

CHAMPIONSHIP NIGHT

Conference volleyball champs crowned for Northside, Southside and SCIC.

Sores, scabs and rotten teeth

Graphic images to be centerpiece of Idaho Meth Project ads.

MAGIC VALLEY, D3

WEDNESDAY

75 cents

Good Morning





IDWR sends more curtailment letters

Director warns well closures may be only way to avert a shortage

Here we go again.
The state water director will send out more than 2,700 letters this week to cities, school districts,

industries and irriga and irriga-tors in Magic Val-ley, warning he may close their groundwa-ter wells in the spring. If the wells are



If the metall vells are closed by Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Dave Tuthill, the economic fallout could be devastating. Groundwater pumpers are already scrambling to avert the crisis by securing water for more-senior users, who say pumpers ow them water under a deal between pumpers and senior users called a mitigation plan. Under the agreement and a state law that was recently wells closed

Outlook bleak for Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

upheld by the Idaho Supreme Court, Tuthili would have to shut down wells if the pumpers don't secure the water.

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Feeding the valley

One peanut butter and jelly sandwich at a time





First of 5 Army brigades to withdraw from Iraq

By Robert Burns Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON WASHINGTON
Commanders in Iraq have decided to begin the draw-down of U.S. forces in volatile Diyala province, marking a turning proloc, in the U.S. military mission, The Associated Press has learned.

learned.
Instead of replacing the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division, which is returning to its home base at Fort Hood, Texas, in December, soldiers from another brigade in Salahuddin province next door will expand into Divisia, thereby broadening its area of responsibility, several officials and Tuesday.

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Tuesday.

In this way, the number of
Army ground combat
brigades in Iraq will fall
from 20 to 19. This reflects
President Bush's bid to
begin reducing the
American military force and
shifting its role away from

Inside

McCain says he prays the U.S. doesn't go to war with Iran

Putin, in Iran, issues warnings against U.S.

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fighting the insurgency toward more support func-tions like training and advising Iraqi security former

advising Imql security forces.

The December move, which has not yet been announced by the Pentagon, was described to the AP by Col. Stephen Twitty, commander of the 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry, in a telephone interview Tuesday. It was contirmed by three other officials in Ima. Including Lt. Col. race other officials in Iraq, including Lt. Col. Michael Donnelly, chief

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Two Sawtooth Elementary students take part in Hunger Awareness Month

Best I friends Sierra have a lot in common — they both have long hair

smile.
And at only 10 years old, these two fifth grade suidens jour Sawtooth Elementary School are also taking a big saind together. They sire facilitating a local campaign against hunger labeled "PB and J Day"

"I don't like thinking kids in Idaho go to bed hungry, it's sad," Norman said.

it's sad," Norman sald.

Norman and Coats are focusing on more than just their own dreams of becoming a singer and a marine biologist.

They want to fill a 12-foot trailer with peanut butter and jelly and give it to children in, the state who are less formunes.

dren in the state was less fortunate.

The girls dropped off donation boxes at Tayin, Ralls sthools; as well as at Smiths Food and Drug Center and Albertsons Supermarket so people can give to the cause.

Donations will be gathered by Saturday,
A larger drop-off is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at

Abertsons.
Sawtooth Principal
Randy Rutledge said he is
proud of the girls.
"Illie the fact that it's kiddriven. It's not adult driven.
"Butledge said.
"That to me is one of the.
neatest things, ixids taking
the initiative." Rutledge
said. "I couldn't be more
proud of these little girls."
Norman said she got the
idea faw? Ha and Jbey fater
reading an unicle at school

she is enrolled in the Gined/Talented Program. Coats' doting mother, Margie, said the Initiative has also been done in Boise. But this is the first year students at Sawtooth organized "PB and J Day." Rutledge said.

That one facet of education, giving backs to; the community. That's, an important part hie said. The girls said they yant to help their community throughout their lives.

Andrea: Gates: can be reached: at Andrea Gates@ lee.net or 735-3380.

Craig says he was entrapped

Few Twin Falls residents found watching Craig interview

Idaho Sen. Larry Craig says he was entrapped in a sex sting at an airport men's room and was not aware of the bathroom's reputation as a spot to 'cruise' for gay sex. "Well I certainly am now, "Craig told NBC's Mant Lauer in an interview broadcast. Tuesday night.
"Were you prior" Lauer asked.

go to bathrooms to use bath-rooms."

Of hundreds of Twin Falls resi-dents near TVs Tuesday night, it was difficult to find anyone who was watching the Interview.

During the 6 p.m. broadcast, Twin Falls residents munched cheeseburgers, drank beer, played video games, watched weather reports and the American League

Championship

Championeseries.
"You ask me, he's been talking too much for way too long," said David Sprong, 64, who answered the door at his Twin Falls home Tuesday.



Luna's teacher pay plan gains favor

State Superintendenstruction Tom

Tom smiled Instruct.
Luna smile troTuesday while promoting a proposed teacher pay plan, which already has an acronym and a \$60 million price-



Watch Tom Luna talk about the Idaho State Teacher Advancement and Recognition System at www.maglevalley.com. Visit the ISTARS site at www.sde.ldaho.gov/istars

The program, dubbed Idaho State Teacher Advancement and Recognition System or ISTARS, would provide pay increases to teachers who raise student achieve-ment on state assessment tests, work

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Today





High 55 MINI-CASSIA

Today: Scattered showers possible with mostly cloudy exies highs lower to mid 50s.

Tonight: Cloudy with a shower or two possible. Lows down

r 40 **row:** Generally cloudy with showers remaining le. Highs in the middle 50s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS
"Second-hand Jewel Sale" sponsored by Cassia Regional
Medical Center Volunteers, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in front lobby of the medical center, 677-6555

looby or the medical center, of 7-0555.

With Falls Kiwanis Club October Feast, featuring a local German band (5 to 7:30 p.m.), 4:30 to 8 p.m., Turi Club, \$9 adults, \$25 family and \$6 senior citizens (before 6 p.m.), proceeds to support local youth projects, 933-2265.

BUSINESS

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

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Magle Valley Singles Square Dance Club 24th anniver-nary dance and portluck, members bring salads and dessarts; club provides the rest, 7 p.m., Jerome Senior Center, all dancers welcome, 734-4647. Empty Pockets Coln and Currency Club meeting, with video "Secrets of the Mint"; for anyone with an interest collecting coins or currency, 7:30 p.m., Paul City Hall meeting room, 678-3938.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Sun Valley City Council, 3 p.m. City Hell, 81 Elkhorn Road, 622-4438.

Billias City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 140 Kentucky St., 352-1117.

Hier School Hoard, Fp.m., elementary School-library, 700. Stevens, 326-4369. Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., Hagerman Senior Center, 140 E. Lake, 837-6636.

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho2 Over 60 and Getting Fit pro-grams, a guided walking workout with stretching and gen-tie resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Gooding ISDB gym, Jerome Rec Certife: Shoshore High, (old gym), "Hupert Civic Center and Blaine County Campus Gym; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI. Burley. Outreach. Center_Gym, no. cost. 732. 6475.

"Coping with Widowhood," an eight-week series providing information and support for widowed men and women, sponsored by Widowed Wellness Programs of Ideho, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Katz Conference Room, South Central District Heelth, 1020 Washington St. N., Twin Falls, 736-2122. (Drop-ins welcome.) SilverSneakers Pitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Human-Insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384. Girlef Share, "The journey of grief was not meant to be walked alone," 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave., Burley, Child care available. 554-2500.

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@magic-valley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, RO,Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of event.

WHAT'S NEW ONLINE

· Watch the Twin Falls City



 State Education Superintendent Tom Luna talks about a plan to increase teacher pay.





CORRECTIONS

Wrong person contacted for story on candidate

The correct Richard News for a story that ran in Dunn, a candidate for the Monday's paper. Piler City Council, was not The Times-News regrets contacted by the Times-

MORNING BRIEFING AROUND THE NATION

State Republicans set caucus date for Jan. 3

Iowa Republicans on Tuesday moved the date of their caucuses to Jan. 3, ensuring the earliest start to the presidential primary sea-

votes in a series of precinct-level meetings — originally were scheduled for Jan. 14. But the 2008 political calen-dar has been in flux for months, since Florida and other states began pushing their vote forward to have a greater say in the nominating process.

process.

"We were going to have to move to stay first, so we just did it," Chuck Laudner, executive director of the lowa Republican Party, said after state GOP leaders approved the switch. "Moving into "Chamber was not an option," so we moved as close as we could without going over."

Iowa Democrats have yet to schedule their vote. But the party is weighing two options: voting on the same day as the state GOP, or holdday as the state GOP, or hold-ing a separate vote on Jan. 5, which would split the cau-cuses for the first time since 1972. "We will decide our caucus date based ultimately on what is best for the people of Iowa and the Democratic Party," officials said in a writ-ten statement Issued shortly after Republicans

er Republicans NEW YORK

Toyota stumbles in annual reliability survey

In a blow to the company that is poised to be the largest automaker in the world, Toyota Motor Corp. fell so far in Consumer Reports' annual reliability survey that the inagazine will no longer automatically recommend the company's new cars and trucks to read-

ers. The Toyota brand slid from

first place last year to fifth place in the 2007 rankings, place in the 2007 rankings, which were released Tuesday, and Honda replaced Toyota in the No. 1

Tuesday, and Honda replaced Toyota in the No. 1 spot.

What's more, 'below average' ratings were 'given to two of Toyota's cars: the skeylinder Camry sedan and four-wheel-drive Tundra pickup truck. The Lexus brand, which is owned by Toyota, dropped from flifth place to sixth, and the all-wheel-drive Lexus GS also received a 'below average.'

"To see one of the premium manufacturers have the vehicles fail below average." The sellow series in the series of the premium manufacturers have the series of th

WASHINGTON

Lawmakers hammer feds over Jena 6 case

Democratic lawmakers denounced federal authorities Tuesday for not intervening in the Jena Six case, citing racist noose-hanging incidents far beyond the small Louislana

noose-hanging incidents far beyond the small Louislana town where a school attack garnered national attention. The House Judiclary Committee held a hearing with federal officials and community activists examining the case of the six black teenagers charged with the beating of a white student. The incident happened after nooses were hung from a tree on a high school campus there. Democratic lawmakers, many of them black, blasted federal authorities for staying out of the local prosecutors case against the local prosecutors case against the local prosecutors case against the local prosecutors of the probability of the local prosecutors of the probability of the local prosecutors of the probability of the local prosecutors of his probation for a previous conviction.

— compiled from wire reports

FOUR-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Oct. 17 - 21 — The 17th annual Sun Valley Swing 'n Dixle Jazz Jamboree, featuring three dozen jazz bands, at various sites in Sun Valley and Ketchum, \$105 for entite feature; \$35 or \$40 dally, (877) 478-5277 or http://www.sunvalley

jazz.com.
Oct. 20 — Wendell's Snake River Community Players
"Helto Dolly" voca audition, noon to 4 p.m., Wendell High
School auditorium, 536-2297.
Oct. 20 — Twin Falls Maglchords, featuring Nexus, and
tocal quartet Give and Take, 7:30 p.m., College of Southern
Idaho Fine Arts Center, \$12, 733-1850 or carricoΦpmt.org.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

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Oct. 19 — Twin Falls County Democrate Annual Chill Feed and Fundralser, with special guests Larry LaRocco, candidate for U.S. Senate and State Sen. Chirl Stennett, 6 p.m., Senior Citizen Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, donation: \$7.50 per person or \$20 per family, 420-1663.
Oct. 20 — Oktoberfeet, sponsored by Rock Creek
Community Church and the Twin Falls Senior Citizens
Center, includes buffet dinner, music by the "Alpen Spielers
Band," art-and-antique silent auctions and quilting room
sale, 4 to 7 p.m., at the center, 530 Shoshone Street W.,
\$7 per person or \$20 family ticket (two adults with children
under age 12), 734-5084 or 734-5268.
Oct. 20 — "Taking Care of Our Own" Andrew Pike Benefit
Dinner, with live music by the College of Southern Idaho
Jazz Ensemble and Muzzle Braun, and sale of raffle tickets
for 2007 Chery Aveo, 5:30 p.m. cocktalls and 6 p.m. diner. Turf Club, Twin Falls, \$30 per person or \$50 per couple;
\$10.76fle tickets, 733-5332.
Oct. 20 — Spaghetti Dinner, fundralser, 4:30 to 7, p.m., War
Memoriel-Hall; corner-of-Third-Avenue-West-end-Idaho
Street, Gooding, \$5 for allyou-can-eat Idner, proceeds to
Americanisms programs for schools and community, 934-4887.

BUSINESS

Oct. 20 — Hawailan Tropic Little Miss and Miater pageant and International Model Search, for boys 10 years and younger and girls age 16 and younger, 4 to 5 p.m. registra-tion, Magic Valley Mall, Twin Falls, (801) 461-5041 or

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Oct. 20 — Pioneer Button Glub "brown bag" lunch and meeting, with ISBS Vice President Claire Wilkes on "Bakelite Buttons," noon to 3:30 p.m., Kimberly Public Library, 120 Medison W., 42:36 f.79.

Oct. 18 — The Hends of the Library meeting, meet new librarian Laura Bumett and listen to guest speaker Colleg of Southern Idaho professor and author Jim Gentry, spealing on "What the Middle East gave to the west culturally and historically," 7 p.m., Jerome Public Library, refreshments, 32:47613.

Oct. 18 — SIR, Sons in Retirement, all retired men are invited to attend, 1 p.m., Wayside Cafe, Heyburn, no dues, 436-4918. ments, a

Oct. 18 — Studio Eight Rug Hookers group, 1 to 4 p.m., 811 W. Eighth Ave., Jerome, 324-6605.

FAMILY-

Oct. 18 - 20 — Kimberly Nurseries pumpkin patch, continu-ing through October with glant pyramid, straw maze, Treasure Island, train rides and Baskin-Robbins ice cream, 9

Treasure Island, train rides and Baskin-Robbins ice cream a.m. to 6 p.m., pumpkins and other fail decorations avail-able for purchase, 733-2717.

Oct. 20, 21.— B&Q Produce of Filer com maze and pump thin patch, featuring games of mental and physical skills and prizes, 1 to 5 p.m., \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12, pumpkins available for purchase, school groups and fours by appointment, 326-4935.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Registration for Oct. 22, 23 ARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AAPP membership required or driving; insuranc discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., United Methodist Church; 908 Mepie, Bulh, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-9680 or 733-7004.

Oct. 18 — Medicaer für shorts available, 9 am. to 1 p.m., Ageless Senior Center, 310 N. Main, Kimberly, no cost with

Medicare card (or \$30 flu shots and \$40 pneumonia shots),

423-4338.

Oct. 18 — Free Community Diabetes Educational Seminar, includes carbohydrate information, meal planning, reading Oct. 18 — Free Community Diabetes Educational Seminar, includes carboydrate information, meal planning, reading food labels, before-meal and after-meal testing and ACCU-CHEK blood glucose monitoring system demonstrations. Best Western Twin Falls, 1377 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost, educational gift provided, refreshments, 886-273-5461 to RSVP by today.

COMMUNITY MEETING

Oct. 20 — Community public meeting with Regional Director of the Humane Society of the United States Dave Pauli on dog fighting and legislation, 6:30 p.m., KMVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, 736-2299.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

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Oct. 20 — Race Horse Pinochle, with cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd highest scores, 7_m., Ageless, Senior Center, 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, \$1 per player, bring treats, coffee provided, 423-4338.

Oct. 20 — Antique beet and potato harvesting demonstration, sponsored by the Magic Valley Antique Tractor Pullers Association Branch No. 38 and the Idaho Mule and Draft Horses Association, 11 a.m., 700 W. 75 S. (one mile west, a quarter mile north of Paul stoplight), open to the public, no cost, 431-4341.

Oct. 20 — Magic Valley Model Rallroaders group, public is Invited to bring and run their trains (parental supervision for those under age 18), noon to 4 p.m., Model Rail Road building, Twin Falls County Falrgrounds, Filer, 404-2151.

MILITARY SUPPORT

Oct. 19 — Military Support Group meeting, Veterans Administration counselor Kirt Hazen will discuss PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) and answer questions, 6:30 p.m. dinner and 7 p.m. meeting, Wendeli City Hall, bring side dish or dessert to stare (table service, drinks and chicken provided), 536-6159 or 536-6111.

OPEN HOUSE

Oct. 21 — Camas Prairie Railroad Open House, to celebrate 100 years of the Camas Prairie Railroad in Vollmer (now Craigmont), 1 to 4 p.m., Craigmont Community Hall, no cost, new book "High Line of the Camas Prairie Railroad" available for purchase, 924-5474.

SPORTS

Oct. 20 — Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, a memorial shoot for James Moore with net proceeds going to the Free Youth Shooting Program at the club, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of Junction of 184 and Highway 93, mile marker 64, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-Oct. 21 .

Oct. 21 — Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I-84 and Highway 93, mile marker 64, \$20 members and \$23 non-members; 733-6045.

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Luna

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take on additional leader-ship duties.

The existing teacher pay system costs around \$722.2 million.

State officials said the program could cost \$40 mil-lion more per year, five years out.

lion more per year, nive years out.

The number of teachers who would participate in the program is a matter of speculation. The plan is designed in part to create higher paying jobs, reward performance, and entice qualified young teachers into the field.

"We have to find a solu-

We have to find a solution to low teacher pay,

Luna said.
With ISTARS a teacher with 18 JAIS a teacher could earn up to \$15,600 more per year, which is a 50 percent increase for a teacher currently making the minimum salary of \$31,000, according to infor-mation from Luna. Idaho's current teacher

pay system is based on an educator's number of years in the classroom and number of college credite attained.

Luna said the new plan Luna said the new plan has been well received, and he said it could help schools meet Adequate Yearly Progress, or AYP, mandated by the federal No Child Left Behind Act. The state of Idaho did not make AYP last year.

Even if the Legislature does not support ISTARS, Luna said, he would not support aking tens of millions of dollars and placing it in today's existing salary scale.

Luna said he received

cale.

Luna said he received 99.6 percent of the funding he asked for last year from

he asked for last year from the Legislature.
State Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, who co-chairs the Joint Finance-Appropria-tion Committee, said she does not know how far the initiative will make it in the Legislature this year, or where funding for the ini-tiative could come from.

"It is a lot of money," she

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on, Cobble said. Idaho Gov. C.L. Butch Itter spoke with Luna Otter spoke with Luna about teacher pay when they both lived in Washington D.C., Luna said

"Fortunately, his (Otter's) wife is a teacher and not a prison guard," Luna said.

Andrea Gates may be eached at andrea.gates@ ee.net or at 735-3380.

Curtail

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He said it's not too late for pumpers to escape curtail-ment, but a poor water year and a department hearing in November could derail their

November could neral their efforts.

"They have a potential to be curtailed," said Tuthill, who will send the warring letters this week to give pumpers time to find more water.

The most recent wave of letters comes the heels of letters water users. Tuthing for water users, Tuthing the heels of letters and the heels of letters and let panic for municipalities and irrigators, who said they'd have to shut down city services or lose their businesses if their wells were closed.

their wells were closed. The pumpers were angered that Tuthill's warning came after crops had been planted. But Tuthill said he had no choice on the timing: The department had to wait for the Supreme Court to rule on procedures related to the curtailment, and Tuthill thought

a water summit hosted by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter would vield another dual.

It didn't. The pumpers secured an The pumpers secured an injunction in district court to block the closures, but the order was lifted by a judge. With just hours left before the wells were scheduled to close, the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators that represents the pumpers secured more water, and the crisis was avected.

But groundwater pumpers are in trouble again.

Under the mitigation agreement, the pumpers owe 20 percent more water by next spring, and some say it will spring, and some say it will take a miracle to come up

with that much.
Idaho has experienced drought conditions in recent years. Last year's snowpack was the lowest in more than st in more than

measuring stations.

It will take an above-average snowpack to help groundwater pumpers, according to IDWR.

A department hearing related to the mitimater A department hearing relation of the initigation plan, scheduled for Nov. 28, could also affect pumpers' chances at escaping curtailment. Former state Chief Justice Gerald & Schroeder will weigh arguments and evidence from the pumpers and evidence from the pumpers and senior users to decide just how much water pumpers own much water pumpers with the continue of the pumpers and the pumpers will be a pumper and the pumpers of the pumpers will be a pumper of the pumpers of the pum

ues to hope he won't ha

shut off wells.
"State law provides latitude for water users to make deals among themselves that pro-vide a better solution (to cur-tailment)," Tuthill said, "and we encourage these efforts.

Matt Christensen may be reached at 735-3243.



CORRECTION

will be appearing at

First Assembly of God



TEAM IMPACT

Twin Falls, ID 189 Locust Street North, Weds., Oct. 17 - Sun. Oct 21 • 7:00 pm nightly Call 208-733-5349 for more information



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Craig Continued from page A1 Lauer's interview of Craig

lasted an hour

Cralg sald it was a "tough call" when he decided not to tell his wife or children about the arrest.
"I didn't want to embarrass

"I didn't want to embarrass
my wife, my kids, tidaho and
my friends," Craig said. "I
should have told my wife, is
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should have told counsed."
Suzanne Craig said that
when her husband told her
the story was about to break,
"I fet like her boor was falling
out from under me. And I felt
almost like! was going down a
drain for a few moments."
Sen. Craig a three-term
Republican, pleaded guilty to
disorderly conduct in August
after he was accused of soliching sex in a bathroom at the

ing sex in a bathroom at the Minneapolis-St. Paul Minneapolis-St. Pau International Airport in June.

