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## What's in the kitchen?



### The government knows, and they're willing to tell you

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

The next time you go out to eat, take time to look around the restaurant.

Hidden in the kitchen, along with the food, utensils and appliances, are hundreds of things waiting to go wrong. Maybe a cook won't grill the meat as long as he should. The dishwasher might not reach the proper temperature, or a sick employee could cough in the pasta and share his flu with the restaurant at large.

That's where Melody Bowyer comes in. The public health manager for the South Central Public Health District, Bowyer is one of nine food inspectors the district employs to visit restaurants, schools, grocery stores and other businesses that serve food in south-central Idaho and make sure they're following the rules.

There are holes in the process, and some businesses may find it easy to flout the rules. But the district and the data it publishes on its Web site give Idahoans the chance to check out when they'll eat at night, and avoid what could become health-threatening situations.

#### The basics

As a food inspector, Bowyer is responsible for as many as 260 fast-food eateries, school kitchens and other restaurants within the city limits of Twin Falls. She's at every fair and public event with food carts—and one week before the city's new Starbucks opened up, she made sure its managers had prepared everything they needed.

Her fellow inspectors do the same for the rest of the nearly 1,000 food establishments in the eight-county



Senay Malik, an environmental health inspector with South Central Public Health District, checks the temperature of nacho cheese Sept. 27 during a food inspection at Starvo's 2 in the Magic Valley Mall.

health district. They must be adaptable: their area includes everything from taco trucks to Twin Falls School District cafeterias, which serve 7,500 student meals a day. Each business has to be inspected at least once a year, a process that can take from one to three hours.

It's a tall order. But local restaurants and shops say the district keeps up well. "They did a pretty good job for us," said John Mesa, owner of the Peking Restaurant in Twin Falls. "We do what they want us to do."

Those instructions, enshrined in Idaho Code, are based on guidelines from the federal government. The regulations cover personal hygiene, contaminated equipment and the most common violation in Idaho: holding time and cooking temperatures.

Some locations are more

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## Jerome County may be next in dairy lawsuit

Dairy, cattle industries sued Gooding County last week

By Matt Christiansen  
Times-News writer

Jerome County is bracing for a legal battle following a suit filed last week against Gooding County by the Idaho dairy and cattle industries.

The Idaho Dairy Association and Idaho Cattle Association allege a new set of county ordinances are too strict and may run the livestock industry out of Gooding County.

Meanwhile, Jerome County is drafting new confined-animal feeding operation ordinances county officials expect will be challenged in court when they're adopted later this year.

The livestock industries have long lobbied hard to protect their interests, but with several Magic Valley counties fighting CAFO rules, the industries are taking the fight from county meeting rooms to district courts.

Their strategy is doing little to stop counties from clamping down on CAFOs.

"I expect to be challenged no matter what we come up with," said Carl Nellis, chairman of Jerome County's planning board that's drafting the proposed laws.

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## Impeding democracy

Rice says Putin's concentration of power hurting Russia

By Matthew Lee  
Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — The Russian government under Vladimir Putin has amassed so much central authority that the power-grab may undermine Moscow's commitment to democracy, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Saturday.

"In any country, if you don't have countervailing institutions, the power of any one president is problematic—for democratic development," Rice told reporters after meeting with human-rights activists.

"I think there is too much concentration of power in the Kremlin. I have told the Russians that. Everybody has doubts about the full independence of the judiciary. There are clearly questions about the independence of the electronic media and there are, I think, questions about the

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## Extra critter comforts

California highway path for animals riles human drivers

By Patrick McCreary  
Times-News writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Even in Los Angeles, where celebrities dress their pets in designer clothes, a proposal for a \$455,000 animal lane on a bridge over Interstate 405, the San Diego Freeway, has riled residents who say scarce transportation dollars should not be used to help deer and bobcats while humans remain gridlocked in traffic.

The cost could balloon to \$1.4 million if environmentalists can persuade the city to extend the wildlife path, which would be part of an overpass for vehicles and pedestrians, beyond the freeway, officials said.

The plan has split residents of wealthy west side enclaves, where the impulse to be environmentally correct is clashing with frustration over the tortoise-like pace on area roadways.

Even some activists who have long supported green causes are ridiculing the idea of a special path on the Skirball Center Drive bridge so coyotes and opossums can commute across the Sepulveda Pass.

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See it online

"There's something there that says, 'I'm going to be before the public, therefore I have to be clean.'"  
— Mark Huber, owner of Baby's Old Time Confections in Twin Falls






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# TODAY'S FORECAST

**TWIN FALLS**

**Today** **Tonight** **Monday**

**Today** Sunny skies to round out the weekend  
**High 65**

**Tonight** Fair to clear skies  
**Low 42**

**Monday** Scattered clouds  
**65/41**

**MINI-CASSIA**

**Today:** Abundant sunshine. Highs, lower 60s.  
**Tonight:** Clear skies and settled weather expected. Low upper 30s.  
**Tomorrow:** A few clouds rolling in. Highs, 60s.

**Complete weather report: See page B8**

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Magic Valley Symphony new performance season, with Idaho's Musical Treasures" featuring Idaho musical artists and composers, 4 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Auditorium, www.mvsymphony.org.

The British group **Zum In concert**, a blend of Eastern European gypsy fiddle music with Argentinean tango, Klezmer, Celtic, salsa, bluegrass, Arabic and cypso, 7 p.m., Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood, Ketchum, \$25 for adults and \$10 for children age 12 and under, 726-9491.

### BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

"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 to benefit cancer patients' gasoline fund, 734-0477.

### CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

West Magic Lake Recreation Club general meeting, noon, West Magic Resort, 487-2734 or www.damfools.com.

### EXHIBITS

"Trailing the Year: The Human Landscape of Sheep Ranching in the American West," the Western Folklore Center's traveling exhibit, 1-p.m. exhibit tour and discussion with curators, Ketchum/Sun Valley Ski and Heritage Museum, Ketchum, (775) 738-7508, ext. 236, or (888) 880-5895.

### FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

The 11th annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival, featuring the Big Sheep Parade, noon, Main Street, Ketchum, www.visitsunvalley.com.

### HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

The 12th Annual Crafts in the County, sponsored by Twin Falls County Employee Council, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Merchants Buildings No. 1 and No. 3., free admission, 736-4173 or 734-0646.

### HOME AND GARDEN

The Fourth annual Magic Valley Orchard Society American Orchard Society judged show and sale, includes five free seminars on orchard growing, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Magic Valley Mall, Twin Falls, free admission, 733-3000.

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, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

## COMING THIS WEEK IN THE TIMES-NEWS

**MONDAY**  
Crisp and colorful  
Make the leap into fall.



**TUESDAY**  
Trees' secret  
Trees bare all when fall falls upon them.



**THURSDAY**  
Thoroughly jazzed  
The Sun Valley Swing and Dixieland Jazz Jamboree — and 3,000 visitors — return to the Wood River Valley.



**SATURDAY**  
Speak no evil  
It's a tough time to be a Roman Catholic theologian.



**In TNT** **In Religion**

# MORNING BRIEFING

## AROUND THE WORLD

### MYANMAR

#### Myanmar junta arrests 4 prominent activists

YANGON — Myanmar's junta arrested four prominent political activists Saturday. Amnesty International said, including one who went into hiding after leading some of the first major marches against the government several weeks ago.

The United Nations has called on the military government to halt its crackdown on the protesters, and a U.N. special envoy was expected in the region on Sunday to help coordinate a response among key Asian governments.

Among those detained Saturday was Htay Kywe, who led some of the first marches several weeks ago before going into hiding to escape a government man-hunt, Amnesty said. Others arrested were Aung Htoo and Thin Thin Aye, also known as Mle Mle.

The three were believed to be the last remaining activists at large from the 88 Generation Students' Group — the country's boldest dissident group — which was at the forefront of a 1988 democracy uprising and one of the main forces behind the protests that started in August.

A fourth activist, Ko Ko, was also arrested, — the London-based rights group said. All four were believed to have been rounded up in Yangon, the country's main city.

### COLUMBIA

#### Makeshift gold mine collapses, killing 21 and injuring 18

BOGOTA — A makeshift gold mine collapsed in southwest Colombia on Saturday, killing 21 people and injuring another 18, authorities said.

Efforts were under way to find about 10 miners missing and presumed trapped underground in the mine, located near the town of Suarez, 220 miles southwest

### FLORIDA

#### Federal review looms over guards' acquittal in death at boot camp

PANAMA-CITY — Seven former juvenile boot camp guards and a nurse had barely processed an all-white jury's decision to acquit them in a black teenager's death before federal authorities announced they would review the case.

Since jurors on Friday acquitted them of manslaughter charges, federal prosecutors likely would have to try another tactic, such as seeking an indictment alleging obstruction of justice, legal experts said.

"It's too early to say that the final chapter has been written with respect to the criminal justice system in this case," said Kendall Coffey, a former U.S. attorney in Miami.

Florida civil rights leaders called for federal charges hours after a jury took 90

### SWEDEN

#### European cities taking action on climate change

VAXJO — When this quiet city in southern Sweden decided in 1996 to wean itself off fossil fuels, most people doubted the ambitious goal would have any impact beyond the town limits.

A few melting glaciers later, Vaxjo is attracting a green pilgrimage for national or international measures to curb global warming.

From London's congestion charge to Paris' city bike program and Barcelona's solar power campaign, initiatives taken at the local level are being introduced across the continent — often influencing national policies instead of the other way around.

"People used to ask: Isn't it better to do this at a national or international level?" said Henrik Johansson, environmental controller in Vaxjo, a

### VERMONT

#### Werner von Trapp, stepson of Maria von Trapp, dies at 91

MONTPELIER — Werner von Trapp, a member of the musical family made famous by the 1965 movie "The Sound of Music," has died, his family said. He was 91.

Von Trapp died Thursday at his home in Watfelsfeld. The cause of death was not announced. The family confirmed his death, but declined to comment further.

"The Sound of Music" was based loosely on a 1949 book by his stepmother, Maria von Trapp, who died in 1987. It tells the story of an Austrian woman who married a widower with seven children and teaches them music.

Born in 1915 in Zell am See, Austria, von Trapp was the fourth child and second son of Captain Georg von Trapp and his first wife, Agathe Whitehead. In the movie "The Sound of Music," Werner von Trapp was depicted by the character named Kurt.

During the 1930s, von Trapp studied cello and became proficient on several other instruments. He sang tenor with his family's choir, "The Trapp Family Singers," who won great acclaim throughout Europe after their debut in 1935.

— The Associated Press

## THREE-DAY PLANNER

### CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

**Oct. 15** — The Burley Music club monthly meeting, Shanen Aston will direct her third-grade students in the performance of their composition of the opera "Cinderella," noon, at the LDS Church, 530 Villa Ave., Heyburn, open to the public, 878-7325 or 678-5482.

**Oct. 17** — Magic Valley Singles Square Dances Club 24th anniversary dance and potluck, members bring salads and desserts; club provides the rest, 7 p.m., Jerome Senior Center, all dancers welcome, 734-4647.

### HEALTH

**Oct. 16** — "Wellness Secrets Group," with topics: Diabetes Education, Diabetes and Your Fast, Social Security Retirement, and Medicare Part D, noon to 2 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W.; no cost; \$40 Fred Meyer gift card door prize, 735-0700 or dpetersen@brookdaleliving.com.

**Oct. 16** — Strong Women Strong Bones exercise program, beginning of six-week, Tuesday/Thursday strength training classes, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, \$10, 734-9490, ext. 24 or mlrln@uidaho.edu.

### HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

**Oct. 16** — LIFE GROUP activity, make a 24-page holiday 6 x 6 scrapbook; bring lots of adhesive (acid-free runner-type liquid Glues and glue sticks), 8:30-9 p.m.; Clover Trinity Lutheran School, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, \$20 paperback book and \$27 hardback book, 543-6579 or 328-5198.

### OPEN HOUSE

**Oct. 15** — Minidoka Head Start open house, to meet staff and tour the center, 10 a.m. to noon, at the center, 124 Eighth St., Rupert, 436-4553.

### VETERANS

**Oct. 16** — Veterans Outreach, with Milt Smith director of Boise Veterans Services will answer benefit concerns, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Jerome County Courthouse, 644-2708 to make an appointment.

### BUSINESS

**Oct. 15** — "Discover the Tricks of the Trade," professional makeup artist Krista Embry shares beauty secrets and techniques, 7:30 p.m., The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, \$9, 420-6893 for tickets.

**Oct. 17** — Mini-Cassia Service Providers Community Resource meeting, a no-host lunch with presentations by Dave Montgomery of Homestyles Direct and Brian Matsuoka of the College of Southern Idaho Small Business Development, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Connors' Cafe, Interstate exit 208 and Highway 27, Heyburn, bring business cards, flyers or brochures (optional), 678-9165 or 677-4872, ext. 2.

### GOVERNMENT

**Oct. 16** — "The Snake River Aquifer: A Search for Solutions," sponsored by Jerome Democratic Party with moderator Scott McClure, 7 p.m., Idaho Fish and Game Office, Highway 93, 324-4359.

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# Lawsuit

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The industries sued Gooding County commissioners over new ordinances on the books since June — that limit where CAFO owners can spread manure, ban new CAFOs from within a mile of the Snake and Malad rivers and prevent CAFO owners from selling manure outside the state.

The Jerome County ordinances, which are still in the works, will likely restrict methods for distributing CAFO waste, increase setbacks from roads and set tough penalties for CAFO owners who don't control odors.

County boards have increasingly become concerned there are too many CAFOs in Magic Valley and that livestock operations are jeopardizing public health. County commissioners recently passed emergency moratoriums on new CAFOs based on those concerns. Jerome's is still in effect until next month.

County commissioners say they'll continue to pass tighter CAFO rules despite lawsuits or legal threats.

"I'm worried about people suing us, threatening to sue us, and never getting anything done," said Charlie Howell, chairman of the Jerome County commission. "I'm a firm believer that it's up to the commissioners and the public to set the rules, not the courts."

The industries, however, say commissioners are running an economic powerhouse out of the valley. The industries alone employ nearly 10,000 in Magic Valley, contributes \$7.4 million a year in local property taxes and accounts for about half of the growth in the state's economy and employment, according to a Boise State University study released last year.

Gooding County ranked eighth among all American counties for the value of milk and dairy products produced, according to a 2002 U.S. Department of Agriculture census.

Not all mega milk-producing counties in Magic Valley are in conflict with the industries. Oflicea in Cassia County, home to about 34,000 milk-producing cows, don't expect their laws to be challenged in court.

"At this point in time we have a good relationship with the dairymen," said Cassia County Commissioner Clay Handy. "And I think they are careful to be good neighbors."

"I think Gooding feels like they're saturated, and maybe they were a little bit harsh with some of their ordinances," he said.

Commissioners are passing new laws based on fact, not fact, said Bob Naebout, president of the Idaho Dairymen's Association.

"I think the commissioners were responding more to emotion than to the logic of our arguments when they passed these ordinances," Naebout said. "We need to get some clarity on the legality of these issues for the industry throughout the entire state."

"That may mean suing one county at a time."

"We'll continue at the outcome in Gooding County as a precedent in how we might challenge other counties," Naebout said.

In the meantime, Jerome County is also enforcing its CAFO ordinances, lawsuits or not.

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The South Idaho Press contributed to this report.

# Healthy

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of a challenge than others. A grocery store can take hours, while a shop such as Daisy's Old Time Confections in Twin Falls can be much simpler. The store's soup and sandwiches are carefully observed, owner Mark Huber said. But the candy the store sells doesn't spill in the same way, and the ice cream, he joked, is all but self-regulating, melting if the temperature's wrong. His deli sandwiches, assembled in front of customers, give him extra motivation to be clean.

"There's something there that says, 'I'm going to be before the public, therefore I have to be clean,'" Huber said.

Those curious about their favorite hangouts can visit the health district's Web site. Most inspections since 2004 are posted there in a simple database that consumers can search by city or establishment name. State law doesn't require restaurants to post inspection results on the premises, as is required in some other states. Those looking for more information on a business can request it from the district since inspections are public record.

Violations can be fairly common in the food industry, where employee turnover is high, Bowyer said. But many, such as a bleach bucket without enough bleach, can be fixed on the spot and chain restaurants such as McDonald's often have their own third-party inspectors — the fast-food chain inspects its restaurants at least four times every 18 months.

"Ours is far more controlled by McDonald's than the state," franchise owner/operator Darren Kyles said. "We have our own inspectors who are tested on food safety through the company — separate from the state's required test. I would generally say that our minimum standards are beyond theirs in most cases."

## A system with teeth

On paper, the system works. But it does have a few weak points, and one is enforcement.

Inspectors give businesses 10 days to fix critical violations, those that could pose an immediate threat to human well-being. Five or more violations trigger an automatic follow-up inspection within 10 days.

Repeat offenders and those who refuse to cooperate with the district can be shut down, Bowyer said, but she tries to avoid that and favors meeting with managers in form a plan to fix the problems.

"That's assuming every business with violations actually fixes them. Inspectors try to do as many follow-ups on the premises as possible," Bowyer said, but they don't have the time to



Health inspectors Melody Bowyer, right, and Sunny Blair check the temperature of a refrigerator unit at Steve's 2 in the Magic Valley Mall during a routine inspection. "For the violations that can be corrected onsite, we try to encourage them to do it while we're there," said Bowyer, food protection manager for South Central Public Health District.

visit regularly. Most follow-ups simply involve the businesses listing their changes in a correction form and mailing it in to the district.

"We pretty much take their word on it, just because we're not staffed to a level where we can (follow up)," Bowyer said.

The same staffing shortage extends to other parts of the district. The inspection Web site should be updated weekly, but isn't because the district's IT department is understaffed and servers are scattered across the building.

If a restaurant changes owners, the change triggers a new inspection. But it also means a change in the establishment's ID code, dropping all previous reports, good and bad, from the computer database.

Thus, for example, the casual diner researching the Pizza Hut located on Addison Avenue in Twin Falls will see that the restaurant had seven violations earlier this year. He won't see that the restaurant had a history of temperature violations running back to 2004 — something that may or may not matter, depending on what changes the new owner made. The old data is still available in the district's records, Bowyer said, but the Web software ignores it.

"If you really wanted to know, you can always fill out a request for a public record," Bowyer said.

One problem for the district is the inspection fee charged on each visit. Eateries ante up \$65 for Bowyer to poke around inside an establishment, while schools pay \$120 extra since they receive two inspections.

But the current fees cover a major one-third the cost carried by the district, she said. And though the Idaho Legislature saw fit to renew the fees this year, even industry representatives want them to change. Adam Johnson, director of food

safety for Albertsons stores in the West, said he and others would like to see a varied fee schedule based more on the time and effort it takes to inspect a location.

"I'm not advocating for a crazy program, but I think it needs to be more equitable," Johnson said.

## The bigger picture

Other than that complaint, Johnson praised Idaho's food safety program as one of the more progressive in the region. By using newer versions of federal food codes, Idaho stands out from many other states around it, he said.

"The current Idaho program is kind of a good happy medium of those programs," Johnson said, adding the company would welcome more oversight — the more the better.

Johnson's views reflect the way Patrick Guzzie, Idaho's Food Protection Program manager, views his work. Statistics show the state, part of the FDA's Pacific region, stacks up well against that agency's voluntary standards, and the health districts respond quickly to any problems. Guzzie said, despite any resource shortages.

"We're kind of regarded as one of the leaders (in the region)," Guzzie said.

When comparing state food standards, there is no common ground. Utah — at least the Salt Lake Valley Health Department — uses a four-level risk assessment system under which full-sized restaurants are inspected every three months, while theater concession stands are only visited once a year.

"We want to be inspecting those facilities that have a higher food-borne risk to the public," Bureau of Food Protection Director Bryce C. Larsen said.

Eric Pippert, manager of Oregon's Foodborne Illness Prevention Program, said all

businesses in that state are inspected twice a year. Other than some staffing problems in more-remote areas, he said, the state's system is quite effective.

Gleam Savage, director of the environmental health division for the Southern Nevada Health District, faces a unique challenge every day. With about 80 inspectors who all have other duties, he has to stay on top of nearly 17,000 different establishments, many of whom serve the varied and unusual cuisine required to attract customers in Las Vegas. Though his agency only has to inspect all 17,000 once a year, his inspectors visit many twice, and the district — which is self-sufficient — can afford to hire more inspectors to keep up with the 1,000 new businesses each year.

Where Idaho seems to be ahead of the curve is its approach to public awareness, including recent southern-central Idaho TV commercials created by a food safety coalition. Many counties in Oregon offer the same Web database that most Idaho districts do. But Savage said Nevada is still studying the idea — though it does give businesses grade cards to place in their front windows.

All Utah currently does is post when businesses are closed, Larsen said. But the state has requested all districts submit their results online. The Salt Lake district hopes to have its information posted next year.

With all the differences, what state does inspections right? Probably everyone, Savage said. After all, the long-time health worker said, all the basic polices have been standardized by the federal government.

"After 32 years, a food inspection is pretty much a food inspection," he said.

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# Path

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"What are they going to do next? Don't be standing there directing animals to use the bridge!" scoffed Ernest Frankel, a member of the Mountingate Community Association, a residents group.

Others, including biologist Paul Edelman of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, say that if the state is going to expand the 405 as planned, it has an obligation to help wildlife cross open spaces safely in half-by-one of the nation's busiest freeways.

State officials, doing this to improve the quality of open space and solve a serious wildlife issue is a drop in the bucket," Edelman said. "If we want better wildlife habitat in Griffith Park and other open spaces, this is a must."

The controversy stems from a plan by the California Department of Transportation to replace the Skirball overpass to accommodate the scheduled widening of the 405 and the addition of a carpooling lane in the Los Angeles neighborhoods of Brentwood, Bel-Air and Sherman Oaks.

Concerned that a wider freeway would make it more difficult for wildlife to east and west from habitats above the pass, the conservancy won a tentative commitment from Caltrans to make the new bridge, which includes 100-foot wide than originally planned.

The additional width would help roaming wildlife, according to a preliminary design expected to receive final approval once an environmental review is completed.

Edelman said wildlife surveys show that at any time, about 15 bobcats live between the 405 and Highway 101 freeways, possibly 30 to 35 bobcats west of the 405 as far as Topanga Canyon and 135 to 160 deer in areas on both sides of the freeway.

405 would help animals flee when disease or fire affects them on either side. Edelman said, and avoid isolating them in a way that leads to inbreeding.

But in a letter to Caltrans, a coalition of 19 neighborhood and community organizations said there's no proof that if you build it, the animals will come. The group opposes the bridge project, which would include moving the on- and off ramps about 800 feet from where they are now.

An environmental report prepared by Caltrans said wildlife experts have found tracks from deer, coyotes and foxes at one crossing, where Sepulveda Boulevard passes under the freeway.

Because traffic can make chasers skittish, the bridge plan includes a 5-foot-high wall to block their view of the freeway and a 3-foot wall blocking their view of the bridge roadway.

State Club activist Rosemary White said the animal path needs to be extended over or under busy Sepulveda Boulevard or it would be like signing a death warrant for creatures coming off the bridge. City officials said that would cost an additional \$1 million, money they don't have.

# Russia

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strength of the Duma," said Rice, referring to the Russian parliament.

Telephone messages left with Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov were not immediately returned Saturday evening.

The top American diplomat encouraged the activists to build institu-

tions of democracy. These would help combat arbitrary state power amid increasing pressure from the Kremlin, she said.

"The U.S. is concerned about the centralization of power and democratic backsliding ahead of Russia's legislative and presidential elections in December and March.

Putin will step down next year as president. He has said he would lead the ticket of the main pro-Kremlin party in the parliamentary election and could take the prime minister's job later.

Rice sought opinions and assessments of the situation from eight prominent rights leaders.

"I talked to people about

the coming months and how they see the coming months. How these two elections are carried out will have an effect on whether Russia is making the next step toward democracy," Rice said after the private sessions at Spaso House, the residence of the U.S. ambassador in Moscow.

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# Survivors of Minn. bridge collapse seek help from state as recovery costs skyrocket

By Joshua Freed  
Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — As the estimated cost of recovering from an interstate bridge collapse surges past \$400 million, survivors of the deadly disaster just wish they could get a few thousand dollars here and there to make ends meet.

About 30 of the more than 100 people injured in the Aug. 1 collapse, which killed 13 people, meet weekly to talk about the troubles it's caused them. This past week, one man spoke of his struggle with a \$41,000 medical bill. Others mentioned missed paychecks.

That they've all had such problems getting paid irritated fellow survivor Kimberly Brown enough that she fired off an e-mail to Minnesota's state and U.S. senators.

"I want these innocent people to have all of their medical, all of their insurance, all of their mortgages, all of their lost wages, all of their mental health counseling taken care of by the entities that were in charge, or partially in charge, of that bridge," the 38-year-old technical writer fumed in the message. "And not just today, but months and years from now."

Several state lawmakers have said they'd consider putting taxpayer money in a fund for collapse victims. But the question has been complicated by the possibility that victims will sue the state, which inspected and maintained the bridge.

The state caps its liability from any one event at \$1 mil-

lion, which would be divided among all the victims. "It would just be pitifully inadequate," said Phil Sleff, one of a group of attorneys working for free to represent bridge collapse victims.

"The nonprofits are doing what they can, but it's not adequate. The government and the people responsible for the bridge need to step forward," he said.

The Interstate 35W-bridge collapse cut off one of the main roads out of downtown Minneapolis, snarling traffic and putting pressure on the state to replace it quickly. The winning bid for the new 10-lane bridge design, announced Monday, came in at \$234 million, some \$57 million more than the cheapest bid. And the state is promising \$27 million in bonuses if the contractor finishes early, which would put the overall cost of responding to the disaster and rebuilding at more than \$400 million.

That particularly an-

noyed Brown. "It's time to slow down and back up. Your new bridge is going up too fast. You still have a huge mess from the old one. Fix this," she wrote.

People have donated about \$940,000 to the "Minnesota Helps — Bridge Disaster Fund." But only \$214,000 of that has been distributed to other charities who have been helping bridge collapse victims, said Chris Langer, a spokeswoman for the Minneapolis Foundation, one of the charities coordinating the fund. None of the money is going directly to individual victims, although victims can submit the bills they accrue, she said.

Langer said more money will be distributed more rapidly as victims fill out applications for help. And she said none of the money will cover administrative costs.

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# Personal care, restaurant industries have highest rates of depression

By Kevin Finking  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — People who tend to be elderly, change diapers and serve up food and drinks have the highest rates of depression among U.S. workers.

Overall, 7 percent of full-time workers battled depression in the past year, according to a government report available Saturday.

Women were more likely than men to have had a major bout of depression, and younger workers had higher rates of depression than their older colleagues.

Almost 11 percent of personal care workers — which includes child care and helping the elderly and severely disabled with their daily needs — reported depression lasting two weeks or longer. During such episodes they lose interest in pleasure, and at least four other symptoms surface, including problems with sleep, eating, energy, concentration and self-image.

Workers who prepare and serve food — cooks, bartenders, waiters and waitresses — had the second highest rate of depression among full-time employees, at 10 percent.

In a tie for third were health care workers and social workers at 9.6 percent. The lowest rate of depression, 4.3 percent, occurred in the job category that covers engineers, architects and surveyors.

Government officials tracked depression within 21 major occupational categories. They combined data from 2004 through 2006 to estimate episodes of depression within the past year. That information came from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, which registers lifetime and past-year depression bouts.

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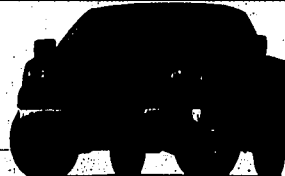


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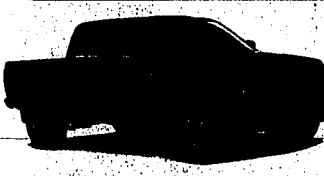
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# Beyond the boundaries

## Coming changes to school boundaries, misunderstanding of school quality are limiting homebuyers' decisions

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Debbie and Lars Hansen recently decided to wait a few more months before they buy a home in Twin Falls. Their delay has nothing to do with the kind of credit problems or home costs plaguing the rest of the nation — rather, they decided to wait until the Twin Falls School District completes its rezoning of school boundaries.

"We are in a race because next week Lars will be starting his job here, and we have already closed on our home (in Emmett)," said Debbie Hansen. "We have a couple of houses in mind, but we decided to wait to buy until we know which school our daughter will get to go to."

The Hansens are not alone, say real estate agents and brokers in Twin Falls.

Ross Deahl, president of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors said the local school is one of the largest factors that buyers take into account when purchasing a home.

"It's not something that affects the property value, but for buyers it's something that is very important to them," Deahl said. "Some schools can make homes more appealing to buyers, and any changes (the school district) makes could make some homes more appealing because of the schools they will be near."

Hansen said she believes the right school can increase property value.

"You can find a home south of Twin Falls for a little bit less than a similar home on the north side of town," she said. "I think the price difference is because of the location that includes the neighborhoods and schools that are around the home."

Still, nobody knows what changes the district will make when it rezones its school boundaries.

Dale Thornsberry, director of plant facilities, said the committee to reshape the district's school boundaries has only recently been organized, and does not yet know what boundary changes it will make.

"There are some people who say we have already decided, and that the committee will not make a difference," Thornsberry said. "But I don't know where they got that idea because I have spoken with the (school) board and they have told me that they are awaiting the committee's recommendations."

The rumors are evidence of the challenges the district must overcome to reshape school boundaries in the face of what will likely be a passionate debate.

Many in the community believe that the district's two junior high schools represent two entirely different demographics — with Vern C. O'Leary serving the middle-



The sign for the new Canyon Ridge High School is seen Friday afternoon in Twin Falls. The school, to be completed in 2009, is being built in the fastest-growing area of Twin Falls. Some say that perceptions of school quality influence homebuyers.

upper-class population while Robert Stuart Junior High serves the middle- to lower-class population.

"We have asked around to see which schools were better than other, and we had friends who told us to get a home near O'Leary," Hansen said. "But, for now, I'm not sure where those (boundaries) will be."

In reality, both junior high schools are not meeting the federal Adequate Yearly Progress reports, and in some cases Robert Stuart actually exceeds O'Leary in academic progress.

Regardless of which schools homebuyers prefer, the school district is asking buyers and even real estate agents to be aware of the likelihood that those boundaries will change.

The district is working with the City of Twin Falls to utilize a sophisticated Geographic Information System technology, which will help district officials establish school boundaries that will accommodate future growth.

Because the system will use current and forecasted data, some existing homes could become part of a different school's boundaries.

Deahl said Realtors have a responsibility to accurately inform homebuyers which schools serve the area surrounding the home.

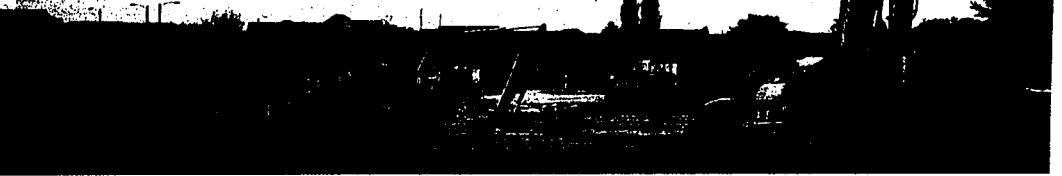
But Thornsberry said that even now, there is some confusion about which schools serve certain areas.

"We sometimes have parents who, say they were told the home they bought was in a certain school zone, but they find out

later that it's not," Thornsberry said. Real estate agents say they do their best with the information they are given.

"We have worked a little with some local Realtors and we actually got a couple of different answers on which school zones some homes were in," Hansen said. "But it's not something I take lightly — I would say the type of school even makes or breaks a deal."

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Construction crews continue work on the new Canyon Ridge High School just north of Poleline Road on Friday afternoon in Twin Falls.

# Playtime

## American toymakers hope to capitalize on China's woes

By Rachel Konrad  
Associated Press writer

HOLLISTER, Calif. — Deborah Evanoff thought she'd traded her frantic Silicon Valley career for a lazier pace when she took over the low-tech toy company her parents founded in the late 1960s.

Instead, she's ramping up Arrowcopter Inc.'s manufacturing operations and getting a record number of orders from retailers in 11 countries. More people are buying the slingshot-like gizmo, which starts at \$4 and — as the packaging proudly proclaims — is made in the United States.

As consumers look for alternatives to Chinese-made toys following a series of recalls this year, dozens of companies are struggling to meet surging demand. Some owners report online sales up as much as fivefold from last year. They're hiring extra workers, expanding warehouses and adding extra assembly shifts.

"Every time there'd be a new recall this summer, we'd get a huge new order,"



Ross Veslin, 62, owner of Vermont Wooden Toys, cuts shapes for his wooden toys on a bandsaw Thursday in his basement shop in Norwich, Vt.

Evanoff said as she watched contract manufacturers stuffing neon-colored copiers, rubber bands and wooden sticks into plastic packages. "We didn't stop all summer long."

Experts say the boutique American toy boom won't last beyond the recalls, which started this summer. So far, more than 21 million toys made in China — from Baby Einstein Discover & Play Color Blocks from Kids It Inc.,



Toys on display at Vermont Wooden Toys in Norwich, Vt.

to Thomas & Friends Wooden Railway by RC2 Corp. — have been found to contain excessive levels of lead paint, tiny magnets that could be swallowed or other potentially, serious problems. Retailers such as FAO Schwarz Inc. and Toys "R" Us Inc. downplay the recalls, saying they aren't likely to end holiday sales or significantly change their orders. About 80 percent of toys sold in the United States are made

in China. Executives at Mattel Inc. — which has had 20 million toys recalled — are touting improved manufacturing standards. Safety experts say American toys aren't necessarily safer than those made in China; Europe has the highest standards, but even there quality varies from factory to factory.

Experts say even if Americans produce several hundred thousand more U.S.-made Little Tikes, K'Nex or Rainbow Creators, China will retain manufacturing dominance in the \$22.3 billion toy industry.

"It's a bleep," said New York-based toy consultant Chris Byrne. "In the fourth quarter, a lot of purchases are made based on suggestions to the North Pole — and the phrase 'country of origin' isn't in the vocabulary of children writing to Santa."

But boutique toy makers are thankful for any advantage, however ephemeral. They've been unable to compete against low-cost manufacturers on mass-produced

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# Micron executives get millions worth of stock

The Associated Press

BOISE — Micron Technology Inc. executives, including Chief Executive Officer Steve Appleton, have received stock grants that could be worth millions of dollars, less than a month after the semiconductor maker reported a loss for its fiscal year and following the layoffs of about 1,200 workers.

