not in the bed alone." And, he added, "people are larger now."
 Students entering college today are heavier than their counterparts 20 years ago. According to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the prevalence of adolescents 12 to 19 listed as overweight more than tripled between 1980 and 2004. And studies show that college students actually get larger while in school. Seventy percent of students

gain an average of nine pounds by the end of sophomore year, according to one study.
 Many universities moved from standard twin beds to longer versions several years ago because students complained they were uncomfortable.
 But the extra-long beds have not been without controversy. For one thing, they're not all the same dimensions. Some beds at the University of Southern California are 36 inches wide, while other twins are 38 or 39 inches. USC's extended twins are 80 inches long. AU's are 84. Those at Pitzer College, a liberal-arts college in Claremont, Calif., are 78.
 Now that Robinson has a double, she has brought from home a large quilt her mother made for her years ago from her old T-shirts. It was too big for a twin, but it works well on the double.
 "I think I do sleep better now," she said. "And it's definitely much easier to have another person in the bed if the occasion arises."

Viewing

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 signs of difficulty paying attention at ages 13 and 15, according to New Zealand scientists.
 Freshly, most studies of TV viewing and attention problems were of shorter duration.
 Using assessments from parents, teachers and the youths themselves, researchers at the University of Otago in Dunedin compared reports of attention difficulties in adolescence to the time parents said their children logged in front of the tube at ages 5, 7, 9 and 11.
 Psychologists independently rated each child's attention span and ability to concentrate at ages 7 and 9.
 Even after factoring in gender, cognitive ability, socioeconomic status and TV viewing in adolescence, researchers found that those who watched more than three hours per day between

the ages of 5 and 11 had more symptoms of attention problems as teenagers than those who watched two hours or less.
 The reason for the apparent relationship between heavy television viewing and later attention difficulties remains elusive, noted Carl Erik Landhuis, a researcher in the department of preventive medicine at the university's Dunedin School of Medicine, and his colleagues.
 One theory is that the rapid scene changes on TV may affect the development of the brain at the time it is most malleable.
 Another is that television viewing displaces other activities and makes ordinary life seem boring.
 Landhuis and his colleagues suggest that parents heed the recommendation of the American Academy of Pediatrics and limit daily viewing to two hours.

Put your detective's mind to work, Scorpio

HOROSCOPE
 Jeraldine Saunders

IF SEPT. 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, this year heralds a busy beginning. You may obtain more responsibilities, or people could look to you as a popular leader. Any writing or calculating activity would be precise and elegant. Keep your goal in mind and don't scatter your energies as this may prove costly. Love for a powerful person may enthrall you, although you should not let your personal life be entirely dominated. Be cautious in do-it-yourself projects that entail using sharp or cutting objects. Longer distance travel may be required next spring; although you may want to differ it until after your next birthday.
ARIES (March 21-April 19): A relaxing Sunday. Ideal for an outing and meeting new people, perhaps even your next partner. Keep a watchful eye on important bits and pieces as they could be mislaid, and do not speed on the road.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Whoever said a Taurian is sensual was right on the spot. Any relationship is full of joy so long as you keep changing away. In fact, the mood is of singing your happiness to the world. Well done; you're happy.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The ideal of the party today, your jokes have everyone laughing — except possibly a partner who's heard them a thousand times over. Today, you need one to break; take him/her for a fun day out.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): You might feel so energetic that you could tilt the axis of the earth today. You may well be right, but not everyone will agree with you. You could use this extra pep to write it all down and use it some weeks later.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Invite your friends to a party; it could end with the funniest of jokes. Don't drink or you risk a beast of a hangover tomorrow. Love started on this day might be perfect for those not wanting permanent commitment.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your inquisitive detective mind is awakened and sneaking suspicions could prove true, particularly when friends start repeating what they heard. It's all for the better, though, as you may win love along this path.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Rest or your partner may resent your exhaustion as you gave all your strength to the job lately. Do not fear. Exquisite career rewards will materialize soon, after the loneliness of the last few weeks.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Prickly and capricious people could try to bring you down from your pedestal; they will meet your solid temperament, proving a long-term and no-nonsense attitude. Forge ahead with help from younger people.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Dating words spoken in jest could be taken seriously. If you're not ready to commit, don't pick up the gauntlet. Shopping could be hectic and expensive. Perhaps staying in today would not be a bad idea.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Holding it in and sulking all day long is worse than having a long-term deal with your significant other. The second (not the first) option could lead to the renewal of your romance.

Classmates hear sour note when fellow student toots her own horn

DEAR ABBY: The other day in one of my classes, our teacher was discussing a rather delicate subject, and we were all laughing. I really needed to pass gas, but was trying to hold it in.
 Well, our teacher made a comment that sent me over the edge, and I let out a long, low, loud, loud in my class heard it.
 I know I shouldn't be so thin-skinned, but the comments the other students made were so very hurtful and embarrassing, and I wanted to cut up and die. I'm capable of laughing at myself, but the comments my classmates made were not the kind that could easily laugh along with.
 Please, Abby, how do you deal with a situation like this?
 — FRAGRANT FLOWER

DEAR ABBY
 Jeanne Phillips

However, since you were caught dead to rights and there was no escaping it, my advice is to just let the episode blow over.
DEAR ABBY: I am writing to say thank you. I was reading your online archives and found the answer to my problem there. Usually the question you get is, "What should I tell people when they ask me when we're going to have a kid?" Well, mine is the opposite.
 My mother and mother-in-law ask me when I'm going to get my tubes tied. My husband and I have only two children. We make good money, and we don't ask our parents to baby-sit. Our children are intelligent and well-behaved.
 Usually you tell people to

ignore the question or say, "Why do you ask?" Those responses didn't work for me. But recently you advised someone to respond, "If I were any of your business you would already know the answer to that question."
 Abby, that one worked for me! They both said I was rude to someone like that. But when told this was their question, they got the hint. So, once again, thank you very much.
 — GRATEFUL IN PALMDALE, CALIF.
DEAR GRATEFUL: You're welcome. I don't usually print the thank-you letters I receive for my advice, but I'm making an exception with yours because the question you were asked was so far out of line. You can't expect people to respect boundaries if they don't know where they are.
DEAR ABBY: We belong to a couples group that meets once a month for a game of

cards. We take turns at each other's homes. When the games are in our homes, we provide the refreshments.
 One couple, both of whom are professionals, always asks the rest of us to bring potluck dishes. This has become a regular practice for them.
 We need a nice way to let them know we feel they're taking advantage of the rest of us. They can well afford to have the gathering catered or prepare the meal themselves. What do you suggest?
TIRED OF BRINGING A DISH
DEAR TIRED: The next time you and the rest of the group are asked to bring a dish, tell the couple that it "isn't convenient." If they hear it from all of you, they may get this hint. If they don't, then you should tell them what you have told me because it does appear that you're being taken advantage of. The alternative is to deal those jokers out.