International Airport in June.
After the matter became public, Craig tried to withdraw his plea. But a judge in
Minnesota Tefused, saying
Craig's plea "was accurate,
voluntary and intelligent, and
u. supported by the evidence."
On Monday, Craig appealed
that ruling to the Minnesota
Court of Appeals.
Craig says he is not gay, and
in the NBC interview he and

his wife said their marriage was based on love. Asked by Lauer whether theirs was a marriage of convenience to cover "a gay lifestyle," Suzanne Craig responded, "I would never do that ... that's almost like selling your soul

almost like selling your soul for something."

"I love this woman very, very much." Larry Craig said in the interview, taped at the couple's home in suburban Eagle. "And the day I found her I fell in love, deeply in love. And that's lasted — we're heatings."

In a separate interview with KTVB in Blobe. Crait defend-

heading to anniversary."
In a separate interview with KFVB in Bolse, Craig defended his decision to remain in office, suggested he was the victim of police profiling and again blamed an extensive investigation into newspaper investigation into his sexual background for his decision to ultimately plead

The Maho Statesman, the state's biggest newspaper, spent 10 months interviewing sources' across' the 'country' digging into his wifes divorce records and their childrens' adoptive records. The newspaper did not publish the story until Craigs arrest and guilty plea surfaced in other media. story guilty media

But Craig has said his con-

cerns about the story caused him to panic and plead guilty e misdemear

to the misdemeanor.
"I believe, and I think
Suzanne believes ... that this "I believe, and I think Suzanne believes ... that this action, if it became public ... would trigger that story. The story that had already been written and was sitting in a file of that newspaper (and) was out for the public to see," he said.

"Did I feel pressure? Well, we just a filled bit. Wed been through a 10-month, unprecedented investigation looking into our private lives." Vicki S. Gowler, editor and vice president of The Statesman, said the paper "did not report a story based on a rumor by a blogger, as did at least four other idado media and several national media

least four other idaho media and several national media last fail. Instead, our reporter spent about five months pur-suing the truth. He did not have to spread the rumor; it was widely known. Craig said his arrest was the work of an overaignessive police officer following a flawed policy and techniques designed to intimidate sus-pects.

He also said his decision to remain in office stems from his fighter instinct and dedi-cation to serving his state. His current term ends in early 2009. He has said he will not

2009. He has said he will not seek re-election. Still, for some Twin Falls res-idents, Craig is already old news, and instead of watching the senator's explanation of himself, had their TVs tuned

ulmiself, had their TVs uned slewhere.
About four dozen College of Southern Idaho students are dinner with the dining halfs of the students are dinner with the dining halfs. Tvo m mute and programmed to The Weather Channel. Elsewhere in town, establishments played the Cleveland Indians-Boston Red Sox garme. A Bosnian business owner apologized for not carrying the interview, saying he doesn't have cable. A couple of people chuckled as if watching the interview was a ridiculous idea. Some people, said they were not as a ridiculous idea. Some eople said they were not olitically-minded. Most found the interview

Most found the intervace trite, Cruig's denials overdone, the coverage repetitive, and the issue depressing, Inside the homes of several resi-dents, the sound of sitcoms, movies and sports could be beauti

But no Larry Craig.

Times-News writer Cass Friedman and Associated Press writer Todd Dvorak con-tributed to this report.

Iraq

Continued from page AI
spokesman for the commanding general of U.S.
forces in northern Iraq, Moj.
Gen. Benjamin Mixon.
The idea is to avoid vacating a contested area like
Diyala, which is northeast of
Bagidada, while begin
ning Bush's announced
reduction of at-least 21,500
troops, of which 17,000 were
sent to the Baghdad area last troops, of which 17,000 were sent to the Baghdad area last

spring.

The shift in Diyala in December could be a model for follow-on reductions next year, with a redrawing of the U.S. lines of responsiof the U.S. lines of responsi-bility so that a departing brigade has its battle space consumed by a remaining brigade. At the same time, Iraqi security forces would assume greater responsibili-

ty. Diyala province is a bat-

tered landscape of warring tribes, fertile valleys and pockets of al-Qaida fighters. The sectarian and tribal chasms are with the commanders cited signs of substantial progress in the months since thousands of U.S. and Iraqi forces stormed the provincial capital of Baqouba in June.

The unit leaving December, the 3rd Bri of the 1st Cavalry, has December, the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Cavalry, has been in Iraq since October 2006. When It leaves, the 4th Stryker Brigade of the 2nd Infantry Division, now in Salahuddin province, will add Diyala to its area of responsibility.

responsibility.

Donnelly said that even though the number of combat brigades in Iraq will drop by one with the departure of the 3rd Brigade of the 1st

Corral

Cavalry, the total number of soldiers in northern Iraq will soldiers in northern traq war remain almost constant. That is because later in December a unit arriving from Fort Hood — the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment — has substantially more soldiers than the unit it will

replace.

It is not yet clear how the rest of the five-brigade reduction will be carried

Out; the cuts are to be com-pleted by July 2008, under a plan recommended by Gen. David Petraeus, the top commander in Iraq, and announced by Bush in September. It probably will include some fresh reductions in the western province of Anbar, where insurgent violence has declined substantially this year.

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McCain savs he prays the U.S. doesn't go to war with Iran

WASHINGTON —
Republican presidential candidate John McCain said Tuesday he prays every night the United States

doesn't go to war with Iran, and he blamed Russia and China for standing in the way of a diplomatic solu-

tion.
"I don't think it's inevitable that we're in a conflict with Iran," McCaln said in an interview with The Associated Press, "But I certainly see it as one see The Associated Press But I certify hisse I all certifies and the press of the press

The Arizona senator talked at length — and in detail — about everything from climate change to Social Security to Social Security to Democrats serving in his White House if he's elected. But much of his houtlong interview with AP reporters and editors was devoted to foreign policy. "I keep praying every night that we will avoid a conflict with Iran," he said. McCain said it was likely — even probable — that diplomatic pressure and nonmilitary measures could be effective. With sharp words, he accused both Russia and China of enusing gridlock in the U.N. Security Council and hindering the world body's ability to sanction Iran or address pressing matters in Darfur, Burma and other trouble spots.

spots.

If elected, he said he would form a league of democracies to circumvent the Security Council and enact tough sanction against Iran and other problem countries.

Dalai Lama brushes off Chinese anger at U.S. celebrations in his honor

By Foster King Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Dalai Lama, after meeting privately Tuesday with President Bush, brushed off China's furious reaction to U.S. celebrations this week in

China's furtous reaction to U.S. celebrations this week in his honor.

"That always happens," the exiled spiritual leader of Tibet's Buddhists said with a laugh, speaking to reporters gathered outside his downtown Washington hotel.

The White House defended the meeting in the president's residence and dismissed Beijing's warning that the tolks and the awarding of the Congressional Gold Media to him on Wednesday would damage relations between the United States and China.

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China's sovereignty by push-ing for Independence for Tibet, where the Dalai Lama is considered a god-king. When asked if he had a message for Chinese President Hu Jintao, the Dalai

message for Chinese President Hu lintuo, the Dalai Lama playfully patted a reporter on the check and sald, You are not a representative of Hu lintuo. He said that during their meeting, he explained to Bush what was happening in Tibet and sald he thanked the president for "showing his concern about Tibet."

"We know each other, and we have developed. I think a very close friendship—something like a reunion of one family." the Dalai Lama said, speaking of Bush.

The Dalai Lama says he wants "real autonomy," not independence, for Tibet, But China demonizes the spiritual leader and believes the United States is honoring a separatist.



The Dalai Lama speaks with reporters outside his hotel after a visit to the White House and meeting with President Bush, Tuesday in Washington.

Bush and U.S. lawmakers on Wednesday will present the Dalai Lama, who has lived with followers in exile in

India since they fled Chinese soldlers in Tibet in 1959, with the prestigious congressional honor. China has reacted

with anger.

"We solemnly demand that the U.S. cancel the extremely wrong arrangements," said foreign Minister Yang licht." It seriously violates the form of international relations and seriously wounded the feelings of the Chinese people and interfered with China's internal affalrs.

Presidential spokesman Tony Fraito said: "We understand the concerns of the Chinese."

But he also said Bush always has attended congressions.

But he also said Bush always has attended congres-sional award presentation ceremonies, has met with the Dalai Lama several times before and had no reason not to meet with him again.

No media access was allowed to Bush's meeting with the Dalai Lama in the private residence section of private residence the White House.



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Drug company ties rampant at U.S. med schools.

survey finds By Lindsey Tanner Associated Press

Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Nearly two-thirds of academic two-thirds of academic leaders surveyed at U.S. medical schools and teaching hospitals have financial ties to industry. Illustrating how pervasive these relationships have become researchers say. Serving as paid consultinates or accepting industry money for free meals and drinks were among the most common practices reported by the heads of academic departments. Drug companies and makers of medical devices often use these connection to influence decions to use products that aren't

often use these connections to influence doctors to use products that aren't necessarily in the patient's best interest, said Eric Campbell, the study's lead author. He is a researcher at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

Since academic department heads set the tone for appropriate conduct at their institutions, their actions signal to medical students and others that this is appropriate behavior. Campbell said.

The survey were not all the survey were not accompleted and the students and the students and the students and the survey were not patient to the department heads responded. The study gave no specific examples, nor did it name any institutions.

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tions.

Many studies have examined doctor ties to companies. drug companies. Campbell co-authored research last year that found company ties were common among hospital review boards that oversee

review boards that oversee experiments on patients. The new study shows that drug companies "are involved in every aspect of medical care," Campbell said.

medical care," Campben said.

Overall, 60 percent of department heads reported some type of personal financial relationship with industry. More than one-quarter — 27 percent—said they had recently served as a paid consultant. The same percentage reported serving on a company scientific advisory board; and 21 percent who headed departments of medical specialties (obed)—related to patient care said. headed departments of medical specialties closely related to patient care said they had served on speak-ers bureaus for industry.

The results appear in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical American Medical
Association.
Alan Goldhammer of the

Industry group, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, said the study results don't mean these relationships are a prob-

U.S. deaths from deadly drug-resistant staph may surpass AIDS deaths, experts say

. CHICAGO — More than CHICAGO — More than 90,000 Americans get potentially deadly infections each year from a drug-resistant staph "superbug," the government reported Tuesday in its first overall estimate of invasive disease caused by the

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the study.

Most drug-resistant staph cases are mild skin infections.

Most staph cases health care-related

ph infection rates race, 2005





Post-health care within previous year

italized patients. ever, more than half were

in the health care system — people who had recently had surgery or were on kidney dialysis, for example. Open wounds and exposure to

hospitalized

But this study focused on invasive infections — those that enter the bloodstream or destroy flesh and can turn

Researchers found that only about one-quarter involved

medical equipment are major ways the bug spreads. In recent years, the resistant germ has become more common in hospitules and it has been spreading through prisons, grans and locker rooms, and in poor urban neighborhoods.

The new study offers the broadest look yet at the pervasiveness of the most severe infections caused by the bug, called methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MiSA. These bacteria can be carried by healthy people, living on their skin or in their noses.

An invasive form of the dis-

An invasive form of the dis-

ease is being blamed for the death Monday of a 17-year-old Virginia high school sen-ior. Doctors said the germ had spread to his kidneys, liver, lungs and muscles around his heart.

longs and muscles around his heart.

The researchers' estimates are extrapolated from 2005 surveillance data from nine mostly urban regions considered representative of the country.

There were 5,207 invasive infections reported that year in people living in those regions, which would translate to an estimated 94,360 cases nationally, the researchers said.

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BEDFORD, Va. (AP) — A high school student who was hospitalized for more than a week with an antibotic resistant staph infection has died, and officials shut down 21 schools for cleaning to keep the illness from spreading. ing. Ashton Bonds, 17, a senior at Staunton River High School, died Monday after diagnosed with School, died Monday after being diagnosed with Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA, his mother said. "I want people to know

Mukasey tells Senate Dems

he would run an independent

Justice Department

Autorney General-designate Michael Mukasey told Senate Democrats Tuesday exactly what they want to hear during his confirmation hearings: That hed be willing to say "no" to the White House and review the administration's eavesdropping and interrogation techniques. Two of the administration's most ardent critics emerged

Iwo of the administrations most ardent critics emerged from the meetings on the eve of Mukasey's-confirmation-hearings showering praise on the nominee and predicting easy and quick Senate approval.

approval.
"I expect him to be con-firmed," said Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy of Vermont, who will preside over the hearings. "I want him to succeed."
"I don't know of a single

Virginia teen dies after being hospitalized with 'superbug'

how sick it made my son,"
Veronica Bonds said,
Veronica Bonds said,
Including the service of the

can be treated with other

drugs.

The infection can be spread by skin-to-skin contact or sharing an item used

Democrat—(on—the—panel) inclined not to support him," Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., chimed in later in the

N.Y., chimed in later in the day.

Those are striking statements of support from majority Democrats hostile to the administration on most everything else up for debate. Other non-fans of the

debate. Other non-fans of the White House, from Democratic Leader Harry Reld on down, have endorsed Bush's choice-to-take-over-a-Justice Department-left-lead-erless and demoralized after a series of difficulties under Alberto Gonzales.

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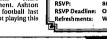
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by an infected person, particularly one with an open
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Bedford Superintendent
James Blevins said at a news
conference Tuesday that the
schools will be closed for
cleaning Wednesday.

Many of the infections are
being spread in gyms and
locker rooms, where athletes
perhaps suffering from
cuts or abrasions — share
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sports equipment. Ashton Bonds played football last year but was not playing this season.





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School chief's market-based reforms a bold step forward

daho public schools chief Tom Luna wonders why Idaho education "has to be 45th or 46th at doing everything."

But if the merit pay proposal that he introduced this week gets through the Legislature, the state could indeed go to the head of the class. Luna is pitching a \$59 million teacher-pay proposal that calls for raises of as much as \$15,600 for those who teach in-demand subjects, boost their qualifications— and agree to forego job security that Luna and other Republicans blame for dimming the quality of Idaho education. Our view:

Tom Luna's

pay for per formance idea is intriguing —

and perhaps visionary

What do

you think?

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and

that Luna and unity replate deduca-tion.

The superintendent would offer-teachers two options. They could-keep existing contracts giving them due-process rights such the right to challenge a firing. Those who choose this track would be eligible for as much as \$6,000 in pay hikes — on top of base salaries from \$31,000 to \$49,000 — If their students show growth or proficiency on the Idaho Standards Achlevement Tost. A new track, however, could mean an additional \$9,600 for those teachers willing to trade what Luna calls "tenture" for con-tracts akin to those of school

what Luna calls "tenure" for contracts akin to those of school principals, who work under contract but enjoy fewer job protections. Added pay in this track would also hinge on teachers getting certified in multiple subjects—versatility coveted in rural schools—and assuming dutles such as mentoring others.
"The key difference is, they can choose," the superintendent told the *Times-News* editorial board on Tuesday. In our view, that fact makes this idea a winner. As it stands, the only way for a classroom teacher

As it stands, the only way for a classroom teacher in Idaho to advance beyond a certain pay level is to become an administrator. Under the current system, teachers essentially price themselves out of the

classroom.

Under Luna's plan, the best teachers would be rewarded for what they do best — teaching.

Lidaho has more than 14:500 public school teach—ers. The Idaho Education Association, the statewide teachers union, which has steadfastly opposed merit pay, has about 13:000 members. Luna forecast.

Tuesday that as many as 40 percent of teachers could opt for the new employment track in its first year.

rar. That may be optimistic. But the IEA's longstanding I must may be opinished but the larks singular during insistence that every teacher statewide should get the same treatment is an idea whose time has passed.

Luna argues persuasively that any compensation system that doesn't reward achievement rewards

mediocrity.

That should find resonance in the Legislature,

That should find resonance in the Legislature, where sentiment for merit-based pay reform is strong. But If inwmakers buy his plan, they're making a communitent for the long ruin — regardless of what the economy does over the next few years. Luna hopes his "career ladder" proposal will help address state education shortcomings, including the oft-cited statistic that only about 40 percent of Idaho's high school graduates go on to college — among the lowest rates in the nation.

And for the third-fastest-growing state in the nation, that's just not good enough. Idaho teachers are Idahoans first. Most are hardworking and genuinely care about the health of the

notation reactions are duminous most work after indu-working and genuinely care about the health of the state and the quality of our schools. They should reject the solutions of the past and give Luna's proposition an honest hearing.

Times News

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, James G. Wright, Steve Crump, Traci Bilas and Bill Bitzenburg.

Al Gore scores without bully pulpit

AL GORE WARNED HIS WOULD HAPPEN

Seeing Ai Gore so deservedly share the Nobel Peace Prize, it is

Nobel Peace Prize, It is impossible not to note the contrast in his leadership and that of George W. Bush.
Gore and Bush each faced a crucible moment. For Gore, it was winning the popular vote and having the efection taken away from him by a Republican-dominated Supreme Court. For Bush, it was the shocking terrorist attack on 9/11.



THOMAS EDIEDMAN

Gore lost the presidency, but in the dignity and grace with which he gave up his legal fight, he united America. Then, faced with what to do with the rest of his life, he took up a personal crusade to combat climate change, even though the odds were stacked against him his synahors.

combat climate change, even hough the odds were stacked against him, his soapbox was small, his audiences were measured in hundreds, and his critics were legion. But Gore stuck with it and ower time has played a central role in building a global consensus for action on this issue. "No matter what happens, sooner or later character in leadership is revealed," said David Rothkopf, author of the upcoming "Superclass: The Global Power Eilte and the World They Are Making." Gore lost the election and had to figure out what to do with the rest of his life. He took the initiative to get the country and the world to focus on a common threat—climate change. Bush won the election and for the first year really didn't know what to do with it. When, on 1911, we must have been deaded in the world were suddenly faced with a common threat—terrorism and a-Qalda—the whole world was ready to line up behind him, but time the whole world was ready to line up behind him, but time and again he just divided us at home and abroad." Indeed, Bush, rather than



taking all that unity and using it to rebuild America for the 21st century, took all that unity and using it to rebuild America for the 21st century, took all that unity to take a far-right agenda on taxes and social Issues that was going nowhere on 9/10 and five it into a 9/12 world. Never has so much national unity — which could have been used to develop a real energy policy, reverse our coming Social Security delicit, assemble a lasting coalition to deal with Afghanistan and Iraq, maybe even get a national health care program — been used to build so linie. That its what historians will note most about Bush's conportunity of it all. Yes. Iraq was always going to be hugely difficult, but the protential payoff of erecting a decent, democratizing government in the hearn of the Arab world was also enormous. Yet Bush, in his signature Issue, never mobilized the country, never punished

mous. Yet Bush, in his signa-ture Issue, never mobilized the country, never punished incompetence, never made the bad guys "fight all of us," as Bill Maher put it, by at least pushing through a read energy policy to reduce the resources of the very people we were

fighting. He thought he could change the world with 50.1 percent of the country, and he couldn't percent o couldn't.

couldn't.

"Gore, even without the presidency, used all the modern tools of communication, the Internet, video and globalization to reach out and galaziace a global movement."
Rothkopf said. "Bush took the greatest platform in the world and dug himself a policy grave."

and dug minsen a policy grave."

Now Bush is a spent force and Gore is, apparently, not running. So we still need a president who can unify the country around meaningful action on energy and climate Most of the Democratic candidates meantly the right. didates mouth the right words, but I don't s words, but I don't sense r real passion. Most of the real passion. Most of the Republican candidates seem to be brain-dead on the ener-gy/climate challenge. And it is amazing to me how flat-out wrong some conservatives, like Rush Limbaugh, can be

like Rush Limbaugn, can conthis Issue.

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challenge. But we still need a vision, a strategy, an army and a commander in the White House who can inspire young and old — not only to meet that challenge but to see in it the opportunity to make America a better, stronger and more productive nation. This is our crucible moment.

Thomas L. Friedman is a columnist for the New York

Curtailment crisis could return next summer

his week I am sending letters to more than 2,700 Junlor water rights-holders who draw from southern Idaho's Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer They, include irrigators, cities, school districts, commercial users and a wide variety of others.

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senoot districts, commercial users and a wide variety of others. The tetters warn of a possible certailment of their water the stage of the water that the stage of the stage of the water supplies supplemented by plans for mitigaling or making up for use by jumlor water rights-holders was sufficient to prevent curtailment to satisfy senior water users legal demands. Last winter's low snowpack forced me, by law, to proceed with the curtailment process in the middle of this year's growing season. It was a difficult situation that came only after a March ruling by the Idaho Supreme Court on how the Idaho Department of



Water Resources operates, and the continued stalema between junior and senior water-rights holders who water-rights holders who were brought to the table by Gow. Otter in April to discuss a solution. Those curtailment orders eventually were put on hold when mitgation plans were submitted.

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mod when imagaous pass were submitted.

For next spring, I am pro-viding Junior water rights-holders as much advance notice as possible. The water year began on Oct. 1.

Between now and April 1 we will monitor the snowpack. If the projected runoff is 105 percent of normal and the reservoirs fill, no cutralliments will be necessary in response

to the senior water users' call on the Snake River. If the pro-jected runoff is inadequate, then curtailments likely will

then curtailments likely will be necessary. However, the calls in the Thousand Springs area are not as dependent on the snowpack. The outcome of those calls is more directly related to a hearing scheduled for Nov. 28. We should know more by early next year, and there is a chance that curtailments — or midication.

know more by early next year, and there is a chance that curtailments — or mitigation that meets the demand for water — could be required to protect sendor water rights. Most reservoirs in the upper Snake River basin have been drained by drought. Carnyover water storage from a normal water year in 2006 barely supplied water users through this past spring and summer. As we head into the next growing season, there might not be water available for mitigation efforts, and lange-scale curtailments might be the only option to

satisfy the water calls.

However, state law provides wide latitude for water users wide latitude for water users to make deals among them-selves that provide a better solution and the solution and we encourage these efforts.