Appleton, also the company's chairman, received 680,143 shares, according to a federal Securities and Exchange Commission filing. The stock would be worth about \$7.4 million at the current stock price. Appleton now owns about 1.8 million Micron shares, valued at \$18.7 million, according to the filing.

The shares were given to him as restricted stock, which unlike stock options generally retain at least some of their value even when company share price falls on Friday: Micron shares fell 7 cents or less than 1 percent to \$10.49, near their lowest price in five years.

Micron executives started getting restricted stock in 2004, when the board revised its equity incentive plan and authorized restricted stock grants rather than handing out stock options, the Idaho Statesman reported.



Appleton

On Oct. 2, the company reported a loss of \$320 million for the fiscal year ended Aug. 30, down from a \$408 million profit in the previous year.

The Micron board also gave President and Chief Operating Officer Mark Duran a stock grant of 312,501 shares, worth about \$3.3 million at current prices, according to the documents filed with the SEC on Monday. In all, 10 executives and several directors received similar restricted stock grants worth about \$28 million this week.

Micron is Idaho's largest private employer with about 9,000 workers, down from about 10,000 earlier this year. In June, the company announced it would begin cutting jobs as it moves production closer to customers in Asia.

The company has expanded its Idaho area such as NAND flash memory used in digital cameras in a bid to ease its dependence on volatile prices for Dynamic Random Access Memory chips that go into computers. Amid a flash-memory supply glut, however, prices for those products have slumped, too.

# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### Jan Pollard

Twin Falls Magic Valley Realty announced that Jan Pollard joined their team of professional realtors in August.



Pollard

Pollard was born and raised in Twin Falls. She is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho and has a Bachelor's Degree from Idaho State University. She has spent the last several years in public education and brings with her the skills and understanding to provide her clients with a positive real estate experience.

Pollard and her husband, Brent, have been building and selling their own custom homes for many years.

### Dusty Allison

NAMPA — D.L. Evans Bank announced the promotion of Dusty Allison to commercial loan officer in the Nampa office located at 2071 12th Ave. N.

Allison recently attended college at the University of Idaho studying Agricultural Economics graduating with her Bachelor's Degree while also participating on the rodeo team for four years. He is dedicated to the community and volunteers much of his time to various organizations. This

year he was instrumental in putting together the D.L. Evans Bank Epilepsy Golf Tournament.

### Kathy Searle

BURLEY — Kathy Searle, registered nurse, is a case manager on the Quality Management Team and a recipient of the Team Member Award from Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.



Searle

Searle demonstrates cooperative efforts to all members of the Intermountain team, both inside and out of her own department. This individual goes above and beyond what is normally expected to help co-workers, administrators say.

She always goes out of her way to ensure that things are taken care of, even when they are not necessarily her responsibility or concern, according to administrators. She shows empathy for the patient as well as family members.

She is always concerned about team work and what she can do to help others on her department as well as hospital team. She has developed a good relationship with the physicians and they have voiced appreciation for her

involvement with patients and their needs. She also spends time after hours to completing discharged phone calls or providing follow-up to family members or physicians.

### Tawny Pirle

ALBION — Lisa Sophia recently announced top honors for its Excellent Beginnings Program Achievers for their outstanding sales accomplishments and professionalism.

Having just joined the fashion jewelry business, Tawny Pirle has earned this prestigious accomplishment in her first 15 weeks by attaining certain sales levels and by sharing her sales with other new advisors.

According to Bonni Davis, vice president of Lisa Sophia, "This immediate success is a result of Tawny's hard work and dedication. Lisa Sophia is fortunate to have her as part of our team and we look forward to celebrating her future successes."

All new Lisa Sophia advisors have the opportunity to increase their earnings and earn free jewelry as part of the Excellent Beginnings Program. The plan celebrates the success of advisors who stay on track in the first four months in business. Lisa Sophia provides ongoing opportunities for recognition including monthly, quarterly and annual awards.

## MILESTONES

### A-PLUS DESIGN



Century photo

A-Plus Design held a ribbon cutting and open house on Oct. 8 to commemorate the grand opening of its new location, 700 S. Oneida St. in Rupert. The business is owned and operated by Karky and Cindy McWilliams and offers services including embroidery, screen printing, ad specialties, banners, business cards, name tags and magnetic car signs. Business hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays by appointment. The business can be reached by calling 436-4153. Pictured in center with scissors is owner Cindy McWilliams.

### Burley steakhouse offers 'Lighter Side Menu'

MOREY'S Steakhouse, located at 219 E. Third St. N. in Burley, has been open to the Magic Valley for three and a half years and now announces its new menu. The business has a new "Lighter Side Menu," which includes a new soup, salad and fruit bar for Friday and Saturdays, and a new menu for children which includes fries and a drink for \$3.99.

Seniors receive a complimentary scoop of ice cream with this Lighter Side menu. The business put 14 new items on their menu, and in addition to prime rib, steaks, and seafood it now includes more seafood items (like blackened catfish and king crab legs), more pasta (like chicken parmigiana and steak scampi), and more steaks (like Steak Oscar topped with Lobster Sensations and a new bacon wrapped filet). We have also added chicken cordon bleu and a boneless breaded pork chop.

Morey's is now taking reservations for the holidays and has banquet seating for up to 250 people.

For more information: 679-1166.

### Family-friendly business started in Burley

Mitchell Blas has taken great strides to make the once "underground lounge" into a family friendly place where families and/or teens can spend time playing games, munching nutritious snacks and sandwiches or dancing the night away.

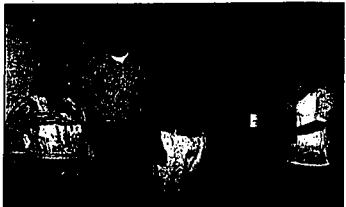
The business is located 109 E. Main St. in Burley, next to and below Shon Hing Chinese Restaurant.

The business caters to families and young people and focuses more on health. Now if customers "belly up to the bar" the hardest drink they'll be served is root beer, or even better, a root beer float. Fruit juices, smoothies, sandwiches made with fresh ingredients and fresh fruit are also available.

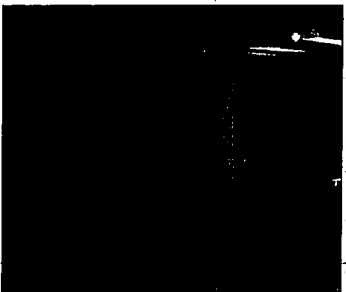
For those with a sweet tooth, they also have banana splits.

Blas has owned other businesses in the Magic Valley, but looks forward to this new venture. In addition to the food fare there are a variety of entertainment features to the business including video

## HEALTH UNDERWRITERS



Members for the 2007-2008 Southern Idaho Association of Health Underwriters are, from left, Cricket Stirling, treasurer; Andy Lyda, treasurer; David Wilcox, president elect; Rhonda Bartholomew, president; and Colby Fiala, past president. The local association meets every third Thursday of the month at Long Hing for lunch and informative programs and is open to new members. For more information: Cricket at 737-6441.



games, pool, foosball, darts, a graffiti wall and a dance floor complete with strobe lights. Pool and foosball tables and darts are available at the standard height and lower ones for younger children.

Monday night will be family night, where families can pay a flat fee for the evening and eat and play together. Regular dance nights are planned for weekends, with Friday night for 12-17 year-olds and Saturday night for 18 and up.

Regular business hours are 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. The business will also be available to reserve got private parties.

A grand opening celebration will be held at a later date. For more information: 878-CLUB (2582).

## CONTRIBUTION

### Glanbia Foods gives more than \$90,000 to charities

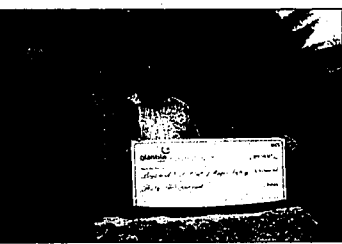
Glanbia Foods Inc. donated \$30,000 to the Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley for the Nutrition Center at the soon-to-be-built Boys & Girls Club in Burley.

Glanbia has also distributed \$90,650 to four Magic Valley locations from funds raised at their recent Annual Charity Challenge Golf Tournament.

Since the first Golf Tournament was held in 1994, Glanbia has raised more than three quarters of a million dollars for 20 local charities.

Glanbia selected the following charities—to receive this year's funds:

- Crisis Center of Magic Valley — \$40,550
- Idaho Sheriffs' Meth Project — \$25,000



Pictured left to right: Shawn Athay, director of human resources and organizational development, Glanbia USA, and board member of the Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley; left Williams, Glanbia president; Rex Lytle, board member, Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley; Lindsay Westberg, program director, Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley; and Don Hall, executive director, Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley.

- Twin Falls Public Library — \$20,000
- American Cancer Society Relay for Life Fund — \$5,000

## Toys

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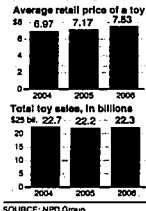
Items, often settling for niche markets with limited potential — organic fabrics, wooden animals, special-educational toys. Now they're enlarging their line by adding labels, bringing photos of their manufacturing facilities to toy fairs, and placing ads in industry publications.

"The ball is in our court right now," said Mary Jo Meister, sales manager for Lassel Toys Inc., which sells soft, puzzles and other educational toys built in Smithport, Penn. Orders over the summer were up 30 percent from last year. To meet anticipated demand in October and November — peak months as retailers stock up — the 50-employee company added a midnight shift.

"We've had so many phone calls from moms and grandmas who think this is really serious and say they'll never buy a toy made in China," Meister said. "Next year at this time — when an awesome new battery-operated MySpace pages and personal Web sites, as well as learn how to work their digital cameras.

### Rising toy prices

While industrywide toy sales were relatively flat in the past few years, the average retail price of a toy has gone up.



Average retail price of a toy \$8.97, 7.17, 7.53

Total toy sales, in billions \$26.46, 22.7, 22.2, 22.3

SOURCE: NPD Group AP

The 36-person company, which shipped about 1 million items last year and sells toys from 50 cents to \$50, hired 10 additional full-time workers this year. Orders for one popular train set are delayed by two weeks.

"In the past two months, everything's changed for us — we are running flat out," said Mike Rainville, 44, president of Maple Landmark, which he founded in high school 28 years ago. "It's been a roller coaster in recent years because of foreign competition, and this helps put us back in a better place."

personal workers this year. The 5-year-old business builds its own line of Dado building blocks in Elkhorn, Neb., and earlier this year it tripled the size of its warehouse. "A lot of retailers told us we were crazy for having a toy manufactured here," Carson said. "We had to have everything perfect — perfectly manufactured and perfectly safe, and the only way to do that was to keep everything close to home."

"Tiny mom-and-pop businesses say the boom is a mixed blessing. They're furiously building cradles and rocking horses, pushing their old-school jigsaws, anger bits and mixer boxes to their limits. Their spouses are taking phone and online orders at all hours."

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## Tech workers study some of the finer points of customer service

By Patricia Kitchin Newsday

MELVILLE, N.Y. — One thing that makes Matos, 23, says he's learned on his job as a special agent with the Geek Squad, a 24-hour computer support service, is that there are no stupid questions.

The goal, Matos says, is first to "strip out the jargon." You know what he means? Those terms like gigs, RAM, video chip and motherboard that civilians don't typically use in everyday conversations.

Once he establishes a common language with the customer, Matos can focus on building a relationship — one that he hopes will pay off in the future.

Matos knows that clients often don't have the same skills he does — he says he got his first computer at age 10 and immediately took it apart. Today his customers are asking for help not only with setting up new computers and installing software, but also with digital cameras, wireless internet access and even getting their iPods synced up with iTunes.

After all, we live in the age of Web 2.0, when internet viewers are fast becoming content-creators. But members of this expanding plugged-in population don't necessarily speak the language of the Web — or understand the technical lingo used by the sales or customer service people they're turning to for assistance.

What's more, their training includes discussions and role playing about empathy, as well as how much or little tech jargon to use. It's bad enough to have a tech-related problem, but says, without having to deal with a condescending tech consultant. Apart from routine computer set-up and glitch problems, Support.com also has been helping people set up MySpace pages and personal Web sites, as well as learn how to work their digital cameras.

# Taco Bell moves into Mexico



Blanca Alicia Gomez, 40, sits with her son Horiberto Alvarez, 12, left, and daughter Analie Alvarez, 14, right, at a recently opened Taco Bell in Apodaca in northern Mexico, Oct. 3. Taco Bell is taking on the homeland of its namesake by reopening for the first time in 15 years in Mexico.

## Defenders of Mexican culture see it as an insult

By Mark Stevenson  
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — It sounds like a fast-food grudge match: Taco Bell is taking on the homeland of its namesake by reopening for the first time in 15 years in Mexico.

Defenders of Mexican culture see the chain's re-entry as a crowning insult to a society already overrun by U.S. chains from Starbucks and Subway to KFC.

"It's like bringing ice to the Arctic," complained pop culture historian Carlos Monsivais.

The company's branding strategy — "Taco Bell is something else" — is an attempt to distance itself from any comparison to Mexico's beloved taquerias, which sell traditional corn tortillas stuffed with an endless variety of fillings, from spicy beef to crown fungus and cow eyes.

Taco Bell, a unit of Louisville, Ky.-based Yum Brands Inc., made its name promoting its menu to Americans as something straight out of Mexico. But it's a very different dynamic south of the border.

Here, the company is projecting a more "American" fast-food image by adding french fries — some topped with cheese, cream, ground meat and tomatoes — to the menu at its first store, which opened in late September in the northern city of Monterrey.

Other than the fries and sales of soft-serve ice cream,

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— Marco Fragoso, giving his assessment of Taco Bell tacos

"our menu comes almost directly from the U.S. menu," said Yum Mexico Managing Director Steven Pepper.

Some of the names have been changed to protect the sacred: the hard-shelled items sold as "tacos" in the U.S. have been renamed "tostocadas." This made-up word is a play on "tostada," which for Mexicans is a hard, fried disk of cornmeal that is always served flat, with toppings.

But while Mexicans eagerly buy many American brands, the taco holds a place of honor in the national cuisine. Mexicans eat them everywhere, anytime of day, buying them from basket-toting street vendors in the morning or slaughtering them in salsa at brightly lit taquerias to wrap up a night on the town.

Taco Bell has taken pains to say that it's not trying to masquerade as a Mexican tradition.

"One look alone is enough to tell the Taco Bell is not a taqueria," the company said in a half-page newspaper ad. "It is a new fast-food alternative that does not pretend to be Mexican food."

It's still a mixed message for Mexicans like Marco Fragoso, a 39-year-old office worker sitting down for lunch at a traditional taqueria in Mexico City, because the U.S. chain uses traditional Mexican names for its burritos, gorditas, and chalupas.

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Taco Bell failed with an earlier, highly publicized launch in Mexico City in 1992, when it opened a few outlets next to KFC restaurants. Now both KFC and Pizza Hut are owned by Yum Brands.

But Mexicans were less familiar with foreign chains back then and the economy was on the verge of a crisis. The North American Free Trade Agreement had yet to be signed. The restaurants didn't even last two years.

Since then, free trade and growing migration have made U.S. brands ubiquitous in Mexico, influencing everything from how people dress to how they talk.

McDonald's has modified its menu to offer eggs "a la Mexicana" and even hands out packets of jalapeno sauce with its hamburgers. In contrast, Taco Bell advises customers of offerings that are "spicy" instead of the Spanish "picante."

"Taco Bell wants to take advantage of the perception that if something comes from the United States, it tastes better, that a country that has been Americanized is willing to Americanize food that is

central to its cuisine," Monsivais said. "It's an absurd idea, and given that it's so absurd, it may just be successful in upper-class areas."

With U.S. sales sluggish, Yum Brands has been expanding abroad. Its goal is to have 800 stores in its international division by the end of this year.

Yum Brands reported Monday third-quarter profits rose 21 percent in its international division and 28 percent in China, while U.S. profits rose a scant 1 percent. Same-store sales at company-owned Taco Bells fell 6 percent for the three months ended Sept. 8.

In Mexico, other U.S. chains, like KFC and Chili's Grill & Bar, have been wildly popular. But one of the most successful has been Starbucks, which has expanded to over 150 stores in five years, even though its vented chili latte costs almost as much as a day's minimum wage.

The Starbucks outlets are mainly in wealthier neighborhoods. Taco Bell is aiming at a different demographic, opening in the solidly middle-class Monterrey suburb of Apodaca, an area where residents may not have traveled to the United States.

"We want to appeal to consumers who haven't tried Taco Bell, for whom this would be their first experience with Taco Bell," said Javier Rancano, the company's director in Mexico.

# New copyright lobby group fights against piracy

By Jim Puzanghera  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Even the mighty seek strength in numbers.

Under the crystal chandeliers of one of Capitol Hill's most ornate caucus rooms, the makers of movies, music, TV shows, computer software and other copyrighted products joined recently to show off their stuff — and argue that people shouldn't be allowed to steal it.

It was the first major event for the Copyright Alliance, an organization formed by dot-packet content providers from Hollywood, Northern California's Silicon Valley and other regions. The Washington-based group intends to make a unified case to Congress that its members' industries are a vital component of the U.S. economy and need to be protected from piracy.

The association lured congressional staffers with free gourmet sandwiches and DVD-sized cookies to a room filled with big-screen TVs, laptops and glossy brochures. Capitol Hill aides took turns playing video games such as "Madden NFL 08" and "Super Mario Bros." at one booth. At another, they lined up for autographs from singer Isaac Hayes.

What is a demonstration of the clout behind the Copyright Alliance, the group lured House Judiciary Chairman John Conyers Jr. to speak at its coming-out party.

"When you walk into this room," Conyers, D-Mich., told the crowd, "copyright becomes real."

Several of the companies are organizations involved in the group, including Walt Disney Co., Microsoft Corp. and the Recording Industry Association of America, already are well versed in the art of Washington lobbying.

But their alliance reflects a collective concern that the piracy threat continues to grow. What's more, content creators fear they have been losing the public opinion battle over use of copyrighted material as consumer

electronics makers and digital rights groups that advocate fewer restrictions turn consumers against them.

"The stakes that the United States has in protecting its extremely valuable assets of innovation and invention and creativity frequently just don't have a sufficient voice in policy discussions," said Richard Cotton, executive vice president and general counsel for NBC Universal, which helped form the alliance.

Many of the participants have been working together intimately since 2000, when an ad-hoc coalition called the Copyright Assembly was launched by Jack Valenti, the former president of the Motion Picture Association of America. Its mission was to educate Congress and the public about the economic importance of copyrighted material to make the case for stronger protections.

But as technology has made it easier to download and share TV shows and full-length movies, some in the industry thought they needed a more formal effort.

The issues are very, very big, and I think it needs the power of all the copyright industries in order to collectively impact Capitol Hill, the federal government and the intellectual establishment," said a senior aide of attorney Dan Glickman, who helped push for the group.

It launched in May with its own staff and a Web site that includes studies about the economic effect of piracy and an interactive map showing the presence of copyright-related industries in all 50 states.

It also didn't hurt that the Copyright Electronics Association and several digital rights organizations last year launched their own effort, called Digital Freedom, to organize grassroots pressure on Congress to mandate additional technological restrictions on digital content.

## Toyota losing executives to American auto makers

By Martin Zimmerman  
Los Angeles Times

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# Jobs dry up in sub-prime heartland

By Dia Eshaghdy  
The Washington Post

IRVINE, Calif. — After more than two decades in the mortgage business, Tony Ventimiglio got his big break in 2001 when he accepted a managerial job with a lender here in the heart of Orange County for \$225,000 a year — more than double what he had made in each of the previous four years.

Ventimiglio nearly doubled his salary again two years later, this time at the now-defunct Homefield Financial, where he supervised 100 workers, including salespeople who routinely made \$25,000 a month in commission.

"When I started working there in 2003, I was embarking on a new career in a Cadillac and the young office clerks were all driving Mercedes and BMWs," said Ventimiglio, 49. "There were a lot of people who knew nothing about mortgages. They were simply in the right place at the right time."

first half of the decade, when interest rates hit record lows and home prices surged. Four of the six largest and boldest lenders of risky mortgages were based in Southern California county back then, and all cashed in on what seemed an insatiable appetite for home loans.

When the housing market soured, the lenders and dozens of others nationwide shut down or scaled back, leaving workers like Ventimiglio in the lurch and contributing to an abrupt drop in mortgage-related jobs. The sector has lost at least 76,000 jobs nationwide since peaking at 500,000 a year ago, according to federal data released this month. And more cuts have been announced.

If the industry's numbers fall back to 2002 levels, when home sales were similar to what they are today, 137,000 jobs would vanish, rivaling the 146,000 jobs lost in the airline industry in the four years following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com. Most of the jobs are not in

traditional banks. They are tied to mortgage companies that made loans to subprime borrowers — "people with spotty credit" — using money from Wall Street. During the boom years, these companies prospered by hiring salespeople to aggressively push their loans to potential borrowers, either directly or through mortgage brokers, who match home buyers with lenders.

It is those salespeople, the brokers they worked with and the support staff in their offices — from financial compliance officers to software engineers — who were displaced as the mortgage industry's troubles deepened. The fallout has been geographically diffuse because most of the major lenders affected have offices throughout the nation.

"It's going to be a tough transition," Zandi said. "It will take a long time, if ever, for these workers to get the compensation they had in the housing boom. It was a unique period, with the frenzied lending that was going on."

for much of that frenzy. The county is economically diverse, with several blue-collar communities in the north and ultra-affluent coastal communities in the south made famous by the TV hit "Laguna Beach" and "The O.C."

In the middle is Irvine, the location of Ameriquest Mortgage and New Century Financial, two of the six largest subprime lenders in 2005, according to National Mortgage News. Two others, Option One Mortgage and Fremont Investment & Loan, were nearby.

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## Shiite leader: Iraqis must press ahead with creation of self-rule regions

By Haasza Hendawi  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — The son and heir apparent of Iraq's top Shiite politician came out strongly Saturday in favor of autonomy for Iraq's religiously and ethnically divided regions, a potentially explosive issue on Iraq's already highly polarized political landscape.

Ammar al-Hakim, who is being groomed to take over the Supreme Islamic Council, the country's largest Shiite party, has been a firm supporter of federalism from the outset. But his unusually strident language appeared to signal growing impatience with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's inaction on key issues and his failure to bring frac-

tured groups together. Addressing hundreds of supporters at the party's Baghdad headquarters, al-Hakim called on Iraqis to press ahead with the creation of self-rule regions, but cautioned that the country's unity must be safeguarded.

"Federalism is one way to accomplish this goal," he said. He said Baghdad's monopoly of power over decision-making and national wealth has "turned the central government into a 'tyrannical and dominating' body."

"I call on the sons of our nation to create their (self-rule) regions," al-Hakim said. He urged the central government to "break up Iraq into self-rule entities has gained traction in Washington after two lawmakers — Sen. Joseph Biden,

D-Dele. and Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan. — proposed giving more control to ethnically and religiously divided regions.

A nonbinding resolution to that effect won Senate approval last month, but Republicans supported it only after the measure was amended to make clear that President Bush should press for a new federalized system only if the Iraqis wanted it.

Al-Maliki and other Iraqi politicians denounced the decision as an infringement on Iraq's sovereignty. But President Jalal Talabani, a Kurd and firm proponent of federalism, praised the resolution, saying it cemented Iraq's unity and opposed its breakup.

Al-Hakim is the son of

Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim, the Supreme Council leader who was diagnosed with cancer in May and has been receiving chemotherapy treatment in Iran.

The younger al-Hakim delivered the remarks in a sermon commemorating the start of the Muslim Eid al-Fitr feast that marks the end of Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting. His father, the organization's patriarch, greeted well-wishers at the ceremony but did not address the crowd.

The Supreme Council has been a staunch backer of federalism and wants the country's mainly Shiite and oil-rich south become a self-rule region similar to that established 16 years ago by minority Kurds in northern Iraq.



Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim, the leader of the Supreme Islamic Council of Iraq, waves to supporters during an Eid al-Fitr prayer service to mark the end of the holy month of Ramadan outside the al-Hakim party headquarters, Jadiriyah, central Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday.

## U.S. appeals for Turkish restraint on Kurdish Iraq

Tries to soothe anger over genocide resolution

By C. Onurant  
Associated Press writer

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Two senior U.S. officials promised Saturday that they would convey to Iraq Turkey's unease over Kurdish rebels in the north but they also expressed concern over the possibility of a Turkish military offensive in the region.

In Moscow, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice acknowledged "a difficult time" in relations with Turkey. She appealed for restraint against Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq and in Turkey's angry response to a genocide resolution in Congress.

Dan Fried, assistant secretary of state for European affairs, and Eric Edelman, undersecretary of defense for policy, met with Turkish officials in a bid to assuage anger over the resolution, which would label the World War I-era killing of Armenians by Turks a genocide.

Turkey has recalled its ambassador to Washington for consultations after a House committee's approval of the resolution last week and warned of serious repercussions if Congress passes the measure.

The committee's approval raised concerns that Turkey may be less restrained about defying the United States.

U.S. officials said Friday there are about 60,000 Turkish troops massed along the country's southern border with Iraq. But the U.S. military has not seen activity to suggest an imminent offensive against Kurdish rebels based in northern Iraq who have been clogging the border-to-attack-Turkish forces.

Turkey's parliament was expected to approve government requests to authorize an Iraq campaign early in next week. The U.S. is concerned a Turkish incursion into northern Iraq would disrupt one of the country's few relatively stable areas.

Kurdish rebels killed more than 15 Turkish soldiers in the past week and are blamed for an ambush that killed 12 people the week before. The government responded to the deaths by announcing tougher measures against the rebel Kurdistan Workers' Party, which has bases in northern Iraq and has been fighting the Turkish government since 1984.

Fried and Edelman promised to convey Turkey's concerns to Iraqi officials in the Kurdish region. At the same time, "we told our concerns" over any Turkish military incursion, Edelman told reporters in the capital Ankara after meeting Turkish Foreign Ministry officials.

Turkey's military preparations come amid concern in Washington that the genocide resolution could jeopardize supply routes the American military has used to move armored vehicles to troops in Iraq.

# Doing it their way



Construction workers work on a road near the construction site of the new Israeli police headquarters in the West Bank, Sept. 17. First a sprawling police headquarters west up, now bulldozers are leveling ground for a highway and by year's end, Israel will have laid claim to another strategic West Bank hill, taking one more chunk out of a future Palestine, even as Israel says it wants to negotiate its borders.

## Israel largely drawing its own border with Palestinians

By Karin Laub  
Associated Press writer

KEDAR SETTLEMENT, West Bank — First a sprawling police headquarters west up, now bulldozers are leveling ground for a highway, and by year's end, Israel will have laid claim to another strategic West Bank hill, taking one more chunk out of a future Palestine even as Israel says it wants to negotiate its borders.

Israel has been tightening its hold on parts of the West Bank for years, with mushrooming settlements and more recently, a separation barrier. The barrier would eventually slice off 60 percent of the territory and, according to U.N. data, incorporate 380,000 of 450,000 Israelis living on war-torn land the Palestinians demand for their state-to-be.

Israel's moves raise questions about whether there will be enough left to negotiate if, as a result of a U.S.-hosted Mideast conference next month, Israelis and Palestinians finally return to the table after seven years of

bloodshed and diplomatic paralysis.

Border experts say that despite what looks like Israel's de facto annexation of parts of the West Bank, a viable Palestinian state is still possible, because both sides are willing to swap some land. However, with each Israeli "finger" poking deeper into the West Bank, a deal would be more difficult and a future border more unstable, said David Newman, a geographer at Israel's Ben Gurion University.

And if Israel goes ahead with a plan to drive its separation barrier from Jerusalem for into the West Bank, "there will be no peace, absolutely not," the lead Palestinian negotiator, Ahmed Qureia, told The Associated Press.

Israel's intentions will become clear once Defense Minister Ehud Barak informs the Supreme Court, as early as Monday, whether he is going ahead with this barrier loop, which would move another 23.5 square miles of the West Bank to the "Israeli side." The

loop would not only encircle the Maalich Adumim settlement of 35,000 residents near Jerusalem, but also tiny outlying enclaves.

If the loop gets built, "you cannot talk about (Palestinian) contiguity, about a viable Palestinian state," said Shaul Arieli, a former Israeli peace negotiator and retired army colonel who is leading the court challenge on behalf of a group of more than 1,000 ex-security officers.

Maalich Adumim could be protected more effectively by a far smaller route, Arieli said, standing on a West Bank hill near the tiny settlement of Kedar, one of those he thinks should be left on the "Palestinian side" of the barrier.

Barak's decision will be a watershed, signaling whether Israel is pushing ahead with its more far-reaching unilateral steps, despite U.S. concerns, or is scaling back because of renewed peace hopes.

The barrier battle comes at a sensitive time for U.S. Mideast policy.

The November conference is the highest-profile engagement by the Bush administration in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice will be back in the region this week to check on Israeli and Palestinian preparations for the conference.

Negotiating teams are trying to write an outline of how they would tackle the key issues of the conflict. Israel's decision on the Maalich Adumim loop could have direct bearing on Rice's conference preparations.

For now, Israel is pursuing parallel policies — expressing readiness to negotiate, but continuing to draw its most advantageous line in the West Bank.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert told parliament this week he'll do everything in his power to reach a peace deal. At the same time, his security advisers are skeptical about a deal with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, who is competing for control with the anti-Israel Hamas, which violently seized the Gaza Strip in June.

## Inflation worries rising in Argentina

By Monte Real  
The Washington Post

BUENOS AIRES — Here in the land of red meat, where steaks are pushed on postcards and serve as symbols of national pride, something is dramatically askew.

The unheralded Argentine salad often — after a quick dash to the supermarket — last week cost more than some cuts of beef. This disturbance of the national equilibrium is a hot topic in the checkout line and in the political arena, where price fluctuations represent the

most contentious issue heading into the Oct. 28 presidential election.

Inflation has been the subject of debate for months between President Nestor Kirchner's administration — which believes it's not a serious problem — and others who contend that prices of many common items are rising faster than the government is admitting.

According to the government's price index, inflation this year will be 8 to 10 percent. Most independent economists and opposition presidential candidates estimate it will be about twice

that much. Protests have been common outside the government's statistics bureau, but the government loudly denies accusations that it has underestimated price increases.

"Under no circumstance is the inflation rate what the opposition says," said first lady Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner, the front-runner in the contest to succeed her husband.

Regardless, there is a perception of inflation among much of the public, fueled largely by the skyrocketing prices in recent months of items such as produce.

## THE VATICAN

### Monsignor, suspected of being gay, suspended

By Frances D'Emilio  
Associated Press writer

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican said Saturday it has suspended a monsignor from a senior post at the Holy See after an Italian TV program using a hidden camera recorded him making advances to a young man and asserting that gay sex was not sinful.

The Vatican did not identify the monsignor by name. But Monsignor Tommaso Steno was mentioned in a telephone interview with The

Associated Press that he had been suspended from his post at the Vatican's Congregation for Clergy, an office which aims to ensure proper conduct by priests.

"Don't condemn me," Steno said, adding that the program "was done fraudulently" because it used a hidden camera.

In the program on private Italian network La7, a man identified as a priest is heard saying that he "didn't feel he was sinning" by having sex with gay men.

Rome daily La Repubblica

reported Saturday that Vatican officials recognized the monsignor's office in the background of the program, which aired Oct. 1.

The Rev. Federico Lombardi, a Vatican spokesman, said the Italian monsignor was suspended while the case was under investigation.

"Higher-ups are evaluating the situation with the necessary reserve and with the obligatory respect for the person involved, even if this person has cred," Lombardi said.

# An 'inhumane and shameful act'

## Pets seized from Puerto Rico housing project, hurled off bridge to their deaths

By Omar Marrozo  
Associated Press writer

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Animal control workers seized dozens of dogs and cats from housing projects in the town of Barceloneta and hurled them from a bridge to their deaths, authorities and witnesses said Friday.

Mayor Sol Luis Fontanez blamed a contractor hired to take the animals to a shelter.

"This is an irresponsible, inhumane and shameful act," he told The Associated Press.

Fontanez said the city hired Animal Control Solution to clear three housing projects of pets after warning residents about a no-pet policy. He said the city paid \$60 for every animal recovered and another \$100 for each trip to a shelter in the San Juan suburb of Carolina.

Raids were conducted on Monday and Wednesday, and residents told TV reporters they saw the animal control workers inject the animals. When they asked what they were giving them, they said they were told it was a sedative for the drive to the shelter.

"They came as if it were a drug raid," said Alma Febus, an animal welfare activist. "They took away dogs, cats and whatever animal they could find. Some pets were taken away in front of children."

But instead of being taken to a shelter, the pets and strays were thrown 50 feet from a bridge in the



A backhoe tamps down earth after digging a mass-grave for dogs taken days earlier from their owners, and disposed of under a bridge in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico, Saturday. A private company hired by Puerto Rican city seized dozens of dogs and cats from residents of public housing projects and hurled the animals from a bridge to their deaths, authorities and witnesses said Friday in what the local mayor called an 'inhumane and shameful act.'

neighboring town of Vega Baja, according to Fontanez, witnesses and activists, apparently before dawn Tuesday.

"Many were already dead when they threw them, but others were alive," said Jose Manuel Rivera, who lives next to the bridge. "Some of the animals managed to climb to the highway even though they were all battered, but about 50 animals remained there, dead."

Rivera said he alerted officials, who spread lime over the animals' corpses to control the stench.

Animal Control Solution

owner Julio Diaz said he went to the bridge when he heard of the allegations, but remains unconvinced that the dead animals are the same ones his company collected.

"We have never thrown animals off any place. We always take them to our local shelter and euthanize them," he said. "They can't prove that they are the same dogs that we picked up."

Fontanez said he would cancel the city's contract with Animal Control Solution and said city lawyers were considering a

"We have never thrown animals off any place. We always take them to our local shelter and euthanize them."

— Animal Control Solution owner Julio Diaz

lawsuit. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has a rule allowing locally owned and operated housing authorities to set pet rules, but it does not grant authority for a blanket ban or mass confiscation, said Brian Sullivan, an HUD spokesman in Washington. Asked to comment on the reported pet massacre, Sullivan said: "This sickens me."

Animal rights activists have long criticized the treatment of pets in Puerto Rico, where there is no pet registration law and little spaying or neutering. Animal shelters are overwhelmed and must kill many of the dogs they receive, according to Victor Collazo, president of the island's Association of Medical Veterinarians.