Do laundry in your dorm room

The Washington Post
 Add a portable washing machine to all the other electronics in the well-accommodated dorm room this fall. Fater, the Chinese appliance manufacturer has introduced a "compact model that attaches by hose to a sink faucet."
 Measuring about 30 inches high and 17 inches wide

and deep, it can wash 6.6 pounds of laundry in 21 to 82 minutes, depending on the volume of dirty duds. But you're on your own for drying them, and it's a good idea to check with school officials first.
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Promises, but can you deliver?

We come upon, now, Rule No. 43 in our Rules for Living Series: Don't promise more than you can deliver. What, you ask, happened to Rules No. 1 through 42? Do you miss something? No, I'll get to them. But right now I'm thinking of No. 43.

I am thinking about this one because I have a feeling I've been promising more than I can deliver, and I'm trying to figure out how to de-promise. In my own defense, and in the defense of all my fellow over-promisers, we are a generous people. We promise because our hearts are so vast, our desire to do good — to give! — such an overpowering vessel. You know who you are. You say yes a lot. You come up with bright ideas. You become overwhelmed with excitement over the brilliance of your own brainstorm. Homemade guacamole with cilantro from your own garden for the PTA that never asked for snacks. A deluxe PowerPoint presentation for the boss's conference, even though you don't know how to use PowerPoint. An anniversary party for your sister at your house with a tent and featuring sparkling tips and champagne, and maybe little cocktail napkins with cute loved rabbit sayings.

Here's a recent example. In fact, this do-gooder, clear friend, is the one who taught me Rule No. 43, although she did not call it that. She stopped over one day. She said, "hey, let's take



PERSONAL FILE
Jeanne Marie Laskas

the kids ice skating." I said my kids didn't know how to ice skate. She said her three kids didn't, either. She said, "Let's see if the rink offers lessons." She got out the phone book and became understandably excited that she could sign up all five of our kids for a lesson later that day. "It was meant to be!"

I told her I had planned to do my work done that day. I had a few conference calls scheduled. She said she'd take my kids, make a day of it. In fact, she'd been wanting a birthday present idea for my kids, so why not just stop at the skating goods store first for some skate? I said this was getting complicated. She said what about a movie after the lesson? She said, "Perfect!" She said, "Isn't this?" My kids, who were overhearing all of this, were doing back flips with excitement, and I have to admit I was feeling the tingle of joy that overcomes a person, of any age, who contemplates playing hooky. I made some calls, rescheduled my conference calls, and said, "Let's do it!"

An hour later, we were all loading into the car. My friend said, "I'm so tired." I joked that she had burned herself out on the planning

stages of this day. She said, "I wish I could get things to think." She said, "You know what, you guys go ahead without me," and handed me her credit card. She said, "I just really need to lie down."

So this is how I ended up schlepping five hyped-up kids to a sporting goods store, an ice skating rink and a movie, by myself, on a day of derailed, planned calls. Of course, I could have canceled the plan. But five hyped-up kids were more than I knew how to de-hype. And my friend had planned, at first, to do this alone, so why couldn't I? I remember sitting at the ice skating rink, right after a teenager spilled her nachos on my new \$1 rubber shoe. Think I can't even be angry at my friend for putting me in this situation. She hadn't, after all, really put me there. I put myself there. I chose to go. But — alone? I would have never come up with such a complicated plan for five kids and me — alone. But my friend's plan was born of generosity and a big heart and big ideas and the hope of making a very special day for our doe-eyed darlings. How could I be mad?

I am, however, thinking: Don't promise more than you can deliver. Sure, you want to do stuff for others, but if the desire is bigger than the possibility, you have to temper the desire with possibility. Weigh them. Stop, think. A lot of time desire is 10 and possibility is 2. You have to look at the ratio. Otherwise, you end up

booby-trapping your friends and colleagues, family members. You end up with someone you love stuck at an ice skating rink with nacho cheese dripping down her leg.

I am certainly better at this, thanks to my commitment to adhering to the principles of Rule No. 43. (I'm mixing the anniversary party.) I think about the ice skating example a lot, so, think. The real trick is in the recognition. You need to applaud yourself for even noticing that you have promised too much. As for de-promising, well, there are few options. You just say, "Whoops." And, "I am so sorry." And then you duck out of the thing you said you'd do and close your eyes for cover. Then you promise yourself that you will never, ever over-promise again.

Vol! Have I made myself clear? Are you ready to apply Rule No. 43 to your own life? Are you sure? It requires discipline, some tough love and the acknowledgment that you can, at times, be a person who disappoints. They're you, human. It's OK! Just promise to never, ever over-promise again.

What? Huh? You want to know about Rules No. 42 in our Rules for Living Series? Oh, did I say I'd go over them, too? Oh, my goodness. Look, we're out of space. I am so sorry.

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.

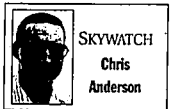
50 years of space exploration

Thursday marks the 50th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite. This week, many historians will be looking back at the first half-century of space exploration.

Those who are old enough to remember seeing Sputnik are well aware that satellites are visible to the unaided eye (although experts now believe that most people who say "Sputnik" actually saw its larger, brighter booster stage that orbited for two months after launch; Sputnik itself was quite faint). Oddly enough, 50 years later many people are surprised to learn that satellites are often visible as they fly overhead.

Following Sputnik, America and the Soviet Union launched many satellites each year with 1966, America's peak at 71 in 1966, and the Soviets' at 100 in 1982. Since then, worldwide space launches have actually declined to less than 50 per year, despite the fact that there are now around a dozen spacefaring nations. Nevertheless, there are thousands of satellites currently in orbit, both functional and derelict. Over time, drag from the upper atmosphere causes the lowest satellites' orbits to slowly decay, whenupon they re-enter the atmosphere and burn up (and, rarely, survive the trip to the surface).

Probably the most significant consequence of the space age is that humans are now inhabitants of (not just visitors to) space. So far, around 450 people have flown above the atmosphere. And while astronauts spend



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Saturday	
Planet	
One hour before sunrise:	Saturn: E; Low
Venus: ESE; low	
Mars: SSE; Very high	
One hour after sunrise:	Jupiter: SW; low
Moon: Last quarter: 4:05 a.m. Wednesday. Above Mars on Monday night/Tuesday morning.	
Ceres: NE; high; Very close to Saturn next Sunday morning, Oct. 7.	

only around six months on board the International Space Station, NASA has made it clear that it intends to maintain a human presence in space for perpetuity.