Something the controlling months these efforts. During the compling months that no controlling months that no controlling months assistance and norad-based effort to seek both short-term and long-term solutions. Unfortunately, what's happening in the Esstem Snake Plain Aquifer is not unique—we face stimilar problems in many aquifers throughout the state.

Gow. Otter and the Idaho Legislature have pledged their support to assist in finding and implementing solutions. Lefs work together to ensure that Idaho optimizes this valuable resource for all our

David Tuthill is director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

if Twin Falls airport art upsets you, take the bus

It sure is interesting what people complain about these days, like in the letters to the editor, and then they want the whole Magle Valley to know what they think. Sometimes silence is gold-en.

en.
The most recent was the mural at the Twin Falls airport and the artist (Gary Stone) who created it. One

article was about the tax dollars paying for this work. If they are so worried how our tax dollars are being used, then they should look at the Twin Falls Highway Department and not at Gary Stone. He is just living the American dream, doing what he likes and is good at and getting paid for it. If this art at the airport is so disturbing, take the bus. ROB NOH Rogerson

It is wiser to build a new center than repair old on

I'd like to direct this note o the residents of Jerome egarding the bond issue for new senior center in

most of you are av senior center that meets the needs of our community.
Some will say, "fix up the old
one." The cost of making the
present center meet code is not feasible and would be throwing good money after bad. It is wiser to build a new center to meet the needs of the whole commu-

Our commercial areas are forging ahead with a bright future.

future.
New homes are going up as well as two new schools.
Now we must meet the needs of those who brought us this fare — the seniors.
The new proposed senior

center can meet the needs of all our community Architectural plans can be reviewed at the old railrost depot at 212 First Ave. E., presently used as the center. (This old structure is of his-

(This old structure is of his-toric significance and can be used by the IFARM.) Visit the center to acquaint yourself with the new pro-posed center. Feed free to make any suggestions for improvement of the plans, Stay for lunch and enjoy

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my yes vote on Nov. 6. CLARIBEL (JACKSON)



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For one congresswoman, integrity has a Pryce

few weeks ago, I Interviewed Deborah Pryce, the Republican congresswoman, in her Washington office. There was a doll propped up against a windowsill, and I wanted to ask her if it had belonged to

ask her if it had belonged to her daughter, who died of cancer at age 9 in 1998. But that question seemed to tres-pass on something out of bounds, so I asked about her re-election campaign in 2006. Her Ohlo I fouse race had been one of the toughest in the entire country. And when I brought it up, I expected her to talk about the victous ads that had been run against her.

her. Instead, she talked about



the ads that she had put on

the air against her opponent.
"I was appalled by what I
had to do," she said. In close
races, the national parties had to do races, the national parties send teams of professionals to take over campaigns, and the candidates who resist their efforts generally lose. When Pryce spoke about the direct-mail letters that went out under her name,

she did so with a look of dis-gust. She said that her friends kept coming to her to com-plain about the TV ads she was running against her opponent. Finally, her own mother told her she was

opponent. Finany, ner own mother told her she was asharmed of the ads. The truth is, Pryce's opponents did worse. But it was her own ads that she kept dwelling on, and as she spoke. I could see that shed been fighting the war that the best politicians fight — the war within herself to preserve her own humanity. Politics, as you know, is a tainted profession. Professional politicians cannot serve their country if they do not win their races, and to

do that they must grapple with a vast array of forces that try to remold and destroy who they are. There are consultants who

who they are.
There are consultants who
try to turn them into
prepackaged clones. There
are party whips demanding
total loyalty. There is a culture
of worksholism that strangles
private life and private thinking. There are journalists who
define them based on a few
ideological labels.
And then there is the souldestroying act of campaigning itself. Active campaigners
are compelled to embrace
the ideology of Meism.
They spend their days talking endlessly about Me.
When they meet donors, they

want to know if they are giving to Me or against Me. When they meet advisers and fellow pols, they want to know, do they support Me or not Me. When they think about strategy, it's about better ways to present Me. When they craft positions, they want to know, what does this say about Me or normal person can withstand the onslaught of egotism and come out unscathed. And so there are two kinds of politicians: Those who become creatures of the process, and those who, like Pryce, resist and retain the capacity to he appalled by what they must do.

The more interesting and impressive politicians struggle to preserve their personal integrity. Many of those who struggle hardest have suffered a personal fumma, like the death of a child or time in a POW camp, which has created a private space that they refuse to sacrifice to politics. Pryce has retained that honest, inner voice, and she has decided to retire after this term. It's not as rewarding being in the minority, she says, and with the new, longer workweek, it's harder to get home to her adopted daughter ...

David Brooks is a colum-

How I took Danielle out of the ball park

fail the reasons to be intimidated by former Los Angeles Dodger Kirk Gibson — two World Series rings, a National League MVP award, the altitude record piloting a Cessna 206, a nomination this year to the college football Hall of Fame — Il hadn't thought of the most obvious one: He's a scary dude. At 6-foot-3, with a shaved head, Gibson looks like a man who loughs parely like a man who laughs rarely and nummels often

like a man who laughs rarely and pummels often. Several people warned me that he doesn't take kindly to journalists and to approach him carefully. Especially because I was asking for his help with something really, really stupid. For this year's playoffs, Major League Baseball created a Web site—actober compost short videos about their favorite playoff moments. I immediately docided to re-enact Glason's 1988 World Series triumph for my video. Even though I was a Yankees fan, even though I was at an age when failing with girs was more important than baseball, I knew Gibson's home run was the best baseball, in ment I would ever witness. Too hurt to play, Gibson nonetheless emerged from

TOEL STEIN the trainer's room in the ninth

the trainer's room in the ninth inning of Game 1. There were two out, a man on, and the Dodgers were trailing the Oakland Athletics, 4-3. Gibson somehow hobbled to the plate on his two burn legs to the lately blace at the 3.2 of the blace of the second or the second o plate on his two burn legs to pinch-hit and, with a 3-2 count, smacked the winning home run off of the game's best closer, Dennis Eckersley, It was as if Gibson had sum-moned up the superhuman

the state of the superhuman strength has been allowed by the superhuman strength that allows people to lift a car off a child. I carefully weighed whether my interpretation of this moment should be free of Glisonis influence, or whether I should allow him into my process. At which point I realized I'd been living in Los Angeles for too long already. I went to Dodger Stadium the morning before a game against the Artizona Diamondbacks; Glison Is their bench coach.

As far as re-enacting that

famous hit, Gibson couldn't do it hims though he has see it thousands of tim nimself, even seen the clip of It thousands of times — In fact, he had caught It on the lumbotron at the game the day before. Still, he gave me some pointers. He warmed me against my original choice to show a lot of pain, which he clearly thought was unmanly. snow a bot or plant, which he clearly thought was unmanly. I was to bang on the inside of both of my feet with the bat, compared to be compar

around the bases as a small man.
Feeling stupid but kind of happy that Major League
Baseball gave me an excuse to feel 8 years old again and pretend to be a famous baseball player. I hit both of my feet with the bat and over-grimaced. Maybe Danielle is just maced. Maybe Danielle is just a great batting practice pitch-er, but I crushed the ball in a way I never have, sending it so

far back that in a real game clearly would have been ca crearly would have been encaught by the center fielder My fist pumps was a series fist pumps were real. And it Gibson was like in per-

Joel Stein is a columnist for the Los Angeles Times.



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Kimberly needs more space for new students

Space for new students

Kimberly School patrons:
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million bond will build:

An elementary classroom
addition to the (fourth and
fifth grade) round building.

A middle school classroom addition and a multipurpose cafetria and commons.

High school classrooms

High school classrooms.

mons,

• High school classrooms
and relocation of the ag science and technology programs to the high school

grams to the high school campus.

• Complete safety infrastructure (sidewalks and parking improvements), and
• An all-weather track surface at the football field.
Why do we need this?
Dozens of new subdivisions inside and outside the city

inside and outside the city limits are filling with new people. Our classrooms are full, especially at the elementary. The lunchroom, which serves grades K-eight, is beyond bursting capacity. The middle school is I ne middle school is absolutely full. Several high school teachers use a cart to hold their materials because they have no classroom. We

need more space to accommodate these new studen
What are our options?
Portable classrooms have
been considered but are een considered but are expensive "temporary" solu-tions. Extending the school year to a modified 12-month schedule is presently consid-éred as a last resort.

Why now? The state will currently pay up to 50 percent of our bond

up to 50 percent of our bond interest.

New construction and increased property values in the district have allowed the school board to lower the bond levy rate 15 percent from \$3.42 per thousand to \$2.89 per thousand of assessed value, a savings of nearly \$80 annually on a \$150,000 home. Kimberly schools are absolutely the bost—small class sizes, parent involvement, personal relationships.

This bond is an opportunity to continue that tradition. Please help by supporting the bond Thursday. Vote at the high school this Thursday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. DAVE FULLMER

Kimberly (Editor's note: Dave Fullmer is the chairman of the Kimberly School Board.)

New senior center: An idea whose time has come

When our community was first settled 100 years ago, it wasn't long before they built churches and schools. Numerous churches and schools have been construct-

schools have been construct ed during the first century. Is it time now to build a new senior citizen center? I believe it is. Please share your opinion by voting Nov. 6. LAWAR BUTTARS

Why does no one mention Democratic perverts?

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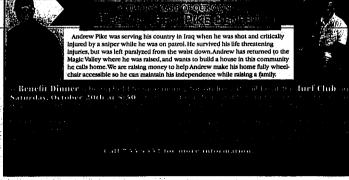
There are sexual perverts in
every nee, party and religion.
The only difference is
Republicans eat their own and
Democratis just keep shoving
theirs down our throats by
electing them over and over.
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keep electing D.C. pimp
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op ut Bill Clinton back in the
White House so he can continue to chase skirts all over
the D.C. area.
When Obamas father died,
he left three wives and five
children. Where in America is
that illestyle legal?
Why do those who talk
about Craig never mention all
he Democrated pervertar Why
does the drive-by media give
Democrats a free pass?
The biggest lie being told is
that Democrats are for the
poor! That is not true The IRS
reported this summer about
who gave the most time and
money to charities like Scouta,
YMCA, Red Cross, etc. The
Democrats blue states did not
even make the top 28, not to

cven the two richest —
California, New York Idaho,
one of the poorest states, was
high at third in giving.
The Democrats want to tax
and spend our money
because Ted Kefinedy, Peter
Lewis, Teresa Kerry, George
Sores, John and Nancy Pelosi
bank their millions and billions in off-shore banks. Ted
has \$500 million, in banks in
the Fiji Islands, so he only
pays Income taxes on his
Senate wages, He even
acknowledged it but was
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computer.
Why can Democrats think that taxing the poor people who use tobacco (75 percent in the lowest income under in the lowest income under \$20,000 a year) to pay for family medical insurance of those earning up to \$82,000 a year. We are on Social Security, earning very little (mine is \$500 a month and free Medicare for both of us is over \$600 a month, counting our supplement and Humanal)

Are Democrats nuts or what? People earning \$82,000 can't handle \$200 for each child? Give me a break! EMMA ROBINSON



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Wolverines best Burley twice for Great Basin title

BURLEY — After sweeping a loser-out match against Jerome, the Wood River Wolverines won consecutive five-game matches against the Burley Bobcats to win the Great Basin Conference West district champi-onship and a trip to the Class 4A state tournament.

The Wolv .. erines went home tired. In the first match against Burley, they beat the Bobcats in four games, 26-24, 22-25, 25-12, 25-22. The champi-onship match went five holly-contested games before the Wolverines won by scores of 13-25, 25-23, 23-25, 27-25,

15-25.

How intense was the matchup?
Adding the scores for all nine games with Burley, Wood River won only 201-194, less than a point per game.

Hannah Ward led Wood River with 33 kills and eight blocks in the two

matches, while Hannah Gove Inished with 24 kills. For Burley, Caill Parish finished with 30 kills, and Alex Haynie Inished with 30 kills, and Alex Haynie Ind 24 kills. Kassi Kerbs had 40 digs on the night and Kaitelin Robins had 57 assists. Wood River conch Tim Richards said his team wasn't going to let echaussion get the better of them. "That's a tough thing we just did. They made us play a double final, nine games. That's like three matches on the same night, you wouldn't ask a

games. That's like three matches on the same night, You wouldn't ask a football team to do that. We said, Were going to show our heart. We're not going to get down just because we have to play a long time. We're going to show our heart. Richard's said the tenacity Burley displayed against the Wolverines will give them a good chance to win their loser-out playoff game for a chance to go to state.

go to state.

"Both sides played very well," he said. "Burley gave you all you wanted.

That's a token of the coach. (Tiffany Green) built this program over the past years. They're going to go into the play-in game and give whoever it is a tough time. They play great defense."

Green said the games were mentally tiring.
"We knew Wood River was going to

come to play. It was a bloodbath from the beginning. Both sides suffered a lot of emotional stress tonight."

Despite the loss, Green was pleased how her vastly undersized roster competed with Wood River's height.

competed with Wood River's height.

"Anytime you come up against a froat line that's six feet tall and our tikids play as well as they did, I'm thrilled," she said. "A few balls didn't go our way and that's the way it goes sometimes. They played well."

Wood River beat [erome 25-14, 25-20, 25-18. The Wolverines play at Century at 7 mm. Thursday to determine seeding in the state tournament.



Wood River's Hannah Ward hits the ball against Jerome's Jordann Hollfied (10) and Jordan Burnham (4) Tuesday night in Burley. The Wolverires swept the materials of the Wolverires went to be a second or the work of the work

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PIRATES PLUNDER SOUTHSIDE

Unbeaten Hagerman sails past Raft River for title

HANSEN — Not a chance.

The upstart Raft River Trojans came into Tuesday night's Class 1A Magic Valley Southside Conference Tournament championship with designs of upending top-seeded and unbeaten Hagerman. A 25-7, 25-16, 25-10 toss later, the Trojans had designs of keeping their season alive as the 20-0 Pirates took their fourth consecutive conference title and claimed a spot in next week's state tournament in Lewiston. The Pirates capsized Raft River's championship hopes early, ullding a 13-3 advantage after junior outside hitter Breecia Mangum connected on four of her match-high nine acce over a five-play span. While Mangum put down eight first: game kills, it was Hagerman's crro-free team focus that led to the lopsided win. The Pirates committed only two attacking errors and one setting error in the first game.

These guys can tell you what my motto is: it's a game of errors, and the team that makes the least, wins," Pirates head coach Luanne Axelson said. "We

really strive to get the ball up and get it

DISTRICT IV SCHEDULES

really strive to get an according to the forest the net.

Mangum's mix of power and precision on the outside led to a match-high 12 kills for the Hagerman star, while so p h o m o re

DISTRICT IV Amanda Regaler

TORIGINAMENT added five kills

With setters Chauncee Axelson and Charli Gisler keep

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Charil Gister keeping the sets coming. Hagerman combined for 25 kills to
offset the Trojans' team total of 13. With
senior Christine Reguler serving as the
team's No. 3 offensive weapon at three
kills and four aces Friday, the Hagerman
setters continued to ply their trade in
comfort

comfort.

"I can set it to anyone." Chauncee Axelson said. "I feel comfortable that everyone can finish, that everyone I set the ball to is going to score." The Trojans were led by senior setter and outside hitter Nicole Harper, who finished with seven kills and one block.

Only two other Raft River players — Keely Ward and Meg Wickel — finished

with more than one kill. Chelzee Nyetallled 'two-blocks,' while Whitney.
Holtman added a pair of aces.
The Pirates will play Magic Valley
Northside Conference champion
Richfield at 730 p.m., Thursday in
Hansen for the top state seed out of
District IV.While this efficient team hasn't been challenged often this season,
Hagerman is looking forward to playing
the state's best, including perennial
northem Idaho power Genese.
"We know that we haven't had ven
yanny tough matches, but we know it's
going to be different at state." Mangum
said. "We always have intense practices
so it's not like we play to our lowest level.
Wher always at a high intensity and trying to play our hardest."

RAF RYER 3, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 0
The Tholans stayed allive, taking second place in the tournament with a 25-15, 25-21, 25-5 victory over fourth-seed el lighthouse Christian. Harper came up with a match-high 14 kills to go with three aces, and helping her team finish out the tournament by serving up 15

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Rockies streak into first World Series

By Eddie Pells Associated Press write:

DENVER — It's October in Colorado. The Broncos are playing. Snow showers are in the forecast. The leaves are turning red and yellow and

The dominant color in the Mile High City these days, though, is purple. It's "Rocktober" in

The Rockies, crazy as it sounds, are in the World

sounds, are in the World Series.
No Curse of the Bamblino. No Wrigley Field goal. Just pure Rockles magic.
Sad-sack losers almost all their 15 seasons of existence, the Rockles have won 21 of 22 games and seven in a row—in the playoffs.
Suddenly, it's cool to wear a black and purple Rockles cap around town. First baseman Todd Helton is a bigger star than the Broncos quarterback, lay Cutler.

back, Jay Cutler.
"I didn't see this happening," Colorado fan Jeff
Zebrowksi said before the



Todd Heiton (17), left, celebrates with Troy Tulowitzki (2) after Helton made the last out to win Game 4 of the National League Championship Series against the

Rockies defeated Arizona on Monday night to win the National League pennant and make it to baseball's biggest stage. "Maybe two or

. Please see STREAK, Page B2

Rest or rust? Rockies facing 8-day layoff

By Arnie Stapleton Associated Press writer

DENVER — So, now what r the Colorado Rockies? DENVER -

The Rockles swept through their playoff bracket with such speed that their reward

was a record eight-day walt for the World Series, by far the longest layoff in history. Having won 21 of 22 games, Todd Helton and his teammates hope they don't lose their momentum or this mole.

mojo.
Still, that's sure to be the question over the next week
rest or rust?
The World Series starts Oct.

, when Cieveland or ston hosts the Rockles, the Boston hosts the Rucauca, co-charmed champions of the National League. Colorado has won 10 in a row overall, with sweeps of Philadelphia in the opening round of the playoffs and Arizons in the NL championship series. "We'll probably scrimmage ourselves," outfielder Ryan Spilborghs said. "And it'll be the first time in a while we'll lose."

lose."
A day after finishing off the
Diamondbacks 6-4 in Game
4 at Coors Field, the Rockles
took Tuesday off to relax—
and, quite possibly, to recuperate from the celebration
that followed their first NL
pennant in the franchise's 15year history.
"There's nothing wrong

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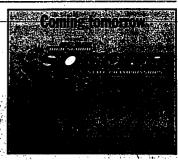
Wahoo! Indians move to cusp of World Series with 7-3 victory

CLEVELAND — Led by a throw-back pitcher who looks as if he stepped out of their 1948 team photo, the Cleveland Indians moved one win from another crack at winning an elusive World Series title.

Pumping his arms with an old-school windup, Paul Byrd blanked Boston long enough and Casey Blake homered to start Clevelands

seven-run rampage in the fifth inning as the Indians beat the Red Sox 7-3 Tuesday night for a 3-1 lead in the AL championship series. "We want to put them away here," byrd said as indians fans tept rocking, after the final out, "That's a great resure over there. They can easily comp back and win, three. We're taking affeother by nothing for granted, We'll enjoy the win for now, but we want to put them.

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District IV volleyball

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championship if necessary,
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Conference West Division
At Burley High School
Tuesday's matches
Match 5: Wood River def. rome 25-15, 25-20, 25-18 rtch 6: Wood River def. urley, 26-24, 22-25, 25-12, Match 7: Wood River del Burley, championship, 13-25 25-23, 23-25, 27-25, 15-13

ss 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference
At Gooding High School
Tuesday's matches
Match 5; Filer def: Buhl; 1425, 33-31, 925, 28-26, 15-9

Match 6: Kimberly def. Gooding, 20-25, 28-26, 25-19, 25-23 Vedneeday's matches th 7: Filer vs. Gooding,

Match 7: Filer vs. Gooding, 4:30 p.m.? Match 8: Kimberly vs. W7, champlonship; 6 p.m. Match 9: W8 vs. LB, secon champlonship if necessary 7:30 p.m.

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championship, 5:30 p.m.
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championship, if necessary

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Northalde Conference,
At Dietrich High School
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Match 8: Dietrich def. Cena
County, 25-5, 25-20, 25-18.
Match 7: Richfield def.
Shoshone; Anaphoposible,
25-11, 25-17 Metch 8: Dietrich def. Community School, 25-18, 25-21, 18-25, 25-16 Match 9: Dietrich def. Shoshone, 25-22, 18-25, 25-17, 25-20

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Kimberly defeats Gooding in SCIC semis

GOODING -- Kimberly has made a pair of hour-long burides to Gooding for the Sawtooth Central Idaho Con rework Central Rath Com-merence outrament In the last four days. The Buildags have also faced the Senators twice in last than a weck and have come away with wins in both matches. As a result of the second win in the semifi-nals of the SCIC tournament on Tuesday over the Senators, 20-25, 28-26, 25-19, 25-23, there won't be any bus rides for Kimberty on Wednesday for the championship game. With the win over the top-seeded Senators, the tourna-ment's final two games, a 4:30 p.m. loser-out game between

p.m. loser-out game between No. 3 Filer and No. 1 Gooding and the title game at 6 p.m.,

The Bulldogs will face the winner of the Filer and Gooding match for the cham-

winner of the Filer and Goodling match for the champlonship.