One organization recruits volunteers to take dogs home with them on commercial flights, and sends between 1,500 and 2,000 dogs a year from Puerto Rico to American shelters.

At least 175 dogs have been rescued in the last couple of years from Yabacoa Beach, which activists nicknamed "Dead Dog Beach" because of the strays that roam the coast and are sometimes found dead of disease, starvation or gunshot. Similar rescue efforts have been undertaken in the Bahamas and elsewhere in the Caribbean.

# Pentagon chief says Russians provided impetus for U.S. military modernization

By Robert Burns  
Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — Defense Secretary Robert Gates told students at an elite Russian military academy Saturday that much of the inspiration for the U.S. military's modernization in the 1990s came from Moscow.

In a rare appearance for a Pentagon leader at the Military Academy of the General Staff, Gates outlined the history and implications of U.S. military transformation, saying they are relevant to Russia as it seeks to professionalize its army in an era where the dominant security threat is Islamic extremism.

He said the seeds of U.S. combat successes in the 1991 Gulf war were sown a decade earlier with an infusion of new ideas on using modern technologies to fundamentally change the nature of warfighting.

"What is less well known — especially in America — is that much of the original thinking on these matters was done by the Soviet military as far back as the 1970s when officers wrote about what was then called a 'military technical revolution,'" he said.

Gates and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice spent much of Friday in tough talks with their Russian counterparts on a range of arms control and diplomatic issues, topped by an unsuccessful effort to bridge differences over an American plan to expand its fledgling missile defense system to eastern Europe.

The Pentagon chief told reporters on his plane trip back to Washington on Saturday that he questioned whether Russia was sincerely interested in cooperating on a system focused on Iran.

Gates said he and Rice told Russian officials they saw little logic in Moscow's efforts to stop the U.S. from plucking parts of the system in Poland and the Czech Republic. "If your talk about partnership is really only about us stopping in the Czech Republic and Poland, we're not going to do that," Gates said, recounting the conversation in Friday's inconclusive talks. "But if you're serious about a partnership, then there's some things we can really be serious about and do."

He acknowledged a difference in view between Washington and Moscow on the immediacy of a missile threat from Iran.

The Russians say it may be 15 years or 20 years before the Iranians acquire missile with sufficient range to threaten Europe, Gates said, while the Americans see it coming sooner.

Future U.S.-Russian talks on this subject probably would include the possibility of Moscow's sharing of the intelligence information upon which it bases its more optimistic forecast for the Iranian missile threat, Gates said.

Gates' speech at the military academy, which is roughly equivalent to the U.S. National War College in Washington, was the first by a U.S. defense secretary since William Perry in 1996, according to Pentagon officials.

In his prepared remarks, Gates cited the Soviet military's work in the 1970s on how to use sensors, reconnaissance and command-and-control systems to gain a battlefield edge. In the next decade, he said, top Soviet generals envisioned a scenario in which conventional weapons could be as effective as nuclear weapons — "owing to the gains made in precision, information technology and communications."

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EDITORIAL

Mobile phones, driving don't mix in Idaho either

In the spring of 2003, the *Times-News* polled some members of the Transportation Committee of the Idaho House of Representatives to gauge support for a possible state law restricting the use of cell phones by drivers.

There was none. "We've used CD radios for years," state Rep. Tim Riddinger, R-Shoshone—a trucker by profession—said at the time. "I don't see that using a cell phone is that much more dangerous. People get into wrecks trying to drive and eat cheeseburgers at the same time."

"I'm not in favor of more laws," he added. Times have changed. The Idaho Falls City Council is considering an ordinance that would make it illegal to talk on the phone while driving if it interferes with safely controlling the vehicle.

It's the first significant attempt in the state at regulating wireless phone use while driving.

The proposed rule would also ban other unsafe activities, such as applying makeup while driving. Violators could be fined \$100.

Idaho law already prohibits reckless driving. But Idaho Falls Police chief Kent Livsey says the new ordinance isn't redundant because it permits prosecution of behavior that doesn't rise to the level of reckless driving.

That's an idea whose time may have come. Nobody keeps track of the number of mobile phones in use in Idaho, but nationwide there are 219 million of them.

The vast majority are not Bluetooth or other hands-free models, and most are used—at one time or another—by motorists.

Law enforcement agencies throughout Idaho have been complaining for years that wireless phones are an increasing factor in accidents now blamed on inattentive driving and reckless driving, and the numbers bear them out. According to statistics compiled by the Idaho Transportation Department's Office of Highway Safety, inattentive driving citations grew from 3,225 in 2000 to 4,616 in 2003 to 5,093 in 2006. That's a 58 percent increase in six years.

Statewide, there were 0.5 inattentive driving tickets per 100 licensed drivers in 2006. The rate for 15-year-old motorists was three times as high; for 16-19-year-olds it was four times as much.

At least 13 states prohibit teenagers or any new drivers from using cell phones, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. One—Washington—bans driving while *texting*.

According to a study released in January by Nationwide Mutual Insurance, about 37 percent of drivers in their late teens or 20s admitted to having sent or read text messages while driving. By comparison, 17 percent of motorists in their 30s and 40s admitted doing so; 2 percent of drivers in their 50s and 60s did.

Four states—California, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut—prohibit motorists from using a wireless phone in any fashion, other than talking on a hands-free speaker device.

Idaho's libertarian-minded Legislature is unlikely to go that far, but there is enough evidence for it to consider at least some restrictions.

It could, for example, prohibit cell phone use by any driver—teenager or adult—who doesn't have full privileges. Or it could impose a flat ban on texting while driving.

Or it might direct the transportation department to keep detailed, specific records on accidents caused by wireless phone use.

It shouldn't be up to Idaho Falls—or any other city or county in the state—to restrict cell-phoning motorists, who are four times as likely to be involved in wrecks involving a serious injury than are drivers who don't use mobile phones. Cell phone use behind the wheel is a clear and present safety hazard on Idaho's highways.

And the Legislature can't ignore it any longer.

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It's time we bridge 'the hardship gap'

When we, as a people, pick and choose who wins. Without debate—or, rather, some Americans get help from the federal government when they buy a car. Purchase a 2008 Mazda Tribute 2WD Hybrid and you will earn a tax credit of \$3,000. I know how this works because I bought a Honda hybrid last week. 31. Just a time for the tax savings.



MARK TRAHAN

Other Americans will soon borrow money for college, and then find the right job in public health or law enforcement. In exchange, their students will be forgiven.

Or there's that great American given: the tax deduction for interest paid on a mortgage. Rent a house, you lose. But if you rent to your "owed" your house, you win.

We've decided who wins, who loses. While some of us cash our subsidies without debate, others face a gamut of spite.

Consider the rhetoric surrounding the State Children's Health Insurance Program. One of the House Republican goals is that "SCHIP should not replace or significantly impact those who already have private health insurance with a government-run program."

That's the nice way of saying it. I've also heard a more coarse variation that essentially says people make choices—and if they choose not to buy health insurance for their children, well, then, that's too bad.

Some win, some lose. If you are fortunate enough to get the right job, you are paid well, get a health care plan,



even retirement. But often in the same building, the workers who clean the offices, feed or wait on us, or provide other services get too few hours, lousy schedules (split shifts, anyone?) and low pay. And if benefits are available at all, the worker is required to pay for much of the coverage.

A new report by the Center for Economic Policy Research calls this "the hardship gap."

"These families work, but their earnings and work supports do not raise them to a basic standard of living, based on expenses in their local area," says the report.

"Bridging the Gaps: A Picture of How Work Supports Work in Ten States." The report says 41 million Americans find themselves in this hardship gap. The hardship gap is more accurate than the federal poverty standard because it measures the difference between basic needs—bare bones food, rent, child care, taxes, transportation and other expenses—compared with wages.

"For these families, the answer is finding a better job, or accessing public work supports to fill in the gap between earnings and needs," the report says.

A bad job is one with neither health care nor retirement plans. About the same number of us work in "good jobs" with decent pay, employer-sponsored health care and retirement. The remaining workers are in the middle—jobs that have one or two of the measures of a good job, but not all three.

"Almost a quarter (22.1 percent) of Americans were in bad jobs. Even worse, despite substantial economic growth since the end of 1970s, the share of bad jobs in the U.S. economy has remained essentially unchanged for over a quarter century," the report says.

"The good news is that 'work supports'—programs such as SCHIP or the Earned Income Tax Credit—help close the hardship gap (at least for those families that qualify and sign up). Those two programs work best because they have broad eligibility and are widely available. It's far more difficult—and the numbers reflect that—for working families to get help with child care, housing assistance or food.

President Bush vetoed the SCHIP legislation, saying states should not be expand-

ing coverage to those very families. They make too much for a federal program, just go out and buy private insurance, the administration said. It's too bad if those workers cannot afford it.

When the numbers are this big—nearly a third in bad jobs— isn't it time to rethink the system?

"The United States is out of sync with our industrial counterparts," the report says. "Our main economic competitors in industrialized countries in almost all cases have higher minimum wage levels and employer-sponsored and public supports. It's true that taxes in these countries are higher but it is also true that these countries are surpassing the United States in many health, social and economic indicators, suggesting that far too many American families are paying a high price for lower taxes."

We need to stop blaming working people for earning too little. We are a people of subsidy. It is time we let workers win, too.

Fori Hall native Mark Trahan is the editorial page editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

There's a better alternative to Highway 93 bypass

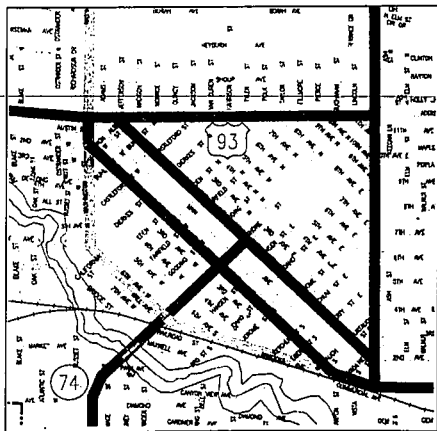
This letter is in opposition to the Oct. 4 editorial encouraging the expenditure of \$50 million to extend Alternate Route 93. That project entails construction of a new bridge over Rock Creek Canyon, widening Pole Line Road for five miles west of Twin Falls and then another two miles to the Highway 30/93 intersection. This project is offered as a solution to heavy truck traffic and congestion on Blue Lakes and the "bottleneck" near the Perrine Bridge.

READER COMMENT  
Jeff Hepworth

I agree there is clearly a problem with congestion on Blue Lakes and the "bottleneck" on the Perrine Bridge. I disagree that Alternate Route 93 is the solution.

The reason truck traffic creates congestion on Blue Lakes is because Blues Lakes is the most direct route to the truckers' destination. Ninety-five percent of the truck traffic in Twin Falls is created by Twin Falls industry, all of which is located in the south or southwest corner of Twin Falls. Twin Falls industry generates 500 to 1,000 trucks per day to or from the interstate across the Perrine Bridge. In order to relieve congestion on Blue Lakes, there must be another five-lane road constructed parallel to Blue Lakes leading to the industrial area. Further, truck traffic coming from the east (Burley) will be directed across the Hansen Bridge rather than the Perrine Bridge. These solutions will reduce the Perrine "bottleneck" and will instead support the two plans destined for Twin Falls plants, no one would use Alternate Route 93, five miles west of Twin Falls.

I request the editorial staff to reconsider its support for Alternate Route 93 and instead support the two plans unanimously and wisely accepted by the Twin Falls City Council. One plan is to reroute Highway 30 to create an efficient truck route for Twin Falls industry. The second plan adopted by the city is to



widen Washington Street North to five lanes. The two plans combined would greatly improve southern Idaho transportation.

The city of Twin Falls presently plans to widen Washington Street North to five lanes from Pole Line Road to Addison Avenue. The city has also requested the state to reroute Highway 30 from Addison along Washington South, Sixth Avenue and Minidoka, connecting to Kimberly Road. A combination of the city project and the state project would create a five-lane belt route from the north to south and west to east.

The belt route would reduce congestion of Blue Lakes and the "bottleneck," create an efficient truck route for industry, improve safety of school children at Bickel and Lincoln elementary schools,

and assist economic development downtown. The benefits would be huge, yet the price to the state would be less than one-third of the cost of Alternate Route 93. The state would be asked to construct 1.4 miles of road rather than the seven miles plus of bridge included in the Alternate 93 project. In conclusion, Idaho tax dollars should be used to promote Idaho industry and local economic development. The U.S. 30 reroute accomplishes that goal. The Alternate Route 93 project would only benefit truck traffic from out-of-state industry attempting to bypass Twin Falls. The Legislature's rejection of the Alternate Route 93 project was appropriate.

Jeff Hepworth is a Twin Falls attorney.

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"There is no question that America is living a nightmare with no end in sight."  
—Retired Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, who commanded coalition troops in June 2003, on the U.S. involvement in Iraq.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Lack of coverage of event was disappointing for kids

The organizers of the "Hide for Cinder" event held Oct. 7 at the Rock Creek Race Track would like to thank all the people and businesses who donated their time and services for this event and for the formation of the Cinder Brinkman Henson Memorial Scholarship.

At the same time, I also want to express our disappointment at the *Times-News* for failing to take this event seriously. We tried several times to generate interest at the paper; however, no one thought it important enough. What an absolute heartbreak to the kids who worked so hard to put this together.

Cindra Henson was an incredible woman and a dedicated teacher; she touched the lives of so many kids with her after-school program. Her sudden and unexplained death at 36 was a tragedy that still touches a nerve in Bulh's citizens.

Perhaps this story isn't sensational enough; after all, how could it compete with dairies, dogs who have cancer and Wendell's overgrown trees? Your lack of interest was a slap in the face to so many people but especially our children — the children who have put so much effort into making this scholarship a reality.

As for your recent article increase, I am thinking it will be much more cost-effective to collect the dead leaves in my front yard; 75 cents is a lot to pay for fire-starter.

LILLIE KASTER  
Buhl

## New community center would improve Jerome

The Jerome Senior Center has called the old depot building on First Avenue East in Jerome its home since 1980. The depot was built in 1912 and is now 95 years old.

The depot needs a new roof, new siding, hand-capped-accessible bath-rooms, walkways and

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entrances. We also have a need for a much larger parking area. The depot was never designed to be a senior center.

The new building would be surrounded by a beautiful park setting. The center would have easier accessibility and more parking. The dining room would accommodate more than 100, and the center would also have two extra rooms that would be available to more clubs, civic groups and organizations. This would be a community center that all of Jerome could enjoy.

The citizens of Jerome would be able to enjoy dances, more entertainment and activities that would interest all ages. The community would be able to hold weddings, parties, reunions, banquets and fundraisers at the new center. The new center would enhance the quality of life for the whole community.

The old depot building would be saved for historical purposes so that Jerome would not lose another one of its valued treasures.

The city is asking the voters to support an \$800,000 bond levy that will cost the taxpayers \$12.88 per year or \$1.08 per month. That's less than a cup of coffee. Aren't the people who built this community worth at least that?

Vote yes on Nov. 6. Vote yes for the seniors. Vote yes for

the entire community. KRISTINE SHELTON Jerome (Editor's note: Kristine Shelton is the site manager at the Jerome Senior Center.)

## No traffic signal? Then how about some signs?

In lieu of the distant possibility of a signal light at the intersection of North College Road and Washington Street North, the following signs should be posted at East and West North College Road approaching Washington Street North.

Drivers entering intersection must have the following: Ability to move head and eyes 180 degrees in one second or less.

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LLEE KELLY BOBBIE KELLY Twin Falls

## Candidate offers to help Hansen plan for future

Hi, I am Anthony Behm. Most people call me Tony. I am happy to announce that I am running for City Council in Hansen.

I have long-term ties to Hansen. I have friends and relatives living here for years and some for around 30 years. I have also helped build a lot of houses here. I have lived in Hansen for well more than a year, but I have lived in Twin Falls County for more than 44 years.

I have planned to live in Hansen for years to come, and I'd like to help Hansen change for everyone.

I would like to help bring in a regular grocery store in Hansen. We had one for a better part of 30 years. We need one now more than we did then.

We need better law

enforcement coverage. We had our own before. Maybe one full time and two part time. And the amount of money shouldn't be much different. Right now it's just part time.

We need to look at work for the future — not five years but 20 years. Our town is growing, and we have to be ready. We don't want to wait until it's too late, meaning water and waste water. Our pumps here have problems and water is going to be short. With our town growing, we need to establish a plan so we will be ahead of what we will need then.

We need more things for the kids to do — a Boys and Girls Club, maybe a swimming pool, a playground.

Remember to vote. Your voice can be the loudest it can be when you vote. See you at the polls.

TONY BOHRN Hansen

## 'Don't ask, don't tell' policy should be repealed

On Nov. 30, 1993, President Bill Clinton signed the "don't ask, don't tell" policy into law, thus making it a crime to live openly and honestly and serve your country at the same time.

In the 14 years since "don't ask, don't tell" has been a disservice to our country and to the people who serve in our armed forces. "Don't ask, don't tell" has deprived our armed forces of the skills, talent, experience and commitment of nearly 11,000 personnel discharged under the law. It has deprived us of untold numbers of young Americans who have chosen not to serve or who have cut short their careers in the military because of the ban.

The ban demands self-denial far beyond the already substantial sacrifices expected of uniformed personnel and their families. "Don't ask, don't tell" forces gay military personnel to live in a state of constant fear of losing their condition of service. The law denies others the opportuni-

ty to know and learn from their gay colleagues.

It is far beyond time to repeal the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, and I am encouraging all of you reading this letter to do some research on the Military Readiness Enhancement Act (HR1246) and write a letter or make a phone call to our Idaho representative, Rep. Mike Simpson. He can be reached at the Twin Falls office, 1341 Fillmore St., No. 202, Twin Falls, ID 83301; phone 734-7215.

It only takes a few minutes of your time to help change thousands of lives. If you are unsure of where to get information on this bill, go to [www.sldn.org](http://www.sldn.org) or [www.usdoj.gov](http://www.usdoj.gov) and follow the search links.

JEREMY FERCH Twin Falls

## Impatient drivers ignore speed limit, endanger kids

School zone speed limits were set up to protect our children, right?

I live on Elizabeth Boulevard, which is well patrolled by the city police department, which I commend for its hard work. However, they cannot be everywhere 24 hours, seven days a week.

We live in an area used heavily by children. We have Harmon Park, YMCA, Morningside School and O'Leary Junior High. I travel this street often because of where I live. It's always very busy with children and the activities they attend.

My concern is the police have a busy schedule and the public needs to pay attention. I can't count the times I've slowed down watching for children as well as the speed limit (set to protect children) and many drivers either get impatient with me and have actually passed me in the school zone for going too slow (20 miles an hour).

Come on, guys, that speed limit is set for a reason. Don't you have children? Do you

not care about their welfare? I know that, being a grandmother of teen grandchildren who don't even live in Twin Falls.

I may feel like the little old lady who doesn't know how to drive, but give our children in the community a chance to grow up. Don't let our community grieve for another tragic child's death because you can't obey the law set to protect those children.

Laws are made because you don't have common sense to care about others around you. What has happened to common courtesy and respect for life? My example is but one area, and from hearing from other people, this is a city wide problem. Slow down, save a child. They are our future. We owe them to experience what we have had the privilege to experience — life. Slow down!

KAREN DICKMAN Twin Falls

## Why do city motorcycle cops turn off their lights?

Just about every street motorcycle sold in the United States is set up so that when the ignition is turned on, the headlight is illuminated. When I took the Idaho STAR Motorcycle Safety Training Course, one of the cardinal rules of safety taught was to always have the motorcycle's headlight illuminated when riding.

I imagine how stupid I am when I see Twin Falls City motorcycle cops riding around town with their headlights turned off. What could possibly motivate such careless behavior, especially from the police department that is constantly preaching responsible, safe driving and certainly should lead by example. Slow down, save a child. They are our future. We owe them to experience what we have had the privilege to experience — life. Slow down!

BRIAN HARPER Twin Falls

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# China's heirs apparent come from new generation steeped in pragmatism and economic smarts

By Christopher Bodens  
Associated Press writer

BEIJING — When President Hu Jintao needed someone to jump-start an economically less-prosperous China in the northeastern rust-belt, he turned to a trusted aide with a doctorate in economics and a low-key manner.

Three years after Li Keqiang took the helm in Liaoning manufacturing is booming, government coffers are brimming and foreign investment is pouring in. Last month, the province hosted a meeting of the glitzy World Economic Forum, where the heads of multinational firms hobnobbed with top Chinese leaders.

When China's Communist Party elite gathers for a once-every-five-years congress starting Monday, all eyes will be on Li. Buoyed by his success and his ties to Hu, Li is widely tipped to join the party's powerful inner circle. At the relatively boyish age of 52, he has long been seen as Hu's favorite as a successor.

Li's rise is also a sign of how much China is changing. Like Hu, Li belongs to a new generation of Chinese leaders who are pragmatic, steeped in economic experience and increasingly have backgrounds in finance and law, in contrast to the engineers and soldiers who preceded them.

Their leadership structure is more collegial, and their focus is on the economy, not on the communist political system they have inherited. In fact, their position on political reform and democracy is unclear, though many attended college during a period of fervent debate, they never speak publicly on these issues.

"China is at a turning point and Li is the sort of person with the ambition to achieve new goals," said Wang Juntao, a political dissident who was a classmate of Li's at Peking University.

Li's succession is by no means assured. Hu — not due to step aside until 2012 at the earliest — needs to persuade other leaders that Li deserves promotion to the inner circle, the Politburo Standing Committee. If he falls, Li will have virtually no chance of succeeding him.

And Li has rivals, including Shanghai party chief Xi Jinping, who is also angling for a seat on the standing committee. The son of a leading revolutionary, the 54-year-old Xi hosted Hu on a high-profile visit to Shanghai on Oct. 1, China's national day.

Xi ran two of China's most vital coastal provinces before being named to lead its biggest and wealthiest city this spring. He enjoys praise

from foreign investors and officials. U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson described him as a "guy who really knows how to get over the goal line."

In contrast to Xi, Li was born into a peasant family in the poor eastern province of Anhui and got his first taste of leadership as party secretary of his commune.

"He liked to voice new ideas," Wang said. "Back (in college), we were idealists who wanted to develop a new model for governing China."

Li was also known for his discipline, studying English vocabulary while waiting in the cafeteria line, classmate He Qinhua told the newspaper Southern Weekend earlier this year.

In meetings with foreign visitors, Li reluctantly promotes the local economy and recites statistics in great detail.


"He is a brilliant guy — young, very investment driven," said a German businessman who has met Li frequently but did not want his name used to avoid harming relations with Chinese officials.

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— Wang Juntao, a political dissident who was a classmate of Li Keqiang at Peking University

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## Farmer spots first wild South China tiger seen in more than two decades

BEIJING (AP) — A type of tiger thought to be extinct in the wild for more than two decades has been photographed in a mountainous area in northwest China, state media reported Saturday.

The endangered subspecies known as the South China tiger was spotted by a farmer on Oct. 3, the *China Daily* said.

Experts confirmed that it was a young wild South China tiger, the newspaper quoted Shanghai Forestry Administration Bureau Deputy Director Zhu Julong as saying.

"After the careful examination, experts confirmed the authenticity of the photos. That means the tiger has been found again after more than 20 years," Zhu said.

The South China tiger is one of the world's smallest and the only tiger subspecies native to China's central and southern areas, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

In the early 1950s, there were 4,000 of the tigers across the country but that number fell as their habitat was squeezed by China's economic boom.

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## What's the key to getting locked out of your house?

My wife bought a car last week, and she gave me a key. That was good for her, but it brought my key inventory beyond the critical mass of weight that can physically be contained by the cloth pocket of a pair of Dockers.

Every pair of britches I own already has holes in both pockets, caused by keys to cars I haven't driven and houses I haven't owned for years.

But I never throw away a key because, someday and for some reason, I might just need it.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

I learned that the hard way. In high school, my girlfriend at the time and I both drove Volvo Volvos. Beetles. I was over at her place one Sunday night, and we decided to break up. Pam basically threw me out of the house.

I lost my keys on the kitchen counter and had to walk home.

But my girlfriend's parents and I were still on tolerably good terms, so I showed up at their front door the next afternoon and asked sheepishly if I could please have my keys back. Pam's mom handed them over.

Except that they were my keys; they belonged to my now-ex-girlfriend's car. That was bad.

Because Pam had spare keys to her Bug. I had none. When she discovered the fact, Pam took my keys and flushed them down the toilet. I had to pay a mechanic to make me a new car key, a process that involved removing the ignition. The process cost me \$75; I bought the vehicle for \$50.

Ever since, I've been the keymaster. I could still let myself into my college dorm room if I wanted to, and I graduated in 1974.

But the fact that I no longer own a single pair of trousers with pockets that still hold all of my keys means that they slide down the inside of my pant leg in the middle of conversations with perfect strangers, and fall with a clunk at my feet. It still has a substantial clunk. As of this morning, there are 46 keys hanging on the gimmie key ring I got at Maverik. So as I bend over to pick them up, I have to explain to whomever I'm talking with that I'm neither a jailer nor Ebenezer Scrooge, who had no fewer than seven locks on his front door.

But I've reached the point at which I'll either have to hang the keys around my neck or buy all new jeans, so I'm thinking about culling my collection.

My wife and I both drive Subaru, so I suppose I could get rid of all the old GM, Ford, Chrysler, Toyota and Volkswagen keys. I still have that one. And I guess I could go through my collection and isolate the key that actually opens my front door.

Because frankly, I don't have the 30 minutes or so a day required to stand on my doorstep in the rain until I find the right key.

Yet I'm sure, somehow, that I'll be able to figure out a way to get that key away.

Shoot, I might end up having to call Pam.

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# Stamping out hunger



Six-year-old Katherine Wheeler leads the group of people from local church congregations participating in this year's Twin Falls CROP Walk, an inter-denominational effort to raise money to fight hunger and poverty both at home and abroad.

## Annual CROP Walk draws a devoted few

By Cass Friedman  
Times-News writer

The light at Sixth Avenue North and Shoshone Street is a joy kill.

Participants — including a baby in a stroller and two dogs — who had started a 4-mile hike against poverty at 10:04 a.m. Saturday in Twin Falls City Park, were already huddled up at the crosswalk for what seemed like an eternity.

In other cities, when the cause is just a forerunner biker traffic when the pedestrian light is red.

But this is Twin Falls, and no one is rushing.

"Despite the signal, walking Saturday morning next to Carol and Matt Tombre, discussing how to reshape strategies to combat poverty and hunger, I lost track of time and distance and ended up two miles away from my car.

All told, the 2007 Twin Falls CROP Walk had 30 walkers — myself included. That's not quite the number anticipated Friday, which was 100 to 300 walkers.

Organizer Jacquie Kinzy handed out cookies to walkers from behind a table set up along Addison Avenue.

When walkers had passed, Kinzy's cookie baskets were still full.

"This is a pretty good turnout," she



said, with no hint of irony. "A lot of people don't walk but donate."

Of roughly 1,000 envelopes sent to churches around the city, the tally is not in for how many came back with signed checks. Since August, when donations started coming in, \$2,500 has been raised, most of it by Saturday's walkers.

If anything, the image framed by the walk is of a stolid few who refuse to stop trying to reach those in need. Their battle takes place in a society where some people cheat the welfare system, a system with loopholes that occasionally get exploited. In Carol Tombre's world, it's important to be honest about these things.

When you admit there are abuses, you don't get discouraged — you get smart.

"We're not doing handouts," said Tombre, who works at Mustard Seed Ministries, which will get a cut of the event's donations. "We're doing hand-

ups. I try to do my part by volunteering, helping people find ways to access things."

Honesty is also important for CROP organizing committee member Karen McCarthy.

She's not sure why so few people turned out Saturday. "It's been cold. It was threatening rain," she says in the same breath. But Saturday morning defied dismal weather forecasts and produced near-perfect walking weather.

After giving her first answer, she slides uncomfortably to a second: "Maybe churches are resisting the effort because it's interfaith."

"I would hope that we could all come together on this one cause," she said.

Although a cross-section of churches was represented, the weak turnout may show a lack of concerted will to do things outside of one's own denomination. When churches rally, good things happen. Hunger and poverty are human issues and are not the domain of any one church, McCarthy said.

"It doesn't matter their faith," she said. "We all believe we're connected. We can do this as a community."

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## Fill it out, send it in

Castleford survey is part of water system overhaul

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

This is one survey Castleford residents will want to fill out, as it could end up saving folks a lot of money.

Residents within Castleford city limits will be receiving surveys as part of the Idaho Community Development Block Grant that this city was awarded earlier this year.

The \$275,900 will go to help replace service lines from homes to where they connect to the city's meter as part of a \$1.1 million arsenic treatment facility and water system overhaul.

An arsenic treatment facility is needed to lower arsenic levels from 22 parts per billion to 10 ppb per Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.

Households who meet financial needs, deemed by the Idaho Department of Commerce, will have their service lines replaced free. For others, costs to replace service lines will be left to the homeowner.

Not all people will qualify to have the lines replaced due to the high number of low- to moderate-income households, said Kathy Uker, a representative of the Idaho IV Development Association, Inc.

Both residents and City Council members have expressed concern about how to handle residents who may balk at having to replace leaky or corroded pipes at their own cost.

"I've heard a lot of people say they want replaced pipes," said resident Tonya Harding.

But Mayor Rita Ruffing says people might not have much of a choice, but suggests the council make the upgrades mandatory.

Residents "have to have their lines replaced, if necessary, in order to hook into the system and get water," Ruffing said.

However, a payment plan could be set up so homeowners won't have to face high upfront costs.

By installing faulty service lines, the city's overall water consumption should decrease and save water users money down the road, said Don Acheson of Twin Falls-based Riedesel and Associates.

"We are very concerned with the operational costs of the arsenic treatment system after it gets built. The more water that is used, the higher those costs are going to be," Acheson said.

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## Public input sought on assessment of U.S. 93 project

Times-News

SHOSHONE — The public is invited to comment on the environmental assessment document for U.S. Highway 93 in Jerome County, the Idaho Transportation Department announced.

A hearing is scheduled for 4 to 7 p.m. Oct. 23 at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game District Office, 318 South 417 East in Jerome.

Displays illustrating the design of the preferred alternative for U.S. 93 from Interstate 84 to Idaho

Highway 25, environmental impacts and other project information will be available for review. ITD staff will answer questions about any needed property acquisition, alternative impacts and environmental issues. A hearing officer will receive written testimony or privately recorded oral testimony.

The public can review the document in advance of the hearing in Jerome at the city hall, public library, county planning and zoning office, or the Idaho Department of Fish and Game district office.

The document is also available at the ITD district office in Shoshone and at ITD headquarters in Boise.

Also, the document is available on ITD's Web site, [id.idaho.gov](http://id.idaho.gov); click on "Projects" and then southern Idaho on the map. Compact disk copies are available by calling (208) 886-7829.

The purpose of the project is to improve U.S. 93 between I-84 and Idaho 25. The project specifically addresses the need to increase roadway capacity. The project will also

improve access in locations such as the U.S. 93 Business Park and Crossroads Point and meet the access needs of agriculture. Improvements are planned to meet corridor needs for the next 25 years.

Written testimony and/or exhibits can be submitted at the hearing, by e-mail to [comments@id.idaho.gov](mailto:comments@id.idaho.gov), by fax at (208) 334-8263, or mailed to Public Involvement Coordinator, P.O. Box 7129, Boise, ID, 83707-1129. Items postmarked by Nov. 8 will become part of the official record for this project.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

**Motorcyclists to ride today for worthy cause**  
Got a motorcycle? Want something better than the usual Sunday ride?  
A motorcycle ride to benefit U.S. Army Spc. Andrew Pike and his family starts at 10 a.m. today at Renegade Classics, 2487 Kimberly Rd. in Twin Falls, next to Adventure Motorsports.  
Pike was shot in March by a sniper in Iraq, paralyzing him from the waist down. Now, as he builds a home in Kimberly, he needs help covering the costs of making the home wheelchair accessible.

The Idaho Motorcycle Club is sponsoring the event, which is aimed to help make that goal possible.

**Teachers invited to apply for Quest grants**  
Teachers in Idaho can apply for \$75,000 worth of grants available through the Quest Foundation, which will be used to fund innovative uses of technology in the classroom.

This is the fourth year grant funding is available, and grants are designed for projects ranging from rock-sty to improving fitness, according to a press release from Quest spokesman Bob Gravelly.

More than 300 teachers applied in previous years, and the total amount award-

ed this year will reach \$250,000 after winners are selected.

Teachers have until Nov. 16 to apply, and grants will be awarded early next year.

For application forms: <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/echservices>.

**CSI taking applications for China business tour**  
The College of Southern Idaho is accepting reservations from people interested in traveling to China with the CSI Business Department, according to a press release from the college.

The trip runs from May 19-31, and cost is \$3,225 per person.

The 13-day trip will include stops in Beijing,

Guogong, Xi'an, Shanghai, and the Great Wall of China. Activities will include trips to historic, cultural and economic sites, along with a visit to Zhong Guan Cun, which is known as the Silicon Valley of China.

For more information: Rosemary Fornsheim, 732-6435.

**Twin Falls library seeks nominees for board**  
The Twin Falls Public Library seeks nominees to fill the seat that will be vacated by current board member Raneae Haight when her term expires in December. The City Council will appoint a new trustee to serve a term of office from Jan. 1, 2008, through Dec. 31, 2012.

Purpose of the five-member board is to establish policies and rules of use for the governance of the library. Meetings are held at 4:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the library. Current board members in addition to Haight are Brian Bolton, Pat Patterson, Catherine Tallington and Mark Waddell.

Interested applicants who reside within the Twin Falls city limits should submit a letter stating their reasons for wanting to be on the library board and their qualifications. Letters should be delivered or sent to the Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301 by Oct. 22.

Information: Susan Ash at 732-2964, ext. 118.

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Marjorie Brass Heiss

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the Sawtooth Backcountry Horsemen, Box 2673, Hailey, ID 83333; Blaine Manor Auxiliary, Box 2723, Hailey, ID 83333; or the Ketchum/Sun Valley Historical Society, Box 2746, Ketchum, ID 83334. Funeral arrangements are under the care of Wood River Chapel in Hailey, Idaho.