To me, what's curious is what we haven't done. Walk on the moon, was nearly 230,000 miles from home when he left the lunar space 25 years ago. Since then, no human being has been more than 381 miles above the earth's surface.

Next week: Seeking dark energy.

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STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

- Reld Carpenter Block IV, son of Tiffani LaMonica and Reld Block III of Sun Valley, was born Sept. 10, 2007.
 - Gabrielle Jane Ziegler, daughter of Janet Ziegler and Robert Ziegler, was born Sept. 12, 2007.
 - Taylor Indigo Hovey, daughter of Brooke Hovey and William Hovey of Ketchum, was born Sept. 17, 2007.
- ## St. Benedict's Family Medical Center
- Jackelin Gutierrez, daughter of Juana Amante of Filer, was born Sept. 18, 2007.
 - Emmie Viola Dean Fairchild, daughter of Jeremy and Trenea Fairchild of Jerome, was born Sept. 19, 2007.
 - Emmy Claire Both, daughter of Daric and Abbe Both of Jerome, was born Sept. 22, 2007.

Logan Eric Olmstead, son of Brandon Olmstead and Melissa Lynn Sauer of Jerome, was born Sept. 22, 2007.

- Clade Afton Karer, daughter of Cody and LaFell Karer of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 23, 2007.
 - Sahara Leanne Stevers, daughter of Andy and Julie Stevers of Shoshone, was born Sept. 24, 2007.
 - Clair Shannon Telford, daughter of Ryan and Mikjen Telford of Richfield, was born Sept. 27, 2007.
- ## St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center
- Draven Starr Read-Hanson, son of Christina Michel Read of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 9, 2007.
 - Karsten Skabronski Sweeney, son of Jill Clair Sweeney and William Jarod Sweeney of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 18, 2007.
 - Steven Xander Gause, son of Rachael Lynn Lutt and

Steven Craig Gause of Kimberly, was born Sept. 18, 2007.

- Jaydallin-Rose Allyna Boz, daughter of Susan E. Ruiz and Paul G. Ruiz of Jerome, was born Sept. 18, 2007.
- Evelyn Raquel Santos-Serrano, daughter of Deoxy Jones of Jensen. Lynn Thomas and Samuel David Thomas of Jerome, was born Sept. 22, 2007.
- Jeffrey Hernandez, son of Jillian Kout and Robert Lopez Hernandez of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 18, 2007.
- Tate Vaughn Stanger, son of Brianna Hazel Stanger and Clayton Ross Stanger of Jerome, was born Sept. 19, 2007.
- Kayson Sharon Michelle Brown, daughter of Melodi Michelle Diehl of Jerome, was born Sept. 19, 2007.
- Zachery Douglas Fritsch, son of Diana Lynn Fritsch and Bradley Douglas Fritsch of Duhl, was born Sept. 19, 2007.

Adam Neil Dewit, son of Julie Renee Dewit and Anthony Neil Dewit of Wendell, was born Sept. 20, 2007.

- Billy Scott King, son of Patricia Rose King and Scott Francis King of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 21, 2007.
- Shana Lynn Thomas, daughter of Jennifer Lynn Thomas and Samuel David Thomas of Jerome, was born Sept. 22, 2007.
- Bailey Cade Climer, son of Nicole Lynn Climer of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 22, 2007.
- Levin Edgar Farfan, son of Janet Ceballos and Edgar Galvan Farfan of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 22, 2007.
- Maxton James Hudson, son of Samira Nichole Hudson and Tyrel Jay Hudson of Gooding, was born Sept. 23, 2007.
- Suaret Echo Branton, daughter of Sonya Branton Pulgado and Russel Harley Branton of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 23, 2007.

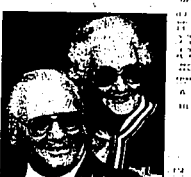
ANNIVERSARIES

THE COFFMANS

BURLEY — Leland and Wanda Coffman of Burley will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at the Steak House and Convention Center, 1340 Oakley Ave. in Burley. An open house and reception will follow.



Leland and Wanda Coffman and great-grandchildren. The family requests no gifts.



THE DAVIDSONS

BURLEY — Ezra "Bud" and Marie Davidson celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary Sept. 22. The couple was honored at a family celebration Sept. 22.

Ezra Earl "Bud" Davidson and Marie Arrington were married Sept. 23, 1937, at the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

They are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and have held many church callings, including serving a mission

Ezra "Bud" and Marie Davidson for a year in Des Moines, Iowa. She is an accredited genealogist for the Southern states, and they are both active in genealogy work. The couple has four children, Milton, Deanna, Charles "Chuck" and Jerry Davidson; 14 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Cards can be sent to the couple at P.O. Box 314, Burley, ID 83318.

Mixed results in new breast-feeding survey

By Mike Stobbe Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — Nearly three-quarters of new mothers in the United States are breast-feeding their babies, but they are quitting too soon and resorting to infant formula too often, federal health officials said.

A government survey found that only about 30 percent of new moms are feeding their babies breast milk three months after birth. At six months, only 11 percent are breast-feeding exclusively.

Formula isn't as good as breast milk against diseases, eczema and childhood obesity. Ideally, nearly all mothers should breast-feed their babies for six months or

more, said Dr. David Paige, a Johns Hopkins University reproductive health expert. But many do not because of their jobs, the inconvenience, and perhaps because of convincing advertising for baby formula.

What's wrong with giving a baby a bottle every once in a while? Not much, he said. It can begin a pattern as it sucks at the breast less, causing less stimulation needed

to produce milk. Paige said, "It creates a downward spiral," he said, adding that often, a woman then moves away from breast-feeding altogether.

The annual random-digital survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention showed that the percentage of women who start breast-feeding rose slightly from 2000 to 2004, from 71 percent to 74 percent. That's a new high, CDC officials said, and is based on nearly 17,000 responses.

A previous survey suggested a higher percentage breast-fed exclusively — 39 percent at three months and 14 percent at six months. However, researchers think there may have been confusion in that earlier survey

that led to the higher percentage.

The new results are being called the best national data to date on "exclusive breast-feeding," in which mothers give their infants nothing but breast milk except for vitamin drops.

The CDC study found that rates of exclusive breast-feeding were lowest among black women and among those who are unmarried, poor, rural, younger than 20, and have a high school education or less. Those findings are consistent with earlier studies.

This year, the government announced goals for 2010: getting 60 percent of women to breast-feed exclusively for the first three months and 25 percent through six months.

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Wonders never cease

By Marylou Touseignant
The Washington Post

A lengthy election campaign ended this summer, and it had nothing to do with U.S. politics.

Since early last year, people around the world voted in a contest to name the new seven wonders of the world — choosing from nearly two dozen man-made monuments and buildings that have historical or cultural importance. The only U.S. site on the list is the Statue of Liberty.