"The girls came out a little tight," said Kimberly, coach fan Hall. "Goodling had us at times but they just never quit. To beat Goodling on its home court, it just proves that Kimberly is making a statement." Senior Kassie Newberry and sophomore Alex Pfefferle did all they could to be sure the Buildogs would be in the championship game. Newberry recorded a gamenhigh 20 kills and "Pfefferle matched her I kills to her I dassiss for a double-double. Senior Balley Keller posted a team-high 24 assists. The Buildogs defense was led by juniors Ariel McKay with 19 digs and 17 digs by Sarah

Lentz. Senior Tausha Sutherland had three aces. "The match was so intense," said McKay. "I'm so proud of our team. I think we can do it again in the champl-

onship game."

Problems at the serving line ere the biggest nemesi-

were the biggest nemesis for the Senators.

"We would get on a run, and then we would lose our momentum at the service line," said Gooding co-coach Jenny Koski, "We never really got their attack handled."

The Senators had two players recording double-doubles and one player with a triple-double. Senior fumiel Jensen had 13 kills, 11 digs and dished out 32 assists. Senior Nici Abramowski had 14 kills and 21 digs, Jordon Braga had 10 kills and 15 digs. Senior libero Megan Plerson led the

defense with 24 digs.
"I've always been defensive person," said Pierson. "I learned two to use my height (5 feet, 2 inches) and quickness to my advantage. Early in the season, we struggled but now we've been on a prety good streak because we all realized that not one can do it..."

FILER 3, BUHL 2
Filer junior Katle Vierstra
and freshman Mackenzie
Jasper led the Wildcats in
eliminating the Indians 1425, 33-31, 9-25, 28-26, 15-9,
Vierstra had 17 kills and five

Vierstra had 17 kills and five blocks and Jasper added 12 kills and had 31 digs. Senior Erica Kober had a game-high 36 digs and senior setters, Kelsey and Kayla Richards combined for 42 assist. "One of the turning points

to the match was a change in our rotation," said Filer coach Ed Richards. "Spencer was hitting the ball and we just didn't seem to be able to stop her. We changed the rotation and put Katle (Vierstra) against her."

For Buhl, Spencer pounded 22 kills and sonior Lestle Hunter added 21 kills and is digs. Sophomore setters kell Ganburd! passed out 22 assists and Mollite Bourner followed with 16 and 13 digs. Sophomore Courtney Azec-Piler support in there and never gave up," said Buhl coach Chrissy Waitley. We made too many errors. It has been a roller coaster season for us. We've been trying to come together but also fighing a lot of things." Buhl ends its season at 7-7.
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come together but also fight-ing a lot of things."

Buhl ends its season at 7-7.

DIETRICH 3, SHOSHONE 1

Dietrich capped a rémark-able day of volleyball with a 25-22, 18-25, 25-17, 25-20

win over Shoshone.

"We peaked at the right time," said Blue Devils coach

win over Shoshone.

"We peaked at the right time," said Blue Devils coach Tracl Perron.

Jesse Dill had 17 kills. Tranny Anderson added 11 and Nakia Norman totaled 16 assists, while Halley Stoddard chipped in 13. But Perron said it was Norman's nine digs, which offset the hitting of Shoshone's Shaynee Guilliord.

"She played phenomenal," said Perron of Norman.

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CANYON CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

Valley sweeps Wendell

HAZELTON — Valley's in, hile Wendell and Glenns Ferry will battle again.

With a first-round bye in he Canyon Conference

With a first-round bye in the Canyon Conference tournament, the Valley Vikings needed only one win Thesday to make today's championship match, and the Vikings got it with a sweep over the Wendell Trolans.

sweep over the venue. Trojans. Valley defeated the Trojans Valley defeated the Trojans 52-15, 25-19, 25-19, 26-19,

hit. Just look at the num-bers."
Junior Camelle Sizemore led with eight digs and killed nine balls. Sister Shannon Sizemore killed five and blocked four, and Katle Hall killed soven. Ashley Krause led in kills with 11. For Wen-dell, Jodi Lund led with five kills.

us. While both teams battled While both teams battues back and forth through the early goings of each game, Vailey would always find a way to pull ahead, whether it be of the Vikings' own accord with blocks or kills or just waiting for Wendell to make mistakes.

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Valley's Katle Hall, left, celebrates with Jamie Cauhorn point against Wendell Tuesday night at Valley High Sci

"We make a good game out of every match with Valley. We need to block home so we can play more offense than defense," Wen-dell coach Kelli Jasper said.

the to the Trojans beat Glenns
Ferry 25-15, 25-19, 25-9 in
the early match for the right
to face Valley. Lund again led
the Trojans with five kills.

Because the bracket is double-elimination format, these two teams will play again with the winner advancing to the championship match with the Vikings. Both Valley and Wendell anticipate playing each other again, but this time with a Class 2A state tournament berth on the line. In the Valley camp, there's mixed emotions about playing the same team over and over.

about playing the same com-over and over.
"It'll be easier," Camelle Sizemore said. "Wo're used to how they play, and we have confidence."
Said Escobedo: "We need

Sald Escobedo: "We need to stay aggressive, and good things will happen. I'd like to win three straight again, but it's another day. I hope there's not letdown. If Valley wins the championship, it will be the program's seventh straight and 10th out of the last II years.

by the Chicago Cubs, those lovable losers whose futility now extends to 99 years this fall

whose futility now extends to 99 years this fall after an early-cotober flame out.

These Indians are burning brightly.
The scene switched in a blink." Boston scond baseman Dustin Pedrola sald.
Everything is kind of alipping away but were sill playing. If we don't win, we go home.
We got to get to the bullpark and get a win."
Blinke homered leading off the fifth against
Boston knuckleballer Tim Wakefield, whose
now-you-see-li-now-you-don't pitch had
Cleveland's hitters swinging at air for nearly
four Innings.

Cleveland's hitters swinging at air for nearly four Innings.
But in the fifth, helped by a dropped foul pop and a ball seemingly destined for an inning-ending double play that tipped off Wakefield's glove, the Indians blewit open by hanging a seven spot on the scoreboard—just as they did in the 11th Inning at Fenway Park to win Game 2.
Cleveland batted for 35 minutes in the fifth, and the down time seemed to hurt Byrd, who gave up back-to-back homers in a seven-pitch span to Kevin Youkills and David Ortiz.

Bruins just one win from 5A state berth pion Hagerman (20-0) on Thursday night in Hansen. The state seeding match begins at 7:30 p.m.

One more win. That's all that separates the Twin Falls High School volleyball team from a spot in the Class 5A state tournament. The Bruins state tournament. The Bruins rebounded from a three-game loss to Idaho Falls to beat both Skyline and Madison in grueling five-game matches Tuesday in Idaho Falls at the High Country Conference tourna-ment

Country Conference tourna-ment.
It's great," said first-year Bruins coach B.I. Price. The gris played hard and picked up late in the matches.
Twin Falls isot 25-10, 25-18, 25-21 to Idaho Falls, Facing, Climinason, the Bruins-20, 18-25, 25-20, 15-8 as Erica (19), 18-20, 18-2

20, 16-25, 25-16, 24-26, 15-9, in the final game, senior setter Liz Williams popped a finger out of Joint. But after taping it up during a timeout, she returned to the court. That moment gave the Bruins momentum the rest of the way.

the way.

Twin Falls will take on Highland at 4 p.m., Thursday In Idaho Falls for a spot in the 5:30 p.m., conference title match.

Magic Valley Northside

Conference

RICHFIELD 3, SHOSHONE 0

advanced to the match with Detrich by beating Camas County 25-5, 25-20, 25-18. Now Dietrich moves on to Thursday's District IV state seeding match against the No. 2 seed from the Southside.

Drag racing

BUSY WEEKEND AT HIGH DESERT SPEEDWAY

John Howsden of Wendell raced to first place in the Super Pro Class at High Desert Speedway in Gooding RICHFIELD 3, SHOSHONE 0
RICHFI Super Pro Class at High Desert Speedway in Gooding this past Saturday, while Gary Meyers won the division on Sunday. Below are results.

High Desert Speedway
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I'm concerned," said Rock.
Owning a 22-2 record,
Richfield now gets a shot at
undefeated Southside cham-

Southside

away at home in front of these great fans."

The Indians, who knocked out the New York Yankees and their monstrous payroll in the first round of the playoffs, now have the free-spending Red Sox on the ropes. Even three straight homers couldn't raily Boston.

A victory in Game 5 on Thursday night would send Cleveland back to the World Series for the first time since 1997, when the Indians lost a seven-game thriller to the Florida Marlins.

After a day off, the Indians will turn to ace C.C. Sabathia, their left-handed leader. Boston's losh Beckett, who beat Cleveland in Game 1 at home, will try to send the series back to Fenway Park.

Another Series first-timer — the amazing Colorado Rockies — are patiently waiting for an opponent.

Chiorato Notation an opponent.
And it just might be the Indians, who haven't won a world championship since '48, when they beat the Boston Braves.
Cleveland's 59-year drought is only eclipsed

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straight plays. Nye added
three blocks and two kills
white Halley Hutchison
added eight digs in a match
that didn't get underway until
after 9 p.m.
"Our girls said, 'Hey, we've
got one more game, we've got
to shake it off,' Trojans head
coach Cami Shumann said of
Raft River's previous loss to
Hagerman. They knew they
didn't want to come into the
district tournament on that district tournament on that bubble, playing for the fifth seed. I was proud of them shaking that off and coming

shacing that off and collections out strong."

The 15-7 Trojans will play Dietrich, the second seed from the Magic Valley Northside Conference Tournament, at 6 p.m.,

Thursday in Hansen.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 3,

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 3, CASILEPRO 2 The Lighthouse Christian Lions kept their season alive with a scrappy 25-15, 25-22, 23-25, 21-25, 15-12 victory over second-seeded Castleford to advance to the tournament's second-place match. The Lions seemed to run out of gas against Raft

"I have to give it to Lighthouse Christian," Shumann said. "They're a scrappy team and they fought hard."

Eric Larsen may be reached at 1-800-658-3883, Ext. 220 or

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three years from now, but not now. We're too young as a

not now we is two young.

As fantastic and unlikely as it may seem to that handful of long-suffering season-ticket holders who watched their team veer from early success to unbecoming circus act to essentially irrelevant, it carries an even more wolomant meaning in a city vant, it carries an even more poignant meaning in a city that cruelly flirted with base-ball for decades, only to have its heart broken again and

again.
Today, the thought of the one-tin -time purveyors of the ratchable, four-hour, 12unwatchable, four-hour, 12-11 slugfest in the World Series sounds every bit as outlandish and tantalizing as the idea 30 years ago that Major League Baseball Major League Busselwould someday land in

Denver.

But Denver finally did get its team. And now the city stands one step from the next baseball milestone in what has been an emotional, memory-filled ride for any native who also happens to be a sports fan.

Yes, Denver has always been a football town—a city rhat attached itself to did not be read to the city of the city

been a football town—a city that attached itself to the Broncos and married much of its self-esteem and hope

and blue.

There probably will never be a feeling like the one this city enjoyed in 1977, during that improbable, impossible first trip to the Super Bowl.

Lavoff

with a break," reliever Matt Herges said. "We played to end the series quickly." The Rockles will recon-vene at Coors Field for a workout Wednesday after-noon and will take Thursday off.

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But will this long layoff leave the Rockies, losers of just one game since Sept. 18, out of sync?

"They saked us the same question after the last isyoff," Helton said of the four-day break that separated Colorado's playoff sweeps.
"We're going to relax and enjoy this for a while and then we're going to refocus and play who we have to play."

LeBron James looms large in Shanghai for NBA and Nike

SHANGHAI, China — LeBron James looms large in Shanghai. He hovers over a basket in billboards around the city leading to today's NBA exhibition game between his Cleveland Cavallers and the Orlando Magic and another game Sautuday in the former Portuguese territory of Macau. "For me, growing up, I never thought about having a billiboard anywhere." James said Tuesday, slipping off a white NBA headband and replacing it with a Cleveland Indians cap.

"You see them (billboards) locally, and then you start

locally, and then you start seeing them a little bit nation-wide. And now worldwide. It's like, wow. It's like extra credit.

It's unbelievable. You would never think that you could have your face somewhere else where you don't even live."



James gestures during practice Tuesday in Shanghal, China

shoe was selling Tuesday for most \$200, Nike's newest TV spot featuring James also kicked off this week in China, several weeks ahead of its U.S. pre-

weeks ahead of its U.S. premiere.

Lames is a hot property in basketballs' most dynamic marketplace. And the NBA and Nike know it, both looking toward next year's Beijing Olympies, where James would surely capture world attention if he leads the beleaguered American basketball team to a gold medal. Several hundred Chinese reporters and photographers showed up for Tuesday's practice at the La. Wan Stadlum at the conguled of the Lames of the Lam

wall, and stared up to answer questions, cutting deep fur-rows across his forchead. "Every time I'm here it's the

same response: It's great, the fans love us, the kids are great," James said.

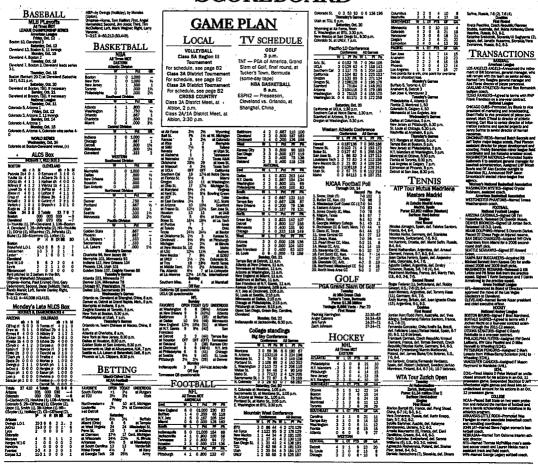
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a story carried by several local
news outlets.
Bryant spoke for less than
two minutes in the parking
tot of the team's practice facility. Previously, he had said

very little to reporters since Jerry Buss stated last week in Honolulu that he "would certainly listen" to trade offers for the NBA's scoring leader. "I don't know, talk to Mitch and Mr. Buss about that," I don't know, talk to Mitch and played his final game for the Lakers, referring to general manager Mitch Kupchak and the team's owner. "I'm just getting ready, if I'm here, I'm ready to strap it up." Bryant asked to be traded 4½ months ago, then avoided speaking about the Lakers. until the beginning of training camp Oct. 1, when he tasked more positively, saying he was looking forward to the season.

— The Associated Press

SCOREBOARD



Padraig Harrington in front at PGA Grand Slam in Bermuda

TUCKER'S TOWN, Bermuda — Someone forgot to tell Padraig Harrington this is supposed to be a working wastin.

The PGA Grand Stan of Golf felt much more like work Tuesday, with the British Open champion gindings to hard to keep control of his game that he barely noticed the turquoise coastiline below the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to a Standing by the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to the Mid-Ocean Culbo the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to the Mid-Ocean Culbo this way to the Masters champion Zach Johnson and Jim Furyk cach had a 71 in rounds that looked nothing alike, Johnson had to play a shot out of someone's backyard on the second hole and was 4 over through five holes until playing bogey-free the rest of the way. Furyk, the pulse and was 4 over through five holes until playing bogey-free the rest of the way. Furyk, the prejacement for Tiger Woods, made 15 pars and very few putts and was only glad he wasnit farther behind.

Overall, it wasnit as bad start for an exhibition that changed islands and oceans for the first time in 13 years.

The Grand Stand Golf, the most exclusive

tion that changed islands and oceans for the first time in 13 years.

The Grand Siam of Golf, the most exclusive field in golf reserved only for the year's major champions, left Polpu Bay in Hawaii after 13 years for the Mid-Ocean Club in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, a course that measures

only 6,666 yards but still offered a stern test with swirling breezes, hidden pins and greens so pure the players at times got too aggressive.

TENNIS

Tickets for Davis Cup matches in Portland sell within 30 minutes

PORTAND, One.—Although the Davis Cup-hasn't been played in the United States for 15, years, enthusiasm for the International tennis event apparently hasn't diminished.

Tickets for the 61st Davis Cup Final between the U.S. and defending champion Russis, to be held Nov. 30 through Dec. 2 at Portland's 12,000-seat Memorial Collesum, sold out in less than 30 minutes.

The sellous seems to work counter to the

The sellout seems to work counter to the idea Davis Cup popularity may have waned because the U.S. had not won it for the past 12

years.
"There's a real buzz around the country—to tennis fans in particular — that this is a big deal," said Partick McEnroe, who oversees the U.S. team that includes Andy Roddick, James Blake and the top-ranked doubles team of Bob and Mike Bryan.

MAGIC VALLEY M.V. Junior Football holds title games

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Juni ootball will hold its championships Saturd t Bruin Stadium, Jerome 1 will face to

Sports Shorts

Merchants at 1 p.m. in the third-place games for grades 5-6, while Team ESS will face Klwants at 3 p.m. in the Mildon Bowl trophy tile game. In the third-place game for grade 7-Jerome will face Rotary at 5 p.m. The list-place game for grade 7 features the Llons vs. The Merchants at 7 p.m. in a battle for the Fish Bowl trophy. Admission is \$2 for ages 9 and older.

T.F. adult hoops meetings planned

TWIN FALLS — An organizational meeting for Twin Falls Men's and Women's Basketball Leagues will be held Thursday, Oct. 25 at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Office (136 Maxwell Ave.) Representatives from the women's league will meet at 6:30 p.m. with the men following at 7 p.m. Items Include rules, fees, officials, game paths and control of the part of the control of the part of the control of the contro

men tourwing at the lens fees, officials, game nights and player suspension rules. Input is vital so all team wishing to participate should have a representative at the meeting. Call 736-2265 for more information.

T.F. ladies hall fall banquet

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Muni Ladies Fall Awards banquet will be Oct. 25 with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7. The cost

is \$12 for nonmembers and \$10 for members. Make reservations by Monday, Oct. 22, by calling lackle Gasser (733-1479), June Florence (733-4658) or the clubhouse (733-3326).

Bruins golf team benefit planned

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TWIN FALLS — A benefit for the Twin Falls
High School golf team will be held Sunday at
Twin Falls Municipal off Course.—
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CSI hosts inaugural Fall Fest

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TWIN FALLS — The Callege of Southern
Idaho Athletic Department will host its inaugunt fall fest at earning the control of the control
at the Turt Club in Twin Falls. The stay, Oct. 24 at
the Turt Club in Twin Falls. The stay in the fall
dinner will benefit Golden Engles uthletics.
The cost to attend is \$10 per person, which
includes a primer ib buffet.
Several items, including travel packages
and a T-shirt quilt made by CSI bondere
Connie Hardy will be auctioned, while a
dessert raffle will also be held. CSI coaches
will give updates on their respective programs. For more information, or to purchase
tlekets, call Ginger at 732-8486.

— Compiled from staff and wire reports

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2007

Commodities slide as dollar rebounds

Decline occurs as fall harvest is completed

By Lauren Villagran Associated Press writer

NEW YORK
Commodities slumped
Tuesday as investors shied
away from riskier investments amid a downturn in
the stock market and a rise

in the dollar.

Silver, copper, corn and
wheat prices weakened as
the stronger dollar rendered
commodities more expensive to overseas buyers,
curbing some demand.

That has some concerned because farmers have only recently harvested several fall crops, such as corn, wheat, potatoes and other

Commodities are priced in Commodities are priced in dollars and, as a result, demand has all link to the dollar's strength against other currencies. As the dollar has plunged in recent months, that relationship has grown increasingly important as foreign buyers look for everything from agricultural products to industrial metals. But when the dollar rebounds, demand can temporartly evaporates.

porarily evaporates.
Copper for December
delivery dropped 4.5 cents to
settle at \$3.641 a pound on
the New York Mercantile

Exchange, while silver futures slipped 19.7 cents to end at \$13.658 an ounce. The decline in the metals market also mitrored Wall Street's retreat on Tuesday, as investors pulled back from riskler investments following Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's comments that a housing slump will probably be a "significant drag" on economic growth into next year.

MF Global analyst Edward Meir said in a report, "For the time being, modest declines in 'U.S." equity markets should not unhinge the advance in commodities, but if the selling is to pick up steam in a big way, commodities will most likely get swept up in the downdraft."

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 71.86, or 0.51 percent, to 13,912.94. Broader stock indicators also finished lower.

The U.S. dollar had a mod-

The U.S. dollar had a modest recovery after trading near its all-time lows versus the euro on Monday. The 13-nation euro bought \$1.416 late Tuesday, off its peak \$1.4282 from Oct. 1. Meanwhile, the back's bounce took its oll on the agriculture market, where corn, soybean and wheat prices slid. December corn fell 1.5.

wheat prices slid.

December corn fell 1.5
cents to close at \$3.605 a
bushel, while November
soybeans dropped 9.5 cents
to \$9.775 a bushel.

December wheat lost 5 cents
to settle at \$8.285 a bushel.

Supervalu posts 12 percent rise in 2nd-quarter profit

MINNEAPOLIS — Grocery chain 'operator Supervalu Inc. said Tuesday earnings rose 12 percent in its fiscal 2008 second quarter as lower costs offset a 5 percent drop in sales. The company also reaffirmed its outlook for the

full year.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 8 grew to \$148 million, or 69 cents per share, from \$132 million, or 61 cents per share, a year

ago.
Excluding costs related to its \$11.4 billion acquisition of Albertsons' retail properties in June 2006, the company carned 74 cents per share in the latest quarter, compared with 65 cents a year action.

earlier.
Sales slipped to \$10.16 bil-lion from \$10.67 billion last year, as the latest period

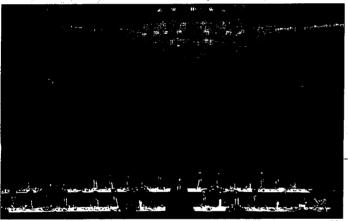
included 12 weeks of com-bined results, compared with 13 weeks in the second quarter of fiscal 2007. This discrepancy reduced sales in the 2008 quarter by about \$450 million. Analysts- surveyed by Thomson Financial were

Analysts surveyed by Thomson Financial were expecting profit of 68 cents per share on higher sales of \$10.38 billion. The earnings estimates typically exclude one-time items.