Lawrence E. 'Larry' Lillibridge

Lawrence E. "Larry" Lillibridge, 63, passed away Oct. 12, 2007, in Houston, Texas, after a courageous battle with cancer. Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence L. "Jim" and L. A. P. R. E. L. Lillibridge of Twin Falls, Idaho. He was survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Esther, son, Phil; daughter-in-law, Vicki; and two won-

derful grandchildren, Kix Allyn and Sabrina Chevenne, all of Houston, Texas, as well as two loving sisters, Doris Hall of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Carol Brown of Salt Lake City, Utah. Friends and family are cordially invited to celebrate Larry's life from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, at their family home, where Larry loved to entertain. For those desiring memorial contributions may be made in Larry's name to the American Cancer Society at (800) 227-2345 or www.cancer.org.

Ted Victor Samples

Ted Victor Samples, 83, of Twin Falls, passed away on Thursday Oct. 11, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Ted was born on Dec. 29, 1923, in Rocky Ford, Colo., to Charles and Grace (Coles) Samples. Ted attended and graduated from Murtaugh High School. After graduation, he attended a trade school in Idaho. Ted was drafted into the U.S. Army-Air Corps, where he served in the 13th Air Corps as a gunner flight engineer. Following his military service, he married Julia Vigne. They lived in Murtaugh for a short time before moving into Twin Falls.

books on the history of Twin Falls. Ted was a "wordsmith" and loved to play Scribble. As well as being an avid baseball fan, he also loved gardening, traveling and bowling. Ted is survived by his wife, Julia Samples of Twin Falls; three sons, Eric Samples of Twin Falls, Dennis (Mandi) Samples of Sandy, Ore., and Dana (Sherry) Samples of Edmonds, Wash.; one great-grandchild; one great-granddaughter; and also by numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and one sister. The funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 15, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Ethyl (Bernie) Randolph

Ethyl (Bernie) Randolph, age 89, died peacefully Friday morning, Oct. 12, 2007, in Twin Falls. Bernie was born April 21, 1918, in Holden, Mo., to Sylvan and Lola Browne. Bernie was the second oldest of four children, living her entire years in Oklahoma and Texas, and graduating from Hooker (Oklahoma) High School in 1936. She married her high school sweetheart, Curtis Randolph in 1936. Shortly thereafter, they moved to Los Angeles, where they began their family and lived until the end of World War II. Bernie and her family then moved to Twin Falls, where she lived a wonderful life among her extended family and close friends.

Brown Derby Cafe in Twin Falls. Although not a wealthy woman, Bernie loved to quietly, without drawing attention to herself, share generously what limited resources she had with those less fortunate, often feeding and clothing those in need. She was especially touched by those parents with small children. Survivors include two sons, Terry (Mary Sue) Randolph of Carson City, Nev., and Murray (Nancy) Randolph of McCall; seven grandsons; a great-grandson; two great-granddaughters; and Bernie's brother, Walter "Ray" Browne (Ruth) of Lewiston; sister-in-law, Betty Brown; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sisters and two brothers.

Known as "Granny" or "Aunt Bernie" she shared her passion and love for beautiful roses, but Bernie's true love was for her children, grandchildren, and close family members and friends. Bernie spent many happy days fishing with her husband and sons, both at their cabin at Magic Reservoir and salmon fishing off the Washington coast. They made many friends during the years they owned and operated the

Bernie will be missed greatly by all those who shared her life and loved her. In lieu of flowers, Bernie asked that all who knew her continue to reach out wherever possible to make the lives of children better. A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, at Twin Falls Cemetery. Arrangements are being provided by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Walter C. Edwards

Walter C. Edwards, 94, of Jerome, died Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, in Jerome. A memorial service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Iris Dennis

Iris Dennis, 79, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 12, 2007, at her home. The funeral will be at 11

James W. Miller

James Wesley Miller, 78, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

David Gene Bostic of Meridian, formerly of Glens Ferry, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Rose Funeral Home, 400 Murtaugh Chapel in Mountain Home; visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the service Monday at the chapel.

James Fowler Toles Jr. of Buhl, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Farnsworth Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Marge Heiss, a grande dame of the Wood River Valley, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2007, at Blaine Manor in Hailey, where she has resided this past year. She lived for 97 extraordinary years, and just as she lived her life on her terms, peacefully and surrounded by family, this too, is how she passed. She was an incomparable horsewoman, outdoorswoman, wife, mother and grandmother. She lived her adventurous life in full color, full of humor and style. She was inspired and became a role model to all who knew her, especially her daughters and their children, and she will be missed.



Later years, Marge traveled the world extensively on "Ranch" tours. Marge and Clark loved fly-fishing and exploring new places with their jeep. After Clark's death in 1968, Marge continued to travel on a permanent basis. The Heiss family lived in a log cabin just off Sun Valley Road for many generations. From this Ketchum cabin, Marge watched her family ranch become the Sun Valley of today and would tell wonderful tales of the years gone by to the many people who would stop to visit and laugh with her.

Marge was very active in the Jerome community as a Girl Scout leader for 11 years, Civic Club president, St. Benedict's Hospital Guild president, director of Idaho Horse Council and the Jerome County Republican Women's president. Marge was one of the founding members and presidents of the "Idaho Trail Council." The organization promoted working with all the recreation user groups, which emphasized all trail user groups going along and courtesy to all. She was very involved in all horse and trail affairs and encouraged her family to continue with this tradition. In 1999, she was in the group that set atop the wagon waving to all as the grand marshal of the Wagon Days Parade. In 2004, she was one of the first ladies elected to the Heritage Court of the Blaine County Historical Society.

Marge leaves three daughters, Cheryl L. (Forrest) Hymas, Lynette (David) Christensen and Glenda Jo Heiss; and her sister, Roberta Garretson. She also leaves eight grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. There will be a "celebration of life" at 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood, with the Rev. Bob Hensley officiating.

Jonita Kay Presnell

Jonita Kay Presnell, 67, of Kimberly, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, at her home in Kimberly. She was born on Sept. 16, 1940, in Pawnee, Okla. Joseph and Joy (Carter) McCutchen Jr. After turning 4 years old, her mother remarried Grant Southworth who she was proud to call dad. She grew up in the Magic Valley area, attending Valley-High School. On April 14, 1975, in Elk, Nev., she married Raymond Presnell.

Key loved fishing, crocheting, cooking and watching a good TV show. She loved spending quality time with her family. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Kay is survived by her husband, Raymond Presnell of Kimberly; two sons, Danny (Estella) Cooper of Oakley, Idaho, and Vince Cooper of Oakley, Idaho; one daughter, Debbie (Clem) Stanger of Oakley, Idaho; and one stepson, Duane (Judy) Presnell of New Plymouth, Idaho; one brother, Jim (Sue) Southworth of Kearney, Mo.; one sister, Lois (Bob) Jenkins of Hazelton, Idaho; 10 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

At her request, no service will be held at this time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made through White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" to the American Arthritis Foundation.

Influential black businessman Muhammad Nassardeen dies

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Muhammad A. Nassardeen, an entrepreneur who encouraged blacks and others to patronize black-owned businesses and promoted the practice as a means of business practice for revitalizing the community and addressing problems such as unemployment, has died. He was 54. Nassardeen, the founder of Recycling Black Dollars, died Thursday after suffering a heart attack in his

Ingleswood office, a family spokesman said. The chronicles of history shall portray Muhammad as a stalwart champion of political and business empowerment within the Los Angeles African American community — an objective he pursued with earnest diligence. California state Assemblyman Mervyn M. Dymally (D-Campton) said Friday in a statement.

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# First annual 'Ride for Cindra' a success

By Erica Littlefield  
Times-News correspondent

At the first annual Ride for Cindra motocross fundraiser, every lap around the track was for a good cause.

The event, which took place Oct. 7 at Stock Creek Race Track in Kimberly, raised more than \$2,000 for a scholarship fund in honor of Cindra Brinkman-Henson, a teacher at Buhl Middle School who died suddenly in 2004 at age 30.

"We want to help students and keep her memory alive," said Lillie Kaster, the coordinator of the event. The idea for the event came from Kaster's 15-year-old son Roger Vulgamore, who was one of Henson's students. Henson started a program called the School Academy and was known for her compassion and enthusiasm. After her death, Vulgamore wanted to do something special to honor her. "She helped me out with a lot of stuff," said Vulgamore. "I wanted to give something back."

They eventually decided to set up a scholarship fund in her name and hold motocross races as a fundraiser. Last Sunday's event included motocross races and a raffle with prizes, such as a two night stay at Danners Log Cabins in Stanley and two

rounds of golf and dinner at Clear Lakes Country Club. Kaster said they also are selling Ride for Cindra T-shirts.

Kaster said more than 50 spectators attended the event and about a dozen riders of all ages and skill levels participated in the races. She also said they raised more than \$2,100 for the scholarship fund. Part of that money came from Avelar Dairy in Buhl, who have issued a "dairyman's challenge."

They donated \$500 to the fund and challenged other dairymen in the Magic Valley to meet or beat that amount. The total goal for the scholarship fund is \$8,000 to \$10,000. Kaster said if the fund reaches \$8,000, the scholarship will be self-sustaining. According to Kaster, they plan to give out one \$500 scholarship each year. Kaster said that if they exceed their goal, they will either give out a larger scholarship or multiple scholarships.

Kaster said they plan to make Ride for Cindra an annual event, and are already thinking about next year.

"If we can keep it growing, it will give even more kids opportunities," said Kaster.

Erica Littlefield can be reached at 961-4515 or erica.littlefield@gmail.com.



# Jury awards more than \$850,000 for dog attack

HONOLULU (AP) — A jury has awarded \$856,000 to a mother and her 2 1/2-year-old son who was bitten by a Rotweiler on the beach.

The Hawaii Circuit Court jury took three hours Friday to decide that dog owner Marike Berechay was negligent for failing to keep her dog on a leash at Kalia Beach on Mother's Day in 2005. It's believed to be the highest dog bite award in Hawaii history.

The boy, Keeton Manguso, weighed 24 pounds when he was bitten multiple times by the dog. He received stitches for bites on his hip and back, and he was also bitten on his arms, said his attorney Jim Bickerton.

The dog wouldn't get off

until a former University of Hawaii football player punched him in the head, Bickerton said.

The boy's mother, Veronice Yamaska, said the lawsuit was never about the money.

"It was strictly to have her see what we went through and have a jury judge her," Yamaska said.

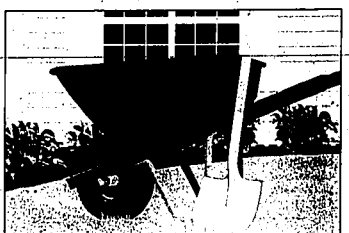
Berechay denied that her dog off the boy and said afterward that photos of his injuries were faked. She said she plans to appeal.

Berechay had previously been cited once and warned five times to keep her dogs on leashes, according to a 2003 letter from the Hawaiian Humane Society that was used as

evidence in the trial.

"It really highlights that the rules that say 'when a dog is out in public it should be leashed' are there for a very good reason," Bickerton said.

"Too many people want to enjoy the pleasure of running with their dogs at the beach and don't stop to think about the risk that poses, particularly to children."



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## FIFTH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

### Twin Falls County ARRAIGNMENTS (OCT. 11, 12)

Angela Segelston, 32, Twin Falls; delivery of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Oct. 19; \$5,000 bond.

Nicole Woodard, 25, Filer; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Oct. 19; \$5,000 bond.

Anthony Young, 19, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Oct. 19; \$5,000 bond.

Russell A. Porter, 20, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, minor possession of alcohol; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Nov. 20; \$5,000 bond.

## Water

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"By getting each needed line replaced, that should tighten up and improve the efficiency of the system."

"People have a big incentive for getting those surveys mailed back in ASAP."

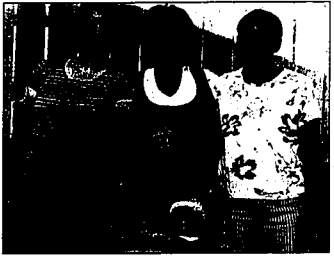
Renters also need to participate, Uker said. "Renters' information could qualify the home to have the service lines replaced, if needed," she said. If people fail to return the surveys, Uker said there will be no way to find out if a household qualifies for the subsidy.

"It is a simple survey and not hard to fill out at all," she said. "All we need to know is the total income of those in the household and how many people live there."

The surveys, which will come with a prepaid return envelope, must be returned by Oct. 4 to Castleford City Hall, 100 West Main.

Blair Koch may be reached at 216-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

## FIVE GENERATIONS



Five generations of the Steinschbach family gathered recently for a photo. From left: mother Britta Higley of Burley, grandmother Debbie Ramirez of Kimberly, great-grandmother Peggy Sellers of Burley, great-grandmother Hilda Steinschbach of Burley, and infant Mercedes Rae Higley of Burley.

Dorell Bastian, 19, Kimberly; failure to appear/failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Nov. 20; \$100 bond.

Scott Lovell, 30, Twin Falls; domestic battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Oct. 19; posted bond.

Albert B. Maughan, 30, Twin Falls; driving without privileges,

possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Oct. 19; no bond information.

Crystal D. Trefry, 35, Wendell; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Oct. 19; posted bond.

open container; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Nov. 20; \$500 bond.

Armando S. Beza Jr., 25, Twin Falls; domestic battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Nov. 20; released on own recognizance.

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# UI working on DNA diagnostic device

**POST FALLS (AP)** — Scientists at the University of Idaho are working on a futuristic device that might be able to diagnose ailments like cancer by detecting DNA mutations, greatly reducing diagnostic time.

Called biosensors, lab trials at the university have accurately detected staph infections and biomarkers for lung cancer.

"Current cancer detection technologies require a time-consuming bacteria culture," Wasi Maki, who leads UI's biosensor research team, told the *Coeur d'Alene Press*. "Our technologies can detect the cancer bio-mark directly from the DNA sample. Because the DNA mutation starts before the cancer, we can reverse it before it takes hold."

The technology was on display Friday at a University of Idaho Research Park workshop that also drew researchers from other universities.

"The diagnosis (of medical conditions) is being cut from days to hours," said Harold Craighead, a physics professor at Cornell University. "It's good that we meet, especially when our areas overlap. UI is highly on the electronic side of sensing techniques."

The biosensor is not on the market currently, and scientists are still looking at how it might be used.

"We are developing advanced technologies and now are trying to connect with life science researchers and other end-users," Maki said.


Biosensors are part of what's known as nanotechnology, and the workshop also looked at ways that Idaho might be able to take advantage of the U.S. National Nanotechnology Initiative.

The initiative looks to keep the U.S. ahead in nanotechnology and its applications for such things as human

health and national security, according to its Web site.

"We hope to help health sciences experts advance their research with better tools — better technology and methodology — to do their jobs better," said Gary Maki, principal investigator for microelectronics research at the University of Idaho.

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— Harold Craighead, professor at Cornell University



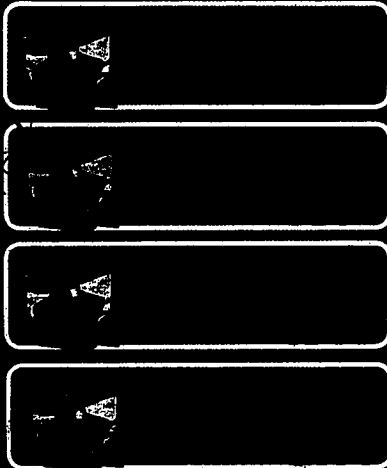
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# N. Idaho project tries to protect migrating birds from lead

**CATALDO (AP)** — Hundreds of swans, other waterfowl and songbirds die each year after ingesting lead found in the marshes along the Lower Coeur d'Alene River in northern Idaho, a scientist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said.

But Anne Dalley says a new project is aimed at making a 400-acre safe haven for birds out of some 15,000 acres that remain deadly because of high concentrations of lead. The marshes along the river serve as refueling stops for migrating birds.

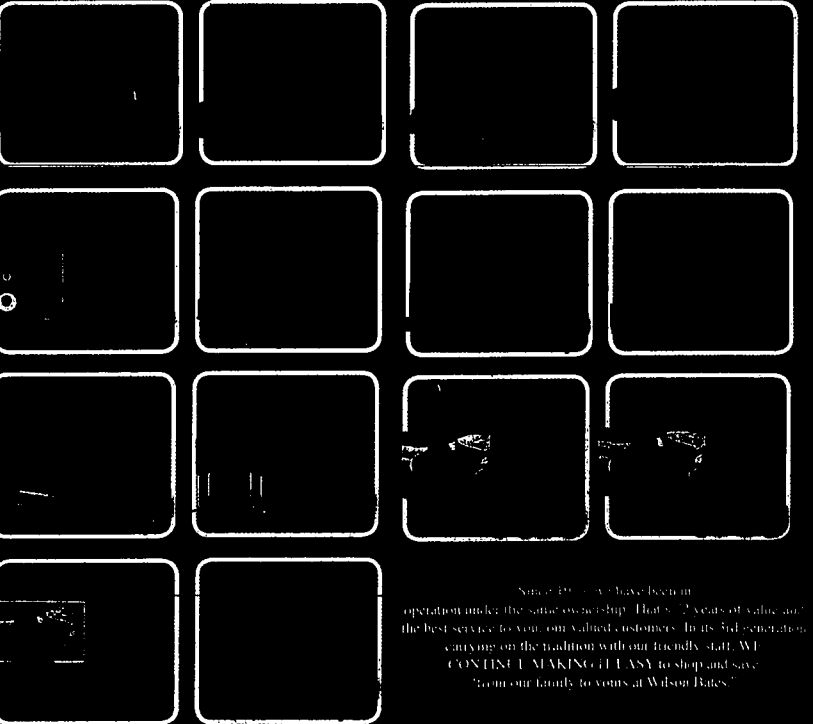
"If you set up a safe area, the birds will come," Dalley told the *Lewiston Tribune*. "But that doesn't mean they won't go elsewhere."

The safe feeding area is being set up in a field owned by Mike Schlepp, who used to harvest hay and graze cattle on the land. The EPA paid \$875,000 for a conservation easement on the 400 low-lying acres, Dalley said, meaning that Schlepp will continue to own the land but that it will not be developed.

"I'm really hopeful the swans spot this," Schlepp said. "It's the end of one era and start of another."

The 400 acres is separated from the river by a raised railroad bed that is now the Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes bicycle path. The berm prevents sediment from the river from reaching the 400 acres.

A century of mining in the region left that sediment contaminated with lead, zinc and other heavy metals which washed downstream from Silver Valley mines. The EPA has spent millions of dollars trying to make the region safe for humans, and expects to spend another \$20 million during the next 25 years.



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# Idaho Hall of Fame welcomes Craig despite infamous arrest

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Sen. Larry Craig welcomed Saturday night to the Idaho Hall of Fame, marking the Republican lawmaker's first ceremonial appearance back in his home state since his arrest in an airport bathroom sex sting became public in August.

Craig, 62, seated near the front of the banquet room, received polite applause and a few encouraging hoots when he was introduced.

"I hope in a very sincere way that the attention that's been brought to me has not lessened the honor you receive," Craig told the other nominees and about 200 people who attended the dinner.

He was chosen for induction last spring, well before his arrest at the Minneapolis-St. Paul airport in June.

Among the other inductees are Chris Petersen, coach of the Boise State football team, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and Lt. Gov. Jim Ritsch, who is vying to replace Craig in 2008.

Before he was honored, Craig entered the Boise convention center through its front doors, accompanied by family members including his wife, Suzanne Craig, and mother, Dorothy Craig. They walked through a crowd of about a dozen photographers, TV cameras and reporters.

"I'm doing very well," Craig said, responding to a question. "I've got my whole family with me."

Before the event, Michael Ritz, an Idaho Hall of Fame board member, said he had

been bombarded with calls from national media outlets wanting to know whether they could set up cameras at the 550-a-head function. And while even some Republican Party members suggested withdrawing or delaying Craig's nomination until another year, Ritz said the 12-member board opted to go ahead.

"We thought, 'It's kind of going back on your word,'" he said before the event. "Once a person has been sent a letter and voted into the Hall of Fame, it would be kind of like breaking a promise."

Idaho's senior Republican lawmaker pleaded guilty in August to disorderly conduct, then unsuccessfully tried to withdraw his plea after the episode became painfully public.

He initially said he intended to resign but now vows to serve out the last 15 months of his term.

The master of ceremonies for the event, former Republican Lt. Gov. David Leroy, acknowledged that attention on the senator and his arrest had raised the profile of the private, nonprofit Idaho Hall of Fame. Since 1995, it has inducted some 113 members, but before 2007 hadn't made any new nominations for four years.

"As the cameras outside testify, this banquet is a hot ticket," Leroy joked.

He then offered a quote that he attributed to actor Brad Pitt on the subject of fame: "Fame's a bitch, man."

Craig later quipped: "My fame of the last month, I would liken to the definition Brad Pitt gave it."

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# E. Idaho mayor doesn't want coal-fired plants in the state

POCATELLO (AP) — The mayor of this eastern Idaho city says he is against allowing coal-fired power plants to be built in the state because possible pollution could degrade the quality of life.

"I'm one that believes we should be looking at other energy sources than coal," Roger Chase told other mayors from across the state attending an Association of Idaho-Gilite-legislative committee on Friday. "Coal's not the answer for our state."

Chase has become an outspoken critic of the industry because of plans to build a

plant near Pocatello within the next five years, the Idaho State Journal reported.

He said building a coal-fired plant could end up damaging the state's economy because it would reduce the quality of life.

"I'm going to continue to say that we need to keep our air quality as one of the top items we protect as a state," he said.

Chase said alternatives to coal energy in Idaho could come from wind energy, agriculturally based biofuels, conservation and a state nuclear power plant.

# Canyon County commissioners' financial deal questioned

NAMPA (AP) — The Canyon County clerk and treasurer are questioning a \$143,000 deal two county commissioners have made with a contractor.

Clerk Bill Hurst said the deal might not be legal under Idaho law, and treasurer Tracie Lloyd said commissioners made a deal with a company that has failed to produce results in the past.

County commissioners David Ferdinand and Steve Rule signed the contract Friday with Rodney Rohm of the Rohm Institute for a "process improvement project" for the county planning department. But Hurst and Lloyd, both elected officials, said they could not find that Rohm did any significant work on a previous contract, which cost the county more than \$8,000 a month.

"He's really not done a systematic evaluation of anything that we can see," Hurst told the Idaho Press-Tribune.

"And flow charts and organizational charts that he's provided, basically anyone could do that in a short period of time."

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# Grizzly death forces rethink of Selway-Bitterroot recovery

By Todd Dornak  
Associated Press writer

**BOISE** — When a Tennessee hunter mistakenly shot and killed a male grizzly bear in the remote rugged terrain north of the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness last month, it marked the first time that anyone had confirmed a grizzly in that part of Idaho in more than six decades.

But the presence of a grizzly roaming the mountains of north-central Idaho may prove to be more than a passing biological fancy.

Within days of the kill, the rules and expectations for hunting the region changed. Grizzly experts from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, along with state officials in Idaho and Montana, are already plotting excursions next summer to see if other grizzlies have taken up residence in the Bitterroot.

There are three other lines of potential long-term implications. For example, what does one bear's presence mean for logging and ranching? Or for plans to reintroduce grizzlies into the Selway-Bitterroot Ecosystem — a 5,600-square-mile expanse spread across Idaho and Montana considered vital to restoring grizzlies in corridors stretching from Yellowstone National Park to the Yukon.

"Certainly this provides a bump in the road we've been on," said Chris Servheen, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's grizzly bear recovery coordinator. "So far this has generated a lot of discussion. There are a lot of ramifications to this. And right now we're still trying to decide how it relates to everything."

The grizzly killed by an unnamed hunter on Sept. 3 was shot in the North Fork of the Clearwater Drainage, three miles from the Montana border, about 20 miles north of the wilderness boundary and within the grizzly recovery area defined more than 10 years ago.

While most grizzlies in the lower 48 states are protected from hunters under the Endangered Species Act, state and federal authorities are not pursuing criminal charges in this case. Idaho officials say they are willing to give the hunter and his two guides a pass considering the prolonged absence of grizzlies in the region.

Earlier this month, biologists confirmed through

genetic testing that the bear is a likely descendent from a population roaming in northern Idaho's Selkirk Mountains. At the very least, biologists say the bear roamed 140 miles south and crossed two major highways to explore the northern fringes of an ecosystem experts have been expecting bears to discover on their own for years.

"It's not like this is all that surprising. Bears have slowly been knocking on that door now for the last two or three years," said Steven Nadeau, large carnivore manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The significance of a grizzly wandering the Bitterroot is hardly lost on environmentalists and grizzly activists, who have fought for decades to bring grizzlies back to the region.

"There's been suspicion that there's been bears there all along," said Louisa Wilcox, director of the Natural Resources Defense Council's Wild Bears Project. "But in the long term, what this dead bear should tell us is we need to revitalize a public discourse of how best to recover the grizzly bear."

Federal plans to return grizzlies to the Selway-Bitterroot were developed under the Clinton administration, following years of study, negotiations, public hearings and comment periods.

Bringing grizzlies back to the Selway-Bitterroot has long been a priority for grizzly advocates because the landscape is considered a

bridge to connecting grizzly populations in Yellowstone National Park with bears elsewhere in Northern Idaho and Montana and British Columbia.

"Right now, Yellowstone is an isolated population, and that's not genetically healthy over the long term," said Minette Glaser, northern Rockies representative for Defenders of Wildlife. "The Bitterroot is easily big enough to support a population of more than 200 bears there ... which would go a long way to recovering the species."

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## Lessons learned, a life fulfilled

By Trina Tegan  
For the Times-News

**BURLEY** — Kenneth LaVern Pool led a varied and fulfilled life. He died Sept. 26, 2007, at the age of 78.

Pool was born Aug. 18, 1929, in Larned, Kan. He was the oldest of nine children born to William and Carrie Pool. He grew up and attended school in Larned. As with any young boy, Pool made his share of mischief. One Halloween he and some friends decided it would be a good prank to go out tipping outhouses. One victim of the pranksters was heard to say that he hoped whoever had done it would break his leg. That night, Pool was in a car accident and that's exactly what happened. He broke his leg.

He enjoyed music all of his life and could play both the guitar and the accordion with equal skill. He and his sister Margaret composed songs together as well. Fishing was a tradition in his family. As a child he fished with his father, and as an adult would take his own children fishing. His children also passed on the tradition to their own children. In 1953 Pool married Donna Clark. The couple moved to Idaho in 1959. Together they had 14 children. They were later divorced.

In 1980 he married Ella Bailey. They enjoyed spending time fishing together as well. They took many trips to Payette and Magic Reservoir to spend time casting their lines. Pool would often go out before dawn, and would often catch his limit while other fishermen would just be getting started.

He worked a variety of jobs including trucking, construction, farming and plant work. He even spent time working in a rock quarry. He was a quick learner and acquired a variety of skills along the way.

Pool was at times headstrong and stubborn, but he loved his family. He especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

"I had never seen his eyes light up like they did when my kids came over to see

Pool was at times headstrong and stubborn, but he loved his family. He especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

### a Life remembered

Kenneth LaVern Pool

Born: Aug. 18, 1929  
Died: Sept. 26, 2007

Survivors: His wife Ella and his children, Jana (R n d y) Perotto of Rupert, Michael (Tracy) Pool of St. Paul, Minn., Toresa (Larry) Mann of Burley, Kendra (Albert) Castro of Rupert, Steven Pool of Twin Falls, Kenneth Pool of St. Paul, Minn., Linda Phillips of Pocatello, Patricia Pool of Pocatello and Jeffrey (Wendy) Pool of Burley and numerous grandchildren.



Kenneth Pool and fishing buddy Dick Russell, while fishing near Payette years ago, caught their limit of catfish. Pool was an avid fisherman and enjoyed spending time outdoors.



Kenneth Pool celebrates a recent birthday with his family. He enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his grandchildren.



Kenneth Pool at age 6.

him," his son Jeff Pool said. "The strongest message Pool gave his children was about being man enough to admit a mistake.

"He came to my house one day and said he wanted to talk," Jeff said. "I'm being able to stand in front of me and say, 'I was wrong.

Can you ever forgive me?' That was a life-long lesson, to stand up and face the consequences of your actions."

## Friends hold surprise 90th for active Rupert volunteer

By Rick Greene  
For the Times-News

**RUPERT** — For George Schwindeman's friends and family, the hardest part of planning his surprise 90th birthday party wasn't keeping it a secret. It was keeping him in one place long enough to have a party.

Swindeman is a resident at Mindoka Memorial Hospital's extended care facility where the surprise party was held Thursday afternoon. At 90, the World War II veteran is still active in a number of organizations as he lends what time he has to helping other veterans and seniors.

"He'll do whatever he can to help," said friend and veteran Darryl McCall. As Swindeman ate his red, white and blue birthday cake, he said staying active through his volunteer efforts has helped him live a long life.

"He keeps his mind so busy. Physically he's slowed down, but not mentally," said his daughter-in-law Barbara Neilson, who Swindeman considers his real daughter.

Swindeman writes the Veterans Corner feature for the Mindoka County News and volunteers at the Mindoka County Senior Center. He has also helped many local seniors with his work with the Senior Health Insurance Benefit Advisors program.

"He's gruff, he speaks his mind, but his heart is gold," McCall said. Swindeman, who earned a



Swindeman

Purple Heart after being injured fighting in the Pacific Theater during World War II, has been a tireless advocate for local veterans, some of whom attended Thursday's surprise party.

One of Schwindeman's most passionate causes is assuring local veterans have military rights performed at their funerals. He regularly took part in these ceremonies and often complained about a lack of support from active duty military personnel, going so far as pushing Congress to take up the issue. His work with Senior Health Insurance Benefit

Advisors each week has helped countless seniors navigate through confusing Medicare registration and administration.

As his friends were finishing their ice cream at his birthday party, Schwindeman checked his watch and then abruptly stood up, telling his friends he had to go. He had to get back to work.

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## Something extra

The Boston Red Sox and Cleveland Indians went to extra innings Saturday after playing to a 6-6 tie through nine innings. For a complete story, visit [www.maj/cleveland.com/sports](http://www.maj/cleveland.com/sports)



# Ramirez sets record with 23rd HR

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Manny Ramirez broke the postseason home run record and Red Sox teammate David Ortiz tied another October mark Saturday night in Game 2 of the AL championship series. Ramirez hit his 23rd postseason homer, a two-run drive to right-center off Cleveland reliever Rafael Perez that tied the score at 5 in the fifth inning. Ramirez had shared the record with former New York Yankees star Bernie Williams. After the home run, Ramirez

stepped out of the dugout for a curtain call as the Fenway Park crowd of 37,051 roared. When he went out to left field to start the sixth, an announcement was made about the record and Ramirez tipped his cap to the cheering fans.

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- PREDS HIRE DUSTY BAKER

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Ortiz reached base safely in 10 consecutive postseason plate appearances, equalling the mark set by Billy Hatcher with the Cincinnati Reds in 1990. Ortiz walked in the first inning and hit an infield single in the



Boston Red Sox batter Manny Ramirez flips his bat away after slugging a two-run home run off Cleveland reliever Rafael Perez Saturday at Fenway Park in Boston.

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# Continued dominance?

## Boise State aims to lengthen winning streak over Nevada

By Dustin Lapray  
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Just because something has never happened, doesn't mean that it never will. That is precisely why the Boise State Broncos prepare so thoroughly for every game. You see, the team hasn't lost a home game to a Western Athletic Conference opponent.

The Broncos have only lost one WAC game since 2002 (40-1), a close loss two years ago at Fresno State.

Since joining the league, the Broncos have simply won. Five years in the WAC, five WAC championships.

With USC losing last week at home, the Broncos crept into a tie for the best home winning percentage in the last five years. They are 21-12 all time against today's foe, Nevada, and have won the last seven meetings.

But that all could change should BSU (4-1, 0-0) fall to the Wolf Pack (2-3, 0-1) tonight at Bronco Stadium in a 6 p.m. game on ESPN.

This Nevada team lost a 41-1 shutout last week against Fresno State. And it comes to town with a huge chip on its shoulder. If you recall, thousands of Boise State fans rushed the Nevada field at last season's Fiesta Bowl in what most Wolf Pack fans considered a show



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of disrespect. The Broncos won going away 38-7 in Reno to sew up a trip to the Fiesta Bowl.

The Broncos are spinning on the heels of a 58-0 rout of New Mexico State last week. The one-game shutout streak should end tonight. Nevada has never been shut out since it moved to the Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A).

Now, here comes the Wolf Pack onto the Blue, trying to give a little back to the team that humiliated them on their home field in 2006.

The team comes equipped with the Pistol Offense, an abbreviated shotgun look, using a lot of counter and draw plays to run the football and three-wide-receiver sets in the passing game.

Nevada is forced to deal this week with the loss of its starting quarterback Nick



Boise State cornerback Kyle Wilson defends against New Mexico State wide receiver Brandon Allen in the first half at Bronco Stadium on Oct. 7 in Boise.

# Backs lead Bulldogs past Idaho

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Running backs Lonyae Miller and Ryan Mathews each rushed for two touchdowns, as Fresno State beat Idaho 37-24 on Saturday.

Miller rushed for 113 yards, while Mathews, a true freshman, added 86 yards.

FSU quarterback Tom Brandstater threw for 178 yards. His favorite target was tight end Boar Pascoe, who caught six passes for 69 yards.

Deonte Jackson led Idaho (1-6, 0-3 Western Athletic Conference) with 112 yards, while fellow running back Brian Flowers added 77 yards. Maurice Shaw had 70 receiving yards on six catches.

Miller got the scoring started for FSU (4-2, 3-0) with a 5-yard run late in the first quarter. Clint Sitzer added a 44-yard field goal to give the Bulldogs a 10-0 lead early in the second.

Idaho got on the board when Stanley Franks, the nation's interceptions leader last season, scored his first offensive TD for the Vandals on a 54-yard pass from Brian Nooy.

For the Vandals' second score, a scrambling Nooy was knocked out of the back by Riley, shooting the ball about 10 feet in the air to an awestruck Jackson, who took it 53 yards for the score.

Mathews added consecutive touchdowns after

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# CSI clobbers CNCC with speedy sweep

## Golden Eagles gear up for big week of matches

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

No sweat — literally. The No. 10 College of Southern Idaho volleyball team barely had enough time to warm up before Saturday's Scenic West Athletic Conference match against visiting Colorado Northwestern Community College was over.

CSI polished off the Spartans in just over an hour, winning 30-12, 30-12, 30-8 at the CSI gymnasium in Twin Falls.

Golden Eagles sophomore outside hitter Gabriela Bolawczyk had little trouble in surpassing the 300-kill mark for the season. She is only two kills to reach the mark. Bolawczyk got both early in Game 1 en route to 13 on the match. With 578 career kills, the Polish stand-out has an outside chance of cracking the program's list of all-time kill leaders. She is 94 away from Tatyana Menshukova's No. 10 total of 672 career



The Golden Eagles celebrate their victory Saturday in their sweep of Colorado Northwestern Community College in Twin Falls.