More than 50 million votes were cast, many of them by kids, contest organizers say.

Wonders, through the ages

More than 2,000 years ago, Greek and Roman writers described some amazing structures that have come to be known as the Seven Wonders of the World.

Of those sites, only the Egyptian pyramids at Giza are still intact. Earthquakes and fires destroyed the rest.

Other lists of wonders began appearing after the Middle Ages. The focus began to shift away from the Mediterranean to include sites in Europe and Asia.

Today there are numerous lists of natural wonders, underwater wonders and tourist wonders — to name a few. One entry on some lists



The Colosseum in Rome, where gladiators and others battled, is one of the new seven wonders of the world.

is a place that many of us visit every day: the Internet! The effort to create a new seven-wonders list with worldwide voting was begun in 1999 by Swiss adventurer Bernard Weber. A list of 200

possible sites was trimmed to 77 in a series of public votes. A panel of architectural experts cut it further — to 21 sites.

The ancient pyramids were taken off the ballot this

year after Egyptian officials protested.

According to news reports, one official said it was "ridiculous" for his country's beloved 4,500-year-old ruins to be included in a gimmicky

21st-century popularity contest. (Egypt also objected recently when Portugal wanted to put the pyramids on postage stamps featuring the contest.)

The pyramids were taken



off the ballot and given honorary status (like a family friend you call "aunt" or "uncle").

That left 20 possible wonders, and it's from this lineup that the winners are being selected.

The winners

- Chichen Itza, Mayan city with a famous pyramid, on Mexico's Yucan Peninsula.

- The Christ the Redeemer statue overlooking Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

- The Colosseum in Rome, where gladiators and others battled.

- The Great Wall of China, more than 4,000 miles long.

- Machu Picchu, an ancient city built by the Incas high in the mountains of modern-day Peru.

- Petra, an ancient city in Jordan known for buildings carved into sandstone cliffs.

- The Taj Mahal marble tomb in Agra, India, built by a 17th-century emperor for his wife.

The original magnificent seven wonders of the ancient world

The Washington Post

Most people can name just one or two of the Seven Wonders of the World (called the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World). Learn them all and amaze your parents!

- The Great Pyramid at Giza: One

of three large royal tombs built in Egypt between 2650 and 2500 B.C.

- Hanging Gardens of Babylon: A green paradise in the desert of what is now southern Iraq. Some historians doubt the gardens existed; no conclusive proof remains.

- Temple of Artemis at Ephesus:

Honored the Greek goddess of the hunt; took 120 years to build. Pieces of its 127 columns are at the British Museum in London. Ephesus is in modern-day Turkey.

- Statue of Zeus at Olympia: The Greek god, made of ivory covered in gold, sat on a throne covered with

precious stones.

- Mausoleum at Halicarnassus: Large tomb built around 350 B.C. for Mausolus, ruler of Caria in Asia Minor. Fragments from the tomb are at the British Museum.

- Colossus of Rhodes: Huge bronze statue of the Greek sun god

Hellas. Took 12 years to build, but collapsed seconds during an earthquake around 226 B.C.

- Lighthouse of Alexandria: Guided ships into the Egyptian port. Said to have been more than 350 feet tall. Destroyed by earthquakes in the 1300s.



9, Jenna

17, Possum

19, Shiloh

22, Roxy



25, Stella



26, Teko



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INSIDE: Weekly events, C2 | Community, C3 | Travel, C4

- Oct. 1** American Red Cross blood drive, noon to 6 p.m., First Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., Rupert, 436-1344 for appointment.
- Magic Valley New Neighbors Club luncheon, program to provide information on canyon walking trails: water walking shoes, 11:30 a.m., IHOP Restaurant, 1944 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, \$12, 731-2082.
- Oct. 2** "Wellness Secrets Group," with topics: "It's About How You Live," Asset Management and Family Involvement, Elder Law and New POST Form, noon to 2 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., no cost, 540 Fred Meyer gift card door prize, 735-0700 or dpeterson@brookdaleliving.com. Mary Time Club meeting, 2 p.m., at the home of Irene Mai, Fler, 735-5213.
- Bliss Flower and Garden Club meeting, with co-host Marilyn Wilson and program provided by Master Gardeners Earleen Peterson and Cathy Stewart, 1 p.m., at (Lavinia) Moore's home, 352-4260.
- The Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association (IOTFA) meeting, members will play music for the public from 6 to 8 p.m., with monthly meeting to follow, Idaho Pizza Company, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, open to the public and prospective members, 735-1580.
- Oct. 3** The 1st Flier High School Booster Club Hog Fest and Pig Wrestling event, 7 p.m. Hog Fest and 7:15 p.m. Pig Wrestling, Flier Football Field, \$6 general admission, concessions available; proceeds to benefit FHS Booster Club, 326-5944.
- Oct. 3 - 6:10 - 13** — Mary Wallston-Carruth Shalley's "Frankenstein," presented by the College of Southern Idaho Theater Department, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Theater, \$8 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students, 732-6781 or 732-76788.



The Magic Valley Symphony League meeting, to kick off the new symphony season, 10 a.m., at the home of President Elaine Bower, 268 Heyburn Ave. W., anyone interested in supporting the symphony is welcome, 734-5323.

Oct. 4 — Opening reception for artists Mike Youngman ("Wild West") and Karl Brake ("High Plains Hamlet"), 5 to 7 p.m., Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St., Buhl, no cost, 543-5417.

- First Fridays**, live bluegrass and acoustic folk music with Headwaters, Eric Ettesvold in Rudy's live kitchen, free food, tasting and beverages sold by the glass, 6 to 9 p.m., Rudy's a Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, 733-5477.
- Oct. 5** — Historic Downtown Twin Falls annual Oktoberfest, includes a scarecrow decorating contest for merchants, Friday night street dance, First Friday events for participating businesses, kids activities (bouncy houses, climbing wall, swings, giant slide), a pumpkin carving contest, apple-eating contest, and entertainment at the fountain, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. (5) and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (6), Main Avenue, 734-2113 or Jessica@winfallsoctoberfest.com.
- Oct. 6** — Magic Valley Arts Council's Full Moon Gallery of Fine Art and Contemporary Craft Vint Art Sale, original one-of-a-kind art (pottery, oil paintings, sculpture) available at reasonable prices. Openings and previews: 7 to 6 p.m. (6) and 10 to 6 p.m. (5), Main Avenue, 734-2113 or Jessica@winfallsoctoberfest.com for community artist programs, 734-2787 or donate@mvfa.com.
- Oct. 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13** — The Broadway musical "Little Women," presented by Magic Valley Little Theater and directed by Lori Henson, 7:30 p.m. (6, 6, 11, 12, 13), and 2 p.m. (7), O'Leary Junior High School auditorium, 2350 Elizabeth Blvd., Twin Falls, \$10, 738-1336.