The company also reaffirmed its outlook for fiscal 2008, calling for earnings excluding items of \$2.93 to \$3.03 per share and net sales of about \$44 billion. Including costs, profit is expected to range between \$2.73 and \$2.83 per share.

Analysts are predicting profit, including acquisition and stock option costs, of \$2.77 per share on revenue of \$44.46 billion.

'Significant drag'



Bernanke says housing slump will be drag on economy, says Wall Street recovery will take time

WASHINGTON — A deepening housing slump probably will be a "significant drag" on economic growth into next year and it will take time for Wall Street

well take time for Wall Street to fully receiver from a painful credit crisis, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke warmed Monday. Bernanke once again pledged to "act as needed to help financial markets—which have suffered through several months of turbulence — function smoothly and to keep the economy and inflation on an even kecl. "Conditions in financial

"Conditions in financial markets have shown some improvement since the worst of the storm in midworst of the storm in mld-August, but a full recovery-of-market-functioning-is-likely to take time, and we may well see some set-backs; Bernanke said in a speech to the New York Economic Club. A copy of his remarks was made avail-able in Washington. It was Bernanke's most extensive assessment of the

country's current economic situation since the August turmoil unhinged Wall Street.

Street.
The ultimate implications of the credit crunch on the broader economy, however, remain "uncertain," the Fed chief said.

remain 'uncertain,' the Fed chief said. Against that backdrop, Bernanke said the central bank will be closely watching the economy's vital signs in determining the specifically commit to cutting rates again, but rather this pulpions open. Economists have mixed opinions on whether the Fed will lower interest rates at their next meeting, Oct. 30-31. Some insist the odds are lessening that the Fed

are lessening that the Fed will need to slice rates; Others, however, think rates

Others, however, think rates will move lower.

The Fed appears to be inwards mode at the present time. said Lynn Reaser, chief economist at Bank of America's investment Strategies Group.

To help cushion the economy from the ill effects of the credit crunch and housing slump, the Fed on

Sept. 18 slashed a key short-term interest rate by one-half percentage point to 4.75 percent. It marked the first rate cut in more than four years. It also reflected the most aggressive action taken by the Fed to curb fallout from the credit crists, which intensified in August. Since that September meeting, the housing slump — the worst in 16 years — has gotten deeper, Bernanke said. "The further contraction in housing is likely to be a significant drag on growth in the current quarter and through early next year." he said. "However, it remains too

said.
"However, it remains too However, it remains too early to assess the extent to which household and business spending will be affected by the weakness in housing and the tightening in-eredit-conditions, headed.

added.
Spending by businesses
and individuals is an
important ingredient to
keeping the economic
expansion — which began
in late 2001 — from fizzling

out.
Developments affecting

the job market and income growth also will be watched closely. "The labor market has shown some signs of cooling, but these are quite tentative so far, and real income is still growing at a solid pace," Bernanke observed.

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The benefits of a mostly sturdy employment climate have helped cushion some of the negative effects that the housing slump, weaker more values and a credit crunch have had on consumers.

Job creation rebounded in September, with employers boosting payrolls by 110,000, he most in four months. Wages grew solidly. The unemployment rate did creep up to 4.7 percent last month but that rate is still considered low by historical standards.

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Given-all-the-problems faced by the economy, the economic performance so far this year "has been rea-sonably good," Bernanke

Associated Press writer Tim Paradis in New York con-tributed to this report.

House approves 4-year extension of moratorium on taxing the Internet

WASHINGTON — The House on Tuesday over-whelmingly approved a four-whelmingly approved a four-year extension of monthly approved and the control of the contr

enactment.
The vote was 405-2.
"This bill is pro consumer, pro innovation and pro technology," said Rep. Mel Watt, D-N.C., one of the bill's sponsors.

sponsors.

The bill to extend the tax break fell short of the permanent exemption that many lawmakers favor. A bill to make the moratorium permanent has 238 House cosponsors, more than a

majority.

Rep. Lamar Smith, RTexas, said a permanent ban
would ensure that business-

es would continue to invest
in the Internet and keep
access affordable for users.
He charged the by limiting
the consideration.
Democratic leaders 'want to
leave the door open to taxing
the internet in the future."
Watt. however, argued that
a temporary ban was the
right way to go both for politleal-find practical reasons.
The Senate, which must
act next on the legislation,
has-'in-many-ways-made-liclear that a permanent
moratorium would be dead
on arrival," Watt said.
Without quick action, the
ban was in danger of expiring before new legislation
could pass, he said.
Watt said the bill also will
allow lawmakers to make
changes as needed, as he
occurred the two times the
moratorium has bee
extended since 1998.
Action is uncertain in the

moratorium has extended since 1998.

extended since 1998.
Action is uncertain in the
Senate, where there is also
considerable support for a
permanent tax ban.
The bill is HR 3678.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Wind interconnection agreements approved

state regulators approved agreements approved agreements between Idaho Power Co. and two wind projects in Elmore County. The agreements are inter-connection agreements divide the costs for transmission upgrades between the project developers and Idaho Power and its customers.

tomers.

The projects, called Bennett Creek and Hot Springs, include 24 wind turbines with a total output of 39.6 megawatts. Construction is expected to be complete by March 15, 2008.

Interested parties may etition the commission for consideration by no later

reconsideration by no later than Nov. 5. Petitions can be delivered to the commission at 472 W. Washington St. in Boise, mailed to P.O. Box 83720, Bolse, ID, 83720-0074, or

faxed to 208-334-3762.

Idaho Women's Financial Conferences to be held in Boise, Coeur d'Alene

BOISE — The Idaho Department of Finance will sponsor the upcoming con-ference entitled "Smart Women, Smart Money — Idaho Women's Financial Conference," which will be Conference," which will be held in both Bolse and Coeur d'Alene.
This year's conferences are

free because of donations from business communities in Boise and Coeur d'Alene. The conference will include—interactive—workshops, free financial education materials as well as resources for continuing education credits for CPAs and teachers.

To register, go to www.smartwomensmart-money.com.
— from staff reports

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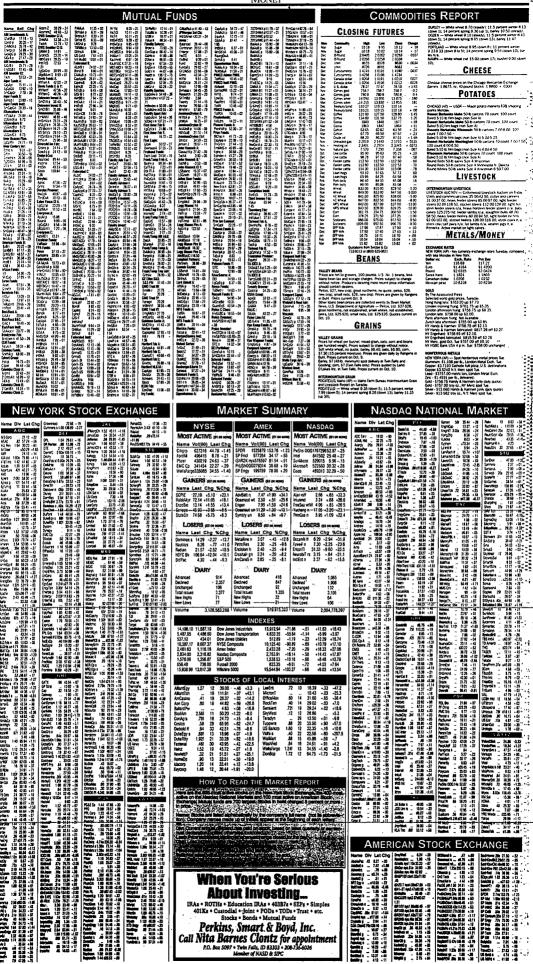
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Tonight: Generally ecocy and passing by Lows upper 30s.
Tomorrow: Cloudy and still cool with a continued chance of a few showers. Highs lower 50s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Scattered showers possible with mostly cloudy skies lower to mid 50s.
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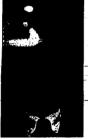
Osborne to returns as Nebraska's interim athletic director

LINCOLN, Neb. — The future of Nebraska football is in the hands of its partiarch. Hall of Fame coach Tom Osborne returned to Nebraska on Tuesday as interim athelic director, a day after the firing of Steve Pederson. The 70-year-old Osborne will determine whether Bill Callabian stays or, goes a Nebraska coach, but he wort make the decision until after the season. "I don't want to be some-

"I don't want to be some-one—who inferrormanages, watches over peoples shoul-ders," Osborne said, "If they want me to come to practice or go to meetings, I'll go, if they want to stay away, I'll stay away,"

It was 10 years ago that Osborne finished a celebrat-ed 25-year coaching career that culminated with three national championships in lis last four seasons. "I don't want to be some-

nal champior st four seasons But the program has fallen on hard times — by Nebraska standards — having lost no standards — having lost not fewer than four games a year in four seasons under in four seasons under Callahan. The Huskers have



Tom Osborne speaks during a news

lost their last two games by a combined score of 86-20, and their_defense_is_one_of_the

worst in the country.
Osborne, who was in the stadium for last week's 45-14

loss to Oklahoma State, didn't seem as panicked as some of the Huskers' fans about the

seem as panicked as some of the Huskers' fans about the team's play.
"It's worth pointing out that were 4-3. We've won more than we've lost," he said.
"There are other programs—
that haven't won more than one game. But we'd like the Intensity level to pick up to what were accustomed to."
Osborne met with university chancellor Harvey Periman on Tuesday morning to discuss' the Job's and 'Osborne' agreed to serve until the chancellor hiers a permanent athletic director.
Osborne said he took the Job because he cares about Nebranska athleties. He'll stay on as long as it takes Perlman ohire a permanent athletic director, and his pay will be based on a \$250,000 annual salary.
"He'll be the lowest paid

based on a \$250,000 annual salary.
"He'll be the lowest paid athletic director in the Big 12." Periman auli poed.
Periman said Osborne would be given "full authority" to make decisions about

football and other athletic

football and other athietic matters.

"I'm counting on him to do what needs to be done to move our program forward and make progress here." Perlman said.

Callahan said earlier Tuesday that he has no plan or resign. If Callahan is fired, the university would be forced to buy out his contract for more than \$3 million.

Callahan was not available after the teams practice to comment on Osborne's hirling.

comment on Osborne's hir-ing.
During his weekly news conference earlier in the day.
Callahan said his confidence in his own abilities hasn't been shaken.
"I know in my heart of hearts i'm doing an excellent job, a good job." Callahan said.

aid. He said his self-evaluation was based on more than the

was based on more than the wins and losses.
"It's everything that has to do with organization, preparation, game-planning, direction of the staff, direction of the whole, entire program. I

have no hesitation about that," he said. "There are so many things we've done in a positive nature. I'm confident we've done some great things

we've done some great things here."

Since leaving coaching, Osborne has served three terms in Congress, made an unsuccessful gubernatorial run, taught in the university's business school and worked as a consultant for local colege athletic departments.

Though his name is on Nebraska's athletic department-headquarters, he hasten mostly dissociated from the Cornhuskers' program since Callahan became coach in January 2004.

The beloved Osborne is seen as someone who can unify a fractured fan and donor base.

Notre Dame to start Sharpley at OB vs. USC

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Evan Sharpley will starr at quarterback for Notre Dame against No. 13 Southern California, making the junior

the third starting signal-caller for the Fighting Irish this sea-

for the Fighting Irish this sea-son.

Coach Charlie Wels said he decided to let Sharpley make his first career start for the Irish (1-6) because the Junior has been steadily improving, Also, freshman Ilmmy Clausen, who has been start-ing, is banged up, He's been sacked 23 times.

ing, is banged up. He's been sacked 23 times.

"I think Evan this week gives us the best chance of winning," Weis said Tuesday, Asked whether the move was permanent, Weis said for the USC game.

Sharpley has been the No. 2 quarterback for all seven games this season. Demetrius Jones started the season opener and transferred to Clincinnati after losing the control of the Clausen, the first Notro Dame quarterback in at least 56 years to start his second 56 years to start his second e as a freshman, started

the next six.

Sharpley has led the
Fighting Irish to four of its
seven offensive touchdowns.

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By Ariel Hansen Times-News writer

If your architect thought like a cat, what would your house look like? It would probably have lots of high perches, places to climb and hide, and nothing that can't be seratched. In every corner and hi front of every window, would be soft, warm spots to sleen.

he soft, warm spots to sleep,
Most homeowners, even the most dedicated of cat lovers, aren't willing to make their living spaces into that feline tideat. But there are plenty of simple things cat owners can only the simple things cat owners and thappy kitry is a happy owner.
They're companions, and it's a relationship, said Dr. Cory Accander, a Twin Falls psychiatrists who has three cats indoors and one that lives outside. It just gives you a warm, fuzzy feeling when they're happy, it doesn't matter how old you are, pets really are good for your mental health."



Think like a cat

The most important thing to do when designing a space for your cat is to consider how cats live in the wild. Their instincts compel them to hunt, flee from predators, protect territory and mate, and those instincts are ally in domestic cats. Undestrable mating behaviors can be suppressed through spaying or neutering, something most veterinarians and shelter operators recommend.

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Though they have common requirements — food, water, litter Lox, play — individual cats are as unique in personality as humans, and what they want in their environments differs.

You really have to get the personality of your cat down before you modify your home. said Trish Howley, operations manager at PetSmart in Twin Falls. The possibilities are endless.

Some cats may fear surangers and need places to hilde and feel safe when visitors come to their homes. Alexander's cats like the security of her cabinets, and she keeps the lowest shelves clear of greenfes for them to cut up in. They love that enclosed-space feel, 'she said. Seeps the lowest shelves clear of greenfes for them to cut up in. They love that enclosed-space feel, 'she said. Seeping from the back of the couch to a bookshelf-with little regard for fingle knickmacks.

They like to be really high, so if you have things that are breakable, it's best to find other places to put those.' Howley said. Some cats may deliberately swait tiems off high shelves to get their owners attention — try setting aside more time to play with your cat if he does this. Consider using closed curio cabinets for finglie terns. You can create high places for your cat, whether that's a tall cat tree or a favorite spot on a shelf. If you are willing to go to an extreme, build long shelves a few feet below the ceiling, with steps to get there. All the perches and the cat trees and the tracks along the walls address the fact they like to be up high, said Tamara Connery, owner of Fer Pals Home Watch, a pet stitulg business in Twin falls. In the wild, high spots give cats a good vantage point to stalk prey, while portecting them from becoming a meal for a larger predator. "In a multiple-cat house, I look for the parches to be close enough to each other for the cats to interact with each other."

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Nap and play

ats love to sleep, especially in a warm place, so homeowners with ear buying eat perches, which attach to the slil and offer a wide, cushloned space. In the fall always make sure the shades are up. "Alexander said. This lets more warm light in to create toasty nap spots. The type of shades makes a difference, too. Horizontal metal blinds are easy to get tangled in, and Connery said she has seen cats blie down on the metal, get their teeth stuck and panie. She advises vertical blinds or wooden slat blinds. Again, cat behavior may dictate decor." If your cat likes to climb the curtains, your best option is not to have curtains, "Connery said." They love to watch what's going on outside."
Because cats aren't concerned about your privacy, they'd probably like curtains for woodrows. It swall to it have not a constitution for which we have the said to the curtains."

Because cats aren't concerned about your privacy, they'd probably like curtain-free windows. It would let them see more, tracking wildlife and the maliman, "One of the main things they do outside is be curious," said veterinary technician Chani Christensen, an instructor

What a cat wants

at the College of Southern Idaho. Because a home environment is not as stimulating as the outdoors, what is important is "just being able to give them new experiences, new things to play with or investigate."

Thy a variety of toys to figure out what your call likes best, and consider rading the less popular toys with friends who have cats. And don't forget that mundane items can make the best toys—a receipt, a paper bag, a plee of string, a ball of foli.

"You can spend so much money on ear toys, and their favorite toys are things that don't cost anything." Connery said with a laugh, just keep an eye on your cat to ensure these items aren't swallowed or otherwise dangerous.

Kit-Cat **Klock** keeps on ticking

Made by the California Clock Co. near Los Angeles, the whim-sical timesteal time-plece, which debuted during the Depression, comes in classic black or red plastic, plus newer shades of orange, turquoise and pink. There is now also a Lady Kit-Cat.

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Fellines "disarming smile.
I've had people say rhey talk to kit-Cat head people say they talk to kit-Cat head early say to kit-Cat head tall moving. It gives the sense of heing alive; you feel Rie I's got a heart heating. This is something you don't get from a regular clock." Standard models, including those heralding the 75th anniversary, are \$49.99.
Blinged-up with Austrian crystals, they cost \$69.99. At www.kit-cat.com, you can check out all the kitry/iterations.

Saturday is sew sweet

Perhaps it's time to take home design into your own

Sewing and crafting enthusiasts may attend Sewing and cratting enthusiasts may attend Sewing Expo 2007 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday in the arrlum of the Evergreen Building at the College of Southern

the College of bosonic lidaho.

The Idaho Small Business Development Center, in conjunction with the seventh anniversary of Twin Falls business Stitchin Time, will sponsor sewing and crafting exhibits, quills, wearable art, home decor and scrapbooking disabase.

decor and scrapbooking dis-plays.

The event features ven-dors and crafters, free work-shops and door prizes.

The grand prize is a Pfaff 300E embroidery machine.

Admission is \$3 per per-son.

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Learn French techniques to elevate your cooking

Paris-educated pastry chef and Utah culinary arts instructor Penny Moline will iteach "Classic French for the American Kitchen" in Twin Falls next week. The cooking class is set for 7109 p.m. Oct. 24 at Rudy's— A Cookk Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. Cost is \$35.

Moline will share simple yet elusive French techniques to bring your dishes to a higher level, Rudy's said, and the techniques can be applied to a myriad of other dishes. The class menu: Salade Verte with Vinalgrette; Coq Au Vin; and Mousseline Au Chocolat. After attending an American Culinary

Federation-accredited program in Sait Lake City, Moline took pastry classes at Le Cordon Bieu in Paris. She worked in Sait Lake City restaurants and was executive pastry chef at the only fine restaurant inside the media center during the 2002 Winter Olympics.

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To sign up 733-5477

From panic to party: Whipping up a gourmet gathering

Be warned: Hosting a din-ner party is loaded with expectations. A Saturday night invitation says: This din-

expectations. A Saturday inght invitation says: This dinner will be gournet, it will not be a box of spaghetti. There will be wit and wine, and everyone will go home happy they spent the high point of heir weckend at your house. But who has time for such the such as a such as

moves, and they're in the oven while your guests tuck into their first glasses of wine. (I've also gone with Plan B and served that spaghetti. But then I silde a desser pastry in the oven when we sit down for the main course, anticlpating a lip-smacking finale that elevates any meal.)
Toss a simple salad, do a side dish and — voilal — you have a riflinger party all set to

have a dinner party all set to go (fust add wit).

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Years ago, my father gave
ne one of the most marvelous
little books out there, great for
any host: a reprinted English
translation of Edouard de
Pomlanes' Ferench Cooking in
Ten Minutes' (Farrar Straus
and Giroux, 511). OK, so it was
published in 1930 and published in 1930 and includes a recipe for deep-fried smelt. But it's got just the right attitude. When enter-taining, for example, de Pomiane calls for a "course that can cook without your being there to watch it." Tart,

being there to waich it. Tarr, anyone?

De Pomlane is also my inspiration for not being a measuring or dmiling fanatic. One recipe instructs the read-or to "stick your finger into (the sauce) now and again. When you feel a burning sensation ... stir quickly for another fifteen seconds or so. Your sauce is ready. Now that's my kind of cooking — and it's the kind best suited for a dinner party.

Recently, I called a few friends to see who was up for a last-milute my wednesday. Channeling de Pomlane, I channeling de Pomlane, I channeling de Pomlane, I

a last-minute meal at my place on a Wednesday. Channeling de Pomlane, I took my time walking home from work, dug some pastry, sheets out of the freeze, opened a bottle of wine and was ready to hang out when the first guest knocked. And hat's what's important to remember. Your intende are there for you, not just for the fabulous food,

inducious food.

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guaranteed to impress your
guests, and you've figured out
the key to hosting the NoStress Dinner Party — one
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Saturday night.

ZUCCHINI, GRUYERE AND SUN-DRIED TOMATO TART

Makes 4 to 6 main-course

Inspired by a recipe belonging to my high school exchange family in Toulouse,

2 tablespoons olive oil 4 to 6 medium zucchini, thinly sliced

thinly sliced

1 teaspoon kosher salt
Two 9- to 10-linch frozen
puff pastry, sheets, (1-pound
package), thawed and opened
flat
6 to 8 ounces (3/4 to 1 cup)
Grupper choses grated

Gruyere cheese, grated

3/4 cup oil-packed sundried tomatoes, drained and cut into very thin strips (ma substitute sun-dried toma





toes that have been reconsti-tuted in hot water for 10 min-utes, then cut into very thin

strips)

2 tablespoons herbes de
Provence (add another tablespoon if using fresh herbs)

Freshly ground black pep

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Lightly grease a large, unrimmed baking sheet or line with parchment paper (spilt the ingredients between two baking sheets if yours isn't large enough). In a large skillet over medium heat, heat the olive oil. Add the slieed zucchini and salt, and stirt to combine. Cook the zucchini for it of B minutes or until it has browned slight. Transfer to a colander to drain, discarding any excess liquid.

drain, discarding any excess liquid.
Place the thawed puff pastry sheets on the baking sheet(s). Sprinkle about half of the Gruyhre over the pastry, and then distribute the the and then distribute the cooked zucchini devently leaving a 1-linch margin on all sides. Sprinkle with herbes de Provence and the remaining cheese, keeping inside the margin. Bake for 15 minutes.