Freshman middle blocker Alyssa Wistrick led all players with 17 kills and three blocks for the 32-9 (6-1 SWAC) Golden Eagles, while freshman outside hitter Natty Fogo Neres added eight kills and a match-high 13 digs. Neres, who came to CSI from Sao Paulo,

Brazil, is fourth among Eagles players in kills per game, averaging 2.31 per contest.

"I think everybody's happy but when we play hard, we show more respect with other teams," Neres said, finding the right English words to match her native tongue of Portuguese. "We want to win and play good because we have hard games next week. Prepare for those games."

With pivotal conference road matches at Snow College in Ephraim, Utah, "THURSDAY" and Nov. 2 "SAT" LIVE Community College on Saturday, CSI will have a chance to solidify its hold on second place in the SWAC standings or gain ground on the conference-leading Bruins.

"I think we're hungry," CSI head coach Heidi Cartisser said. "Bottom line, we got through this week, got the wins that we're supposed to get and I think we're anxious. We're excited. We're hungry. We want to get after it." CSI should enter the week well-rested, as sophomore setter Pudge Finau gave her surgically-repaired knees two matches off this week. CSI freshman Eric Barton, Jasmine McAtalla, Riki Moreland and Sarah Sanders all dressed and warmed up for Saturday's

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# SCIC VOLLEYBALL Gooding, Kimberly headed for showdown

By Diane Phillips  
Times-News writer

GOODING — Without taking anything away from any of the five teams competing at the Class 3A SCIC District Tournament, there doesn't seem to be any clear-cut favorite to win the automatic berth to state. If hosting and playing on the home court is an advantage, the regular-season champion Gooding Senators might appear to have the slight edge.

"The conference is tough," said Buhl, coach Chrissy Wildley. "It might come down to what team shows up and plays well."

All four of Saturday's matches went four games, setting the table for a mouth-watering final day on Tuesday. Filer will tangle with Buhl in an elimination match before Gooding and Kimberly clash for an immediate

berth in the SCIC title match. Declo was the first team knocked out of the district elimination state qualifiers.

## KIMBERLY 3, FILER 1

The Wildcats picked up the win in Game 1, 25-23, but the Bulldogs came back and advanced by winning 25-22, 25-21, 25-20 behind the hustling saves of sophomore Alex Pfeifferle and the pounding kills from Kessie Newberry.

"Alex kept us in the match by keeping the ball alive numerous times," said Kimberly coach Jan Hall. "Neither team took any real command in the second or third game, but Kimberly seemed ahead to claim each of the games. In the Game 4, Kimberly held the largest lead at 17-11 but Filer stormed back to move ahead 19-18 behind the strong net play by

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PREP SOCCER: STATE PLAY-IN GAMES

Burley bests Hillcrest for state spot

Times-News

POCATELLO — The Burley Bobcats boys soccer team advanced to the state tournament after beating the Hillcrest Knights 2-1 in a Class 4A state play-in game Saturday at Bannock County Fairgrounds.

Burley won its second straight loss-out game after failing to score in the district championship to keep its 16-2 season alive. Bobcats forward Pablo Marin beat Hillcrest goalkeeper Davey Messenger after collecting a through pass to give Burley a 1-0 lead in the fourth minute.

The Bobcats controlled the ball and kept on the attack, but didn't score again until the 39th minute when Jorge Rios took a bouncing cross from Marin inside the top of the penalty area and volleyed a right-footed shot past Messenger.

Burley goalkeeper Kace Redder earned his second consecutive shutout, and again his defense did an excellent job, giving the Bobcats very little to work on at goal. As Redder has done all year, he was assertive in traffic, particularly on one corner kick that he punched away from the goal while surrounded by Hillcrest attackers.

Burley failed to convert several golden opportunities, especially in the first half. Marin, the Bobcats' leading scorer, outran the Knights defense to several through balls only to miss or be stopped by Messenger. He hit a post or crossbar three times, including twice on a single play.

"The game should have been over at halftime," Burley coach Wes Nyblade said. "We missed five more chances, one fairly close, getting in Bobbi's head. He kept going at their goalkeeper and dinking it over or around." Marin said he knows he



Burley's Carlos Ojil tangles with Hillcrest's Eric Holm during a Class 4A state play-in game Saturday in Pocatello.

can't afford to miss at state.

"I guess the goalkeeper won't see the line slow again," Marin said of his goal. "We have to capitalize on those. I missed a few, I haven't had a good week. I had a bad game against Jerome, so I will have to step it up."

Nyblade said his team needs to learn to close teams out.

He added that he was pleased with how the team closed its way to state after losing to Jerome on penalties in the district championship, but he said the Bobcats have their work cut out for them. First up at state: 13-0 Skyview.

"We're happy," Nyblade said. "We're back. Now we have to get ready for the big dogs of the state, starting with Skyview on Thursday. They are averaging seven goals a game and they are giving up 0.1. That tells you something. They are the top, 1-ranked team in Idaho, and probably the best team in any division. But we're tough, we're resilient. Our team seems to play where everybody else plays. They want to go. They want a shot. The first game is everything."

Bobcats midfielder Woody Anguiano said Burley is tougher after taking the long

route to the state tournament.

"We know how it feels to lose, and we don't like it," Anguiano said. "We'll give it our all."

Nyblade said the Bobcats' defense improved at the end of the season.

"We changed things around three weeks ago because we were giving up 3-4 goals a game," Nyblade said. "You just can't do that and have any hope to win against quality competition. Two shutouts in a row, we'll take it, and better yet were going to state."

Burley will take on Skyview at 1 p.m. on Thursday at the Bannock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello.

TETON 4, WENDELL 0

The Wendells boys came up short in a Class 3A state play-in game, falling 4-0 to Teton. The Trojans fell into a 2-0 hole in the first 15 minutes of the contest. From there, they held Teton scoreless until late in the second half when two more goals got through.

"I've got to give a lot of credit to Teton High School," said Wendell coach Jonathan Goss. "We couldn't get a threatening shot all game." The loss signals the end of the season for Wendell and

the final prep games for five seniors including Rafael Alvarez, Junior Cortez, Jose Diaz, Donovan Castillo and Cristan Maciel.

Girls Soccer

POCATELLO 3, MINICO 1

POCATELLO — Minico's hopes of making the Class 4A state tournament came up one win short as the Spartans fell 3-1 to Pocatello in a play-in game. The veteran Indians and their nine seniors lost the District V title game to Oiler on Monday, but were solid Saturday at Bannock County Fairgrounds.

"We have never gone to state without going through the back way," said Pocatello senior Chelsea Axelson. "So for me after Century beat us, it was just, 'Here we go again.'"

The Indians failed to convert on several prime scoring opportunities in the opening minutes, which allowed the Spartans to hang around. After a foul on Pocatello, the Spartans Blanca Santana took a free kick from about 20 yards out. The ball bounced in front of Indians keeper Chelsea Beck and then over her head to give Minico a 1-0 lead in the 16th minute.

After revived the slumping Indians with a goal in the 25th minute. Two minutes later, the senior found space on the left wing and curled a shot into the right side of the net to give the Indians a 2-1 lead, an advantage they took into the half.

In the second half, Pocatello added a goal in the 63rd minute, accounting for the 3-1 score.

With the win, the Indians (12-6-3) earned a date with Bishop Kelly (17-2-0) at 2 p.m. Thursday in the state tournament at the Bannock County Fairgrounds.

— Zach Kyle of the South Idaho Press and Tim Flagestad of the Idaho State Journal contributed to this report.

Hagerman eases into Southside title match

Times-News

When a team beats up on all the other teams in the conference as emphatically as Hagerman has this season, it sometimes becomes a worry that the juggernaut might become complacent when tournament time rolls around.

Not so with the Pirates, who breezed into Tuesday's Magic Valley Southside Conference championship match with a pair of comfortable wins on the opening days of tournament play in Hansen on Saturday.

Hagerman beat Murtaugh 25-5, 25-10, 25-8 in the first match of the day before slumping Lighthouse Christian 25-10, 25-8, 25-15 in the semifinal round behind 21 kills from outside hitter Breecia Mangum, who totaled 31 kills on the day.

"(The girls) played well, and I'm really proud of them," said Hagerman coach Luanne Axelson. "We've beaten some teams before but sometimes when you get to the tourney you never know if you're going to live in the past. They didn't, and came out really focused. Chauce and Breecia have played together a long time and they have a good connection and good chemistry."

Lighthouse Christian defeated Magic Valley Christian 25-16, 25-9, 25-22 to advance to the semifinal match against Hagerman.

The Pirates' opponent in the championship match will be Raft River, after the Trojans topped Castelford in four sets, 25-22, 25-15, 25-27, 25-21.

Raft River lost a coin-flip to Castelford for the second seed, which served as some extra incentive especially

Class 1A Magic Valley Southside Conference

Table listing volleyball tournament results for Class 1A Magic Valley Southside Conference, including games between teams like Hansen, Murtaugh, Lighthouse Christian, etc.

After the Wolves beat the Trojans to tie the standings to begin with.

"Castelford beat us just to force the flip, so the girls wanted to get back and prove we deserved to be in that spot," said Raft River coach Cam Schumann. "It's been a long week for us, so I'm really proud of how they played."

In the first round, Raft River beat Oakley in three games — 25-16, 25-13, 25-10 — while Castelford survived another close game with Hansen to win 25-20, 25-23, 20-25, 25-16.

The tournament resumes Monday with elimination bracket action, when Murtaugh will play Magic Valley Christian and Hansen plays Oakley.

BSU

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Graziano, who left last week's game with a season-ending foot injury. His replacement probably did a better job. Colin Kaepferick entered the game without a lead, and nearly kept the Wolf Pack back. He completed 23-of-36 passes for 364 yards and four touchdowns in the loss.

(Kaepferick) is an impressive quarterback," BSU head coach Chris Petersen said. "If he wasn't a backup at Nevada he could certainly be a starter somewhere else and be very effective. But he'll get his chance against us to do some things. We have to be ready for that."

Graziano was having a decent season, but for now Kautz — a former 215-pound redshirt freshman — is the starter.

Although the Wolf Pack shouldn't be able to run against a Bronco defense that held the Aggies to 149 rushing yards last week, tailback Luke Lippincott is fifth in the WAC with 72.8 yards

per game. As a team, Nevada second in the WAC with 188 yards on the ground. BSU is No. 1 in the WAC, averaging 205.4 ypp rushing.

"They are a solid unit that is doing good things this season in some places," Petersen said. "Now we just need to go out and show them how good our defense is and what our offense can do."

The offense should be able to do about whatever it wants against this Nevada defense, which gives up 440 yards per game. The Broncos put up 605 yards last week.

"The Pack is at the bottom of the league in turnover differential as well. The Broncos moved up that list with the three interceptions last week. We have to win the turnover battle," Petersen said. "We know they will turn the ball over and we have to take advantage of what they give us."

The only game this season in which the Broncos lost a turnover battle was that one blemish on the schedule, the loss at Washington.

Perhaps the greatest star on the Nevada roster is linebacker Joshua Mauga. The 6-foot-2, 245-pound Mauga is a fast linebacker. He needs to be, because the rest of the defense can't seem to do a thing to stop the runs. The team is dead last in the WAC, giving up a whopping 268 rushing yards a game.

That means junior Ian Johnson should have a big night. Johnson has had mixed results this season. The difference? He has two capable backups who can carry the load effectively and productively in the lag between series and the blowout wins. Johnson finished with 83 yards last week. He didn't take a snap in the second half. He is also without the lead blocking of Brad Law, who left as the strongest player on the team.

Some skeptics have argued for Johnson to win the Heisman trophy, he needs to get more carries and scores. But these are the BSU Broncos and individual awards just don't matter.

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Wiersma and junior Katie Vierstra. The Bulldogs won seven of the next eight points on hits by Newberry and junior Sarah Nutter, to take the game and win the match.

"The match was awesome. We came ready to play," said Pfeiffer. "Now we are just looking to our next match and will come ready to play again."

Newberry totaled a game-high 18 kills followed by senior Tausha Sutherland with nine and Pfeiffer added six. "I think I had a great job of getting the balls up," said Filer coach Ed Richards. "They caught us in our transition game by putting the ball over on second hits. I was pleased our girls were just need everyone up at the same time. Katie (Wierstra) pounded some balls and was really focused. Shelby (Nutting) played extremely well and hit the ball well."

Nutting led the Wildcats with 14 kills followed by Vierstra with 13 and Wiersma had 12. Jasper had eight and Higgins had 15. Junior Russner added seven. Setter Kelsey and Kayla Richards combined for 41 assists.

Buhl 3, Declo 1

Buhl held off the sophomore game 24-26, but stormed back and won the next three games, 25-14, 25-17, 25-19.

"We just weren't prepared in the first game," said Buhl coach Cheryl Johnson. "We weren't flat and not aggressive or sharp at the net."

The Indians received a double-double from senior Leslie Hunter with a game-high 21 kills and 15 digs. Junior Ellie Spencer followed with 14 kills and sophomore Courtney Azavedo added six kills and 16 digs.

"We had intensity and lost it," said Declo coach Kristy Darrington. "The girls put up a good fight like always."

Three Declo players, seniors McKell Webb, Celors Geary and Aspen Wrigley, and sophomore setter Gabrielle Stoker dished 25 assists.

Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference

Table listing volleyball tournament results for Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference, including games between teams like Gooding, Kimberly, etc.

After a fun practice Friday and a long drive home, the Gooding team Nici Abramowski thinks there is something to the home court advantage.

The surroundings are just much more familiar," said Abramowski.

After losing on the road to Kimberly on Thursday, the No. 1 Senators got back on the winning trail with a 25-20, 25-17, 21-25, 25-16 win over Buhl.

"Maybe it took a loss to get us back on track," said Abramowski who had 15 kills and 20 digs.

Senior libero Megan Pierson was the workhorse on the Senators defense, with 30 digs, and senior Karley Brannan registered 10 digs and seven kills. Sophomore Britany Wirth had 10 blocks, including six stuffs, and senior Katie Faulkner had nine blocks, with a pair of stuffs, and seven digs. Senior setter Janel Jensen gave Gooding a second double-double with 36 assists and 15 digs.

"Our intensity was there and we were playing ball," said Gooding coach Joleen Boone. "We played defense

with heart, probably better than in a long time."

For Buhl, Leslie Hunter had a game-high 23 kills and seven blocks. The Indians had three players in double digits in digs. Courtney Azavedo led with 23 followed by sophomore Toni Wuensch with 13 and setter Kelli Gabardi had 12. Gabardi had 17 assists.

"We had spurts where we played well and then we had times when we struggled," said Walleit. "Sometimes we watched instead of played. We struggled to win when our hitting isn't strong. We will need all our hitters to step up."

FILER 3, DECLO 1

In an elimination match, the Wildcats knocked out the Hornets, 20-25, 25-20, 25-16, 25-14. Filer had three players in double digits in kills. Natalie Hughes led with 13, while Katie Vierstra and Emma Wiersma each had 11.

Senior Erica Kober had 30 digs and setter Kayla and Kelsey Richards totaled 35 assists.

For Declo, McKell Webb and junior Catherine Blakested tied with six kills and senior setter Gabriella Stoker had 27 assists.

CSI

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match, but were given the afternoon off.

CNCI (0-14, 0-7 SWAC) dressed only six players for Saturday's match and finished with a negative attacking percentage against CSI's superior defense. The Golden Eagles committed only one reception error and tallied 15 aces behind freshman McKinzie Hawkins' match-high seven. While Saturday was a bummer, the Golden Eagles are gearing up for next Saturday's match against a SLCC team that is arguably the best in the nation.

"I think it's more challenge for me," Neres said. "If you're (No. 1) in the nation, OK, show me. You're good, OK, we're good too. So if they're No. 1, they have to play like No. 1. If they don't play like No. 1, we're going to win." CSI is 0-2 on the season



CSI's Alyssa Wisbrick hits the ball over two Colorado Northwestern players during the Golden Eagles' victory over CNCI in Twin Falls on Saturday.

against the Bruins this season, but four of the five games played between the two Top 10 teams have been decided by two points. Carrisier is hoping the experience CSI's reserves gained on the court this week will translate into a better all-around team performance

against the Bruins and on into the postseason. "The next time they're put in that situation, it's normal and good," Carrisier said. "That's important."

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Australian-McCormack wins Ironman Triathlon championship

KAILUA-KONA, Hawaii — Australian Chris McCormack rallied with a strong marathon run to win the 140.6-mile Ironman Triathlon World Championship on Saturday.

McCormack, known as Macca, was 11 minutes behind leader Torbjorn Sindballe of Denmark at the end of the 112-mile bicycle ride. But the Australian's fast run moved him into the front at the 140.6-mile mark of the 240.6-mile triathlon. His total time was 8 hours, 15 minutes, 34 seconds.

The 34-year-old from Sydney crossed the finish line waving an Australian flag and dedicated his victory to his mother, stricken with breast cancer.

McCormack is a five-time winner of the Ironman race in Australia, but he had never won in Hawaii. He finished second last year.

Craig Alexander, also of Australia, finished second in 8:19:04, followed by Sindballe in 8:21:30, two-time winner Tim DeBor of Boulder, Colo., in 8:22:23, and Marino Vanhoenacker of Belgium in 8:23:31.

Christie Wellington of Britain won the women's race in 9:10:00. She took the lead late in the bicycle ride and was in front throughout the run. Her victory came less than two months after she won the Ironman race in South Korea.

Chris Lieto, of Danville, Calif., led through much of the bicycle ride and had opened a 4-minute lead over Sindballe at the 60-mile mark turnaround.

McCormack narrowed the lead to 1:50 by the 90-mile mark and passed Lieto just after 90 miles. Lieto, who passed Sindballe and retook the lead early in the run, finished sixth.

McCormack had closed the gap with the leader to 4:36 by the seven-mile mark of the run and to three minutes at 10 miles.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

59-year-old 'senior' helps college team win

ALPINE, Texas — Mike Flynn waited 37 years to get back on the college football field. Once he did, he was part of his team's winning play.

Playing left end on kicking plays, the 59-year-old grandfather held his own all night, most importantly during the field goal that

gave Sul Ross State a 45-42 victory over Texas Lutheran in three overtimes Saturday night. With his wife, three kids, grandson and a legion of new fans watching, Flynn kept his defender from getting into the backfield, then turned, jumped and pumped his fist. He quickly wound up lost in a twerdlip celebration, his second straight win in extra periods.

"I'm so happy for my teammates; they're the ones who won the game," Flynn said. "I've been in a lot of great schools and experienced a lot of this stuff. These guys, they're learning every bit of this."

Flynn might not be an AARP member and only six years from Medicare, but he's in good enough shape to beat heads with kids one-third his age — or about the same age as his youngest daughter.

While he's giving new meaning to being a college "senior," he's not the oldest player ever. There was a 60-year-old for Ashland (Ohio) in 1997, but that guy went in for one snap late in a blowout. Flynn is truly part of his Division III team, with hopes to eventually get in at his old position, linebacker. The Lobos have four games left and he expects to play in them all.

Flynn got in for nine snaps, including one victory by penalty. He stood up his rusher several times and got in a nice chip block once. Out of respect or admiration, opposing coach Dennis Parker never tried taking advantage of the old man. Yes, Flynn is two years older than Parker and eight years older than his own coach.

Afterward, Flynn went to the player he blocked most of the night to shake his hand. "I just told him he played a great game," Flynn said. "He was always talking, always coming hard. I appreciate that."

NBA

Brewer leads Jazz over Bucks

MILWAUKEE — Ronnie Brewer scored 20 of his 28 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Utah Jazz to a 92-78 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Saturday night.

Milwaukee rookie Tyus Hanlan started for the first time in the NBA and scored 13 points in 28 minutes. He also had eight of the Bucks' 30

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turnovers. Mo Williams, who signed a six-year, \$51.5 million contract in the summer, led the Bucks with 22 fourth-quarter points.

Brewer only played in 56 of Utah's 82 games as a rookie last season, averaging 4.6 points, but has led the Jazz in scoring in each of their three exhibition games.

The 6-foot-7 guard scored Utah's first seven points of the fourth quarter, then gave his team the lead for good at 74-73 on a pair of free throws with 5:47 left. He then led a fast break that resulted in a three-point play for Ronnie Price, extending the lead to 77-73.

Milwaukee managed only a field goal by Royal Ivey during Utah's decisive 16-2 fourth-quarter run.

MAGIC VALLEY

CSI hosts inaugural Fall Fest

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Athletic Department will host its Inaugural Fall Fest at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 24 at the Turf Club in Twin Falls. The auction/raffle dinner will benefit Golden Eagles athletics.

The cost to attend is \$10 per person, which includes a prime rib buffet. Several items, including t-shirt packages and a T-shirt quilt made by CSI booster Connie Hardy, will be auctioned and a dessert raffle will also be held. CSI coaches will give updates on their programs. For more information or to purchase tickets call Ginger at 732-6466.

boys interested in playing Twin Falls American League Baseball for the 2008 season will be held Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. at the new small gym at TFHS.

Questions about the season will be answered and officers for the upcoming season will be elected. Boys ages 14-19 may participate.

For more information, contact coach Tim Steadman at 735-3422 or Kim Pullin at 734-8455 after 6 p.m.

CSI's Great Pumpkin Race planned

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho physical education program will hold its second annual Great Pumpkin Race 5K run/walk and one-mile youth challenge on Saturday, Oct. 27.

The 5K is open to ages 13 and older and prizes will be awarded in each age group for runners and walkers with separate divisions for men and women. All participants will receive a T-shirt. The youth challenge for ages 8-13 is a time one-mile race around the CSI campus. A non-competitive youth challenge for ages 3-12 will offer a walk around the college and stops to receive stickers along the way and participants are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes.

Registration for the 5K begins at 9 a.m. with the race starting at 11:30 a.m. with the race at 12:30 p.m. Early registration is encouraged and proceeds benefit the CSI physical education program and CSI student activities center.

For more information or to register, contact Jaime Tigute at 732-6479.

Youth martial arts classes offered

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will offer martial arts classes for ages 4 to 14. The season begins Oct. 29 at Success Martial Arts. The cost is \$59 and includes the uniforms. Drop-in classes are available. For pre-registration is required and deadline is Oct. 19. For more information or to register, call 736-2265 or stop by the parks and recreation office at 136 Maxwell Ave.

— Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Pats favored in battle of unbeatables

**NEW YORK (AP)** — There are three unbeaten teams left in the NFL after five weeks. Barring an unlikely tie, only two will be left after Sunday when New England visits Dallas while Indianapolis takes the week off.

The folks in Vegas obviously think the Patriots are on a higher tier than the Cowboys — they are 4½-point favorites on the road in this week's "Game of the Century; the next is in four weeks, when New England goes to Indianapolis.

This is just the fifth time in NFL history that two 5-0 teams have met. The first was on Nov. 13, 1921, when the Akron Pros and Buffalo All-Americans played a 0-0 tie. One guarantee: This game will not be 0-0.

This game almost wasn't a battle of unbeatables. Dallas barely survived Monday night in Buffalo with a 25-24 victory achieved despite six turnovers by Tony Romo, five of them interceptions. Yet Romo also showed his mettle by driving the Cowboys 80 yards for a touchdown and then getting them into position for Nick Folk's 53-yard winning field goal.

"If we play our worst football and happen to win with a field goal, that tells me something about this team," wide receiver Patrick Crayton said after the game.

The Patriots also played less than their best last week, beating Cleveland 34-17. That's their smallest margin of victory in their five games and also ties for the fewest points scored; they've put up 38, 38, 38, 34 and 34.

This game actually is less important to both teams than most because it's a non-



**Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Terrell Owens (83) carries the ball against the Chicago Bears in Chicago on Sept. 23.**



**New England Patriots receiver Randy Moss runs a route against the Cleveland Browns in Foxborough, Mass., in this Oct. 7.**

conference game, unlike that Patriots-Colts on Nov. 4, which could decide who gets home-field advantage for the AFC playoffs. That's probably the most important factor in reaching the Super Bowl.

Bill Belichick, naturally, remains bland. "We're just not that familiar with that NFC team," he says. "We play them every three years."

Actually, it's every four. But his message, naturally is parroted by his players. "I don't think of it as a measuring stick," cornerback Ellis Hobbs says. "We think of it as a big game because it's the next game. Obviously, from the record standpoint this is the best team we've faced up to this point."

It's still a great matchup, a sideshow, including the presence in the same game of Terrell Owens and Randy Moss, two extremely talent-

ed but often disruptive wide receivers who have been on their best behavior this season. PATRIOTS, 34-31

**Oakland (plus 10)** at San Diego  
Strange but true: The 2-2 Raiders lead the AFC West. CHARGERS, 31-13

**Washington (plus 3)** at Green Bay  
The four NFC East teams have lost only two non-division games. Both to the Packers. PACKERS, 20-16

**New York Giants (minus 3½)** at Atlanta  
The way the Giants are playing, Tom Coughlin's job is safe. GIANTS, 31-13

**Tennessee (plus 3)** at Tampa Bay  
The Titans escaped despite three Vince Young interceptions. Not this week. Neither the

interceptions nor the win. BUCS, 17-16

**Carolina (plus 4)** at Arizona  
Kurt Warner is on his own now. So is David Carr. CARDINALS, 20-17

**New Orleans (plus 6½)** at Seattle (Sunday night)  
Yes, the Saints are that bad. SEAHAWKS, 27-17

**Cincinnati (minus 3)** at Kansas City  
No defense (the Bengals) vs. no offense. CHIEFS, 19-18

**Minnesota (plus 5)** at Chicago  
Brian Griese has a lot more experience than Tarvaris Jackson, who's expected to be back at QB for the Vikings. BEARS, 17-10

**Philadelphia (minus 3)** at Jets  
Chad Pennington threw three interceptions last week against the Giants, who use Philly's defensive schemes. EAGLES, 35-13

**Houston (plus 6½)** at Jacksonville  
The Jaguars are allowing just 10 points a game, and that includes a TD by Kansas City in garbage time last week. JAGUARS, 13-6

**Miami (plus 4½)** at Cleveland  
The Browns are so improved they held New England to its smallest margin of the season. BROWNS, 31-20

**St. Louis (plus 10)** at Baltimore  
Two banged-up offensive lines. RAVENS, 19-10

**LAST WEEK:** 5-8-1 (spread); 10-4 (straight up)  
**SEASON:** 38-34-4 (spread); 50-26 (straight up)



**Colorado Rockies' Troy Tulowitzki, second left, Kazuo Matsui, third left, Todd Helton, second right, and Jamey Carroll celebrate with Brad Hauer (11) after they beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 5-2 in Game 2 of the National League Championship Series Friday in Phoenix.**

# Rockies rolling even without their big bats

DENVER (AP) — Long known for their big bats, the Colorado Rockies have suddenly become masters of right now.

Several sluggers have vanished in the playoffs. The Rockies have just one extra-base hit in the NL championship series, and that was a double by speedy leadoff man Willy Taveras that nobody else could have legged out.

Yet the rollin' Rockies are unbeaten in the postseason and they're two wins from their first World Series while the snake-bit Arizona Diamondbacks can't seem to catch a break.

Even the forecast for Game 3 on Sunday night calls for highs in the 40s with a chance of rain, not exactly the kind of weather the desert dwellers with the retractable roof are accustomed to.

Plus, in the 48-year history of divisional play, no team has been able to overcome losing the first two games at home to win a league championship series.

Arizona outfielder Eric Byrnes said the Diamondbacks don't feel as though they're facing long odds.

"I think we're a good team. I also don't think the Rockies have outplayed us, because they haven't. Not even close," Byrnes said. "They've had a little luck go their way. Definitely the ball has bounced in their direction. They've been the beneficiary of some calls."

"We look back on those first two games, we have not been outplayed. If anything I think it's the other way around," Byrnes insisted. "So, that gives us confidence knowing that we can play with them."

That and the fact that we played about 100 times this year. We are not really fazed by what's going on right now."

Neither are the Rockies, who have won 19 of 20 and insist they're not stamped by their offensively slump. "I'll go 0-for-the-rest-of-the-series as long as we win the next two games," Troy Tulowitzki said.

Heck, Matt Holliday said, "I don't care if I don't get another hit the rest of the playoffs as long as we keep winning games."

The way things are going, maybe they'll get their wish. Try this for lumbering lumber: Todd Helton is hitting .100 in the postseason and is 1-for-19 since slapping a triple in his first postseason at-bat, MVP hopeful Holliday and Rookie of the Year contender Tulowitzki are both scuffling at .190. Garrett Atkins leads the befuddled bunch with a relatively robust .250 batting average.

"I'm sure those guys are going to get hot," Taveras said.

Those four boppers combined for a .212 batting average with 160 doubles, 14 triples, 102 homers and 463 RBIs during the season.

In the playoffs, they're 15-for-82 (.183) with three doubles, a triple, three homers and six RBIs.

Still, they're doing just enough to keep the Rockies Express rolling right along and they figure it's just a matter of time before the big bats awaken.

"We're definitely thinking we're going to come out of this soon and start driving the ball," Atkins said before mins out of the Rockies' batting practice-heavy workout an hour early Saturday night.

## Super showdown

The high-flying New England Patriots put their perfect record on the line when they visit the undefeated Dallas Cowboys Sunday in what could be a preview of the Super Bowl in February.

Open dates: Buffalo, Denver, Detroit, Indianapolis, Pittsburgh, San Francisco

<b>Washington</b> at <b>Green Bay</b> (3-1) (4-1) Two teams that might threaten Dallas in the NFC. Redskins going up only 2½ points a game. Packers lost for the first time last week.	<b>Houston</b> at <b>Jacksonville</b> (3-2) (0-1) Jaguars allowing just 10.2 points a game, just behind Pittsburgh's 9 in the AFC. Texans' Kris Brown had three FGs of 50 yards or longer.	<b>Cincinnati</b> at <b>Kansas City</b> (1-3) (2-3) Bengals' biggest weakness is injuries at linebacker. That could help Chiefs' running game — Larry Johnson averaging 3.7 yards a carry.	<b>Philadelphia</b> at <b>N.Y. Jets</b> (1-3) (1-4) Donovan McNabb sacked 12 times against Giants in loss at Week 6 and two weeks ago. Chad Pennington also victimized by Giants last week.	<b>Tennessee</b> at <b>Tampa Bay</b> (3-1) (3-2) Titans lucky to win last week against Atlanta, during the bye over the three. Buccaneers wins are over teams that are a combined 5-11.
<b>Carolina</b> at <b>Arizona</b> (3-2) (3-2) Kurt Warner will be the hot man for Cardinals with Matt Leinart out for several weeks. Carolina QB David Carr is a question mark for this one.	<b>New England</b> at <b>Dallas</b> (5-0) (5-0) Not only are the teams unbeaten but they bring up the NFC's best receiver sidekick — Patriots' Randy Moss and Cowboys' Terrell Owens.	<b>Oakland</b> at <b>San Diego</b> (2-2) (2-3) Raiders equaled their 2006 win total and lead the AFC West by a half-game. Chargers blew away Broncos 41-3 in Denver last week.	<b>New Orleans</b> at <b>Seattle</b> (3-2) (0-4) (3-2) Saints are once again on national television and show how far they've fallen. Seattle's offense was shut down in Pittsburgh last week.	<b>N.Y. Giants</b> at <b>Atlanta</b> (3-2) (1-4) Giants have won three straight and the defense has allowed only one TD in last 10 quarters. Falcons D had four TDs last week but still lost.

# Gordon stakes claim on title with sixth win of the season

CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — Jeff Gordon staked his claim to the Nextel Cup title Saturday night, winning his second straight race to widen his lead in the Chase for the championship standings.

The champion led Kyle Busch on a restart with five laps to go at Lowe's Motor Speedway, but as he tried to hold off his teammate, Ryan Newman by bumping Newman's Motorsports cars to grab the lead.

Newman seemed to be headed to an easy win, but inexplicably spun while running by himself, bringing out the caution. Gordon inherited the lead, but had a fuel issue that had him stressed about a pickup problem when the race resumed for a two-lap overtime finish.

But Gordon's Chevrolet was flawless on the final start, and he pulled away from Clint Bowyer and Busch for his first win at the suburban Charlotte track since 1999.

But that was a momentary win at Charlotte he yelled over his radio.

The speedway had vexed him for several years, even though Gordon notched the first of his 81 career victories



**Jeff Gordon, front, leads race through turn four during the NASCAR Nextel Cup race at America's 500 NASCAR auto race at Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C., Saturday.**

back in 1994 at the track and picked up three more wins along the way. Although he had struggled at Lowe's of late — he was 41st in May — he turned it around when everything was on the line.

On a night when teammate Jimmie Johnson had an uncharacteristic spin, Gordon was nearly flawless as the best Bowyer to the finish line by 0.579 seconds to win his sixth race of the season and second straight. Gordon also won last week at

Talladega Superspeedway, and with five races to go in the Chase, he widened his lead in the points from nine at the start of the night to 68 points over Johnson.

Bowyer finished second to maintain third in the standings, 78 points out.

Busch was third, and gained two spots in the Chase standings, but is still sixth and 280 points out. Jeff Burton was fourth and followed by Carl Edwards, Dave Blaney and Tony Stewart as Chase drivers took six of the first seven spots.

Johnson, a five-time winner here, led three times for a race-high 95 laps and appeared to be headed to Victory Lane yet again at the track his team considers its own personal playground.

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# Dusty Baker agrees to deal to manage Reds

CINCINNATI (AP) — Dusty Baker was hired as manager of the Cincinnati Reds, agreeing to a three-year deal Saturday with a team coming off its seventh straight losing season and looking for stability at the top.

The 58-year-old Baker worked in television for a year after the Chicago Cubs fired him after the 2006 season. The Reds decided to go for someone who knows the NL Central and has been to the World Series as a manager.

The team also makes an announcement Saturday that a person within the organization with knowledge of the negotiations confirmed the Reds had reached the agreement with Baker. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the move had not been announced.

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have had two owners, three general managers and now five managers since 2003.

By choosing Baker, the Reds have broken with their recent history of picking managers with little experience. They have hired someone with a history of handling superstars — Baker managed Barry Bonds in San Francisco and Sammy Sosa in Chicago.

Baker managed the Giants for 10 years, leading them to the World Series in 2002. He left San Francisco after a firing out with ownership and went to the Cubs, leading them to the NL championship series in his first season.