- Oct. 17** Oct. 17 - 21 — The 17th annual Sun Valley Swing 'n Dixie Jazz Jamboare, featuring three dozen jazz bands, at various sites in Sun Valley and Ketchum, \$105 for entire festival: \$35 or \$40 daily, (877) 478-5277 or http://www.sunvalleyjazz.com.
- AARP Driver Safety Class**, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shoshone Senior Center, 218 N. Rail St., \$10 (pre-registration required), 886-2369 or 733-0980.
- Free Community Diabetes Educational Seminar**, includes carbohydrate information, meal planning, reading food labels, before-meal and after-meal testing and ACCU-CHEK blood glucose monitoring system demonstrations, Best Western Twin Falls, 1377 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost, educational gift provided, refreshments, 886-273-5461 to RSVP by Oct. 17.
- SIR, Sons in Retirement**, all retired men are invited to attend: 2 p.m., Wayside Cafe, Heyburn, no dues, 436-4818.
- Studio Eight Rug Hookers group**, 1 to 4 p.m., 811 W. Eighth Ave., Jerome, 324-6605.
- Military Support Group meeting**, Veterans Administration counselor Kirt Hazen will discuss PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) and answer questions, 6:30 p.m. dinner and 7 p.m. meeting, Wendell City Hall, bring slide dish or dessert to share table service, drinks and chicken provided, 536-6159 or 536-6111.

Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I84 and Highway 93, mile marker 6, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-6045.

The 89th annual Old Settlers Complete Noon Dinner, featuring "The Boys Who Were Men" 1944-World War II Rupert "Student" School Bus Drivers, 11:30 a.m. check-in, Connor's Cafe, Interstate 84 and Highway 27, Heyburn, \$10, no age limit, 436-3962 for dinner reservations.

Idaho Rebekah Lodge No. 96 Salsar Bar Card Party, noon, 120 W. Ave. A, Wendell, 55, 324-3604.

Motorcycle Fundraiser, to establish a scholarship in honor of Cindis Brinkman Hensler, Rock Creek Race Track, Kimberly, 543-8924 or 308-2468.

Hagerman Valley Historical Society book signing, for Henry Whiting II book, "At Nature's Edge," 2 to 6 p.m., historic museum, 100 S. State St., Hagerman; public invited, refreshments served, 837-6060.

Oct. 8 - 13 — Desert Sage Quilters of Magic Valley quilting and binding event, quilts to be given to local agencies; conditions may also be made to "Pennies for the Inch" for the Primary Children's Medical Center of Salt Lake City, and for the children and families who go there, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (8), 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (9-12), and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (13), Magic Valley Mail center court, Twin Falls, 734-4386 or 734-3421.

"Wellness Secrets Group," with topics: Elderly Caregiving, Home Health Services and Medicare Therapy, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., OpenHouse Community Center, 284 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls, refreshments provided, 540 Fred Meyer gift card door prize, 735-0700 or dpeterson@brookdaleliving.com.

Bridal Showcase, 7 to 10 p.m., Grand Terrace (all ages), 1535 Main Avenue, Twin Falls, 733-5585.

Nov. 1 — The 2007 Fall Homecoming, 2007-9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Oct. 10, 11 — AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Gooding Fairgrounds, 303 Lucy Lane, \$10 (pre-registration required), 536-2021.

Oct. 11 Preceptor Alpha Kappa Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi meeting, 7 p.m., at the home of Marlene Nelson, 3577 N. 3000 E., Twin Falls, 733-6005.

St. Jerome's Catholic Church annual OktoberFiesta, includes authentic German, Portuguese and Mexican food, beer garden and raffie for Sun Valley gateway, laptop computer, iPod or bike, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall, 216 Second Ave. E., Jerome, 324-5679.

West Magic Lake Recreation Club Women's Cook-off, includes homemade appetizers, salads, breads/side dishes, main dishes and desserts; 6 p.m. registration deadline, West Magic Resort, awards given, 487-2734 or www.damfools.com.

West Magic Lake Recreation Club general meeting, noon, location TBA (depends on weather conditions), West Magic Resort, 487-2734 or www.damfools.com.

"Hues of Autumn" style show, presented by St. Luke's Magic Valley Auxiliary including fashions from Black Rock Clothing, Fashion Cents, Cobble Creek and Macy's, 2 to 5 p.m., Turf Club, Twin Falls, \$12.50, proceeds benefit cancer patients' gasoline fund; 734-0777.

Oct. 15, 16 — AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Health and Welfare building, 801 Pole Line Road, Twin Falls, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-9880.

"Wellness Secrets Group," with topics: Diabetes Education, Diabetes and Your Feet, Social Security Retirement, and Medicare Part D, noon to 2 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., no cost, 540 Fred Meyer gift card door prize, 735-0700 or dpeterson@brookdaleliving.com.

LIFE GROUP activity, make a 24-page helpful 6 x 6 scrapbook: bring lots of adhesive (fun acid-free name-tags), Liquid Glass and scissors, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$20 paperback book and \$27 hardback book, 543-6579 or 326-5198.

Ministry Service Provider Community Resource meeting, a night out with presentations by Dave Montgomery of Hagerman Direct and Brian Melusko of the College of Southern Idaho Small Business Development, 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, 735-3278.

Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, a memorial shoot for James Moore with net proceeds going to the Free Youth Shooting Program at the club, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I84 and Highway 93, mile marker 6, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-6045.

Magic Valley Model Railroaders group, public is invited to bring and run their trains, (parental supervision for those under age 18), noon to 4 p.m., Model Rail Road building, Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, 404-2151.

An Evening of Pinocchio, 7 p.m., Ageless Senior Center, 310 Main N., Kimberly, \$1, (bring your own treats), 423-4338.

Antique beet and potato harvesting demonstration, sponsored by the Magic Valley Antique Tractor Pullers Association Branch No. 38 and the Idaho Mule and Draft Horses Association, 11 a.m., 700 W. 75 S. (one mile west, a quarter mile north of Paul stoplight), open to the public, no cost, 431-4341.

Oktoberfest, sponsored by Rock Creek Community Church and the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, includes buffet dinner, music by the "Alpen Spielers Band," art-and-antique silent auction and quilting room sale, 4 to 7 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone Street W., \$7 per person or \$20 family ticket (two adults with children under age 12), 734-5088 or 734-5288.

"Taking Care of Our Own", Andrew Pike Benefit Dinner, with live music by the College of Southern Idaho Jazz Ensemble and Muzza Bruna, and sale of raffle tickets for 2007 Chevy Ave, 5:30 p.m. cocktails and 6 p.m. dinner, Turf Club, Twin Falls, \$30 per person or \$50 per couple; \$10 raffle tickets, 733-5332.

Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I84 and Highway 93, mile marker 6, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-6045.

Priam Weight Loss Program introductory class, 6 p.m., Gooding Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 634-8506.

"Looking Downstream", long-range planning meeting, hosted by the Magic Valley Arts Council and open to Arts organization representatives, visual literary and performing artists; civic leaders and interested area residents, 7 p.m., Still Life Gallery of Fine Art and Contemporary Crafts, 1535 Main Ave. S., Hagerman, Twin Falls, no cost, 543-1671.

Oct. 20 — AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Health and Welfare building, 801 Pole Line Road, Twin Falls, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-9880.

Oct. 21 — AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Health and Welfare building, 801 Pole Line Road, Twin Falls, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-9880.

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Gooding ISDB gym, Jerome Rec Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert LDS church gym (temporary location), Blaine County Campus Gym and Filser Elementary; 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (LDS church on Main (temporary location)); and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475.

"Abuse is the Training for Addiction," video training for anger and co-dependency management, Dr. Sharon Custer facilitating, 6 p.m., Miracle Valley Ministry Center, 213 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, donations, 734-9603.

TUESDAY

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at Filser Elementary and Hegeman High School Gyms; and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (temporary location: LDS Church on Main), no cost, 732-6475.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, Elizabeth Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 732-7477.

Silversneakers Fitness, 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 YMCAs members and \$5 per class for non-insured; 733-4384.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, meetings from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 a.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2002 Filser Ave. E., 736-7237 or 735-1101.

Faulkner Planetarium, "Hubble Vision" at 7 p.m.; and "Anthems of Ghouliah Delight" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

Mini-Casta Shelter for Women & Children, a support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C. St., Rupert, 438-0587.

Road 2 Recovery, a 12-step program (from 8:30 p.m.) at the Building of New Beginnings, 1044 E. Main St., (next to Goode Motors across from First Federal Savings Bank), Burley, 970-2578.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn, reaffirming healthy behaviors, 7:30 a.m., Miracle Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557 or 324-7237.

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"Coping with Widowhood," an eight-week series providing information and support for widowed men and women, sponsored by Widowed Wellness Programs of Idaho, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Katz Conference Room, South Central Medical Center, 1020 Washington St. N., 726-2122. (Drops in welcome.)

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Grief Share, "The journey of grief was not meant to be walked alone," 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave., Burley, child care available, 654-2500.

THURSDAYS

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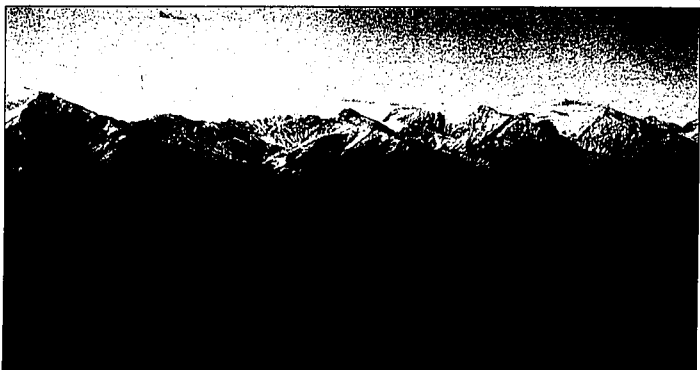
YOUTH OPTIONS, activities (open gym, pool tables, air hockey, video games and more) for young people ages 13-19 only, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, 732-8720.

Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hot-line: 1-866-592-3198.

SATURDAYS

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See daily calendar events online at www.magicvalley.com



Oct. 23

Agape Interfaith luncheon, with speaker Kathy Whipple on "Finding Joy in All Circumstances," 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Basque Center, Gooding, 97, 934-5700 for reservations by Oct. 21. (no charge for non-program only).

Oct. 24

Annual Turkey Dinner, 4:30 to 7 p.m., Crossroads United Methodist Church, 205 Madison E., Kimberly, \$8 for adults, \$3 for children age 10 years and younger, (take-out dinners available), 733-4931.

Oct. 25

Preceptor Alpha Kappa Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi meeting, 7 p.m., at the home of Carol Kingman, 1114 Eastridge Way, Twin Falls, 733-6910.

Oct. 26

Magic Valley Health Fair 2007, sponsored by St. Luke's MVMRC, St. Benedict's Family Medical and the Times-News includes 520 flu shots, reduced-cost blood tests, low-cost carotid artery testing, free skin cancer screening, free vision exams, mammogram scheduling, free immunizations, glucose testing, height/weight/blood pressure checks and "Ask a Doc" booth, 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Filser, no entry fee (free parking); bring Medicare/Medicaid card, blood draws require 12-hour fasting, 735-3251 or 420-0485.

Oct. 27

College of Southern Idaho 2nd Annual Great Pumpkin Race! 2007 and fundraiser, includes SK Run/Walk, 9 a.m. registration and 10 a.m. start time, \$25; one-mile, competitive youth challenge, non-registration and 12:30 p.m. start, \$15; and one-mile, non-competitive youth challenge, \$10 (costumes encouraged; trick-or-treating at designated locations; and costume judging at noon), CSI south entrance parking lot, 732-6479 or www.sponsorso.com

Oct. 28

The Idaho Water Sports second annual Fall Jam, a ski and snowboard event with professional stunt demonstrations on ramps, PineTree Plaza, 2165 Overland Ave., Burley, 879-5869.

Oct. 29

Prism Weight Loss Program Introductory class, 6 p.m., Gooding Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 934-8508.

Oct. 30

Band Wranglers of Jackson Hole, Wyoming, western concert, featuring rich harmonies, yodeling, fiddle and comedy for the whole family, 8 p.m., pre-show performance by local fiddlers and 7 p.m. program, Repro Auditorium, Twin Falls High School, \$15; proceeds to O'Leary Jr. High Band instrument scholarship program, 733-2155.

To have an event (including on-going events) listed in the November monthly calendar, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number by noon Nov. 22 to Suzanne Browne by e-mail to sbrowne@gmagicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

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- Travis Ward..... 12 - 1 p.m.
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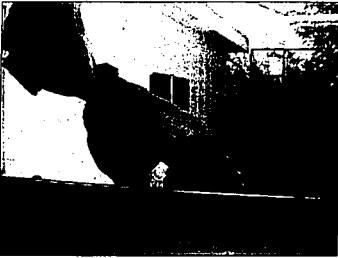
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EDUCATION GRANT



Gloria Riffe, president of P.E.O. Chapter BP of Twin Falls and projects committee member Jean Grandall present a continuing education grant to Amanda Larsen of Hazelton. The grant will enable her to continue her education in nursing. P.E.O. is an international philanthropic and educational organization dedicated to bringing opportunities for higher education to women in the Magic Valley.