—Distribute the strips of sundied tomatoes on top of the tart, return to the oven and bake for 55 minutes or until the pastry has browned on the cages.

Transfer to a serving platter, season with sait and pepper to taste, and serve immediately.

ONION AND GOAT CHEESE TARTLETS

Makes six 4 1/2-inch tartlets

Based on a recipe from "The WayWe Cook," by Sheryl Julian and Julie Riven (Houghton Mifflin, 2003).

ter

1 tablespoon sugar

1 large white or yellow
onion (about 2 1/2 cups), cut
into thin circles
One 9- to 10-lnch frozen
puff pastry sheet, thawed and
opened flat

opened flat
2 to 3 ounces crumbled
goat cheese (with or without
herbs)

tablespoons herbes de 4 strips cooked and crum-bled bacon (optional)

Freshly ground black pep-

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the sugar, stirring to combine Add the sliced onion, stir t

work surface. Cut along the sheets two seams, then cut each pastry plece in half to create 6 rectangles. Transfer to the basking afheet. Distribute the cooked onlons evenly among the rec-tangles, Leaving, a. 1/4-inch, margin on all sides. Distribute the crumbled goat cheese on top of the onlons, and sprin-tike with herbes de Provence. Bake for 20 minutes or until the pastry has browned on the

Bake for 20 minutes or until the pastry has browned on the edges. (if using bacon, bake for 15 minutes, then sprinkle on the cooked bacon and bake for 5 minutes.) Transfer to a serving platter

APPLE AND CHEDDAR TART

Makes 6 servings

Based on a recipe in the arch 2004 Bon Applitt. Serve with vanilla or coffee ice cream, dusted with cinnamon.

Two 9- to 10-inch i uff pastry sheets (1-p ackage), thawed and o

4 Granny Smith or other baking apples, peeled, cored, quartered and cut into thin slices (may substitute 2 apples

degrees. Lightly grease a large, unrimmed baking sheet, or line with parchment paper. In a small saucepan over medium heat, heat the butter until it is almost melted. Add

Add the sliced onlon, sitr to coat evenly and cook for 15 to 20 minutes, stirring occasion-ally, until golden brown. Transfer to a colander to drain, discarding any excess liquid. Set aslde. Place the thawed pulf pas-ry sheet on a cutting board or work surface. Cut along the sheet's two scurns, then cut

or individual plates and s son with salt and pepper taste. Serve immediately.

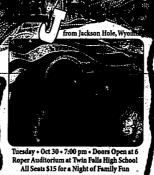
CHOCOLATE WALNUT CINNAMON PUFFS

Makes 4 servings

Based on the Chocolate fundles recipe at www.puff-castry.com.

3 tablesp

3 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons cinnamon
One 9- to 10-inch frozen
puff pastry sheet, thawed and
opened flat
6 ounces (3/4 cup) semisweet chocolate baking



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ade with zucchini, gruyere ch

1/4 cup light brown sugar, his extra for topping 2 tablespoons cinnamon, lus extra for topping 1/4 cup shredded cheddar heese (optional)

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Lightly grease a large, unrimmed baking sheet or line with parchment papier (split the ingredients between two baking sheets if yours lard large enough). Place the pastry sheets on the baking sheets!

large enough. Free with try sheets on the baking sheet(s).

Sprinkle the pastry with 1 tablespoon cinnamon. Place the apples in overlapping layers on the pastry sheets, leaving a 1-inch margin on all sides. Sprinkle with the light brown sugar and bake for 15 rainutes or until the pastry is

puffed.
Sprinkle with the cheddar cheese, if using, and with the remaining clinnamon and brown sugar (try to get some on the puffed pastry), and bake for 5 minutes or until the pastry has browned on the edges.

pastry has browning edges.
Transfer to a platter and immediately.

orsels or chunks 1/3 cup chopped walnuts Water

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Lightly grease a large, unrimmed baking sheet (or ovenproof glass baking dish), or line with parchment paper. Combine the sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl. Set aside.

Cut the thawed pastry sheet into four equal pieces and place on the baking sheet. Divide the chocolate and wal-Divide the chocolate and wan-nuts evenly among the pastry pleces and sprinkle with half of the cinnamon-sugar mix-ture. Use a little water to wet each edge, and fold the 4 cor-ners of each pastry to the cen-

ter to enclose the filling; twist

ter to enclose the mining twosor or squeeze tightly to seal. Bake for 10 minutes, then sprinkle the remaining clima-mon sugar over the puffs, and bake for 5 minutes or until golden brown. Cool slightly golden brown. and serve warm.

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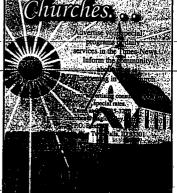
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Hazardous home?

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bleeding heart, rhubath, wisteria, azaleas and Jasmine. Consult your veterinarian about the plants in your home or yard if you have concerns. The general rule is to keep them away from any houseplant, just to be sure. Christensen said.

Connery said she has had problems keeping her cats out of her plants — because they want to dig in them, not eat them. Her best solution? Pine cones. "They don't even know the soil's down

there if you cover it with pine cones,"
Connery said.
If you have a pet door to let your cat in
and out, consider closing it at night or
opting for a version with an infrared or
magnetic collar that allows only your cat
to operate the door.
With an unsecured door, Connery said,
with an unsecured door, Connery said,

melghborhood cats may be coming in to eat your cat's food and check out your cat's digs."

Don't forget the basics

Toys and cat trees are wonderful, but remember cast basic needs. Other than safety, they need food and water that's regular and fresh, and a clean place to eliminate their waste. For multiple cats, use multiple litter boxes. Connery suggested. If you only have one, they might do some thinking outside the box."

This may be for sanitary or territorial reasons, so place the boxes in different parts of the home.

Alexander scoops her cats box twice a day (and vacuums floors and furniture frequently), so her guests often don't know they re in a home with so many cats. "You can really have a house that doesn't smell like cat urine or like cats at all," she said. "I have a lot of friends who are have a lot of friends who are allergic, and I want them to

feel comfortable in my house, too."
For firesh water, consider using a pet fountain, which recirculates water and oxygenates it to replicate a running stream.
Or set out lots of small dishes of water around the home, and refill them every day to keep them appealing to your cat. "They like lots of sources of fresh water."
Connery said.

Connery said.

The last basic? Your love

The last basic? Your love and your care.
"When we started breeding cats and dogs as our companions, we took on responsibility for their physical and mental well-being." Connery said. "We need to pay attention."
In return, your cat will love you back.

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Resist the urge to light up the night at your home

DEAR JIM: There were some break-ins in my neigh-borhood this past year, so I want to install some outdoor urity lighting which can be used when entertainalso be used when entertain-ing. What are my options and which are most effi---- App I.



SENSIBLE Номе lamas Dulley

DEAR ANN: Increasing outdoor lighting is one method to reduce the possi-bility of nighttime break-ins, but it should be used in

billty of nighttime break-ins, but it should be used in moderation.

Outdoor—lighting—consumes huge amounts of electricity, contributes to global warming and creates problems for wildlife. Also, routdoor—lighting—makes it more difficult to see the stars at nicht.

artight. The keys to energy and environmentally efficient outdoor lighting are selecting the proper type of bulb, light fixture design and shortest on-time period. Using just two 150-wat floodlights at night can increase your electric bills by up to \$100 per year. With fixed floodlights, would-be thieves can often figure a way to get around them: In areas where you will not

way to get around them.
In areas where you will not
need the lighting for entertaining, install motion-sensing
ing fixtures or add-on
motion-sensing switches.
This greatly reduces the
amount of on-time and
increases the bulb life. Since
the light is not on when the
intruder arrives, he does not
know to avoid it until it
switches on from his movement. This generally scares



A tail die cast metal landscaping light brightens a large area to doub a security light. The large-diameter top limits light pollution of the al

him away.
For areas where you want
the outdoor lighting for both
security and entertaining,
select fixtures which direct
the lighting downward in the
specific areas needed. The
minimizes light pollution in
the night sky and may allow
you to use lower wattages

bulbs to save electricity.
Add-on shields are available for existing floodlights you already have.
As you would indoors, use fluorescent tubes and CFLs (compact fluorescent lights) outdoors. These are four times more energy efficient than standard incandescent

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milar. Some CFL's may not per-

similar.

Some CFLs may not perform propenly in very cold temperatures. If you find this to be a problem, use halogen bulbs. These are not as efficient as CFLs, but they are still 15 percent better than standard incandescent bulbs. Halogen bulbs produce a very white light which is excellent when entertaining and it may enhance the appearance of your landscaping.

Although they are substantially more expensive to install, LFS (low pressure sodium) outdoor lighting futures are most efficient. They use less than 15 percent as much electricity as incandescent bulbs. The only drawbacks are they take

a short time to heat up and come to full brightness and the light is a monochromatic They will make you look like a corpse.

Some of the newest fix-

Some of the newest fix-tures use clusters of white LED's (light-emitting dlodes). These are actually, solid state devices which are extremely efficient and last almost forever. The light out-put is limited so they are best for lighting a specific small area.

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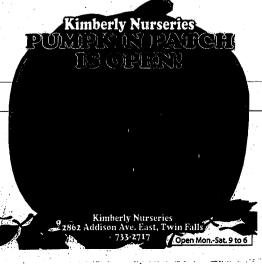
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Blinds: Wood is good, but you can settle for metal

Sometimes curtains just ren't enough.

Sometimes curtains Just aren't enough.

If you need to block light from a window that is talter from the from the

Janeen Braddock, office manager for Shade & Shutter Shack in Washington, said that when people walk into her showroom, the first quesher shownom, the first ques-tion she asks is where the win-dow covering is going. After that, she figures out people's priorities, whether they are aesthetic or a meter of how much light to let in. 'In other cases, price is more impor-tant, like for a rental.' Here's a look at what you can get far your money. All prices are estimated for a win-dow 36 inches wide by 60 inches tall.

The bargain

Aluminum miniblinds are popular with those who are on the tightest budgets. You con pick up Blinds.com's house brand of one-inch blinds for \$33.

blinds for \$33.

Made of six-gauge alu-minum, these blinds are light-weight, sturdy and scratch-resistant. They'll block the light, but don't expect any big



energy savings.

The basics

If you've got a little more to spend, consider bilinds made of flux wood or vinyl. The article little material resists warping, cracking and splitting. That's particularly valuable in humid rooms such as bathrooms. All the major bilind manufacturers offer these bilinds, which provide a bit of insulation and soundproofing. They're also easier to clean than aluminum. Ball's

two-inch faux wood blinds run about \$50. Hunter Douglas' Everwood CountrySide line sells for about \$150.

The upgrade

The next step up includes blinds made of relatively inexpensive woods, usually basswood. For example, Ball's two-inch basswood blinds are available stained or painted for about \$100. Next Day Blinds offers a version for \$122.

The solurge

Prices jump considerably when you go for what many people consider the most attractive option: premium wood. For example, Hunter Douglas' Country Woods blinds are made of ash, oak, cherry of Brazilian cherry, and can be painted or stained. They come with a tailored wood valance to cover the headrail. Options include decorative fabric tapes, a noholes option to block out more light and get tighter clo-



Relatively inexpensive wood bilads, such as these from Next Day Blinds can be made of stain-grade basswood.

ure (and thus better insula-ion) and a cordless system to alse and lower the blinds without a string for safety.

Prices for premium wood blinds range from \$225 to \$400, approaching the cost of shutters.



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The three banks of multi-

The three banks of multipaned windows that sparkle
across the Vicksburg's frontfacade run a lively counterpoint to the stately brick
weneer. Sidelights and a high
arched transom trame the
door and brighten the entry.
This neoclassical home is
an update of a traditional,
ranch-style plan. Living
spaces are all on one level,
with the exception of a long
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spaces are all on one level,
with the exception of a long
space is at the front, a
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large informal gathering
space is at the trant and bedrooms are on the right.
Passing under the arched
brick opening, you step litto
he naturally illuminated,
high-cellinged entry. Wide
openings on the right and
left lead into the living room
and dining room, respectively. A ballt-in hatch/buffor in the dining room cuts
diagonally across one corrand dining and living
rooms also have wide openings that link them to a transecting hallway. One end of
the passing leads to the bedroom section while the opposite
of offers access to the
gange. A computer alcove is
on the left of the short passageway to the kitchen, and

a powder room is to the right.

The long kitchen boasts a generously sized work Island immed-by an eating-bar. This whole space-is wide open to the vaulted and skylit family room, as well as a sunny nook, windowed on three sides. Silding glass doors there open onto a partially covered patio. Flames in the family room's gas fireplace provide warmth and color on dark days and nights.

A skylight brightens the owners' bathroom, which also boasts as pat tub, roomy shower, dual vanity, and private toilet. Natural light washes down into the Vicksburgs third bathroom through yet another large scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artists conception, send \$25 to Associated Designs, 1100 Rycks Please spens, 1100 Ry

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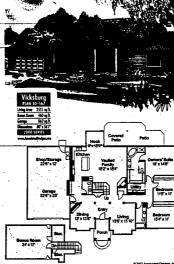
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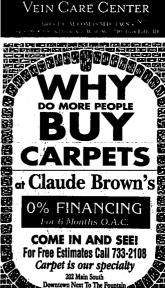
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Backer boards: Don't go green

At a cozy social gathering recently, one of the other guests, a home-improvement contractor, and I were talking a little shop. He's been successful for years at small jobs, remodeling kitchens and bathrooms, mostly, or the occasional transformation from basement into rec room.

In fact, his work is held in high regard in his neck of the woods.

But I found myself strongly

woods.

But I found myself strongly at odds with one of his standard remodeling techniques. When retilling shower and tub walls, this contractor stands by the outdated practice of using moisture-resistant drywall — commonly called greenboard"— as a backer board for tile.

The contractor was adamant: "Greenboard is fine," he told me, "If it's done right." His technique included a skim coat of mastic, or tile adhesive, on the greenboard. This mastic skim coat creates a seal on the surface of the greenboard, he explained. After a 24-hour drying period, the tile can be servith mastic over the skim coat.

coat:
This was an acceptable way of installing tile on water-bearing walls more than two decades ago. But the advancement of cement

the advancement of cement backer boards, such as Durock. WonderBoard and Hardibacker, has made this technique obsolete. Or at least it should have. No way should greenboard ever be used as a backer board on water-bearing walls. I used l'ardibacker in my last two bathroom projects, and it was excellent. In previous tilling jobs, I've used both Durock and WonderBoard, and they also provided excellent results.

But don't just take my word

But don't just take my word for it. Neither the National Tile Contractors Association, a Chicago-based trade group, nor the major manu-facturers of drawes! trade geoup-nor-the-major manur-fectures of dywall recom-mends greenboard for water-bearing walls. In fact, in January the International Residential Cade, which most building departments nationwide follow to set local construction requirements, no longer approved green-board as a tile backer board. Instead, the IRC updated its code; it now approves only cement backer boards as a substrate for tile in water-

cement backer boards as a substrate for tile in waterbearing areas.
So why would any contractor want to violate this code?
First, it's probably a lack of
knowledge. He's likely been
installing shower walls the
same way for 20 years. It's a
snap; he can do it in his
sleep, And, in small bathroom remodels, a local



building permit often is not

building perinit often is not required.
Finally, some will say using cement backer boards is more labor intensive: they are heavier, harder to score and cost a little more, too, but that's a laugh. Cement backer boards are heavier, but, basically, they are installed just like greenboard — anchored to studs with screws — and, like greenboard, their joints need to be taped and sealed with a compound. As for more expeniound. pound. As for more expen-sive, on the average, it proba-bly cost about \$20 more per bathroom to use a cement backer board instead of

backer board Instead of greenboard.
But what rankles me most is that this contractor is using greenboard despite the stand of drywall manufacturers. Two leading manufacturers. Atlanta-based G-P Gypsum Corp. and USG Corp. of Chicago, have been saying for years that their greenboard products should not be used on water-bearing walls.

walls.

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The case of its described walls paper face, when he paper face, will rot. And we all know that water can easily breach any tile installation. No matter how good—the—installation,—the chances are high that water is going to get behind the tile, whether through grout or a small crack on the tile surface. When this happens the literally can be peeled off the wall. That doesn't happen with cement back boards.

Here's the bottom line if you are planning a bathroom

you are planning a bathroom remodeling job, demand that your tile contractor use a cement backer board as a substrate on the water-bear-ing areas (around the tub or

ing areas (around the (ub or shower pan). Greenboard can be used as a backer board on other walls in the room, such as the haliwall that surrounds the toilet. If the contractor wants to use greenboard, tell him to take a hike.

How to preserve nutrients

O: Do you know if there is an appreciable loss of nutri-ents when you salt a veg-etable such as cabbage and drain off the moisture that is released? I sent that ques-tion to the USDA's Ask an Expert" months ago and

tion to the USDAs "Ask and Expert" menths ago and never got a reply.

A: Interesting question. Assuming you're referring to the process some cooks use to prep cabbage for slaw-recipes, we contacted W. Craig Byrdwell, a chemist in the food composition and methods laboratory of the Beltsville (Md.) Human Nutrition Research Center, an Institute of the Agricultural Research Service (the research branch of the USDA)

Service (the essench branch of the USS service (the essench branch of the USS the method you clearly would not result in an appreciable loss of nutri-outs, because you're not subjecting the cabbage to hear. There would be a small loss of vitamin C and minerals, but less than if the cabbage were steamed. Generally, steaming will preserve more nutrients

than boiling, and using less water for boiling will help retain more nutrients and minerals than using a great amount of water. Byrdwell says. Nutrients that suffer the greatest losses from boil-ing or blanching are vitamin C, vitamin A and folic acid.



great and small in homes across the country to show how to achieve order and beauty while creating utilitarian space. And she tells us how American pantries devel-oped from English larders in the Middle Ages. October's **Birthstone**

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Making a quick and carb-alicious dinner

The phrase "no-cook sauce" holds great appeal on a weekinght — even if pasta must boil on the stove. In this recipe using store-bought garlic croutons is a quick way to inject more flavor into the dish, but the croutons are easy to make with day-old bread you have on hand: Cut a large clove of garlic in half and rubit on both sides of 3 larde. crustless silces of large, crustless slices of 3/4-inch-thick bread. Cut into cubes and drizzle all sides with olive oil. Toast in sides with olive oil. Toost in a large, dry nonside skilled over medium-high heat, shaking the skilled lever medium-high heat, shaking the skilled form, for 5 to 7 minutes, until the bread is crisp and golden brown. Then process according to the crouton directions below.

If you're lucky, you'll have enough rigaton left over for a cold pasta breakfast. Serve with a crisp green salad. Adapted from Giada De Laurentils's "Everyday Pasta" (Clarkson Potter, 2007).

RIGATONI WITH RED BELL PEPPER, ALMONDS AND BREAD CRUMBS

4 to 6 servings

I to 2 large red bell pep-pers (may omit steps and use 1 cup store-bought roasted peppers) 1 pound rigatoni or simi-larly shaped tubular pasta 1/4 cup silvered almonds 5 ounces store-bought garlie-flavored croutons 3/4 cup extra-vigin olive oil, warmed, or to taste

"Fish Forever" (Wiley, \$34:95) is an indispensa-ble resource for the home cook who loves seafood but worries about over-fishing and contami-

the pantry

"The Pantry: Its History and Modern Uses," by Catherine Selberling Pond (Gibbs Smith, 112

Pond (Glbbs Smith, 112 pp., \$16.95). Deeply hued, close-up photos and intelligent text fill this small book. Pond examines pantries great and small in homes

Char the bell pepper over the flame of a gas store the flame of a gas store the flame of a gas store the flame of a broker, blistered and charred on one side, then rotate I until most of the skin is charred. Place the charred pepper in a bowl, cover with plastic wrap and let it steam/soft-en for 15 minutes while you prepare the pasta and prepare the pasta bread crumbs.

prepare the pasta and bread crumbs. Meanwhile, bring a large pot of salted water to a boil over high heat. Add the pasta and cook according to package directions (10 to 14 minutes), stifring occasionally, until tender but firm to the bite. Drain and transfer to a large bowl; cover loosely to keep warra. While the pasta is cooking, preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Spread the almonds on a rimmed baking sheet and bake for 8 to 10 minutes, shaking the past cassionally. Transfer to the bowl of a food processor.

io the bowl of a food processor.
Add the croutons and pulse until the mixture is finely chopped to the consistency of bread crumbs (you should have about 2 3/4 cups total). Add the mixture to the warm pasta and toss to combine.

Remove and discard the charred skin, stem and seeds from the bell pepper and cut the pepper lint thin strips. Add to the pasta, then add the old to taste, tossing to cont evenly. Serve warm.

NUTRITION — Per serving (based on 6): 662 colories. 15 g protein, 70 g carbohydrates. 36 g fat. 4, 5 structured fat. 0 mg cholesterol. 276 mg sodium, 3 g dictary fiber.

endangered, least-contaminated, best-tastling fish, from anchovies to weakfish. He discusses fishing practices and fish farming-putting environmental concerns in perspective. Plus tips on buying fish and preparing it, including almost 100 recipes.

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cessful with your career aspirations.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):
Do a good deed: As the wise old owls always say, actions speak louder than words. Feedback from others may any from positive to negative, so be guided by only the highest principles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):
Be a Curious George, You may not be aware of the motivations of others who make inquiries about personal materia. It isn't he answer, but the reason the question is asked that is important. that is important.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Successful persuasion requires adequate knowledge. If you are truly committed to a business project, community event or a friendship, demon-strate your sincerity by learn-

event or a friendship, demonstrate your sincerity by learning more.