Five outs away from the World Series, his Cubs imploded. He led them to a winning record again the next season — their first such back-to-back record in more than two decades — but couldn't keep it going.

The Cubs didn't renew his contract, after they finished an NL worst 66-96 in 2006. They then went on a spending spree, committing more than \$300 million dollars in payroll to make themselves competitive again.

Baker joins a team that ranked 20th in payroll at the start of last season and is likely to increase it substantially in the coming future.

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fielder's choice against Perez. The big struggler hustled to first base, beating out a potential double play before Ramirez went deep.

Ortiz and Ramirez, Boston's dangerous 3-4 tandem in the middle of the lineup, com-

lined to reach base safely in four of their first six plate appearances Saturday. They teamed up to reach safely in all 10 tries during a 10-3 victory over the Indians in the series opener Friday, with each getting on base five times.

# Utah defense stalwart in win over San Diego State

SALT LAKE CITY — Darrell Mack kept pounding through the line with punishing runs and the Utah defense stopped the San Diego State offense with a season-high 10 tackles for losses.

"We really out-physicalized them," Utah coach Kyle Whittingham said after Mack rushed 22 times for 131 yards and Louie Sakoda kicked three field goals as Utah defeated San Diego State 23-7 Saturday for the Utah third win in a row.

Quarterbacks Brian Johnson and Corbin Louks each threw for touchdowns as Utah's balanced offense gained 282 yards rushing and 232 passing.

"We knew coming into the game that they played a soft zone and made you earn everything you get," said Johnson. "We couldn't go over the top because they have so much depth in the secondary. In the second half we came out with more energy and got the ball in the end zone."

Johnson completed 21 passes in 28 attempts for 208 yards and one interception. The Aztecs (3-3 overall, 1-1 Mountain West Conference) had just 211 yards of offense, more than 200 yards below their season average.

"We never got it going today on the field," SDSU coach Chuck Long said. "It's back to the drawing board."



San Diego State quarterback Kevin O'Connell (7) is sacked by Utah defensive tackle Gabe Loug (94) during the second quarter Saturday in Salt Lake City.

The Bengals haven't won a game in the Walkup Skyline here since 1984.

NAU, which leads the Big Sky in rushing with 203 yards per game, had 358 yards against Idaho State with Scott getting his yardage on 17 carries.

Scott had touchdown runs of 35, 20 and 14 yards while Krieslen, who was 18-of-24, threw scoring passes of 7 and 15 yards to Davevin Chapman and a 48-yarder to Alex Henderson.

Eddie Thompson scored on runs of 21 and 8 yards for Idaho State while backup quarterback Russel Hill threw a 68-yard touchdown pass to Clyde Logan with 1:49 remaining in the game.

Hill was 10-of-17 for 139 yards after replacing starter Luke Butler, who was 8 of 17 for 48 yards with one interception.

**E. WASHINGTON 35, MONTANA 13.** CHENEY, Wash. — Matt Nichols passed for 257 yards and three touchdowns and Eastern Washington rolled up nearly 500 yards of total offense in a 35-13 victory over Montana State on Saturday.

Nichols completed 15-of-24 for the Eagles (4-0, 2-2 Big Sky), who held the Bobcats to 22 yards rushing on 32 carries. EWU, which had lost four of its last five conference

## Cougars win in Vegas

BYU moved to 3-0 in the Mountain West Conference and 4-2 overall with a 24-14 win over UNLV in Las Vegas on Saturday night. Max Hall passed for 213 yards, including five to tight end Dennis Pitta. Harvey Ungab rushed for 176 yards as the Cougars overcame a slow start.



Pictured: UNLV defensive backs Quinten Poliner, bottom, and Shane Horton take down BYU running back Harvey Ungab on Saturday at Sam Boyd Stadium in Las Vegas.

games, beat MSU (4-2, 2-1) for the fifth straight time.

MSU quarterback Jack Rutovich completed 17-of-29 for 251 yards including a 60-yard scoring pass to Josh Lewis. Before leaving with an injury in the third quarter, Lewis finished with five catches for 119 yards for the Bobcats.

**MONTANA 17, SACRAMENTO ST 3.** SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Torrey Thomas returned an interception 17 yards for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter to highlight a strong defensive effort Saturday afternoon that helped top-ranked Montana

defeat Sacramento State 17-3.

Montana scored a first-quarter touchdown and never trailed against the upset-minded Hornets, which have never beaten Montana, losing for the 13th straight time and disappointing their homecoming crowd.

Montana, ranked No. 1 in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA), is 6-0 this season and moves to 3-0 in the Big Sky Conference. The Grizzlies are the defending Big Sky champs and have won 11 straight conference games.

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## College Scores

### FAR WEST

- Weber St. 23, N. Colorado 0
- Montana Tech 17, Montana St.-Northern 7
- New Mexico 20, Wyoming 3
- Carroll, Mont. 42, Rocky Mountain 0
- Utah 23, San Diego St. 7
- Nebraska-Kearney 56, Adams St. 34
- Oregon 53, Washington St. 7
- Southern Cal 20, Arizona 13
- Puget Sound 13, Willamette 7
- Cal Poly 63, UC Davis 28
- Fresno St. 37, Idaho 24
- TU 38, Stanford 36
- Pacific Lutheran 48, Menlo 19
- Washington 35, Montana St. 13
- Montana 17, Sacramento St. 3
- N. Arizona 45, Colorado St. 21
- N. Arizona 45, Idaho St. 24
- Oregon St. 31, California 28

### MIDWEST

- Michigan 48, Purdue 21
- Northwestern 49, Minnesota 48 (OT)
- Ohio 48, E. Michigan 42
- Ohio St. 48, Kent St. 3
- Iowa 10, Illinois 6
- Texas 56, Iowa St. 3
- Kansas 58, Baylor 10
- Oklahoma St. 45, Nebraska 14
- Ball St. 25, W. Kentucky 12
- Miami (Ohio) 47, Bowling Green 14
- Cent. Michigan 47, Army 23
- Boston College 27, Notre Dame 14
- W. Michigan 17, N. Illinois 13
- Youngstown St. 23, S. Utah 22
- Temple 24, Akron 20
- Louisiana 28, Cincinnati 24
- Michigan St. 52, Indiana 27

### SOUTHWEST

- Houston 56, Rice 48
- Texas Tech 35, Texas A&M 7
- Oklahoma 41, Missouri 31
- Arkansas St. 52, LaLayette 21
- North Texas 31, LaMar 20
- Tulsa 38, Marshall 31
- Auburn 9, Arkansas 7

### SOUTH

- Virginia Tech 43, Duke 14
- Georgia Tech 17, Miami 14
- South Florida 64, UCF 12
- Alabama 27, Mississippi 24
- Tennessee 33, Mississippi 21
- Kentucky 43, LSU 37 (3 OT)
- South Carolina 21, North Carolina 15
- Virginia 17, Connecticut 16
- Georgia 20, Vanderbilt 17
- Louisiana Tech 22, New Mexico St. 21
- UAB 26, Tulane 21
- Southern Miss. Middle Tennessee 21, Memphis 7

### FAST

- Rutgers 38, Syracuse 14
- Buffalo 43, Toledo 33
- Penn St. 36, Wisconsin 7

# Kentucky shocks LSU in triple OT

## Beavers upset No. 2 Cal

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Kentucky became the latest team to shake up the national title race.

Andre Woodson threw a 7-yard touchdown pass to a wide-open Steve Johnson in the third overtime and the No. 1 Wildcats stunned No. 1 LSU 43-37 Saturday.

Johnson was all alone in the end zone because defender Jonathan Zenon tripped and fell. Woodson double-pumped before firing a strike. The required 2-point conversion failed, but it didn't matter.

LSU had a chance to win, but couldn't get a first down on four straight running plays. Charles Scott was stopped a yard short on fourth-and-2, and Kentucky had its victory over a No. 1 team since 1964, when it beat Mississippi.

No highly ranked team seems safe in this season of surprises. It started with Appalachian State knocking off then-No. 5 Michigan in Week 1. In the last two weeks, nine teams ranked in the top 10 have lost, including No. 2 USC falling 24-23 to Stanford last week.

It was the first time in nearly four years the No. 1 team was beaten during the regular season. On Dec. 6, 2003, Kansas State beat top-ranked Oklahoma 35-7 for the Big 12 title.

**BERKELEY, Calif., 2-2 CALIFORNIA 28** — Oregon State, playing with its No. 2 quarterback, California secured a chance to grab the No. 1 ranking.

Yenson Bernard leaped into the end zone on fourth down from the 1 with 8:30 remaining and Oregon State did the latest shocker in an upset-filled season.

The win wasn't sealed until Cal quarterback Kevin Riley inexplicably tried to scramble from the 12 with 14 seconds remaining and no timeouts. He was tackled after a 2-yard gain and the clock ran out before the field goal unit could get on the field. Riley had orchestrated a near-perfect drive up to that point from his own 5 with 1:27 remaining.

LSU's 2-1 Pac-10 spot looked poised to end on the top spot for the first time in 56 years after a No. 1 LSU's triple-overtime loss at Kentucky earlier in the day. But the Bears were unable to handle their own business, becoming the 10th team ranked in the Top 10 to lose to an unranked team already this season.

Oregon State (4-3, 2-2) beat a team ranked this high for the first time since upsetting O.J. Simpson and Southern California 3-0 on Nov. 11, 1957.

## NO. 3 OHIO STATE 48, KENT STATE 3

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Brian Hartline returned a punt a school-record 90 yards and Donald Washington brought back an interception 70 yards to lead the Buckeyes. It was the second meeting between the teams. The Buckeyes rolled 51-17 in 2002 to get to a 14-0 record and their first national title since the 1956 season.

The game was little more than a tuneup for the Buckeyes (7-0) for the Big Ten stretch drive.

**NO. 4 SOUTH CAROLINA 27, NOTRE DAME 14** — BOSTON, Tenn. — Brandon Coultz kicked a 37-yard field goal to help Georgia overcome a 10-point halftime deficit. Knowshon Moreno rushed for a career-high 157 yards in his first start for Georgia (5-2, 3-2 Southeastern Conference), which dined on the Vanderbilt star at midfield after Coultz's kick sailed through.

**NO. 25 TENNESSEE 33, MISS. ST. 21** — STARBUCK, Miss. — Erik Alinge threw for 258 yards and two touchdowns and Lance Taylor had career highs of 11 catches for 186 yards for Tennessee.



Kentucky football players Rafael Lett (22) and Johnny Williams leave the field after upsetting No. 1-ranked LSU, 43-37, in Lexington, Ky., on Saturday.

times and Boston College remained undefeated.

The Eagles (7-0) appeared ready to blow the game open when Ryan threw a 9-yard scoring pass to Callender to make it 20-0 with 11:42 left in the third quarter. The score was set up when Tyrone Pruitt intercepted a pass by Jimmy Clausen and returned it 30 yards to the Notre Dame 11.

However, the Irish (1-6) scored a pair of touchdowns 95 seconds apart to cut it to 20-14. Evan Sharpley, who had replaced the ineffective Clausen, threw a 9-yard TD pass to Robby Parris and linebacker Brian Smith returned an interception 25 yards for a touchdown.

## NO. 5 SOUTH FLORIDA 64, UCF 12

TAMPA, Fla. — Playing at home for the first time since climbing into the Top 10, the Bulls dominated Central Florida for their school record-tying eighth straight victory dating to last season.

George Selvie, the nation's sack leader, led a swarming defense that corralled the nation's leading rusher, and Matt Grothe threw for two touchdowns and ran for two more to help the Bulls (6-0) extend the best start in the school's relatively brief football history.

## NO. 6 OKLAHOMA 41, NO. 11 MISSOURI 31

NORMAN, Okla. — Chris Brown ran for three second-half touchdowns. Curtis Lofton returned a fumble for a touchdown and Oklahoma knocked Missouri from the ranks of the unbeaten.

Brown put the Sooners (6-1, 2-1 Big 12) able to stay with his 1-yard touchdown run with 12:26 remaining, and Lofton scooped up a botched handoff and returned it 15 yards for a score 46 seconds later.

Brown, who finished with 67 yards on 13 carries, sealed the win with a 23-yard TD run with 2:39 remaining. Missouri (5-1, 1-1) quarterback Chase Daniel (7-37-for-47-for 381 yards) was 37-for-47 for 381 yards for the Tigers.

## NO. 7 SOUTH CAROLINA 21, NORTH CAROLINA 15

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Chris Smelley threw a career-high three touchdown passes in the first half and South Carolina withstood a late rally. The redshirt freshman improved to 4-0 as a starter, helping South Carolina (8-1) build a 21-3 lead through three quarters and success-

fully defend its first top 10 ranking since 2001.

But the Tar Heels (2-5) made things interesting late.

## NO. 9 OREGON 53, WASHINGTON ST. 7

EUGENE, Ore. — Dennis Dixon threw for 287 yards and three touchdowns and Oregon handed Washington State its fourth straight loss.

Dixon also ran for a touchdown for the Ducks (5-1, 2-1 Pac-10), who had 551 yards in total offense. Oregon's victory came at a cost. Wide receiver Cameron Colvin was lost with a broken ankle early in the game, and running back Jeremiah Johnson went down with a right knee injury after he had scored two touchdowns. The Cougars led 2-0, 5-0, 4-0.

## NO. 10 USC 20, ARIZONA 13

LOS ANGELES — Southern California got back to winning, but it was a struggle all the way. Highly touted freshman Joe McKnight gave the Trojans the big plays they desperately needed. Mark Sanchez threw his first career touchdown pass, and USC (5-1, 3-1 Pac-10) rallied for the win.

Sanchez, a third-year sophomore making his first start, threw a 25-yard scoring pass to Fred Davis with 10:47 remaining on the first play after McKnight electrified the Los Angeles Coliseum crowd of 64,671 with a 45-yard punt return.

Suddenly, the Trojans led 17-13, and their defense held the Wildcats (2-5, 1-3) without a first down after that. David Buehler kicked a 23-yard field goal with 57 seconds left to cap it.

## NO. 12 VIRGINIA TECH 43, DUKE 14

DURHAM, N.C. — Sean Glennon threw for 258 yards and two touchdowns in relief of injured Tyrod Taylor and Virginia Tech's defense shut down Duke.

Eddie Royal and Brandon Ore also scored touchdowns for the Hokies (6-1, 3-0 ACC) during a 21-point second quarter, which gave them a 34-7 lead at the break en route to their seventh straight win in the series.

## LOUISIANA 26, NO. 15 CINCINNATI 24

CINCINNATI — Brian Brohm threw three touchdowns passes and made a gutsy game-turning 51-yard completion Saturday night, rallying Louisiana to a victory.

Brohm's daring 51-yard completion

to Harry Douglas set up the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter, completing a comeback that might have saved Louisville's season.

Cincinnati (6-1, 1-1) led the nation in turnover margin, but got the worst of it. The Bengals fumbled twice inside the Louisville 20-yard line, and one of the nation's most porous defenses held them to a field goal after a first-and-goal from the 2-yard line in the fourth quarter.

## IOWA 10, NO. 18 ILLINOIS 6

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Jake Brett Greenwood intercepted an Eddie McGee pass at the goal line with 1:12 left and the Hawkeyes snapped the Illini's five-game winning streak.

Jake Christensen threw for 182 yards and a touchdown and Albert Young added 99 yards rushing for the Hawkeyes (3-4, 1-3 Big Ten), who broke an eight-game losing streak in Big Ten play and knocked off a ranked opponent for the first time since 2005.

## PENN ST. 38, NO. 19 WISCONSIN 7

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Rodney Kinlaw for 115 yards and a touchdown, Anthony Morelli threw for 216 yards and another score and Penn State capitalized on mistake-prone Wisconsin.

Penn State (5-2, 2-2 Big Ten) moved the ball with ease in claiming its second straight conference win and scored on two of three Wisconsin first-half turnovers.

The Badgers (5-2, 2-2) lost their second straight game.

## NO. 20 KANSAS 58, BAYLOR 10

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Todd Reesing threw two touchdowns passes and Jake Shaw added 99 yards rushing for the Jayhawks (5-2, 1-2 Big 12) in a game delayed more than two hours by lightning and heavy rain.

The victory gave Kansas (6-0, 2-0 Big 12) its first 6-0 record since the 1955 team started 7-0 and averaged one of its most embarrassing losses of 2006.

## NO. 23 TEXAS 56, IOWA ST 3

AMES, Iowa — Colt McCoy threw four touchdowns passes and ran for another as Texas ended its longest conference losing streak in 51 years.

McCoy followed up a strong performance in last week's loss to Oklahoma with an even stronger game, setting the tone for the Longhorns (5-2, 1-2 Big 12) by tossing a 58-yard touchdown pass on their first play.

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## Vandals

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Franks' score, and Miller broke free for an 18-yard run as the Bulldogs scored 21 unanswered points to put the game away.

Clint Sitzer connected on three field goals for Fresno State, including two from 44 yards. Idaho's Tom Amancio hit a 42-yarder and missed a 52-yard attempt that bounced off the front of the crossbar.

AMERICAN LEGION

Lierman awarded Legion scholarship

Kimberly High School graduate Tucker Lierman is the 2007 Idaho American Legion Baseball Scholarship recipient...

Lierman competed in baseball and wrestling at Kimberly High School and was part of numerous clubs...

Lierman is the son of Dave and Becci Lierman.

RODEO Vierstra named All-Around Cowgirl at Sul Ross Rodeo

South Plains College freshman Cassie Vierstra of Twin Falls was named All-Around Cowgirl at the Sul Ross State University Rodeo in Alpine last weekend.

Vierstra finished first in the goat tying competition to earn 160 points. She had a time of 7.3 seconds in the first round and came back with a time of 7.2 seconds in the second round...

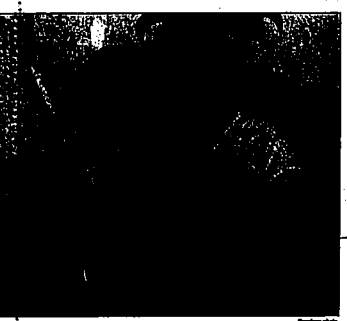
The SPC women's rodeo team is currently ranked sixth in the region. Vierstra is ranked fifth in breakaway roping.

MARTIAL ARTS



Pil Song Martial Arts newest blackbelts, Jay Hurl, Neke Bethke and Lisa Farnsworth, pose with chief master Jay Farnsworth and master Bill Fitchner.

Bethke received her first degree blackbelt, while Farnsworth was awarded her second degree.



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Former Castelford prep golfer Jake Harr finished fifth individually in a recent tournament hosted by Centralia Community College at Riverside Golf Club in Washington.

Harr shot 76-72 for a two day 148 while his team, Walla Walla Community College, finished 12th overall for first place with a two-day total of 587.

BOWLING

Snake River Bowl, Burley. TUES. NITE KIDS SERIES: Jozef Elder 241, Caitlin Schaefer 312, Jozef Elder 241, Caitlin Schaefer 312, Kiera Hieb 422, Dackotah Hieb 244.

Pinheads Series: Riggin Maier 519, Fred Fowler 497, Andrew Morgan 458, Francis Fowler 550, Bethany Adams 402, Abrina Blount 375.

Tuesday Series: Anthony Meyer 620, Jared Studer 186, Bridget Albertson 500, Bridget Albertson 500, Rachael Watson 289.

Monday Marauders Series: Derry Smith 548, Brende Schenk 496, Diane Stroberg 454, Kathryn Stanger 444.

Ladies Classic Trios Series: Terri Metts 496, Becky Fowler 454, Clarice Leslie 472, Alicia Bywater 470.

Monday Series: Anna Studer 553, Janelle Lowe 532, Debi Ingram 485, Terri Albert 474, GAMES: Janelle Lowe 203, Anna Studer 202, Debi Ingram 186, Maxine Carter 176.

Men's Classic Trios (4 Game Series): Bob Bywater 220, Justin Studer 915, Brad Hrom 895, Jordan Parish 873.

Tuesday Mixed Series: Jordan Parish 679, Bob Bywater 651, Rick Hieb 632, Stacy Hieb 591, Chris Rowley 489, Theresa Knowlton 475.

Railroaders Series: Janet Cox 541, Kym Son 537, Anita Phillips 493, Becky Martindale 468.

Wed. Mixed Series: Galen Rogers 734, Tyson Hirsch 632, Matt Blauer 631, Annette Hirsch 573, Terri Harris 478, Jeri Holland 466.

Thurs. Morn. Doubles Series: Derry Smith 527, Kym Son 496, Barbara Carney 470, Karen Damsie 464.

Housewives Series: Anna Studer 531, Theresa Knowlton 522, Lisa Hutchison 511, Bonnie Murphy 496.

MA & PA Series: Bob Despain 620, Garth Jones 612, Brent Olsen 532, Kris Rodriguez 495, Janet Grant 487, Jackie Garcia 463.

Major Series: Lyte Martindale 737.

Rick Hieb 736, Shon Bywater 700, Steve Studer 693. GAMES: Tyson Hirsch 289, Rick Hieb 278, Lyte Martindale 265, George Sanders 258.

Early Birds Series: Jozef Elder 241, Caitlin Schaefer 312, Nita Maier 602, Jeff Colner 579, Dusty Penrod 578, Nita Maier 539, Norma Carter 499, Becky Smith 497.

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Ladies Series: Tiffany Hager 594, Nicole Fredericksen 562, Stephanie Evans 522, Fredrickson 522, Byron D. Hager 512, Shane Rackham 594, Chris Warr 593.

Mon. Majors Boys' Series: Nicholas Parsons 626, Joe Campbell 523, Anthony West 514, Kyle Mason 486.

Girls' Series: Danielle Allen 518, Tamr Craig 416, Ashley Nita Maier 300, Coates 343.

Mon. Follies Men's Series: Juan Hernandez 644, Rick ruhter 642, Ken Hodges 597, Mark Breske 597.

Ladies Games: Tiffany Cornelison 217, Georgia Rendell 111, Angie Hillman 198, Ruth Simpson 189.

Sho-Bow Men's Series: Kelly Jeroue 705, Dale Black 692, Darrell Reynolds 640, Blake Kondracki 628.

Ladies Series: Carole Fredrickson 234, Gretchen Black 233, Julie Shull 213, Patty Skuz 204.

Mid Morn. Mixed Men's Series: Gerald Lois 653, Tom Draper 618, Roger Graefe 586, Ed Dury 586.

Ladies Series: Roger Graefe 244, Gerald Lois 236, Victor Hagood 232, Tom Draper 215.

Tues. A.M. Trios Series: Amanda Morton 590, Jean McGuire 586, Edith Sutherland 534, Linda Vining 520.

Men's Series: Levi Alabaster 331, Alex Sims 242, Joseph Kent 110, Kyle Shabi 204.

Ladies Series: Lindsey VanDusen 239, Amanda Schipper 197, Christy Annett 190, Elizabeth O'Steen 162.

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Latecomers Series: Kristy Rodriguez 610, Lita Allen 602, Charlene Anderson 519, Betty Wartog 515.

M.V. Seniors Men's Series: Peter Hagood 537, Ken Hodges 537, Roger Graefe 523, Ed Dury 549.

Ladies Classic Series: Jeanette Johnson 540, Michelle Baughman 537, Michele Seckel 514, Sharon Simmons 500.

Sunset Series: Kristy Rodriguez 602, Julie Shull 600, Dana Coates 500, Mary Cooke 526.

Fri. P.M. Seniors Men's Series: Myron Schroeder 633, Bob Chalfant 629, Tom Smith 604, Ed Dury 576.

C.S.I. Friday Men's Series: Jeff DeLoren 470, Patrick Harris 469, Kregg Bella 451, Matt Lavigne 412.

Moose Series: Cobey Hager 689, Cory Moore 684, Todd Fiscus 866, Rick Morrow 647.

Moonskinners Series: Danielle Human 493, Deanna Hell 473, Beth Mason 450, Michelle Koopnick 440.

Boys' Series: Joe Campbell 179, Brian Payne 156, Kyle Lorbeck 149, Jaden Tume 348.

Girls' Series: Jay McKay 409, Brooke Newlan 369, Miranda Curtis 368, Kati Jo Moses 364.

Li'l Giants Boys' Series: Michael Tetley 290, Michael Fuller 282.

Magical Bowl, Twin Falls Sunday Series: Adam Adams 458, Brende Schenk 473, Ida Courtney 440.

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Billy Rowan 279, Daniel Schliebe 240.

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GOLF

Tugaw, Mason take T.F. Muni Ladies honors

Joan Tugaw shot a 96 to win Golfer of the Month Gross at the Twin Falls Muni Ladies Golf Association match Oct. 11. Billie Mason shot a net 66 for Golfer of the Month Net in gross and net play.

Castelford grad shines at toumeur

Former Castelford prep golfer Jake Harr finished fifth individually in a recent tournament hosted by Centralia Community College at Riverside Golf Club in Washington.

SPORTS LETTER

'Let's go bowling' column missed

There has been quite a number of weeks now that one pretty face has been missing from the Sports section on Sunday — bowling.

Would you please put Thelma Lou back in there? After all, she is the one who works hard on this bowling. And I must say, she does good work.

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HARD # 93

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-16.

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**GENERAL**  
Training Coordinator  
NavElko Properties is seeking a dynamic Training Coordinator who will be responsible for the creation and facilitation of the training and development programs for the staff at Red Lion Hotel & Casino, Gold Country Inn & Casino, High Desert Inn, and Thunderbolt Motel, all of which are located in Elko, NV.  
The ideal candidate for this position will possess a demonstrated ability to develop consistent training programs that will assist in the development of our team members, and promote the growth of our properties.  
The successful candidate MUST be fluent in English and Spanish and be comfortable speaking in front of large groups of people. This person must also be self-motivated and able to work independently without constant direct supervision. Ideal candidate will be proficient in MS Word, Excel, Power Point, and Outlook. All candidates MUST have experience in the conceptualization and facilitation of training programs from the ground up, as well as possess the ability to evaluate current training programs to provide recommendations for enhancements.  
Applications should submit resume to: NavElko Properties Human Relations Department, 2056 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89001  
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•Food Processing  
•30 Positions avail  
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•A Material Handling Specialist. Duties include maintaining the company's stock, freight, shipping, receiving, delivery, and providing first rate customer service. Experience/education preferred. Good phone skills & computer basics required. Benefits include health insurance, paid vacation, 401k etc.  
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Dear Mr. Wolff: My wife and I play new-suit responses to simple one-level overcalls as constructive but nonforcing if the overcall is at the one level. However, after reading a recent column of yours, we are wondering if playing a new suit as forcing might be more useful. Does it matter whether the opening is a strong or weak suit?

Recently an opponent revoked, and my partner called it, but my opponent claimed that since the cards were not turned over, it didn't count as a revoke. On a second occasion the opponent revoked, caught it before the cards were turned over, but after all had played to the trick. Now he claimed that since he caught it, it didn't count as a revoke. Is the revoke established in either case?

ANSWER: The logic of playing new suits as nonforcing at the one-level is that with a good hand responder can jump while keeping the auction under control. Additionally, overcaller does not promise a good hand. The logic of playing responses to two-level overcalls (whether of an opening bid or a pre-empt) as forcing is that partner HAS promised a decent hand. In short, play responses to overcalls as forcing except for one-level overcalls.

ANSWER: A revoke that is corrected before one member of the guilty partnership plays the next trick produces no trick-penalty. BUT the card played mistakenly is a penalty card, and the penalty-card rules apply. They are tough to summarize, but essentially declarer can often forbid or demand the lead of a suit if the opponents are on lead, or the card must be played at the first opportunity. Incidentally, penalty cards do not apply to declarer.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I held ♠ A-10-8-7-3-2, ♣ Q-6, ♠ A-3-2. My LHO opened one heart, raised to four by my RHO. I decided to bid four spades, down only one, but four hearts would have been set by at least two tricks. Was I out of line here?

Dear Mr. Wolff: With ♠ A-7-2, ♣ A-2, ♠ K-Q-6, ♠ A-K-10-3-2, I opened two no-trump and my partner jumped to four no-trump, quantitative. I passed and we made 13 tricks though my partner had only 11 points! Was I wrong to pass? My partner said I should have bid six no-trump.

ANSWER: I like your choice: An opponent's jump to four hearts often acts as a transfer to four spades. Here you had two decent chances (either they could make something or you could), and the cost of the insurance was not excessive.

ANSWER: I disagree with both of you. I would have bid six clubs to offer another possible contract. The point is that though I am minimum in high cards, my aces and good suit strongly suggest aggression. But why force partner to play no-trump, since he can always convert back to no-trump if he feels like it?

Dear Mr. Wolff: Do you have any comment on the Smith Echo, a signal at no-trump to tell partner you like the lead or that you do not like your own?

ANSWER: Let's assume that your signal does not relate to one of declarer's suits. However, quite often, giving count in declarer's suit IS relevant. The Smith Echo is potentially useful, but one of the main problems is that it must be made in tempo, and the decision to give a Smith Echo often seems to cause the defenders a lot of mental anguish.

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CHEVY '80, runs, good shop, minor work, good shape. \$4,500.00. Must sell, make reasonable offer. 318-190

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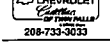
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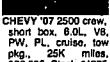
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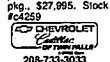
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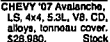
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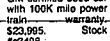
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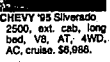
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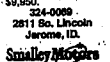
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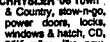
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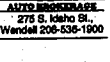
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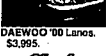
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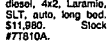
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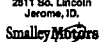
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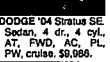
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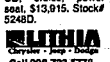
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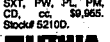
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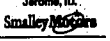
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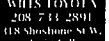


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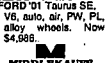
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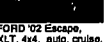
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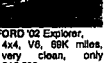
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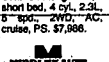
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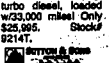
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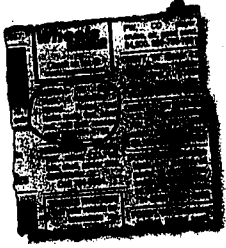
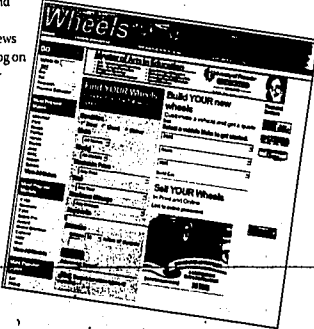


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## WHY THEY TURNED OFF THE TUBE

Three Magic Valley families offer their reasons for limiting television

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

The fall television season is in full swing, and fans are getting to know new characters or revisiting old favorites. For some families, though, fall doesn't mean regularly settling into the couch to tune in. These families have chosen, for different reasons, to limit or eliminate television.

### WHEN THEY STOPPED WATCHING:

Upon moving to Idaho recently, Tom and Cheryl immediately put up a satellite dish, so Cheryl could follow her favorite college football teams.

"Then football season ended and we didn't watch any again," Tom said. Months later, the couple turned on the TV to see Tom's appearance on an ESPN show on BASE jumping, which he teaches. They realized they were paying for something they never used. So they cancelled the service.

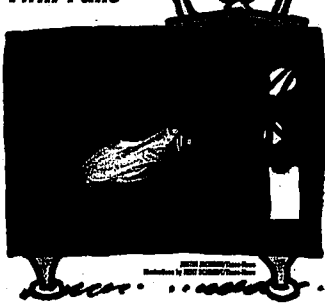
### WHY THEY TURNED IT OFF:

"I don't really see any reason to have it," Cheryl said. The couple gets most news and entertainment from the Internet and from Netflix DVD rentals. "Computers are wonderful things."

When their 20-month-old daughter, Anna Grace, was younger, the Aielloes let her watch a few kids' shows. "We popped her in front of them when she was 4 months old and she was entirely unimpressed, and so were we," Cheryl said. "She thinks you watch TV shows on the computer or on the TV."

In addition to movies, the couple rents DVDs of favorite television programs, like "Battlestar Galactica," "Lost" and "House." This allows

### The Aielloes, Twin Falls



them to watch on their own schedule, usually with their laptop propped up in bed with them. "It's really nice not to have your life revolve around that," Cheryl said.

### WHAT THEY USED TO WATCH:

"I loved TV when I was a kid; it was always on," Cheryl said. "I was a huge fan of 'Sesame Street.'" She watched intermittently through school, especially those beloved football games.

Tom said he watched

when he was young, but he doesn't remember which shows he favored. He stopped in college and never picked the habit up again.

### DO THEY MISS IT?

Almost anything they want to watch is available online at the time of its television broadcast or soon after, so they don't feel like they're missing out on popular culture. Cheryl: "We don't miss the TV, but don't take our Internet access away"



### The Leavitts, Twin Falls

### WHEN THEY STOPPED WATCHING:

When Jennifer Leavitt's five daughters were younger, she tried to shoo them away from the television, which was often on. "Their daddy loved TV," Jennifer said. "It's passed away, so the off button is more easily chosen these days." The TV is rarely turned on for anything other than movies now.

### WHY THEY TURNED IT OFF:

"There's not really anything on very good anyway," said Christina, the youngest daughter (pictured here with her mother). "They talk about sex every five seconds or they talk about things that are offensive." Although Jennifer enjoys dance, she chose not to watch "Dancing with the Stars" because she felt some

of the dancers' costumes were inappropriate.

Sherry, 19, who attends the College of Southern Idaho, said she still watches more than she should, but she often changes the channel because she doesn't like what she sees. "I'm kind of selective if it's wholesome or not," she said. "I like the feel-good stuff," like "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and old black-and-white sitcoms.

### WHAT THEY USED TO WATCH:

Jennifer and her husband used to watch mystery shows, like "The Rockford Files" or "Mystery, She Wrote," but many of the modern mysteries like "CSI" include too much gore, she said. The couple liked some shows so much that a few times they skipped social events to stay

home and watch together, Jennifer said, a bit embarrassed.

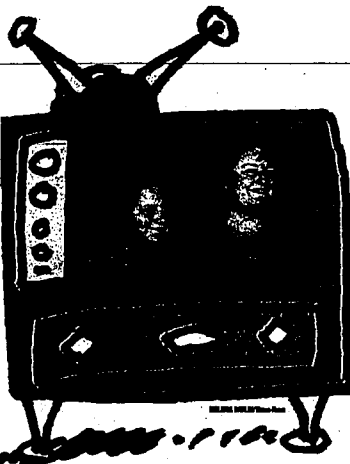
### DO THEY MISS IT?

Occasionally, when coworkers talk about a point of popular culture from television, Jennifer asks about it. "I feel left out sometimes," she said. But even on nights when she's the only one home, she turns to a book on tape for company rather than television.