SERVICE CLEANING



Gratitude was graciously expressed by a disabled resident that was able to look through shaly clean windows after Members of the Magic Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship volunteered to be of service through their contact with Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Magic Valley Inc., a Faith in Action program. Special thanks were extended to Nial Weatherbe, Heidi and Quinn Campbell, Collette Hogdon, Don Morishita, Jeremy, Elijah, and Alyssa Sasser Collins.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Eisensohn selected as an emerging scholar

BATON ROUGE, La. — Ashley Eisensohn of Burley has been awarded a 2007 Emerging Scholar Award worth \$250 by the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. She is one of the first 60 recipients nationwide to receive such an award.

Eisensohn is a sophomore majoring in chemistry and psychology at the University of Idaho. She is the daughter of Gary and Angie Eisensohn.

The Phi Kappa Phi Emerging Scholar Award program was initiated in 2007 to recognize outstanding rising sophomores studying at Phi Kappa Phi member institutions. Recipients must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.75 on a 4.0 scale and have a minimum of 10 semester hours of academic credit.

Fairfield student experiences culture

NAMPA — 2007 Northwest Nazarene University graduate Britni McLam of Fairfield has taken part in two cross-cultural education experiences through the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities study-abroad program.

In 2005, she traveled to England to participate in the three-week Oxford Summer Programme where she spent most of her time attending classes and traveling to local sites including the Roman ruins, St. Albans Cathedral, and Shakespeare's home.

In the fall of 2006, McLam and 19 other students flew to St. Petersburg, Russia to take part in the Russian Studies program. She spent 12 weeks

in Nizhni Novograd where she lived with a host family to learn their language and culture. In addition to class work, she volunteered at local churches, businesses, schools and orphanages and visited the Kremlin, Red Square and St. Basil's Cathedral.

McLam graduated with a bachelor of science in biology/chemistry and plans to continue traveling.

Albertson College releases dean's list

CALDWELL — Albertson College of Idaho announced its 2007 dean's list.

Students from the Magic Valley include Rachel Odio of Bellevue; Larissa B. Bilek, Richard Sisson, Laura J. Zowicki of Butte; Hailey C. Smith, Corey S. Westfall of Burley; Kristen M. Sabala of Gooding; Emily K. Nagashima of Halley; Kenzie M. Peterson of Jerome; Whitney R. Martin of Pauli; Cassandra J. Schiffer, Cole W. Blitzenberg of Twin Falls. To receive dean's list recognition, students must complete at least nine or more graded credits and achieve a grade point average of 3.75 or higher.

Swensen earns academic award

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences awarded the John W. Schenz, D.O., Physicians' Hall of Sponsors scholarship to Eric Swensen. The scholarship is awarded based on academic and leadership performance.

A third-year medical student at KCU/MB, Swensen has served as secretary of the Internal Medicine Club. He has volunteered with

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



Francis M. Carter, center, presents the Francis M. Carter Scholarship award to Allison Wells, left. The scholarship is presented annually to a senior in a Cassia County school who is enrolled in a Cassia County 4-H livestock project and has completed at least four years of livestock club work. Rosie Davis of the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Office, right, also presented Carter with a plaque in recognition of his years of support of the Cassia County 4-H program.

DOCCAM International, the Kansas City Marathon, City Union Mission and Parents as Teachers. He is pursuing a doctor of osteopathic medicine.

Swensen is the son of Helen Swensen of Paul and the late Richard Swensen.

Locals added to Idaho State's dean's list

POCATELLO — Sara N. Lee of Eden, Roman E. Scott of

Gooding, Jeffrey P. Anderson of Hazelton, and Myra L. Oesterlein, Maureen B. Slatter Padilla of Twin Falls have earned a place on the Idaho State University 2007 summer semester dean's list for the College of Education, said Dr. Deborah L. Hedeon, dean of the college.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must complete at least six semester credits and receive a grade point average of 3.66 or higher.

Spaces still available for CSI Mini-Cassia computer classes

BURLEY — College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center mid-term computer classes still have spaces. These computer classes are for five weeks and are for credit. The cost is \$105 with a \$22 lab fee. Students 60 years old and older can take credit classes for free and just pay

the lab fees. Computers for Beginners starts Wednesday, Oct. 3 through Oct. 31 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Office 2007 starts Tuesday, Oct. 2 through Oct.

30 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Using Quickbooks I starts Thursday, Oct. 4 through Nov. 1 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 678-1400.

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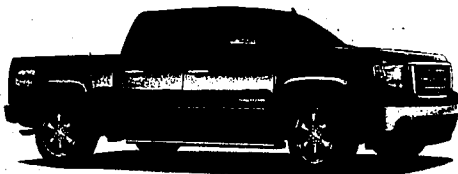
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This is not the Beijing of old

By Susan Spano
Los Angeles Times

BEIJING: — I knew that moving from Paris' 7th arrondissement to a dorm room in northwestern Beijing would be a jolt akin to waking up in a body cast after falling asleep at the wheel. I had been to the Chinese capital a decade ago, so I packed surgical masks for the pollution, thermal underwear for the cold and enough antibiotics to open a pharmacy. I weaned myself away from Laduree macarons and French Bordeaux, got a visa that identified me as a student and changed my e-mail address. I was prepared to be sick, scrutinized, hungry and miserable.

Instead, I found Beijing far more electrifying than Paris, unrecognizable from the city I had visited 10 years ago.

Where I had once seen construction workers using hammers to break stone on Chang'an Avenue, there were skyscrapers, shopping malls, pedestrian underpasses, park benches and rosebushes. Children no longer pointed and giggled when I passed. As the cold, dark Beijing winter yielded to spring, I often woke up to perfectly clear, blue skies.

So, I suppose I should not wonder when people ask me about poverty, traffic, pollution, xenophobia, strange food and a host of other unflattering clichés born of previous encounters with the city. I must be patient when they grieve for the old hutong neighborhoods supposedly swept away by development, when they marvel at my ability to get around without a guide and when they ask whether my cell phone was tapped.

The truth is this: There was the polluted, awkward, unfriendly Beijing I visited 10 years ago, and there is Beijing now, physically and psychologically transformed.