LEO (July 23-Aug, 22): Make peaceful overtures. Take the first steps to settle Issues that revolve around joint monites or any other subject that created problems in the past. You may need to Investigate cause and effect.

VIRGO (Aug, 23-Sept. 22): Glory in your strengths. After some deep soul searching, you may realize that you have just as many itelants as faults. Have conflidence in the gifts that allow you to develop further. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 25): Focus on constructive activities. You will fland that you will make the most of the day by building up others rather than tearing them down. Make plans for the future and set wheels in motion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nox 21): Keep the lines of communica-

tions open. Your secretive side hates to make disclosures or admissions, but frankness could open important doors. An invasion of privacy could be good for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make a pledge to keep all your promises without fail in the future. Others will appreciate your sincerity even if they tend to analyze and disperse of the section of the sec

ing.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):
Exercise both mind and body
equally Your favorite someone
may be immersed in intense
mental gymnastics and needra
change of pace. Plan a suitable
break that balances out the







By Mort Wall

Beetle Balley Blondle





(YOU BARELY TOUCHED YOUR)

has trouble finding anglers DEAR ABBY: Call me confident, but I know I am a real catch. But for the life of me, I can't get a date with the right kind of guy.
Abby, I am beautiful inside and out. I was raised in a great family with good morals, I'm kind to everyone, I've got a killer personality.



Woman who's a real catch

DEAR ABBY Jeanne

morals, I'm kind to everyone. I've got a killer personality, great sense of humor, an inspiring attitude, and the glass is always half-full.

This may seem cocky, but my two problems with men are: I seem to attract creeps, and the kind of men I deserve don't think they've got a shot in hell, so they don't ask me out.

out.
Most of the dates and relationships I've had have happened because I asked the other person out. I've been in two major relationships with very attractive, bright men, and I'd like to experience that reads.

and to need to separate again.

I'm so sick of meeting creeps! I really want someone in my league. I've been told a thousand times that I'm gorague stunning, or asked in thy league, to exist was a thousand times that I'm gorgeous, stunning, or asked thousand to the state of t

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selling points, but what about the quality of your character? Are you nice to people who don't want anything from you? Are you giving? Sensitive? Can you compromise? Are you interested in other people?

Perfection does not exist in anyone. And the sooner you become less preoccupied with your won perfection, the more likely it is that you? meet your male 'equivalent.'

DEAR ABBY: I'm 30 years old and an intelligent person, but I'm embarrassed to say I'm stumped when I have to talk to someone who has recently experienced the loss of a loved one. I don't really

of a loved one. I don't really know what to say, especially when the person is older and I have to convey my condonces on the plone. I can't make it a one-liner, and I don't know how to go about conversing about their loss. There have been a couple of stuations recently that I avoided altogether because I didn't know what to say, Whatever I think of saying sounds too hollow and instincere to my ears, because I don't really know the pain of

loss that they are experiencing, Can you help me here?

—TOTALLY CLUELESS—

—TOTALLY CLUELESS—

TOTALLY CLUELESS: This subject has been discussed before in my column, but because your problem its shared by so many readers. I'll do it again.

When someone has experienced a loss, all you need to say is. 'I heard the sad news and want you to know you're in my thoughts. I'm very sorry about your loss.' It is the truth — it's not insincere or hollow. If the person wants to discuss it further, he or she will. Your job at that point is just to listen. There is no way you can make the pain go away. But sometimes talking about it, or even having a shoulder to cry on, can temporarily lighten someone's load.

DEAR ABBY: When I was in high school I didn't bother getting a yearbook until my senior year. Now that I look back, I wish I had the ones from my first three years of high school. Is there any way to obtain old high school yearbooks?

yearbooks? — BELLE K.,
CADILLAC, MICH.
DEAR BELLE: Contact the
high school from which you
graduated and make an
inquiry. Also, if there is an
alumni association, contact it
to see if there are any extra
yearbooks available for purchase.

WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE I THOUGHT WE WERE OUT OF COFFEE ?

















Dennis the Menace

IF I MOVE, I'LL DISTURB MY DOG..BUT IF I DON'T MOVE, I'LL BE LATE FOR SCHOOL...I NEVER KNOW WHAT TO DO...

Sorry, Joey, your arm's gone a lot sigger if you want me BIG Dragon Tattoo on It.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



PARKER

By Bil Keane

"...Every kid I know turnipe his nose at 'em."

Today in history

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 17, the 290th day of 2007. There are 75 days left in the

Today's highlight:

On Oct. 17, 1777, British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered to American-troops in Saratoga, N.Y., in a turning point of the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

In 1807, Britain declared it In 1807, Britain declared it would continue to reclaim British-born sallors from American ships and ports regardless of whether they held U.S. clitzenship. In 1907, Guglielmo Marconi began offering limited commercial wireless telegraph service between Nova Scotla and Irelandt.
In 1919, the Radio Corporation of America was chantered.

in 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion. (Sentenced to 11 years in prison, Capone was

released in 1939.)

released in 1939.)
In 1933, Albert Einstein
arrived in the United States as
a refugee from Nazi Germany.
In 1941, the U.S. destroyer
-Kearny-was-torpedoed-by-aGerman, submarine off the
coast of Iceland; 11 people

1957, the movie jalihouse—Rock,—starring Elvis Presley, had its world premiere in Memphis, Tenn. In 1973, Arab oil-producing nations announced they

nations announced they would begin cutting back oil exports to Western nations and Japan; the result was a total embargo that lasted until March 1974.

in 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale struck northern California, killing 63 people and causing \$6 billion in damage.

and causing so ordered damage.

In 1992, Japanese exchange student Yoshi Hattori was shot and killed by Rodney Peairs in Louisiana affect Hattori and his American host mistakenily knocked on Peairs door while looking for a Halloween party. (Peairs

was acquitted of manslaugh-

was acquitted of manslaughter, but in a civil trial was 5550 to 10 years than 5550 to 10 years than 5550 to 10 years the maintained of the control of the maintained of the control of the

was later sentenced to me without parole.)
One year ago: President Bush signed legislation authorizing tough interrogation of terror suspects and smoothing the way for trials before military commissions. America's official population passed the 300 million mark, fueled by a growing number of immigrants and their children. CBS News correspondent Christopher Glenn died in Norwalk, Conn., at age 68.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actress Marsha Hunt is 90. Actress Beverly Garland is 81. Actress Julie Adams is 81. Daredevil Evel Knievel is 69. Country singer Earl Thomas Conley is 66. Singer Jim Seals (Seals & Crofts) is 65. Singer Gary Purketr

(Seals & Crous) Singer Gary Puckett is 65. Actor Michael McKean Margot Kidder is 60. Actor George Wendt is 15.59. Actor George Wendt is Astronaut Mae Jemison is

51. Country singer Alan Jackson is 49. Movle director Rob Marshall is 47. Animator Mike Judge Is 45. Actor-comedi-an, Norm Macdonald Is 44. Singer Rene Dif is 40. Reggae singer Ziggy Mariey Is 39. Singer Chris Kirknatrick ('N' Sync')

Inger Chris
Kirkpatrick ('N Sync)
is 36. Rapper Eminem is 35.
Singer Wyclef Jean is 35.
Actress Sharon Leal is 35.

THOUGHT

"Those who nobly set out to be their brother's keeper sometimes end up by becoming his jailer. Every emancipation has in it the seeds of a new

slavery, and every truth easily becomes a lie."

— I.F. Stone, American Journalist (1907-1989)

Woman cited for yelling obscenities at toilet

SCRANTON, Pa. (AP) —
Talk about a potty mouth.
A Scranton woman who
allegedly shouted profanties at her overflowing tollet
within earshot of a nelghbor was cited for disorderlyconduct, authorities said.
Dawn Herb could face upto 90 days in jall and a flinodrup to \$300.
It doesn't make any
sense. I was in my house.
It's not like I was outside or

Thursday might.

Her next-door neighbor.

a city police officer who was off-duty at the time, asked her to keep it down, police said. When she con-tinued, the officer called

thrued, the officer called police.
Mary Catherine Roper, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in Philadelphia, took issue with the citation.
"You can't prosecute somebody for swearing at a cop or a tollet," she said.

Fondue matches the grill

It's not as crazy as it sounds, gathering round a small melting por or grilling. The state of th

flame or under the broiler.

Serve with a glass of Chianti, a dry Italian rose or zinfandel.

Adapted from "Fondue," by

zinfandel.
Adapted from "Fondue," by
Lenny Rice and Brigid
Callinan (Ten Speed Press).

MEDITERRANEAN HOLIDAY FONDUE

Makes about 2 1/2 cuns

3 medium cloves garlic,

inced

1 cup pinot grigio

1 pound freshly grated
oung pecorino cheese
6 leaves basil

Combine the garlic and wine in a heavy-bottomed medium succepan and bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce the heat to medium-low and add the cheese a half-cup at a time, stirring, until melted. Either tear the basil leaves into fine shreds or place the leaves in a stack, roll them up into a stack, roll them up into a stack.

slices, or chiffonade, Add 2 tablespoons of the basil strips to the fondue and mix well; transfer to a warmed fondue pot. Serve Immediately, with accompaniments for dipping, NUTRITION — Per 14-cup serving (fondue only): 56 calories, 3 g protein, 1 g carbohydrates, 2 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 7 mg cholesterol, 122 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber



medicy that might come off the grill.



Brain food for the time-deprived

By Bonnie S. Benwick The Washington Post

Are school meetings and sports practice threatening the dinner hour! This recipe won' get in the way — and it earns a top grade for its daily serving of vitamin A, delivered by the carrot juice. If you don't have shrimp on

If you don't have shrimp on hand, you could substitute equickly-sauteed-portobellor mushrooms, oven-roasted tomatoes or leftover roast chicken. Serve with a green

Based on a recipe from Cooking Light magazine.

GINGER SHRIMP WITH CARROT COUSCOUS

Serves 4

tablesnoon canola oil 1 1/4 cups fresh carrot juice, such as Odwalla brand

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1 package (8.8 ounces)
uncooked Israeli couscous,
such as Osem brand

1 teaspoon honey (optional)
Juice of 4 medium limes (at

least 1/4 cup)
1/2 to 1 medium Jalapeno
pepper, stemmed, seeded
and minced (2 to 3 tea-

and inneed (2 to 3 tea-spoons)
2 teaspoons freshly grated ginger root
Salt

Salt
1 1/2 pounds cooked,
peeled and develned shrimp,
patted dry (if using frozen
shrimp, thaw before using)
1 cup sugar snap peas,
trimmed and cut on the diagonal

onal 1 scallion, white and light-green parts, thinly sliced crosswise (about 1/4 cup)

Combine 1 teaspoon of the oil and 1 cup of the carrot juice in a medium saucepan; juice in a medium saucepan; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Slowly add the couscous, stirring to mix well-Reduce-the-heat-to-low; cover and cook for 6 to 8 min-utes, stirring once or twice, until the liquid has been absorbed. Remove from the heat; place a folded cloth napkin over the mouth of the saucepan and place the lid

saucepan and place the lid on top. Meanwhile, bring the remaining 1/4 cup of carrot luce to a boil over mediumhigh heat in a large nonstick stiller; cook for 1 to 2 minutes or until it has reduced by half. Remove from the heat and add the remaining 2 teaspoons of oil, then the honey, if using, the lime juice, jalapeno pepper to taste, ginger, salt to taste, shrimp and sugar stap peas, stirring to combine.



ansfer the couseous to a ing bowl and fluff with a , then add the reduced of juice-shrimp mixture the sliced scallions, toss-to mix well. Divide ong individual plates and e immediately. serve immediately.

NUTRITION — Per serving.

NOTATION — Per serving. 481 calories, 45 g protein, 59 g carbohydrates, 6 g fat, 1 g sat-urated fat, 332 mg cholesterol, 532 mg sodium, 5 g dietary

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 Pneumonia Vaccines (some restrictions apply)

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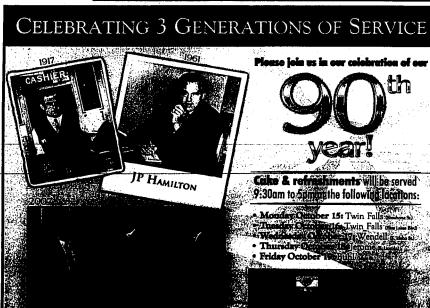
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Please fast for 10 hours before your blood-draw (drinking water is okay). Bring your Medicare or Medicaid cards and your immunization records with you.



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How to sink your

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into AARP

membership

joined the AARP recently.
Had to.
OK, I'm in my extremely
mid-50s and I regularly suck in
my abdomen whenever I waik
past an attractive woman. But
the powerful national seniors'
lobby Brailly wom my dwn

the powerful national seniors. lobby, finally, wore me down. I clon't really need the \$800 per to Asia, but I want it. I don't really need 10 percent discounts on hotel rooms worldwide, but I want them. I don't reall need AARPs dental insurance, but I want It. It's not my fault. AARP appealed to my baser instincts.

They do that, you know. Thirty-eight million Americans have caved, many of them just to get a break on the insurance premiums on their Minnie

But what price? Well, have you ever read Oscar Wilde's novel "The Picture of Dorian

novel "The Picture to a boston." Gray?" It's about a fella who makes a dewl's bargain with an artist: He'll always look great, but his portrait – well, his portrait won't age so well. Same deal with AARP, I think. Someday, I suppose, they'll find a way to get me my Liplior for free. But I'll still have the same—some arteries.

free. But I'll still have the same coronary arter.

Yes, I know It's past time that I swallowed my pride. And I know It's past time that I stopped writing checks that my ego can't cash.

But Jeepers. I was at a carrental counter in the Bolse airport last week, and the young woman behind the counter asked If I was an AAA member. I cheerfully slapped my membership card down on the Formic.

"Wonderful," she said, 'that entitles you to a 5 percent dis-

entitles you to a 5 percent dis-count. If you're a member of AARP you can get an addition

Don'T ASK ME

Steve Crump INSIDE: Dbituaries, D2 | Community, D2 | Idaho, D3-4 | West, D5 | World, D4, D6

Aquifer outlook bleak Officials say Magic Valley is running out of water, fast

By Matt Christensen Times-News writer

JEROME — Magic Valley's water tuation is bleak and will likely get

situation is bleak and will likely get worse before it gets better, a panel that included an engineer, water manager, politician and water users told about 50 people Tuesday night at a meeting in Jerome. The Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer, the underground body of water that is the lifeblood of Magic Valley, is being drained faster than new water is going in, and fisteps arent taken to slow the decline, people will soon

begin to lose access to water.
"We don't have an unlimited fesource," said Chuck Brockway, who 'has studied the aquifer for decades, 'And if we don't do something in the way of management, some of us won't be here in a few

years."

About eight million acre feet —
enough water to cover eight million
acres in water a foot deep — moves
each year through the aquifer, which
stretches underground from Astron
to King Itili. Nearly a quarter of that
is sucked out by groundwater
pumps belonging to cities.

irrigators and Industries.
Since 1950, when Irrigators began tapping the aquifer with wells, levels have dropped by 50 feet, sparking legal battles over a dwindling resource. Storage capacity in the aquifer is falling by about a half-million acre feet cach year. Brockway

said.
That's prompted senior waterrights holders — those who claimed
rights to water before more recent
junior claimers — to call for well closures to affirm their rights and stem
the decline.
Under the law, the state has no

choice but to close wells to honor senior rights. Hundreds of thou-sands of acres could be dried up next spring if groundwater pumpers can't

spring if groundwater pumpers cam' ensure senior users more water, a process called curtailment. "The curtailment forecast is bleak," said Cindy Venter, a watermaster for the state who implements state management plans. "This isn' the best news you've heard today, "If we don't get enough snowpack this year, if's going to affect most of the aquifer," she said.

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Uncertain times



MENI MEMORY.

Jason Knapp, an employee of South Central Community Action, pulls out a Twin Falls resident's old window in order to replace it with a new evergy efficient viryl window Tuesday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Delayed federal funding becomes annual certainty for state and federal agencies

Ilmes-Hows writer

Last year, Ken Robinette was afraid for his Job.
This year, the director of South Central Community Action Partnership said, the odds seem better that Congress and President Bush will Jeave the funding for national community action agencies as it is — once they get around to approving the federal budget in the first place. Most agencies that receive federal funds don't have to deal with quite the level of uncertainty Robinette does. But with budget any delays and fights in Washington. D.C., becoming more and more common, Idaho agencies have learned to live with not knowing quite what their not knowing quite what their budgets will be for the next fiscal

year.
The 2008 fiscal year began
Oct. 1 without any of the major
federal spending bills making it

out of the U.S. Senate, much less to their probable veto dates with President Bush. The situation is just more of the same to some groups, including the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

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"The general consensus is this is no different than any other year," spikesman Jiom. Shanahan. said Monday. "Some election years, it can be worse."

The department, like all others receiving federal funding, is relying on a continuing resolution agreement that preserves most programs at 2007 levels until mid-November. But the agreement makes budget-setting tricky. If a grant — say the Social Services Block Grant, which pays for foster care programs — is slashed in the final budget, the difference can mean sudden and damaging program cuts.

gram cuts.

"We'd have 10, possibly 11 months to make the budget work," Shanahan said.

Some agencies are more secure than others. One-third of federal money for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game comes from a permanent excise tax on sporting equipment, helping balance out the uncertainty, fiscal officer jeff Seward sald.

Seward said.
"I think we've learned to react to
it_and_know_that's_the_way_they.

It and know that's, the way they operate, he said.

Others, such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture's fural Development program, depend much more on the feds. Mike Field, state director for the program's Idaho office, said his agency can still work with clues to approve and fill out the paperwork for loans covering housing and other developments. "(But) we won't be able to close the loans until the money's actually in the pot," he said. For some, the budgets are easy to predict. The Idaho State

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T.F. City Council candidates debate water, transportation

By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News writer

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In their only chance to draw a line in the sand with their opponents, the Twin Falls City Council candidates Tuesday offered their opinions on issues a growing community in Idaho will encounter over the next four years: water, transportation and recreation. Some candidates made it interesting. Will Kezele, a business consultand and chairman of the city pool advisory board, continuously criticized the City Council and his opponent, incumbent Glenda Dwight. On water, he said the city's behind the curve and there could be problems acenty as 2010, when studies have said supply will equal demand.

There are several plans before the There are several plans before the district of the curve will be consulted to the council and time is running short." he said.

Dwobit, who was elected in 1999.

said.
Dwight, who was elected in 1999,
pointed to a citizens committee from.
10 years ago that sufficiently found
solutions — but saw its work become
irrelevant when a drought set in. She
said the city has new sources, surplus
canal shares and is on the way to recovcry with solutions.
"We just need to implement them
and work on more pressurized irrigation systems," she said.
They again sparred when asked
about whether public transportation
stould come to Twin Falls.
Dwight said she was insupport of
the idea, though she was unsure to
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what the company cannot be selfsupporting and the city is too large for
it to have minimal routes.
Kezele, meanwhile, said public
transportation is probably 30 years
away.

Please see DEBATE, Page D3 Dwight, who was elected in 1999,

Please see DEBATE, Page D3



On the Web

Go to Magicvalley.com to watch highlights from the Twin Falls City Council forum Tuesday.

Kimberly voters to decide on \$10.25 million bond issue Thursday

Some teachers in Kimberly push portable carts from room to room, and a cafeteria at the elementary school is serving more students than district Officials say it should. So for the second time in one calendar year, Kimberly school officials are asking voters to expand facilities.

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Kimberly residents will vote
thursday on a proposed school
bond issue of \$10.25 million which
would buy additional classrooms at
all three Kimberly schools. At the
high school, that would mean four
classrooms with additional labs, as
well as equipment space. Other
additions would include an agricultural science building with classrooms, shop, office and relocation
of a greenhouse.

The school bond issue would also
fund ats classrooms at Kimberly
Middle School, a multipurpose
lunchroom or commons area, and

the old high school built in 1914 would be taken down.

Kimberly School District Trustee. Dave Fullmer sald middle school students walk to the elementary school to have lunch in the cafeteria.

which was designed to serve around 350 students — but instead feeds around 950.

— which was designed to serve uroun 350 students — but instead feeds around 900. At the elementary school, the bond election could mean six new classrooms, a special education classroom, a library, support facilities, workrooms and office space. Campus improvements would also kielude an all-weather track, and improvements to access and student safety.

According to district figures, this year's enrollment rose by 74 students compared with last year, and here has been a 10 percent growth, rate in enrollment during the last five years.

With only one day left until the polls open in kimberly, some parents and school officials are adamant about their support for the

proposed school bond.

Mother of two, Debbie Rongen,
who has children in fourth and fifth
grades, said she wants the bonds to
pass Thursday.

grades, said she wants the bonds to pass Thursday. I arm all for it. Everything they are doing, to me, it's over due. Rongen said. Kids are crammed in litere. The district held a school bond election issue for around 56 million in January, but lost by one vote, said Fullmer, who has been a trustee for the school dissisted since 2001. He is more hopeful this time around that the proposed bond issue will get the voters' stamp of approval.

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It think this bond is an excellent opportunity for Kimberly, it builds increased class apace at every school, Rongen said.

Rongen and Fullmer said firmly if the bond passes, tax increases will not result.

not result.

"There won't be an increase,"
Rongen said. "The word increase is
really not appropriate."

The bond levy rate was reduced

from \$3.42 to \$2.89 per \$1,000 of rom \$3.42 to \$2.89 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, because of property value increases in the district. With a home valued at \$150,000, the annual cost to the homeowner is estimated at \$18 per month for the 20-year life of the new bonds.