"You get mesmerized or hypnotized or something," Jennifer said. "It uses your time, and you have only so much time to use."

"If I sit for too long watching TV, I feel like a vegetable," Christina said. She bucks that inertia by sitting down to movies only occasionally. When she does, though, she enjoys cheering on the characters with her family.

### Tammy Parker and Chelsa Johnson, Jerome



By Sandra G. Goodman  
The Washington Post

The titles lure aspirational parents eager to do what's best for their infants: Baby Einstein, Baby Galileo, Baby Shakespeare and even Brainy Baby with its original motto, "a little

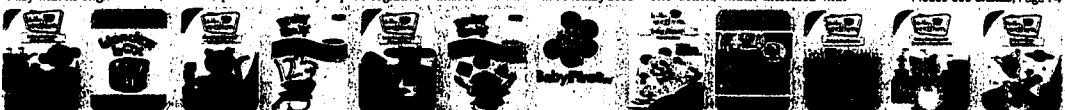
genius in the making." But do these enormously popular and profitable videos and DVDs devised for viewers too young even to sit up provide educational enrichment, as supporters contend? Or are they a skillful marketing scheme for products that may impede cognitive

development, as critics say? Those questions have been reignited by a highly publicized study by veteran child development researchers at the University of Washington. The Seattle team surveyed more than 1,000 families in February 2006

and found that infants between 8 and 18 months who regularly watched Baby Einstein and Brainy Baby videos knew substantially fewer words — six to eight out of 90 — than infants who did not watch them, according to parental reports. The deficit, which increased with

each hour of video viewing, was not seen among babies who watched other programming, such as "Sesame Street" or "SpongeBob SquarePants" or adult shows such as "Oprah."

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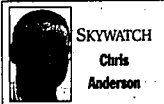
# Take a tour around the Little Dipper

The well-known Big Dipper currently sits low in the north-northwest in the early evening. Less easily recognized is its smaller companion, the Little Dipper.

To find Polaris, the Little Dipper's brightest star, start at the Big Dipper.

A line traced upward through the two stars farthest from the handle will point almost exactly to Polaris (from the Latin "Stella polaris" meaning "polar star"). Polaris (also known as the North Star), marks the end of the Little Dipper's handle. It's a magnitude 2.0 star, not quite as bright as the brightest (magnitude 1.0 and lower) stars in the sky.

Around 8:30 p.m. this time of year, the Little Dipper extends about one hand span at arm's length to the left of Polaris. Its handle is a gentle arch of stars with the bowl opening to the left. The lower left edge of the bowl is the Little Dipper's second brightest star, Kochab (magnitude 2.1), whose name is probably a distortion of the Arabic



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Chris Anderson



word for "star."  
Just above and a little left of Kochab is Pherkad, at magnitude 3.0; its name derives from Arabic "al Farqad" meaning "the two calves," having once referred to Pherkad and Kochab collectively.

The next star in the bowl is the Little Dipper's faintest, Eta Ursae Minoris,

magnitude 5.0, followed in order by the star that joins the bowl to the handle, magnitude 4.3 Zeta. Finally, there are the middle stars of the handle, Epsilon (magnitude 4.2) and Delta (magnitude 3.9, nearest Polaris) Ursae Minoris.

Because the Little Dipper's stars span the range of brightness from second to fifth magnitude (the faintest stars generally visible to the unaided eye are sixth magnitude), it is often used to judge sky darkness.

If you can easily see the whole Dipper (including faint Eta), your skies are fairly dark and free of light pollution. If only Polaris and Kochab are visible, it's time to head for a dark spot away from city lights for your best stargazing.

*Next week: The moon, the sun and the tides.*

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# Delay decisions about love, Virgo

**IF OCT. 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You will find that as the next several months unfold you have a head for business and a soul built for love. With gentle, romantic Neptune dancing attendance to your sector of the cosmos, you will yearn for a romantic partner to fulfill your dreams even as you vie like a tiger in the business world. Score major changes in March or April can clear the debris from your life and bring you the soul mate you have dreamed of.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** There might be a good reason why you misplaced a long-lost friend. During the time to come you could find that others are happy to cooperate whenever you show enthusiastic initiative.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Success usually comes to those who are too busy to look for it. Family and responsibilities at home might briefly prevent you from concentrating on career.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You can't always keep the old-fashioned way when dealing with home and fam-

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Jeraldine Saunders

ly. You have a better chance of resolving difficulties and coming to a compromise later this week.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Turn on the answering machine and tune out distractions. Don't let a loved one's rash actions or thoughtless words create an irreversible rift.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Keep your money in your pocket. A sudden whim might prove costly or a companion's change of heart could test your patience.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Decisions about love and relationships can wait a little longer. There could be a temporary period this weekend when you may think the worst of others and they may not catch as expected.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Your lighted areas may not get a warm reception today. Tomorrow and the rest of the week ahead provide ample opportunities to find

fertile ground for financial and romantic ventures.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Let the answering machine pick up your calls and avoid a choice. You have worked, scrimped and saved, so this could be a good week to protect your nest egg.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Develop dynamic ideas. You might not be able to discuss them successfully with others today, but by tomorrow you can start putting them into motion and demonstrate leadership.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** The trouble with nostalgia is that you often only remember what was pleasant. Don't keep something or someone for old time's sake.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Stop to tie your shoelaces before you put your best foot forward. This isn't the day to impress others with your charm.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** It is time to put away childish things. Shelve ambitions that haven't worked out. Reassess your long-term goals in the expectation that the right opportunity will come along at the right time.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center**  
530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, Lunch, noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms: bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**MENU:**  
Monday: Beef and noodles, vegetable, fruit salad, biscuit, fruit bar  
Tuesday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, coleslaw, roll, apple pie  
Wednesday: Lasagna, salad, green beans, french bread, pineapple cake  
Thursday: Sticky Joe, squash, salad, bread, dessert

**Friday:** Fish or chicken, fried potatoes, winter vegetables, salad, muffin, banana with berry dessert  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Today: Magic Valley Bridge  
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Monday bridge  
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday  
Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon  
Wellness seminar, noon to 2 p.m.  
Exercise class, 1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Fiddlers  
Elks Card Club, 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Exercise class, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Lunch bingo  
Saturday: October Fest at Rock Creek Church

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**  
1010 Main St., Buhl, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$3.50, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Potato, cheese and chive soup, lunch meat sandwich  
Tuesday: Cheeseburgers, potato salad, pork and beans, Jell-O, dessert  
Wednesday: Cook's choice  
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, vegetable salad, bread, ice cream and cake  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Today: Fried chicken dinner, 1 p.m.  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wendover trip  
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

**Wendover trip**  
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.  
Birthday dinner, 12 p.m.  
Friday, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Friday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

**Filer Senior Haven**  
222 Main St., Filer, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**MENU:**  
Tuesday: Chicken enchiladas, chips, green beans, salad, bread, applesauce, cookie  
Wednesday: Chili, salad, corn bread, crispy rice treat  
Thursday: Roast pork, applesauce, potatoes and gravy, green beans, salad, roll, sheet cake  
**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, 1 p.m.

**Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.**  
310 Main St. N., Kimberly, Lunch and full-service salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out, home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Hamburger enchiladas, beans, sheet cake  
Wednesday: Cheesy chicken rice casserole, fruit, cookie  
Friday: Oven-fried trout, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, cake and ice cream  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Nu-2U Thrift Store, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
AA meeting, 8 p.m.  
Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.  
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; every-one over 18 welcome  
Wednesday: Nu-2U Thrift Store, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.  
Filing Medicare card  
Friday: Nu-2U Thrift Store, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Pinocle, 7 p.m.; \$1 per person

**Gooding County Senior Citizen Center**  
308 Senior Ave., Gooding, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Sweet and sour meatballs, rice, vegetable, Mandarin oranges, brownies,  
bread  
Tuesday: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, bean salad, pudding, french bread  
Wednesday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, tater tots, onion rings, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, pears  
Thursday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, apple crisp, roll  
Friday: Soup and sandwiches  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 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: Quilting social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Music with the Fiddlers  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
Noon lunch  
Saturday: Potluck dinner dance with the Fiddlers

**Jerome Senior Center**  
212 First Ave. E., Jerome, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Chicken patty, scalloped potatoes or macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, fruit, salad, cookie  
Tuesday: Creamed chicken or chicken a la king over noodles, winter vegetables, fruit salad, blueberry cake  
Wednesday: Tater tot casserole, carrots, fruit medley, peach crisp or apple cobbler, biscuits  
Thursday: Hot pork sandwich, potatoes and gravy, creamed corn, fruit, sunshine salad, pudding  
Friday: Baked chicken, potatoes au gratin, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, applesauce, carrot cake  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

**bridge**  
Tuesday: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, bean salad, pudding, french bread  
Wednesday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, tater tots, onion rings, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, pears  
Thursday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, apple crisp, roll  
Friday: Soup and sandwiches  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 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: Quilting social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Music with the Fiddlers  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
Noon lunch  
Saturday: Potluck dinner dance with the Fiddlers

**Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center**  
140 E. Lake, Hagerman, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Beef roast, baked potatoes, vegetable, salad, fruit, bread, dessert  
Wednesday: Marinated pork roast, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, salad, fruit, bread, dessert  
Friday: Fish, macaroni and cheese, vegetable, salad, fruit, bread, dessert  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**  
130 S. Main, Richfield, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Spaghetti, garlic sticks, salad, pineapple upside-down cake  
Thursday: Vegetable soup, ham sandwich, peach pie

**Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.**  
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; closed Thursdays.  
**MENU:**  
Tuesday: Beef stroganoff over noodles, peas, salad, cinnamon rolls  
Wednesday: Beef stew, cheese slices, bread, peach pie  
Friday: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, salad, cream puffs  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m. at Gooding  
Friday: End of summer cook-out  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.

**Camas County Senior Center**  
127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$4, under 60; \$2, under 10.  
Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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**MENU:**  
Thursday: Navy beans and ham, vegetable salad, fruit, corn bread, cake  
Wednesday: Shepherd's pie, spinach salad, fruit salad, corn chips, pudding  
Friday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, salad, fruit crisp  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Wednesday: The Advocates, 9 to 11 a.m.  
Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Silver and Gold Senior Center**  
210 E. Wilson, Eden, Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.  
**MENU:**  
Tuesday: Chicken patty, macaroni and cheese, peas, fruit salad, vegetable  
Thursday: Stew, corn bread, cottage loaf, cheese wedges  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Wednesday: Bake day  
Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Blaine County Senior Center**  
727 Third Ave. S., Halley, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
**MENU:**  
Tuesday: Baked potato bar, chili, roll, French onion soup, pest sauce  
Wednesday: Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, biscuit, Jell-O salad, cookie, ice cream  
Friday: Birthday lunch, roast turkey, potatoes and gravy, green beans, stuffed celery, cranberry sauce, carrot cake  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Massage therapy, 9:30 a.m.  
Dinner at the Pioneer, 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.  
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Board meeting, 8:30 a.m.  
Yoga, 5:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.

**Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.**  
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; closed Thursdays.  
**MENU:**  
Tuesday: Beef stroganoff over noodles, peas, salad, cinnamon rolls  
Wednesday: Beef stew, cheese slices, bread, peach pie  
Friday: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, salad, cream puffs  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m. at Gooding  
Friday: End of summer cook-out  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.

**Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center**  
702 11th St., Rupert, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Chicken strips, fries, vegetable salad, roll, cookie  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy, sausage, hash browns, salad, dessert  
Wednesday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, roll  
Thursday: Grilled tuna, macaroni salad, corn, cottage cheese, dessert

**Three Island Senior Center**  
492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenn Ferry, Lunch at noon. For reservations, 366-2005. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Lasagna, peas, carrots, salad, Juice, Texas toast  
Tuesday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, winter vegetables, cranberry, bread, biscuit  
Thursday: Center closed for CDHD staff meeting in Boise  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Friday: Center closed  
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.

**Friday:** Smorgasbord, chicken and fish, potatoes, rice, salad bar  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Pool, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.  
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindman at 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 478-0727 for appointments  
Friday: Pool, 1 p.m.  
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**  
2421 Overland Ave., Burley, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Spanish rice, refried beans, mexican corn, roll, chery crisp  
Tuesday: Rib sandwiches, fries, carrot sticks, fruit cup, cookie  
Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, roll, broccoli, oatmeal cake  
Thursday: Lasagna, green beans, salad, roll, Jell-O jiggles, peach cake  
Friday: Chicken Alfredo with noodles, garden vegetables, fruit cup, ice cream sandwiches  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Eyes/eyes check  
Pool  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Exercise  
Tuesday: Pool  
Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.  
Radio show, 9:06 a.m.  
Exercise  
Community bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Pool  
Exercise  
Board meeting, 4 p.m.  
Community pinocle, 6 p.m.  
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.  
Friday: Pool  
Exercise  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.

**Carey Senior Center**  
Main Street, Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors.  
**MENU:**  
Friday: Birthday lunch, roast turkey, potatoes and gravy, green beans, stuffed celery, cranberry sauce, carrot cake

**Three Island Senior Center**  
492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenn Ferry, Lunch at noon. For reservations, 366-2005. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**MENU:**  
Monday: Lasagna, peas, carrots, salad, Juice, Texas toast  
Tuesday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, winter vegetables, cranberry, bread, biscuit  
Thursday: Center closed for CDHD staff meeting in Boise  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Friday: Center closed  
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.

**Monday:** Potato, cheese and chive soup, lunch meat sandwich  
Tuesday: Cheeseburgers, potato salad, pork and beans, Jell-O, dessert  
Wednesday: Cook's choice  
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, vegetable salad, bread, ice cream and cake  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Today: Fried chicken dinner, 1 p.m.  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wendover trip  
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.

**Monday:** Sweet and sour meatballs, rice, vegetable, Mandarin oranges, brownies,  
bread  
Tuesday: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, bean salad, pudding, french bread  
Wednesday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, tater tots, onion rings, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, pears  
Thursday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, apple crisp, roll  
Friday: Soup and sandwiches  
**ACTIVITIES:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 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: Quilting social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Music with the Fiddlers  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
Noon lunch  
Saturday: Potluck dinner dance with the Fiddlers

# Penny wise and pound ghoulish

By Denise Flaim  
Newsday

Never mind the Christmas junkies who fantasize about having icicle lights on Thanksgiving before the turkey is carved. They've got nothing on the Halloween freaks, in whose ranks, I confess, I am now permanently entrenched.

Long before Labor Day, I was making papier-mache witch heads, shopping online for everything from bat skeletons to glow-in-the-dark rubber bats, and scouring Internet chat groups for tips on how to make soil-less grave mounds.

I started out innocently as these things often do with a few strings of pumpkin lights. Then I discovered the secondary market in anatomical displays, medical-school textbooks with misaligned forearms don't get sent to the dust heap. They are marketed to "hunters," as do-it-yourself fright-makers are called.

It's just a few short years, after frighteningly extensive Web surfing, I have acquired the Talmudic-like knowledge that distinguishes the hunter from the "stuck in pumpkin on the porch and call it a holiday" homeowner.

I know the secret to making my own tombstones. (Use pink insulation board — Home Depot usually has it in stock — carve with a hot knife and never spray-paint without a protective layer of latex paint.) I can tell you the cheapest source of plastic chain link for a faux fence to keep the kiddies out of your cemetery. And I know the difference between a Bucky and a Bucky. (The former is a solid plastic skull; the latter, hollow.)

Last year marked my first foray into homemade animatronics: I bought one of

those cheesy Douglas Talking Firs on eBay, de-branched it, and printed out Internet instructions on how to "hack" the once-orcero Christmas tree, since I don't know AC from DC, this just task fell to my weary husband, who rewired the pop-eyed tree guts to lip-synch to a microphone, then inserted the tangle of wires in a faux skull — a Bucky, actually.

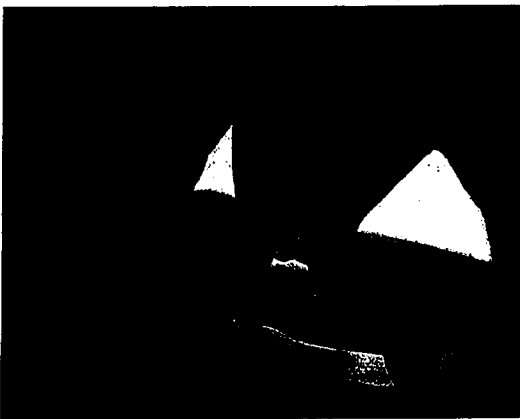
Among haunters, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. This year, I pinched an idea for a skeleton-headed flower from Deanna Griffith, who lives just outside Jacksonville, Fla. Known online as Ghostess Deanna, she posted pictures of her "Daisy" and a how-to on making the surreal flower at her site. [www.howlooween.com](http://www.howlooween.com).

"Labor Day is the beginning of the crunch time when everything gets really hectic. Dinner doesn't get made, house doesn't get cleaned," says Griffith, who has been busy making a papier-mache graveyard, when everything gets really hectic. Dinner doesn't get made, house doesn't get cleaned," says Griffith, who has been busy making a papier-mache graveyard, when everything gets really hectic.

If all this Halloween talk has visions of pop-up ghosts and bubbling brains dancing in your head, you should know that you already are late to the party. So, get on your broomstick posthaste. Among the essentials:

### Foggy notions

What's a homeowners cemetery without fog? You can find a reasonably good fog machine, plus the all-important fog juice, at chain stores such as Target and Wal-Mart for less than \$30. But what no one tells you about blowing smoke is that because heat rises, your machine-procured wisps are just going to float away. If you want ground-hugging, "Addams Family"-worthy fog, you need to run it over



### Inflation index

Purist that I am, I think blow-up figures have their place. But even I was tempted by this season's new 12-foot inflatable haunted-carriage hearse. A few weeks ago, Sam's Club stocked it for a blow-out price of \$149. Now everybody's reselling them on eBay. That option aside, stay away from anything that offers a Michelin-man silhouette.

### It's alive!

The night usually have electric motors, or pneumatics which require an air compressor. "Air blasters" are just what the name suggests — when triggered they release a high-pressure surge of air. Haunters with a physics degree and skill in using a soldering iron have learned how to make barrel poppers (a zombie leaps up from a barrel labeled "Toxic") and flying crank ghosts (called FCGs for short, these undulate convincingly). The really sophisticated props — electrocution chairs, exorcist beds, haunted bookcases — often require a trust fund.

### Monster mud

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### Paging Charlotte

What a tangled web we weave when we try to make convincing-looking arachnid residences out of that lame cotton-candy-looking stuff. To kick things up a notch, consider glue guns converted into web shooters ([www.minionsweb.com](http://www.minionsweb.com)); remember that the cheaper the model, the warmer the ambient temperature needs to be. And you'll need a compressor to blow the glue into gossamer strands, as well as glue sticks, which now come in a neat assortment of colors.

Another option is beef netting ([www.trentonmills.com](http://www.trentonmills.com)). Intended for use in the meat industry, these rolls of fabric make some sculptural-looking webs.

### Things that go bump in

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## Scholarship student wonders if school is worth all the pain

DEAR ABBY: I recently began attending a private high school in Manhattan on scholarship. The commute can take two hours — or more — each way. In the beginning, I was willing to do the long commute to make it work. However, as the long days continue, I'm wondering if it's worth it.

I don't seem to relate to any of my classmates and I'm not sure this school is right for me. Also, my relationship with my family has gotten worse since I started. I come home too tired to talk with them, and discussions about commutes usually result in fights ending in tears.

I don't think my parents are proud of me. Instead of encouragement and support, I am being yelled at for being the way I do. I know this school will create a bright future for me, but can it only come at the expense of the relationship with my family and my happiness? Go to school upset and miserable every day. Should I drop out? Or should I exchange happiness in my life now for success in the future? Please help.

### —CONFUZZLED IN NEW YORK

DEAR CONFUZZLED: I'm not sure the answer is "either/or." Let me take your concerns one at a time. Obviously the challenges brought about by this new school have required certain lifestyle changes for you. Perhaps a few more could be beneficial. Specifically, if the school is too tiring, have you considered taking a 45-minute nap when you return home? Many people find that a nap renews their energy. As to the trip could provide you with valuable study time. If that isn't feasible, then perhaps you and your family could agree that weeknights aren't a workable time for the level of

DEAR ABBY  
Jeannie Phillips

communication you would like, and make an extra effort to be together on weekends.

You say that discussions about school supplies are so stressful they end in fights and tears. Is it possible that there is a special fund at school to help scholarship students with school supplies? The way to find out would be to schedule a session with your counselor and ask. And while you're at it, ask if there's a way for all the scholarship students to meet and get to know each other. If they feel as isolated as you do — and they may — perhaps you could form a support group.

The only reason to drop out and forgo an opportunity like the one you have been

given is if you have exhausted every other option. You should not have to exchange happiness for success, but happiness can be fleeting and the lessons you are learning at this school are not all inside the classroom.

DEAR ABBY: My wife eats cookies and crackers in bed. When I ask her not to, she tells me it's her bed too, and says I can't tell her what to do. In the meantime, I have to sleep amid the crumbs.

Am I being bossy or is she being inconsiderate? If I'm bossy, please help me understand. If she's inconsiderate, how do I make her understand?

### —THE COOKIE MONSTER'S HUSBAND

DEAR HUSBAND: You are not being bossy. Your wife is being stubborn and inconsiderate. You cannot make her "understand" if she refuses to. So, if you love her, either brush the crumbs back to her side of the bed or invest in a hand vacuum.

Advertisement for Kimberly Nurseries featuring a coupon for \$1.00 off any 16 oz. or larger drink. Includes a list of plants and contact information for the nursery.

Large advertisement for 'The Valley House' auction. Features a list of items for sale, including furniture, electronics, and art. Includes contact information and a 'Night to Remember' auction notice.

# Babies

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The study, published in the *Journal of Pediatrics*, is the first to examine the impact of videos that have been heavily promoted as educational, according to lead author Frederick J. Zimmerman, a University of Washington associate professor of public health and pediatrics. Zimmerman called the negative effect "large and significant" but said the study offered short of establishing a causal connection.

"Parents should not panic," Zimmerman said. Fifteen minutes of video viewing, he said, is unlikely to matter. But some babies in their study watched as much as four hours per day — a circumstance facilitated by the automatic replay feature on Baby Einstein DVDs.

In Zimmerman's view, parents have been "misled" about the benefits of baby videos, which can displace real-world parent-child interaction and create play-by-keyboard to be essential for cognitive development.

Other experts agree. No empirical study, they say, has demonstrated benefits for any video or television programming in children younger than 2. That is the chief reason the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) advises no screen time for any child under 2 years old. That experts concede is widely ignored. Studies have linked heavy TV viewing among children older than 3 to attention and learning problems, sleep disturbances and obesity.

Earlier this year, researchers reported that 20 percent of children younger than 2 had a television set in their bedrooms. In another study by Zimmerman's team, he found that 40 percent of 3-month-

olds regularly watched an hour per day, a figure that rose to 90 percent by age 2.

And a report by the Kaiser Family Foundation in 2005 found that about 25 percent of families owned at least one baby video and that nearly half of parents considered them important educational tools. Parents also said they used videos to entertain their babies or when they needed to take a break.

A decade ago, programming aimed at infants and toddlers was virtually nonexistent. Since then, videos, DVDs, affiliated books and toys and even a 24-hour cable TV channel called BabyFirst TV have emerged, creating an industry with annual revenue estimated to exceed \$1 billion.

"These videos are incredibly seductive and hit parents where they are most vulnerable: fears about academic success and intense time pressures," said educational psychologist Susan Linn, co-founder of the advocacy group Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood and an instructor in psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

Last year the campaign, with the support of the AAP and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP), filed a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission against Baby Einstein and Brinly Baby, alleging that they engaged in false and deceptive advertising. At issue were hundreds of the advocacy group Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood and an instructor in psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

The jump-start on learning." The matter has not been resolved. He hopes the new video educational makes parents feel less guilty about sticking

their kids in front of the tube," said Washington-area psychiatrist Michael Brody, who chairs the AACAP's committee on media.

Brody, who teaches a course on children and media at the University of Maryland, says videos have helped fuel a kind of arms race involving "hypercompetitive parents who use their children as objects and seek to ensure they are keeping up — or better yet, excelling."

Makers of baby videos dispute such criticism. They dismiss Zimmerman's study as methodologically flawed and point out that the language gap was not seen in infants between 17 and 24 months.

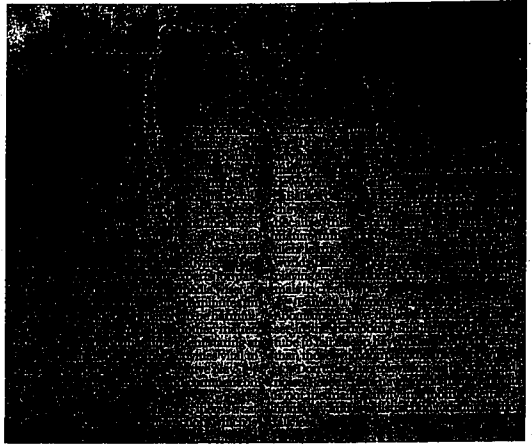
Brinly Baby chief executive Dennis Fedoruk said in an e-mail that his Atlanta-based company's videos are "tools that parents can use with their children, much like a book, to introduce academic basics."

Fedoruk said he has received "thousands of unsolicited testimonials from customers who have seen a positive result in their own children from watching our videos," including improved scores on an IQ test.

Susan McLean, vice president and general manager of Disney-owned Baby Einstein, which has an estimated 90 percent share of the market, said company officials "took offense" at the notion that their line of 24 DVDs, many bearing the names of luminaries — da Vinci, van Gogh, Mozart, Newton — might be harmful.

"We've never claimed they're educational," said McLean, who said she played them for her 4-month-old daughter. The goal is to "instill in infants a love of classical music and art nature."

"Our core position has been



about the discovery of meaningful moments for Mom and baby," she said. "That was Julie Aigner-Clark's vision."

Aigner-Clark, a Colorado English teacher, founded Baby Einstein in 1997 when she filmed the first video using borrowed equipment. Four years later, when she sold the company to Disney, it had sales of \$20 million. President Bush singled her out in his 2007 State of the Union address as representative of "the great enterprising spirit of America."

Aigner-Clark has said she drew the logo herself and chose the name to reflect Albert Einstein's "love of the arts, simple curiosity and passion for discovery" — and

because his name is synonymous with genius. (Baby Einstein pays royalties to the late physicist's estate.)

Her initial goal, she said, was to expose her baby daughter Aspen to "the arts and sciences" only to find there were no "age-appropriate products."

She and her husband shot "scenes on a tabletop in my basement," she recounts on Ladies Who Launch, a Web site for female entrepreneurs. "I put a puppet on my hand and plopped my cat down in front of the camera. Everything I did in the first videos was based on my experience as a mom."

Her timing was flawless. Baby Einstein was launched

during a decade of unprecedented interest in infants' cognitive development. A few years earlier, researchers had published a study of the so-called Mozart effect, a theoretical benefit of exposure to classical music.

That theory, which has since been largely discredited, was seized on by politicians, including then-Gov. Zell Miller of Georgia, who advocated sending parents of newborns in his state classical music tapes. The Clinton White House held a conference on brain development during the first three years of life, and stores with names like Zany Brinly marketed educational toys.

# STORK REPORT

## Cassia Regional Medical Center

Brodie Lane Oldham, son of Whitney Bridges and Shane Oldham of Burley, was born Aug. 24, 2007.

## St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Nathan Randall Holstine, son of Vicki Marie Holstine of Twin Falls, was born Sept. 27, 2007.

Marisol Montano, daughter of Jose Montano and Emma Pena of Shoshone, was born Sept. 27, 2007.

Hee Agullar, daughter of Antonio and Lorena Agullar of Jerome, was born Sept. 30, 2007.

Emm William Green, son of Tim and Tanja Green of Shoshone, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

## St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Sylas Teagan Barrett, son of Cara and Weylin Barrett of Ketchum, was born Sept. 27, 2007.

Austin Zane McMahon, son of Heather and Judd McMahon of Bellevue, was born Sept. 29, 2007.

Anna Sawin Gilman, daughter of Sara and Michael Gilman of Halley, was born Sept. 30, 2007.

Roger William Sullivan, son of Elizabeth and Mark Sullivan of Halley, was born Oct. 1, 2007.

## St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Dylan Riley Erickson, son of Shirley Marie Carpenter and Larry Leonard Erickson of Buhl, was born Sept. 4, 2007.

Kathryn-Bain Maguire, daughter of Jolene and Kelab Phillip Amador Maguire of Castletown, was born Sept. 19, 2007.

Michael David Ray Vance, son of Amanda Jean Vance of Filer, was born Sept. 25, 2007.

Nayeki Rubi Ayala, daughter of Margarita Garyosa and Jose Fernando Ayala of Coalinga, was born Sept. 30, 2007.

Adrian Eusebio Gutierrez, son of Jennifer Mae Grenz and Adrian Gutierrez-Jarabe of Jerome, was born Oct. 1, 2007.

Sayan Vargas, son of Cynthia Mathilda and Manuel Vargas of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 1, 2007.

Brooklyn Sophie Swensen, daughter of April and Craig Marion Swensen of Rupert, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Preston William Plaster, son of Amanda Marie Kelly Gene Plaster of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Alan Rogelio Hernandez Rios, son of Elizabeth Rios Villa and Rogelio Hernandez Gomez of Jerome, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Haley Lynn Barnes, daughter of Randi Rene and Nickolas "Dean" Barnes of Jerome, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Breanna Nicole Galbraith, daughter of Rosa Elvia and Mario Galvan of Gooding, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Aubrianna Marie DeLeon, daughter of Melissa and Edward DeLeon of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 2, 2007.

Lilly Elizabeth Allen, daughter of Laura Leigh and Timothy John Allen of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 4, 2007.

Jayna Anlia Katabathini, daughter of Melissa and Narasimharao Katabathini of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 4, 2007.

Mylee Kelley VanderStelt, daughter of Rachel Lynn Griggs and Gary Andrew VanderStelt of Castletown, was born Oct. 6, 2007.

Charles Holden Merriam, son of Jennifer Karin and Donald Lynn Mahwinnyer of Buhl, was born Oct. 7, 2007.

Brayden Lucas Scherupp, son of Krysta Lynn Scherupp of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 7, 2007.

Zoe Nicole Ferris, daughter of Tecee Nicole Ferris of Hagerman, was born Oct. 8, 2007.

Kaster Erik Schilder, son of Andrea Joy and John Erik Schilder of Buhl, was born Oct. 8, 2007.

Kristy Allisa Carlock, daughter of Laura and James Matthew Carlock of Twin Falls, was born Oct. 9, 2007.

# Web site GPAC (gives parents a clue) on Internet lingo

By Camilla A. Herrera  
The Star-News Reporter

Admit it.

No matter how hard a parent tries to understand a child, it sometimes seems like the kids are communicating in a different language.

Truth is, they are, says Erin Jansen, an internet specialist and founder of NetLingo.com, an online dictionary of "cyber-speak" that has sprung up since the development of the Internet.

Millennials (today's kids) are the ones coming up with the acronyms, and I think this is empowering for them," she says.

Adolescents use a constantly evolving jargon of acronyms, abbreviations and shorthand while chatting online in public and private chat rooms and on social networking sites as well as through e-mail and instant messages.

"I try to talk to friends on the phone," says Danielle Lanslots, a senior at Stamford High School in Stamford, Conn. "Calling does save money. But with close friends, IM-ing and texting is more convenient and you can avoid awkward phone conversations." It's part of a larger trend among computer users to adopt much of the "talk of the Internet" in daily written and verbal communication.

The only difference is kids specifically use the talk to KPC (keep parents clueless).

"I have nothing to hide, but it's a question of privacy," says Lanslots, who lists LOL (laugh out loud), LOLA (laugh out loud again), BRB (be right back) and TTYL (talk to you later) as acronyms she commonly uses with her friends.

"There are definitely some things we are talking about that we don't want (parents) to see. I've used POS (parent over my shoulder)."

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children are following in our footsteps. But parents should be on guard, Jansen says.

"The dangers lie in a different place from what we tried to hide from our parents," she says. "Which we were doing this: we went on the Internet. (The) Internet has exposed us to all kinds of people all over the world."

The potential exposure of personal information and the associated risks that come with such exposure make it more important than before to understand what the kids are saying to their friends, even if they don't want us to.

It's a matter of safety, says Sgt. Joe Kennedy, who heads the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for the Stamford Police youth bureau.

"As parents, we're looking at this new language and now we need to learn it," he says. The lists Jansen maintains show countless terms that may intimidate, but how the expressions are formed soon become clear.

Unfortunately, many of these meanings can shock, reminding parents of predatory dangers and how computer lingo can be used by someone who should not be communicating with children.

Jansen stresses her aim is not to alarm parents. In part because most teens do not use sexual predatory language with each other.

"These acronyms are from the adults," Jansen says. They are the ones teaching the kids TTYL (talk dirty to me) or WSNW (I want sex now).

"But adult acronyms are making their way into this teen-speak," she says. "So this really should be about discussing Internet safety with your kids." Forget about generation lull, the belief that

kids are technologically savvy than parents. There is little choice but to become educated.

"Like anything in parenting, we need to be involved in kids' lives now, because so much revolves around texting-IM-ing-social networking. They want it that way. And you won't be able to see or track, but you can be involved."

"They have to know that they are exposed to the whole world online. It's not just you and your girlfriends. Anyone can see what you post, over and over."

Begin by disallowing a computer in a child's room. "It should be in the busiest room in the house where the normal traffic allows you to look over your kid's shoulder," Kennedy says.

Know passwords for all accounts, including those for social networking sites such as MySpace and Facebook.

"Set up your own page," Kennedy says. "Make up information, but this way you see how it works."

Other tips include checking search and chat histories and downloading monitoring software.

"They are going to reject that," Jansen warns. "Be up to speed about the thinking and the risks. They should know that it's not only their high school group reading what they're blogging about."

OnGuardOnline.gov, a fed-

eral site that offers tips to help protect against Internet fraud, identify theft, phishing-spam scams and sexual predators, says: "If (your kids) use social networking sites, tell them why it's important to keep information like their name, Social Security number, address, phone number and family financial information — like bank or credit card account numbers — to themselves. Remind them that they should not share that information about other people in their family or about their friends, either."

The site, sponsored by the Federal Trade Commission, Homeland Security, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Department of Commerce and the Securities and Exchange Commission, recommends keeping screen names and e-mail addresses free of personal information, avoiding the posting of personal pictures and restricting access to family or buddies lists.