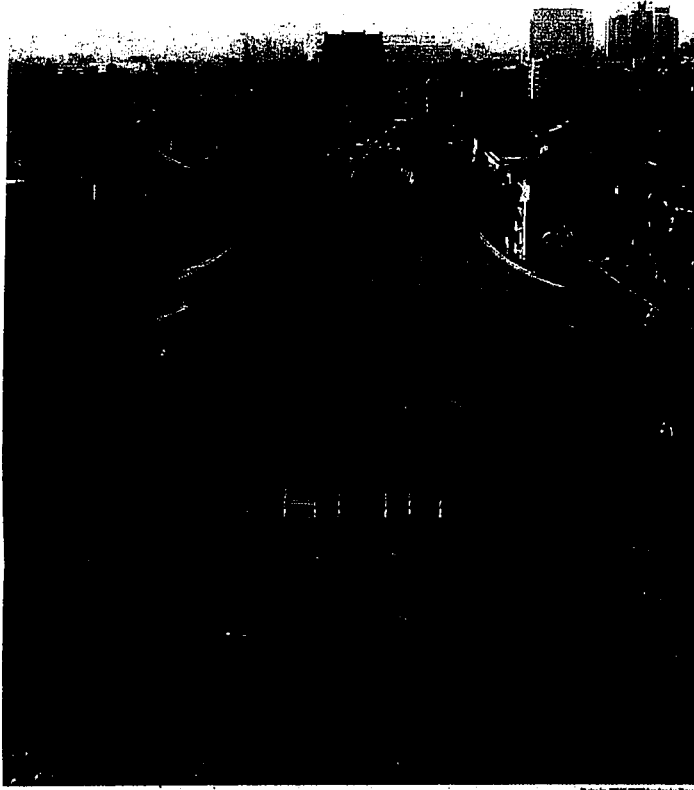
Shortly after the 1978 economic opening of China, Shanghai, the sophisticated financial hub, seemed to be leading the country into the future. But things changed in 2001 when Beijing, historically the nation's stodgy government and education center, won its bid to host the 2008 Summer Olympics, which will be Aug. 8 to 24.

The government has gone on a \$40 billion building spree to make these the best Games ever and to turn this into a colossal coming-of-age party for a world-class capital.

In preparation for the Olympics, which are expected to draw half a million spectators from abroad and a billion TV viewers worldwide, the government planted 2.7 million trees last year alone and has urged people to correct such bad habits as spitting in public, talking too loudly and cutting in line. Bad drivers are deodorizing their cars, and meteorologists are searching for high-tech ways to make sure it doesn't rain on the Beijing Olympic parade.

Tourists who come here for a few days to see the Forbidden City, Summer Palace and Ming Tombs are bound to notice these developments. In the four months spent here studying Mandarin, I came to fully appreciate how far Beijing had come since my last visit — and how much further it plans to go in the months leading up to the opening ceremonies.

I had no illusions about mastering the language in the short, intensive course, but I wanted to explore the city



Beijing's past and future: The Forbidden City rises in the foreground, while modern skyscrapers dot the skyline. In anticipation of the influx of visitors for next summer's Olympics, ongoing restoration has intensified on some of the major sights in the Forbidden City, such as the Meridian Gate and the Hall of Supreme Harmony.



A teacher works on her postures in the courtyard of Mountain Yoga, a rustic retreat in a beautiful temple compound on the far reaches of Beijing.

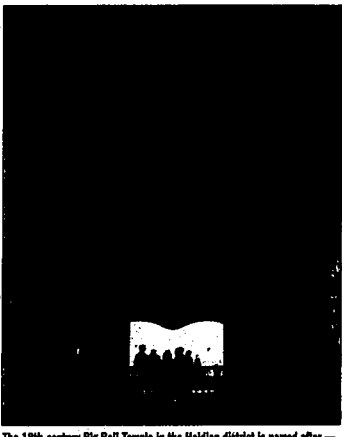
with more confidence than I felt on my first visit.

I stayed in a dorm on campus partly to meet people — the woman at the laundry who always asked how I had spent my weekend, the flower salesman who threw a few extra stems into my bouquets, the clerk in the cafe who thought bagels were invented

in Chicago.

Beijing has been accused of plowing up history in the city's mad rush to modernize.

But during my months here, I realized that that was not the whole story. The number of foreign visitors is expected to increase exponentially during and after the Olympics, so the government



The 18th-century Big Bell Temple in the Haidian district is named after — you guessed it — its giant bell. Visit at the right time, and the lucky tourist may hear a decent play a wondrous Chinese air on the Marquis of Zeng's 65 chimneys at the temple. Beijing is dotted with bell towers, which are popular with sightseers.

is pouring money into renovations at such popular tourist sites as the Forbidden City, Confucius Temple and the Summer Palace.

The more subtle hand of preservation is at work in some of the city's beloved old

hutong neighborhoods, where generations of families lived in traditional Chinese courtyard houses, gossiped from their stoops, shelled chestnuts, aired bedsheets and sent their children out to play.

MAGIC VALLEY TRAVELING

Places to go, things to see in Pocatello

Trivia: According to one Web site, in 1948, the Mayor of the City of Pocatello, George Phillips, passed an ordinance making it illegal not to smile in Pocatello. The ordinance was passed "tongue in cheek" as a result of an exceptionally severe winter, which had dampened the spirit of City employees and citizens alike.

Name: The name "Pocatello" comes from an Indian chief of the Shoshone tribe who granted the railroad a right-of-way through the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. Shoshone and Bannock Indian tribes inhabited southeastern Idaho for hundreds of years before the epic trek by Lewis and Clark across Idaho in 1805.

Fort Hall Replica

Fort Hall is a replica of the historic facility that served pioneer travelers along the Oregon Trail. Enter the massive wooden gates and wander through the Company Hall, Frontier Room, Indian Room, Factor's Quarter, Blacksmith and Carpenter's Room. A covered wagon and tepee enhance the outdoor exhibit. See the video "Fort Hall, Gateway to the Northwest" and visit the gift shop.

Pocatello Zoo

3101 Ave. of the Chiefs. Located in Ross Park, this zoo showcases native animals of the Rocky Mountain region in a natural setting. Bears, fox, lynx, cougar, badgers, pronghorn, elk, bison, deer, various birds and much more are housed at Pocatello's zoo.

International Rose Garden

Located near the visitor center. Features more than 1,100 rose bushes.

Ross Park Aquatic Complex

Located in Ross Park, the Aquatic Center is surrounded by the Pocatello Zoo, playground equipment, a sand volleyball court, horseshoe pit, and the skate park facility. The complex offers a zero depth pool with a water play element in the middle where children can slide, turn water on and off, or crawl through tunnels. The lazy river provides for a relaxing tube ride around an activity pool complete with water basketball and a cargo net that patrons can hold on to while crossing lily pads. The complex also features a water slide and a 25-yard by 25-meter pool.

Idaho Museum of Natural History

Located on the campus of Idaho State University. The Idaho Museum of Natural History is home to collections in anthropology, vertebrate paleontology, earth science, and life sciences. It holds an archive of documents and ethnographic photographs.