Lanslots has discussed such issues with her parents, she says, admitting she recently closed her MySpace account after her mother voiced concerns.

"There is that feeling that someone is watching you, so you want to watch what you say," she says. "Kids should know that anyone can end up using these symbols and abbreviations."

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# ENGAGEMENTS

## BROWN-TAYLOR

Aleen Bastow Brown of Twin Falls announces the engagement of her daughter, Melissa Grace Brown, to Joshua M. Taylor, son of Glenda Borgstrom of South Ogden, Utah, and Ross Taylor of Oregon. Brown is also the daughter of the late Darrell Brown.

Brown attended the College of Southern Idaho and is a recent graduate of Utah College of Massage Therapy. She works at Homewood Suites by Hilton in Midvale, Utah.

Taylor served in the New Mexico Albuquerque Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is a



Joshua Taylor and Melissa Brown

craftsman of fine furniture and cabinetry in Salt Lake City.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Logan LDS Temple in Utah. A reception will follow from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Miskin residence, 133 S. 200 E. in Provo, Utah.

## CURR-COOK

Brian and Donna Curr of Chester announce the engagement of their daughter, Laree Curr, to Jason Cook, son of Brad and Amy Cook of Rupert.

Curr attends Brigham Young University-Idaho studying health science. She works at Porters in Rexburg.

Cook will graduate from BYU-Idaho in December with a bachelor's degree in agricultural science. He works at Anglen Mechanical in Rexburg.

The wedding is planned for



Jason Cook and Laree Curr

Friday, Oct. 19, at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception will be held Saturday, Oct. 20, at Sunrise P River Ranch in Rupert.

## PETERSON-NEIBAUER

Page and Kim Peterson of Alpine, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tami Peterson, to Rhoeas Neibauer, son of Steve Neibaur and Penny Ralphs, both of Paul.

Peterson graduated from Lone Peak High School and attended the University of Utah.

Neibaur graduated in 2002 from Minico High School and attended Utah State University before returning to Sweden for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They now attend Weber State University.



Tami Peterson and Rhoeas Neibaur

The wedding is planned for Friday, Oct. 19, at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will follow in Alpine, Utah. A local reception will be held Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Paul Stake Center.

# ANNIVERSARIES



Ron and Barbara Cole

Ron and Barbara Cole of Filer will be honored at a family gathering Friday, Oct. 19, for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ronald Cole and Barbara Hall were married Oct. 19, 1957, in Las Vegas. They lived in southern California for years and moved to Filer, where they have lived for 37 years.

He was a painting contrac-



Ron and Barbara Cole

tor for more than 40 years and farmed north of Filer for five years. He is retired and builds mandolins at home. She worked for St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for more than 30 years.

They attend First Assembly of God Church in Twin Falls. They have two children, Pamela Cole of San Diego and Ronald B. Cole of Filer. The couple has two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

## THE FAUGHTS

Waldo and Shirley Faught of Shoshone celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Oct. 11.

Friends and relatives are invited to a reception from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Shoshone Assembly of God Church for the couple's anniversary and Shirley's 60th birthday.

They were married Oct. 11, 1947, at the Assembly of God Church in Burley.

They lived in the Burley area then moved to Chicago in 1949 to be could attend automotive school. He was an auto mechanic in Burley and Ogden, Utah, for several years. They returned to the

Waldo and Shirley Faught

Burley-Rupert area to farm. In 1964, the Faughts moved to Shoshone where they had a dairy farm. He served 24 years as a Lincoln County road commissioner. She worked at the U.S. Postal Service for 21 years.

They have seven children, Dan (Sherry) Faught of Roseburg, Ore.; Ken Faught of Marysville, Wash.; Phyllis (Ken) Oldenhouse of Lawrenceville, Ga.; Wanda (Dennis) Ownby of Princeton; Ruth (Cliff) Patrick and Patil (Gullorm) Sanchez, all of Arlington, Wash.; and Judy (Manuel) Holguin of Pocatello; 16 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

# Is the chemistry there? We mean literally

By Libby Copeland  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Helen Fisher, the Rutgers University anthropologist who studies the biology and evolutionary purpose of romantic love, was in town recently, and we spoke with her about how she says that humans generally fit into four biologically influenced personality types.

Fisher believes the activities of certain chemicals in the brain help determine whether one, for instance, a risk-taking Explorer (dopamine) or a steady and careful Builder (serotonin), is her relatively new gig as "chief scientific advisor" for a dating Web site. Fisher has developed a 56-question survey she says can help determine someone's type and whom that person will fall for. Fisher also spoke about something called the "sweaty-T-shirt experiment" (which we won't get into here) and Hillary Clinton's testosterone (which we will).

Q: So, Hillary Clinton ... ?  
A: A total Explorer, I think. Who's married to a total Negotiator.

Q: What chemicals do the Negotiator and the Director create out?

A: The Director is the high-testosterone type. They're direct, they're decisive, they're tough-minded, they're competitive ... They have poorer people skills, which you would expect. And very fine spatial skills.

The Negotiator is associated with estrogen. The characteristics associated with estrogen are, first of all, verbal skills. I mean, we know that. A woman's ability to find the right word rapidly goes up in the middle of the menstrual cycle when estrogen levels peak ... It's not just women, though. Men can have a lot of estrogen and be



Helen Fisher, a Rutgers University anthropologist, has developed a personality-based questionnaire to help people find mates.

very much of a man.  
Q: Hillary's a Director — which suggests she has a high testosterone level. Is that possible for a woman?

A: Oh, yes, absolutely. You can be very high in testosterone AND estrogen. Sure. As a matter of fact, there's all kinds of studies that show that higher-testosterone women tend to be less interested in home and family; they move into competitive businesses.

Q: And Bill Clinton?  
A: Oh, I think he is an absolute cream-puff Negotiator. I mean, I feel your pain! That was a famous statement, "I feel your pain."

Only a Negotiator is going to tell you that. He wants desperately to be liked by everybody. There's quite a bit of nuance to him. He can't stop talking. Q: And you said that Negotiators and Directors

tend to go together?  
A: As I've looked at 20,000 people on Chemistry.com, on the dating site ... Negotiators choose Directors and Directors choose Negotiators. It's quite staggering.

I think the reason is that they need each other's skills, and I think you can see this in Hillary and Bill. For example, the Director really needs the warmth and the nurturing and the people skills of the Negotiator.

The Negotiator needs the decisiveness, the ambitiousness. Q: I think you mentioned in our earlier conversation that you had looked into Obama as well.

A: My hypothesis is — and I hope you put these down as hypothesis — that he is an Explorer. And I think the secondary type might actually be

a Negotiator. I'm not quite sure. He has an energy level that you almost can feel and he has an optimism that is very much the Explorer. I guess, very daring — I mean, go look, look where he started out in life and look how far he's come.

Q: John F. Kennedy was very definitely an Explorer. Q: What about the other ones? What do they correlate to?

A: People who express a lot of activity in the serotonin system call the Builder.

Collin Powell's got every trait of the Builder. Cautious but not fearful, religious, very traditional — really respects authority, very managerial, respected the hierarchy — I mean, just the perfect general. And loyal. He was loyal to Bush even though it's hard to believe the man would ever have personally chosen to go into Iraq.

Q: Am I correct that you've said that George W. Bush is also a Builder?

A: It's a combination of the Builder and the Director. But, I mean, his stubbornness is the Builder. The conventional ally is the Builder. The rigidity is the Builder.

Q: Are you able, incidentally, to check your theory of someone's type against their blood work?

A: I keep on perfecting the test. Every few weeks I look over the answers to all the questions. I see what questions are not working.

As soon as I get the test right, I will take 200 people and give them the test and also take blood, saliva and urine and see if I can validate the test that way.

Q: So if I may ask — last question — who do you go for?

A: Unfortunately, Explorers just like myself. And I've been burned a million times.

# WEDDINGS

## CHEN-BOWMAN

Catherine Chen and Matthew Bowman were married Oct. 2 at the Tropicana Hotel's Tropical Wedding Chapel gazebo in Las Vegas, with the groom's parents, Brian Ryan and two friends in attendance.

The bride is the daughter of Winnie Chen and Lawrence Liu of Daly City, Calif. The groom is the son of Paul and Nancy Bowman of Twin Falls.

The bride is a 2005 graduate of Westmoor High School in Daly City. The groom is a 2005 graduate of Twin Falls High School. They are standing at Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas. He has since



Catherine and Matthew Bowman

deployed to Balad Air Base in Iraq, and she will be transferred to RAF Mildenhall in England.

A ceremony and reception will be held in California next spring when the groom returns from Iraq.

## NELSON-OWINGS

Lindsey Ann Nelson and Tyler Joseph Owings were married Sept. 25 at the Little White Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas.

The bride is the daughter of Voltaire Kinsey of Kimberly and Nick Nelson of The Dalles, Ore. She is a manager at Gertie's.

The groom is the son of Kevin and Sherry Owings of Twin Falls. He is awaiting deployment with the U.S. Navy.

A reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct.



Lindsey and Tyler Owings

14, at the home of Keith and Vickie Owens, 3081 E. 3500 N., in Twin Falls.

The couple will reside in Twin Falls.

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## Those pesky starlings

By Claire Miller  
Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — At the end of summer, dark clouds of birds swarm over some Washington neighborhoods. At night, these flocks of European starlings — hundreds of them — cover the tree branches. In the morning, you-know-what covers everything else.

This makes the people who live there very unhappy. On Bryome Avenue, postal carriers sometimes even refuse to deliver mail because the sidewalks are so slick and yucky from the great globs of poop.

"flats with wings" is what some people call the pesky birds.

Compared with most birds in America, starlings are newcomers. They were brought here in the 1890s for a silly reason: A group of Americans who liked English writer William Shakespeare thought this country should have all the birds mentioned in his poems and plays.

There were no starlings around, so the Americans sent for 100 from Europe. The birds were released in New York City's Central Park.

It didn't take long for the starlings to start spreading. The feathered little bullies grabbed the best nesting holes wherever they went. Soon there were lots more starlings than bluebirds, wrens and other native birds. Starlings are great at finding ways to live in new places. At first they nested in tree holes. Then they discovered that nooks in buildings make good homes, too.

They liked to eat insects but, hey, there's nothing



In one Washington neighborhood, flocks of European starlings cover the tree branches. In the morning, you-know-what covers everything else. Some people call the pesky starlings 'rats with wings.'

wrong with city garbage. And newly planted crops? Yum!

There aren't many birds that can live in hot, dry deserts as well as very cold, wet places. But starlings figured out how to do it.

And wherever they go, they add plants to their nests that keep away blood-sucking mites and lice. That means their babies have a good chance of growing up healthy. People in Europe often get

annoyed with starlings, too. But long ago they kept the birds as pets and taught them to talk. The famous composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was proud of his pet starling because it could sing music he had written.

Some Europeans still think the birds are wonderful. In Denmark, starlings put on a big show during migration. Flocks of millions of birds darken the sky in what is

called the Black Sun celebration.

For a few weeks each spring and fall, the birds swirl and whoosh above the marshes every evening.

Eventually, they fly far away to their nesting and wintering places.

Starlings (meaning "little stars") were named for the white speckles on their feathers. In fall, when they grow new ones, each feather has a

white tip. By the beginning of summer most of the white "stars" are worn off, and the birds look dark. But at any time, when they sit in bright sunlight, shimmering colors bounce off their black feathers.

Starlings are clever and interesting, and it looks as if they're here to stay. Those original 100 birds have multiplied to more than 200 million across North America.

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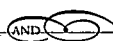


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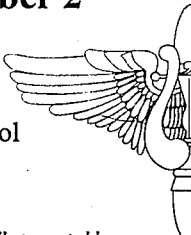
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# Las Vegas

## Lodging alternatives in sin city



Hilton Grand Vacations Club, a time share in Las Vegas at the Strip's north end, has two large swimming pools, a fitness room and a spa.

## Staying on the strip without breaking the bank

By Beverly Beyette  
Los Angeles Times

LAS VEGAS — When Las Vegas was in its infancy, high-end hotels practically gave away rooms to lure gamblers. Today, travelers can break the bank paying for a few nights' lodging. But there are alternatives: condo hotels, time shares and vacation home rentals.

Time shares are as ubiquitous here as slot machines. Besides those already built, more than a dozen are under construction. When not occupied by owners, they're usually available for short-term rental, as are units in condo hotels, another fast-growing segment of the market.

On a recent trip, I stayed at the Platinum, a new condo hotel not far from the Strip, and at Hilton Grand Vacations Club, a time share at the Strip's north end. A suite — a small apartment really — at the Platinum was \$195 a night mid week including tax; a room with kitchenette at the Hilton averaged \$191 per night for three nights including a weekend.

I also looked at units at the Signature at MGM Grand, a top-end condo hotel, and at various time-share properties — the new Tahiti Village and the Grandview, both south of the Strip on Las Vegas Boulevard; the budget-friendly Jockey Club on the Strip, and the family-friendly Summer Bay Resort, just off the Strip.

Finally, I saw a couple of homes available for rent, a popular choice for families or a group of friends.

The Platinum, which opened in October on Flamingo Road east of the Strip, calls itself a "luxury condominium resort hotel and spa." It's an attractive

property with large suites, a rooftop pool and chic restaurant. But it's not, as advertised, "steps" from the Strip — more like two long blocks.

It has a sleek contemporary lobby with a bar lounge, a fitness center and valet parking. Amenities include 24-hour room service. I stayed in a Solitaire suite, 900-plus feet with a king bed, a spacious bath and a large, equipped kitchen with breakfast bar. Very nice. The Platinum's Princess Suites are almost 1,100 square feet.

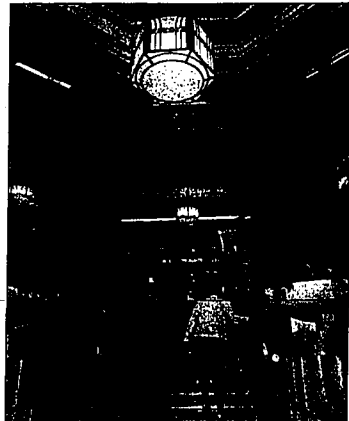
The Platinum doesn't have a casino or slots, nor does the Hilton Grand Vacations Club (one of three Hilton time shares in Las Vegas). The Platinum is a smoke-free hotel; Hilton permits smoking only in designated guest rooms. My unit at the Hilton was basically a hotel room with a kitchenette and a small bath, although one inviting suite I peeked into was spacious, with a separate bedroom and a proper kitchen.

I liked the location, just close enough to the action yet apart — and the Deuce double-decker bus stops right in front. Circus Circus and the Sahara are an easy walk. The club has no restaurant, only a poolside bar serving light meals and the 24-hour Marketplace, with pizza, salad and sandwiches.

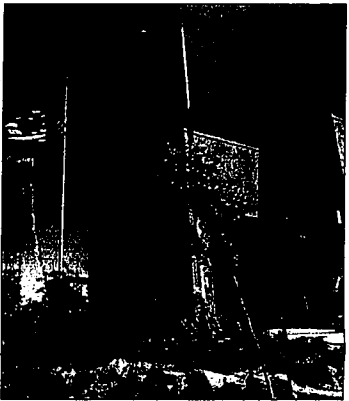
The vast "desert deco" lobby of Hilton Grand Vacations Club is grand, and the club also has a fitness center and a spa with pricey treatments (\$65 for pedicure) and a spectacular recreation area with two huge swimming pools.

A luxurious option for those who want to be in the center of the Strip but away from the roar of the crowd is the Signature at MGM Grand, a condo-hotel

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The lobby at the Hilton Grand Vacation Club, where guests can book a studio for \$89 a day on weekdays.



The Platinum Hotel calls itself a "luxury condominium resort hotel and spa."



The Hilton Grand Vacation Club in Las Vegas.

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# Places to go, things to see in Coeur d'Alene

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**Coeur d'Alene Boardwalk**  
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stroll on the world's longest floating boardwalk, 3,300 feet long and 12 feet wide, featuring a swinging gate for sailboats and a bridge for powerboat entry. The boardwalk rims a 372-slip marina, has a picnic and rest area as well as a marine convenience store.

**Cougar Bay Preserve**  
An 88-acre Cougar Bay Preserve is just minutes from downtown Coeur d'Alene. Visitors experience a virtual wildlife nursery on the northwest shore of one of Idaho's most beautiful lakes. Cougar Bay attracts migrating and

nesting waterfowl, numerous shorebirds, songbirds, moose, beaver, otter and deer. Facilities for visitors include over 5 miles of interpretive hiking trails, an information kiosk and a restroom.

**Lake Coeur d'Alene**  
105 North First St. Lake Coeur d'Alene, created by glaciers, has become an international resort destination with the town of Coeur d'Alene on its north shore and homes and resorts nestled along 100 miles of shoreline. More than 28 miles long, it has more than a dozen well-maintained

boat ramps around the lake. Eight are close to the town of Coeur d'Alene, and three are around Wolf Lodge Bay. Birdwatchers will be interested to know that Lake Coeur d'Alene has the largest nesting population of osprey in the western United States.

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**Silverwood Theme Park**  
15 miles North of Coeur d'Alene, at Ahel, Silverwood is the Northwest's Largest Theme Park, with more than 65 rides and attractions. Blast through four underground tunnels on the Tremors roller

coaster, ride an authentic 1915 steam engine train, and scream as you drop 140 feet on the Panic Plunge drop tower. People can also cool off in the Boulder Beach Water Park, the largest and most advanced of its kind in the Northwest. Four new attractions include a second giant wave pool and Avalanche Mountain — a 650-foot water slide that you can ride with three to five friends and family. Silverwood is located just 20 minutes north of Coeur d'Alene. People can also stay in the park's RV Park, located just across Highway 95. Visit silverwoodthemepark.com.

# Vegas

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 complex tucked behind the hotel and reached by an enclosed walkway with moving stairs.  
 Units include 550-square-foot junior suites and 950-square-foot one-bedroom suites with fully equipped kitchens with top-of-the-line appliances.  
 Signature sells serenity and service. "We don't get the young party crowd," Concierges will book limos and clubs and, he said, "if you want rose petals on your bed, we'll do that." Rates fluctuate depending on demand.  
 The Jockey Club, which sits about half a block back from the Strip, is in the throes of a construction project to reconfigure its entrance. It's affordable but not luxurious. And it's smoke-free.

Tahiti Village, a time share on Las Vegas Boulevard not far from the airport, has South Seas decor and a huge swimming pool with a beach. A second tower is being built. It was shown a Bora-Bora suite with a full kitchen, large and attractive. Frequent shuttles take guests to the center of the Strip.  
 Another time share, Summer Bay Resort Las Vegas, is behind the Strip in a '70s complex with a huge lobby but dated units, including one- and two-bedroom suites with kitchens. The 489-unit resort occupies several blocks, with multiple swimming pools and spas. The resort soon will relocate just down the block to a newer, more deluxe complex and will become Summer Bay Resorts-Las Vegas Desert Club.  
 Further south on Las Vegas

Boulevard, adjacent to the South Point Hotel Casino, is the Grandview at Las Vegas, another time share. It's a complex of high-rise towers with pleasant one- and two-bedroom units with standard gold and burgundy decor.  
 All have full kitchens and washers and dryers.  
 For those seeking a home rental, there are agencies and numerous online sites with listings: www.home-away.com, www.vacation-homere ntals.com, www.greatrentals.com and www.alwaysonvacation.com, among others.  
 Most properties are in surrounding areas, such as Summerlin, Henderson or Green Valley, 10 to 15 minutes away by freeway. A car is essential.  
 Showing me around a four-bedroom home in the Green Valley section of Las

Vegas, John Palmer of Las Vegas Retreats said, "This is a classic setup." The living room had been converted to a poolroom, and there was a big-screen TV in the den. A pool is "an absolute requirement," he added, and this house had a nice one. The rent was for \$289 weeknights, \$349 weekend nights, with a three-night minimum. Prices might escalate during special Las Vegas events.  
 Some area cities have ordinances prohibiting short-term rentals in residential neighborhoods.  
 "We have people coming from all over the world to Las Vegas to party," Clark County planning manager Chuck Pulsipher said. "That's why we have the Strip. That's why we have these huge hotels."  
 Rod and Anthony Kershaw, father and son, run

Las Vegas Vacation Home Solutions, offering accommodations ranging from studios to a 13,800-square-foot home.  
 "Las Vegas does not want people in vacation homes," Rod said, because they want them in casinos.  
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# Pumpkin-chucking events popular for fall

By The Associated Press

What can you do with pumpkins? The list is not all that long. You can make pumpkin pies and breads, carve jack-o'-lanterns or use them to decorate your front porch.  
 Or you can send them hurtling into the autumn sky at 400 mph with a 30,000-pound cannon.  
 It's pumpkin-chucking season!  
 The World Championship Pumpkin Chunkin contest — <http://www.pumpkinchunkin.com/main.htm> — takes place Nov. 2-4 in Bridgeville, Del., about 30 miles from Lewes and 90 miles from Washington. The event began in 1986 and bills itself as the oldest and largest competition of its type. Last year over 50,000 spectators turned out to watch 100 teams compete, organizers said.  
 Launching machines at the Delaware event will include air compressors, catapults, centrifugal machines that spin the pumpkins before hurling them, and trebuchets. (The trebuchet design dates to the Middle Ages, using a counterweight to power its missile.) There is also a "theatrical" category in which the rules state that "distance is not the goal; ability to ham it up is the goal."  
 "People start out thinking they have to see some idiot who's built a machine to throw a pumpkin ten miles," said Frank Shadic, president of the World Championship Pumpkin Chunkin Association. "Then, after spending a weekend grilling and cooking out with 70,000 of their newest best friends, they find out this is really a good time."  
 The contest record for distance was set in 2003, when a pumpkin went 4,434 feet.  
 Another well-known event, the Morton Pumpkin Chunkin contest, takes place Oct. 20-21 in Morton, Ill., where 85 percent of the world's canned pumpkin is manufactured.  
 The contest was nearly canceled this year when the

town's Chamber of Commerce withdrew sponsorship, saying that there are now so many fling-and-smash events that Morton was no longer attending the big air cannons and monster catapults needed to draw crowds.  
 But the Morton event got a reprieve when five organizations — the local Jaycees, Kiwanis and Knights of Columbus, along with the Morton Hospitality Association and the Morton Business Association — agreed to staff the event.  
 Over the years several of Morton's winners have landed on late-night television with David Letterman and Jay Leno. Morton's "Pumpkin Chunkin" began in 1996 and typically attracts a few thousand visitors. The Morton contest is held at the Uhlman family farm on the corner of Springfield and Allentown roads, about 10 miles southeast of Peoria. Details at <http://www.morton-ill.gov>.  
 For those lacking the engineering skills to build a mighty pumpkin-chucking machine, there are also hand-tossing contests.  
 Other contests are held at pumpkin farms and fall festivals around the country. A few take place early in the season but many are held the weekends before and after Halloween. They include:  
 • Pumpkin Chuckin in Moab, Utah, Oct. 27, <http://www.youthandadventure.org>, on Old Airport Runway, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
 • The Bristol Pumpkin Festival, Bristol, Conn., Oct. 28, noon-2 p.m., at Roberts Orchards on Hill Street, <http://www.bristolpumpkinfestival.com>. Contestants are invited to power their pumpkins with "springs, rubber bands, air, music, centrifugal force, brute strength, power architecture and bicycles."  
 • Pumpkin-chucking weekend, Nov. 3-4, in Ellcott City, Md., at Clark's Elloak Farm, 10500 Clatsville Pike, <http://www.clarklandfarm.com>.

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# Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge announces winners

The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club, Twin Falls announces its recent winners:

Sept. 11. First, Jessie Lingnaw and Sue Skinner; second, Peggy Hackley and Kathy Rooney; third, Bobette Plankey and Riley Burton; tied for fourth, Joye Astorquia and Pauline Mulliner and Mary Lee Pfefferle and Dorothy Miller; and sixth, Rueben Tschackofski and Vecta Roberts.

Sept. 12. Tied for first, Joye Astorquia and Sue Skinner and Peggy Hackley and Riley Burton; third, Gwen and David Stoker; fourth, Donald Rahe and Sam Smutny; fifth, Renee Bulcher and Alta Hoobery; and sixth, Vecta Roberts and Doris Finney.

Sept. 18. First, Kathy Rooney and David Stoker; second, Peggy Hackley and Riley Burton; third, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnston; fourth, Bonnie Aspartate and Max Thompson; and fifth, Dorothy Miller and Faye Kochneff.

Sept. 19. First north/south, Sue Skinner and Gladys Hartruff; and second, Doris Finney and Vecta Roberts. First east/west, Barbara Burk and Beverly Reed; and second, Patricia Cooper and Elaine Bowen. Local bridge players participated in the American Contract Bridge League's Instant Matchpoint game. First, north/south, Jessie Lingnaw and Sue Skinner; second, Marie McGowan and Yolande Bennett; and third, Adelaide Gerard and Mary Steele. First, east/west, Donald and Ruth Rahe; second, Shirley Tschannen and Max Thompson; and third, Edna Pierson and Joe Blackford.

Sept. 24. First, Mary Lee Pfefferle and Doris Watts; second, Nancy Strand and Darlene Wagner; third, Vecta Roberts and Pat Dearborn; fourth, Susan Morris and Leona Watson; and fifth, Milo Pearson and Duane Schneberger.

Sept. 25. First north/south, Mary Lee Pfefferle and Doris Watts; second, Max Thompson; and second, Sue Carver and Janet Wirth. First, east/west Kathy Rooney and David Stoker; and second, Betty Grant and Joye Astorquia.

Sept. 26. First, Ruth and Donald Rahe; second, Renee Bulcher and Riley Burton; third, Mary Kienlen and Max Thompson; fourth, Joye Astorquia and Betty Grant; fifth, Patricia Cooper and Elaine Bowen; sixth, Edna

Pierson and Joe Blackford; and seventh, Suzanne Hickman and Wallace Hobkirk.

Oct. 1. First, Max Thompson and Pat Dearborn; second, Mary Lee Pfefferle and Doris Watts; tied for third, Leona Watson and Dora Jones and Sam Smutny and Evan Kohz; and fifth, Duane Schneberger and Milo Pearson.

Oct. 2. Tied for first, Peggy Hackley and Riley Burton and Renee Bulcher and Max Thompson; third, Betty Grant and Jessie Lingnaw; fourth, Bobette Plankey and Donald Rahe; fifth, Vecta Roberts and Rueben Tschackofski; sixth, Edna Pierson and Gladys Hartruff; seventh, Kathy Rooney and David Stoker; eighth, Paul Millhorn and Sam Smutny;

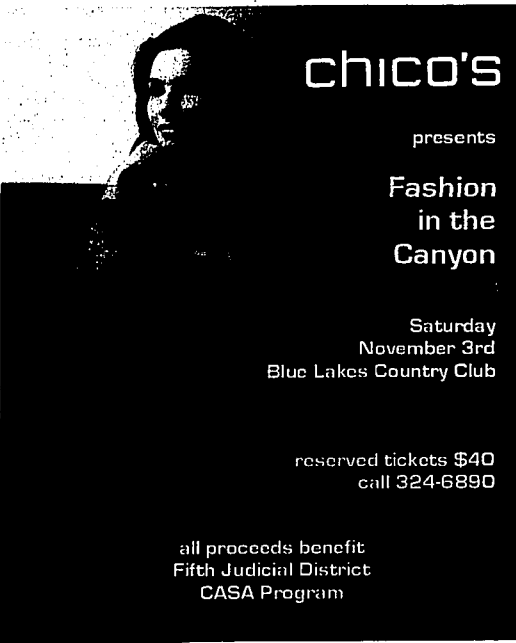
and ninth, Joyce Johnston and Doris Finney.

Oct. 3. First, Beverly Burns and Bobette Plankey; second, Joye Astorquia and Jessie Lingnaw; third, Betty Grant and David Stoker; fourth, Sam Smutny and Max Thompson; fifth, Wilma Driscoll and Renee Bulcher; sixth, Gladys Hartruff and Gwen Stoker; tied for seventh, Sue Skinner and

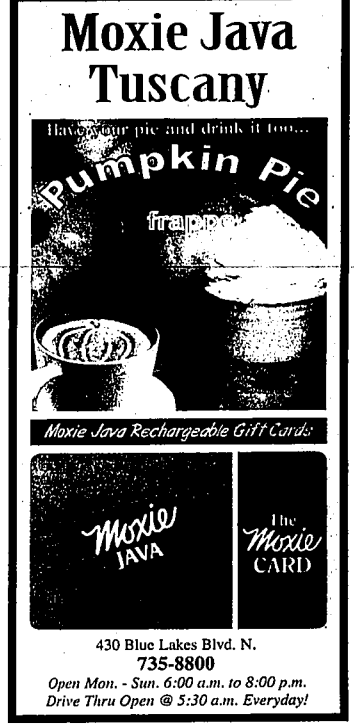
Patricia Cooper and Sue Carver and Janet Wirth; and ninth, Kathy Rooney and Adelaide Gerard.

Games are held at 7 p.m. Mondays and 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays at

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Technology can be intimidating for beginners. Instructor Lance Pincock will cover tips and tricks to avoid the pitfalls of online marketing and how to protect your identity.

The cost is \$40 and class is limited to 12 participants. For more information: 678-1400.

## Learn Microsoft Word at CSI classes

The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho will be offering the class, Using Microsoft Word: The Basics, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Mondays, Oct. 15-Nov. 5. Cost is \$55, and the instructor is Mary Grace Condon.

Using the Microsoft Word program, students will learn how to use various tool bars and menus, as well as handy tricks to creating resumes, letters, labels, lists and other everyday stuff relating to Office Word 2003.

For more information or to register: 732-9442, or register online at [www.csi.edu/community](http://www.csi.edu/community).

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FIVE GENERATIONS



Five generations of the Schrock family gathered recently to celebrate Bonnie Schrock's 80th birthday and have a family photo taken. From left back, Keeya Anderson of Heyburn, mother; Troy Anderson of Heyburn, grandfather; Judy Marshall of Burley, great-grandmother; front is Bonnie Schrock of Heyburn, great-great-grandmother, holding her great-great-grandson, Chayson Schenk of Heyburn.



Officers for the Rupert Kiwanis Club were installed during the club's weekly meeting. From left, District Gov.-elect Pattie Hansen, President Todd Barney and District Lt. Gov. Wally Studer.

New officers installed in Rupert Kiwanis Club

RUPERT — The Rupert Kiwanis Club installed its 2007-08 officers at its regular luncheon meeting on Sept. 25.

District Gov.-elect Pattie Hansen and Lt. Gov. Wally Studer presided over the installation ceremony. Steve Barnes was recognized for his years of service as a board member upon his release. New board members installed were Dobbie Erwin, Cheryl Juntunen, Diane Newman, Derry Smith, Steve Stanger and Michael Tribe.

Other officers installed were president, Todd Barney; past president, Joel Rogers; president-elect, Dan Gammon; vice president, Randy White; treasurer, Curtis Stoker; and secretary, Dianne Schow.

The Rupert Kiwanis Club meets at noon every Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. New members are always welcome.

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PASS THE GAVEL



Burley Kiwanis Club past president Cindy McWilliams passed the gavel to incoming President Chip Thompson during the club's annual installation banquet recently at Morey's Steakhouse. The club installed new officers and presented awards and recognitions for the year during the event. Lt. Gov. of the Utah-Idaho District Wally Studer, of the Rupert Kiwanis, was the featured speaker.

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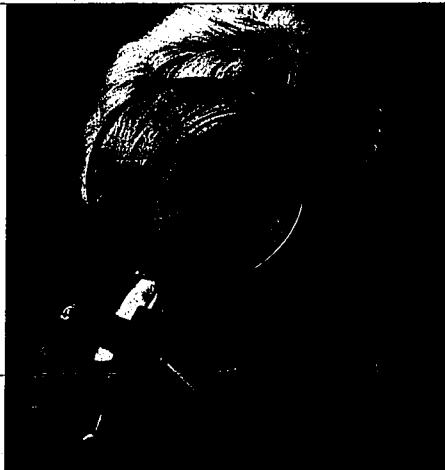
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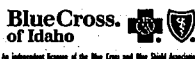


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**Volunteers** — The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office is in need of volunteers for its Victims Assistance Services Team. Volunteers will receive training and will work on an on-call basis to assist victims in crisis. Nancy at 736-4126.

**Volunteers** — Oregon Trail Elementary School in Twin Falls is in need of volunteers to listen to children read and to help children practice specific reading skills. Volunteer any amount of time. Erin at 733-8480.

**Drivers** — Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center needs drivers to deliver hot meals to the homebound. Volunteers can drive one day a week or more. Karen at 734-5084.

**Clothing/Tutors** — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Program is in need of warm clothing, shoes, outerwear for men, women, children, and girls and boys sizes 18 months to 2T. General household items also are needed. Volunteers are needed to tutor English as a second language or be a social and cultural ambassador to a new family. To donate items, bring them to 1526 Highland Ave. E. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed from noon to 1 p.m.). Shannon at 736-2166.

**Volunteers** — Mercy Housing is in need of volunteers (skilled or unskilled) to assist single-parent households build their homes through a sweat equity program. Julie or Jessica at 737-1470.

**Volunteers** — The Twin Falls County Historical Museum is in need of volunteers from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, plus one evening a month and one Saturday a month. Darleen at 736-4675.

**Tutors** — The Idaho Reads Tutoring Program at Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls is in need of senior adult volunteers, age 55 and older, to tutor children in their reading skills from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Monday through Friday. Volunteers also are needed to help children attending the Chess Club from noon to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Betty at 734-1176 or the school office at 733-1321.

**Volunteers** — Hospice Visions Inc. is in need of volunteers for its new program, Eleventh Hour Angels. Volunteers are needed to spend time with patients who are in their final hours of life. Training is available. Hospice Visions at 735-0121.

**Drivers** — Retired and Senior Volunteer Program is in need of volunteer drivers, age 55 and older, in the Mini-Cassia area to take senior citizens to medical appointments and for grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and are covered by 677-4872, ext. 2.

**Donations/Volunteers** — Safe Harbor is inviting volunteers to help with Saturday meals, which are held at various downtown locations. Meal setup is from 10 to 11 a.m., serving is from 11:15 a.m. to noon and cleanup is from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. The following donations are needed: juice, preferably in plastic containers; coffee, 3-pound containers; disposable cups; and clothing. Volunteers also are needed to participate twice a year in the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup. To donate items, bring them to 269 Filer Ave. Phyllis at 735-8787.

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