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This includes a "wrap" in \$4 million remaining from bonds Issued in 1999, when the high school was built. More than 80 percent of voters supported that high school bond. The outcome of this election will not change the \$2.89 levy rate or the \$18 monthly estimate for taxpayers. But the number of years to pay back the bond would be extended. Fullmer salidihe state will fund up to 50 percent of the interest costs to the school district. The election is being held on an unofficial election day, which could affect turnout. A supermajority or 68.6 percent of votes is required for the school bond to pass. Voting is from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Kimberty High School.

roof, where it touges and rain spout.

I looked at the football player, the football player looked at me, and I walked toward the back door.

"No." I told him, looking back over my shoulder.

God bless AARP. Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@magicvalley.com.

— sideways — up onto our roof, where it lodged next to a

James 'Jim' Lerov Marsing Jr.

James "Jim" Leroy Marsing
Jr., 34, of Glenns Ferry, left
this world to Join his dad in
paradise on Oct. 12, 2007,
with his family at his side.

Jim was a wonderful husband, father, son and brother and will be greatly missed by all

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of the people that knew him and loved him. Jim was born in Mountain Home on Feb

and loved him. Jim was born in Mountain Home on Feb. 24, 1973, to Jim and Julie Marsing, He was raised and schooled in Glenns Ferry, He was the youngest of two children. He and his sister. Tina, shared a very special bond all through life. Jim's first son. Levi Allan Jones, was born in 1990 and las resided with his mother April in Nevada. Jim then met April in Nevada. Jim then met Shawna Arrington of Glenns Ferry and was blessed with his sons. Destry Michael Marsing and James Leroy Marsing III. Jim moved to Burley in 1993 and went to Burley in 1993 and went to work for Christ and Sons until his health would no longer allow lim to do so. The people that worked with Jim have sald that it was like watching an ardist public carries. He took and it showed.

In May of 1998, Jim met the low of 15 like by is suil mate.

showed. In May of 1998, Jim met the love of his life, his soul mate, Descray Rasband. Jim loved his wife with all of his heart. Descray Rasband, Jim loved his wife with all of his heart. Descray brought peace and order to a house filled with boys. She jumped right in and became a great mom for Jim's boys, Destry and James. On Aug. 30, 2000, Descray and Jim made their family complete when they had a beautiful baby girl, Michelle Kay Marsing, Jim's greatest accomplishments were his family, He loved every second that he got to spend with them. In 2003, Jim lost his best friend, his dad, He then moved his family back to Glenns Ferry to live in the family home where he lived when he passed. We will all miss him.

A tribute to Jim, written by his sister:

"I'm you are in all of our thoughts and all of our

dreams. We told your little girl that you were on her shoulder, and she just beams. She grabs at her shoulder and tries to hold you tight. Her Daddy is here day and night. We told your sons that you will be with them to help guide them through life. To help them through you are not with us, not in the flesh, we have you right here with us with our every breath. This has been a long, hoard flight for your and and hur no more. From everybady that knew you, they all want you to know we'll meet you in heaven, and we love you. Bro:

Jim is survived by his wife. Deseray Marsing of Glenns Ferry: his sons, Levi Allan lones of Nevada, Destry M. Marsing and james L. Marsing and james L. Marsing life, his daughter.

Pessay waising of Central Perry; his sons, Levi Allan Jones of Nevada, Destry M. Jones of Nevada, Destry M. Lawring, all of Clenns Ferry; his mother, Julie Marsing of Rupert; one sister, Tina and her husband, Russell Thompson of Buhi; his nieces, Julie and her husband, Matt Straubhaar, Ashley Fritz Julia Welssmuller and Lacy Hall; one grandmother, Josephine and her husband, Hormer Mest; a mother-in-law, Tarnara Rasband; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, James Marsing St.; he grandmoth segment of the second of the second

Cleveland. Glenns Ferry. ID 83623. The family would also like to thank the wonderful staff in the Critical Care Unit at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Bolse. Cremation was under the direction of Rost Funeral Home. McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

Aaron Tyler Tadlock

Aaron Tyler Tadlock, Is, went home to his Lord and Savior on Sunday, Oct. 14, 2017. Was born March 18, 1989, the son of Brian and Dina Thuler brider to Braden Tadlock and sister. Savan nad. Sandoval. He

Sandoval. He was a very glited child always filled with Joy and laughter. He started attending school in 1992 at the lidaho School for the Death and Blind. He truly enjoyed his time spent at school. He loved all his supervised special activities, which included skiling, racing and flying in airplanes. Ite 'loved going fast.' Though in some ways challenged, Aaron managed

to master producing joy and laughter in others and himself.

self.

Aaron is survived by his parents, Brian and Dina Tadlock; brother, Braden Tadlock; sister, Savannah Sandoval; nephew, Anthony Sandoval; niece, Audrey santovai; nepnew, Anthony Sandovai; niece, Audrey Sandovai; neternal grand-parents, Daryl (Butch) and Julie Tadlock; maternal grandparents, Vernon and Beverly Rodig; uncles, Kim (Linda) Rodig, Brian (Mylyn) Rodig; aunts, Pam (Randy) Clark, Lori Collins, Tiffanie Tadlock; cousins, Brandon Clark. Brandy Rodig, Christopher Siagel, Amanda Siagel, Kendell Collins, Leaf Nelson, Colby Rodig and Payton Rodig.

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SERVICES

Iris Adell Dennis of Twin Iris Adell Dennis of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; visitation one hour before the funeral today at the mortuary.

James W. Miller of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. In Twin

Cade William Hunt of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

Robert John (Bob) Harpster of Twin Falls and formerly of Billings, Mont, celebration of life at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2455 Addison Ave. E. In Twin Falls

George L. Anchustegul of

Ontario, Ore., funeral at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Cloverdale Funeral Home in Bolse; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Lex Ray Kirkland of Twin Lex Ray Kirkland of Iwin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Frilday at the Carey LDS Church:-visitation-from 1-to-8 p.m. Thursday at the Wood River Chapel in Halley and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.

Vickie Lynn Johnson of Rupert, funeral at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; visitation one hour before the funeral at the mortuary.

Faith Lucille Magoffin Mull of Hoquiam. Wash., and formerly of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

John E. Hisel Sr.

John E. "Johnny" Hisel Sr., 72, of Nampa and formerly of Shoshone, died Monday, Oct. 15, 2007, at home of natural

15, 2007, at notice of natural causes.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at Central Assembly Christian Life Center, 12000 Fairview Ave. In Bolse.
Burial will follow at the

Ave. in Bolse.
Burial will
follow at the
Meridian
Cemetery
with a service under the
direction of
the Alden-



direction of the Aldem-Waggoner to 1 chapter a land high school, he joined the United States Navy, serving honorably during the Korean Conflict. While in the military, he married Juanita Templeton on Nov. 13, 1954, in Lynnwood, Calif. Johnny's career was spent as a general contractor in Idaho, where he was Involved in many projects, including the building of Central Assembly Christian Life Center and Falth Tabernacle in Lewiston. His life centered around

His life centered around his faith in God and his famihis faith in God and his family. For many years, he was a senior board member at Central Assembly, and he had a very special relationship with Pastor Roland Buck. Johnny was instrumental in organizing many wild game feeds at Central Assembly, and he also taught

an adult Sunday school class for many years. He made himself available to minister in various areas including youth (Christ's Ambassadors), ushering and driving bus. Johnny was always willing to help wherever he was needed.

He was a member of Central Assembly Christian Life Center in Bolse, Twin Halls Assembly of God, Building Contractors Association of Southern Idaho. and the Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include his wife. John Chand the Rev. Dona Johnson of Charlotte, N.C., Cyndi Kelly of Adlanta, Ga., and Dr. John Jr. and Terri Hisel of Kuna: seven grandchildren, Jenni and Matt Drennen of Huntersville, N.C., Tyler and Erlin Johnson of Charlotte, N.C., the Rev. John E. Ill and Chandra Hisel of Kuna: Seven grandchildren, Jenni and Kuna Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Kuna. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Kuna. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Kuna. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Runa. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Runa. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Runa. Adam Kendal of Adlanta, Ga., Melissa Hisel of Topeka. Kan. Farmer Gene Johnson and Mauthew Rihett' Dreunera a sister, Joy Upane and Stephany Hisel of Caldwell; and numerous liceses, nephews and cousins. ousins. Memorials are suggested o Dana Johnson Ministries,

to Dana Johnson Ministries, 10028 Legolas Lane, Charlotte, NC 28269, or to Faith Ministries, in care of the Faith Tabernacle, 2502 16th Ave., Lewiston, ID 83501.

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It's a face

Ted Hafer parents: one brother. Bud Hafer, and three sisters. Betty Reinke, Virginia Thaemert and Jane Canfield Berdine, preceded him in death. A celebration of Ted's life will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 22, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. 2466 Addison Awe. E. in Twin Falls, with Paster Jim Tubbs of the First Christian Church officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends and family may call rom 6 until 8 p.m. Sundayar Reynolds Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given in Ted's name to the First Christian Church or to. Contible of the Contib

Clell Scott (Ted) Hafer, 82, of Twin Falls, passed away, Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, with his family by his side at his home after a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

rankinson's disease.

He was born Dec. 1, 1924, in Wichita, Kan., to Marion Scott and Irone Iverson Hafer.

The family moved to Wendell in 1930. Ted

attendo West School School in Wendell



Hafer married Patricia Morrison in 1958 at the First Christian Church, where both Christian Church, where both were meirhögis; He'served as a deacon and assisted with building Improvements of the church. He also was active with Boy Scout Troop 55. Ted was a devoted husband and father. He built their cabin on Smiley Creek, where the family enjoyed fishing, hiking and snowmobile and horseback riding, He worked as a builder and was best known for his ability as a finish carpenter. He built the best known for his ability as a finish carpenter. He built the judge's bench for the Twin Ralls Magistrate and District Court in the new judicial building and also helped with the construction of this building while working for this brother, Bud. Ted also worked for Wills Inc. and Arrington Brothers.

He is survived by his wife,
their two children. Jeff Pat; their two children, Jef (Lavna) Hafer of Weiser (Layna) Hater of Weiser, Idaho, and Doug (Kammie) Hafer of Twin Falls. Also sur-viving are a brother, Jorry (Lem) Hafer of Twin Falls; sis-LUCIU HAIGT OF IWIN FAILS; SIS-ters, Mary Russell Cooper of Salt Lake City, Utah, and-Marjorie-Jenson of Buhl; and-four grandchildren, Katle Hafer, Cody Hafer, Anne Hafer and Austin Hafer. His

DEATH NOTICE

Merl R. Walden

Meri R. Walden, 91, of Filer, died Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2007, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapet in Twin Falls.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Nutsch to celebrate 80th on Thursday

JEROME — Don Nutsch vill celebrate his 80th irthday Thursday. Cards and well-wishes may be ent to him at 304 S. 100 E., Jerome ID 83338

Jerome, ID 83338.
Nutsch was born Oct.
18. 1927, in Morrowville,
Kan. He
married
Margaret
Nehl of

Margaret Nehl of Oregon City, Ore, in 1961 In Jerome. He has lived in the Magic Valley for 70 years.

Valley for 70 years. Notich Children Include Bob Nutsch of Mandan, N.D., Dan Nutsch of Yankee Fork, and Christina Alexander of Kimberly. He has four grandchildren.

Gentry to speak at Jerome Library

JEROME — Friends of the Library announced that Jim Gentry, author and Professor of History at the College of Southern Idaho will speak at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E. His talk is titled, "What the Middle East Gave to the

Public Library, 100 First Ave. E. His talk is titled, "What the Middle East Gave to the West. Culturally and Historically." The public is invited and refreshments will be served. Friends of the Library will also be holding a Book and Bake sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 2 and 3. They are looking for

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Democrats to meet Thursday

BURLEY — The Mini-Cassia Democrats will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Paul Fire Hall. The agenda Includes discussion about fundrals-ing and recapping the water forum. Information: Damian Rodriquez at 679-2002.

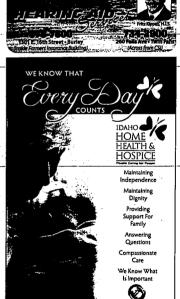
Wheat commission sponsors essay contest

BOISE — The Idaho Wheat Commission, in conjunction with the conjunction with the Idaho Grain Producers Association, is sponsoring an essay contest for young

an essay contest winners will be chosen to receive an all-expense paid trip to Spokane, Wash., to attend the Idaho, Washington and Oregon Grain Convention, Nov. 28-30.

Oregon Grain Convention, Nov. 28-30.
Qualified contestants must be under 40 years old, an Idaho farmer, and must raise either wheat or barley.
The essay subject is, What brought me back to the farm and what's the biggest issue I face to stay there. The essay should be about 350 words. Essays should be sent to the Idaho Wheat Commission, 821 W. State St., Bolse, ID 83702. Deadline is Nov. 9.
For more information more information

about the contest: Terease Waterman, 334-2353.





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Bedke issue becomes a federal case

A lawsuit filed by Oakley ranchers Bruce and Jared Bedke against Bureau of Land Management officials has been removed from Idaho's Fifth District Court and will be heard in federal

and will be heard in federal court by U.S. MagIstrate ludge Mikel H. Williams. The Bedkes filed the law-suit in July after receiving a BLM notice of limpoundment for grazing their livestock on BLM-managed rangeland south of Oakley. Since then, 31 head of their cattle have been impounded and sold in a private auction.

The suit listed as defendants BLM officials Bill Baker, Ken Miller and Mike Courtney in their individual capacities. At the time, Jared Bedke said he and his father Bruce Bedke listed Baker, Miller and Courtney as individual defendants because district courts cannot hear cases involving federal entities.

ties.
Notice for removal to federal court, filed Oct. 4 by the office of Assistant U.S. Attorney Warren Derbidge, states removal is appropriate because the defendants "are persons sued individually for actions taken under color of because the defendants "are persons sued individually for actions taken under color of their office as employees of he Bureau of Land Management, Department of

Management, Department of Interior."

The suit filed by the Bedkes claims BLM has unfairly managed the Goose Creek Group Allotment, a range where the Bedkes and several hers grazed live-

other ranchers grazeu arcstock.

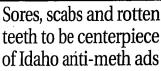
The Bedkes claim Bi.M acted outside its authority when it divided the range into private allotments in 2004. They say that division put their operation at a disadvantage because their private allotment is located at the range's southern extreme, creating hardship in the spring when they move their

cattle to it from Oakley.

But BLM claims the traffic of livestock on the range was damaging its overall health and may have led to the loss of some endangered species had it not been divided.

The Bedkes' suit also claims BLM usurped authority in claiming the range for the Department of Interior. They say a group of private ranchers enlisted BLM in 1963 to mediate the division of rangeland into private and group allotments, but at no point surrendered control of the land to the agency.

Neither the Bedkes nor Derbidge could be reached for comment.



HOISE (AD) - The Idaho Meth Project hopes to begin airing in January a series of ads filled with blood, ads lilled with blood, images of pale young faces riddled with sores, and graphic scenes of violence, car collisions and desperate

čar collisions and desperate teenage triminals. The campaign's message to Idaho youth is simple: Don't use methampheta-nine, not even once. "It'll saturate every media channel in this state," said Megan Ronk, executive director of the Idaho Meth Project.

Megan Ronk, executive director of the Idaho Meth Herica of the Idaho Methoda of the Idaho Meth

pers, radio and billibrairs. It's modeled after the Montana Meth Project, an effort in that state spurred by a private, nonprofit group. Launched in Montana in 2005, the pro-

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Jected is credited by officials with dramatically reducing meth consumption.

Montana project founder and businessman Tom Siebel says on his Web site that the campaign uses "research-validated, high-impact advertising that graphically communicates the risks of meth use."

Other states have adoptical similar campatigns, including illinois and Arizona. Hawaii and Idaho are next. Gov. C.L. "Buch". Otter and his wile, Lori, have been some of the biggest advocates of bringing the campaign to the Gern State.

The project has also won.

Ing the campaign to the Gem State.

The project has also won kudo's from the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. The department picked two television and and two print ads to run in Washington and seven other states with high levels of meth abuse. The ads are running in transcens with two other ads focused on treatment and are produced by Drug-Free America and the Tennessee attorney general's office. "There's somewhat of a myth out there that meth addiction is untreatable." said Stephen Schatz, deputy press secretary for the federal drug control office. "One ofour aims is to show that there is hope for those that are addicted oneth."

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meth."

By contrast, The Meth Project campaign focuses solely on prevention and targets young people.



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Department of Education keeps in close communication with school districts and idaho's congressional delegation about potential cuts, warning them of any problems, spokeswoman Melissa McGrath sald. And most of the money that goes to the College of Southern Idaho is for programs that run on a different fiscal schedule—Head Start, for example, budgets through Dec. 31, sald Mike Mason, vice presi-

Aquifer

The state studied the

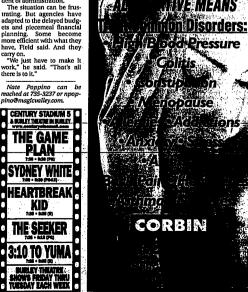
adulter through the Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan and a taskforce will suggest solutions to this year's Legislature. But Brockway said many of those solutions, which could put 100,000 acre feet of water back into the aquifer each year, will amount to only a drop in the bucket in an ocean-sized problem.

problem.
"What kind of dent can we make? Not much when you compare that with eight multion acro feet going through the aquifer. But we have to do something. This isn't going to be solved next year," he saw the way we have to start now."

dent of administration.

The situation can be frustrating. But agencies have adapted to the delayed budgets and piecemeal financial planning. Some become more efficient with what they have, Field said. And they-carry on

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Twin Falls City Council candidates introduce themselves Tuesday evening during a debate held by the Chamber of Com

Debate

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"It'd be a huge burden on a
community that's just not
ready for it yet," he said.
Dwight pointed to the economic success since she was
elected in 1999: Seastrom,
Dell and Jayco, and suppliers
to the RV maker.

to the RV maker.

But Kezele again "ques-tioned" Dwight and won-dered why the city has just one economic development

one economic development employee.
Councilman Shawn Barigar, who was elected in 2003, also disagreed with his opponent Lee Helder, owner of Helder's Floor Service, on some things.
While Barigar said that impact fees — costs assessed to developers for growth — might be appropriate, he wants to walt for a study to be finished. Helder said that they are appropriate to pay

be finished. Heider said that they are appropriate to pay for development. When asked whether the city is doing enough to make sure the city pool, which is managed by the YMCA. and the golf course, which is managed by a golf profes-sional, are adequately man-aged, Heider said the city

"I'm really against taxes, but let me tell you something - any city that goes through changes has to introduce additional taxes to pay for those facilities."

Orlando Garzon-Mejla, who is challenging Councilman David E. Johnson

increase might work.
"I'm really against taxes, but let me tell you something — any city that goes

thing — any city that goes through changes has to introduce additional taxes to pay for those facilities," he said.

said.
Johnson, who was appointed to the council in 2006 and sits on the city parks and recreation commission, said that he would

should be more proactive when dealing with the when dealing with the YMCA. But Barigar sald that while

But Barigar said that while there have been some problems, the city must continue to work with community organizations.

"We have challenges with both those operations, but the city needs to continue to try to find ways to work with other organizations rather than absorb all that function itself on the taxpayers."

Orlando Garzon-Mejia, who is challenging Councilman David E. Johnson, has said that he wants to promote senior and wants to promote senior and Hispanic communities. When asked about adding and improving city parks, Garzon-Mejia said that a tax

"The real answer for parks and recreation needs to come from the citizens of

Twin Falls," he said.
Garzon-Mejla, who before the debate did not criticize the council, said that the city is too conservative in spending money on tourism and in its building permit process. But Johnson said that the permit process has already been worked on by the city and said the city's tourism presented itself well with a recent base jumping festival and the efforts on equire the Beel Knievel jump.
The 90-minute form was hossed by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

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HVE MEANS

Idaho, Coeur d'Alene tribes sign fuel tax agreement

By John Miller Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho and Coeur d'Alene tribal officials Tuesday signed a pact requiring that gasoline sold on reservations be taxed at the same rate as elsewhere in the state and limiting use of the money to transportation related needs.

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ne agreement, signed by C.L. "Butch" Otter and tribal Chalrman Chief Allen resolves a long dispute over who should get tax money from gasoline sold at reserva-

tion stores.

The Nez Perce tribe in north-central Idaho and the The Nez rerce true in orth-central Idaho and the Shoshone-Bannock tribes near Pocatello are still negotiating with the state over separate but similar agreements. Lawyers for the Shoshone-Bannock tribes said an agreement was imminent. Since 2001, Idaho has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal costs in its bid to collect the tax, including a previous law that was overturned by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in August 2004, saying it violations.

ed tribal sovereignty.
Earlier this year, the Legislature passed a law based on a U.S. Supreme Court precedent in 2005, but delayed its effective date until Dec. 1 to give Otter and tribal lawyers time to reach a suthernet.

thus towers the tower.

"We did it ourselves, cooperatively, civiliy and without getting the courts involved."

Otter said at a Boise ceremony to sign the pact. It's a test, tament to the quality of our relationship with the Coeur d'Alene tribe and to our shared willingness to work

together, as sovereign gov-ernments, in the common interest of our people." Lawmakers who supported this year's legislation believe the December deadline Lawmakers who supported this year's legislation believe the December deadline helped move negotiations

along.
"Without a hard deadline,

"Without a hard deadline, it would have been more difficult." said House Speaker Lawerence Denney, R-Midvale.
Gas sold at Coeur d'Alene tribal-run stations generates about \$800,000 annually in taxes. That's less than a half percent of the \$212 million

Idaho generated from its 25-cents-per-gallon fuel tax in 2006.

According to the agree-ment, the tribe can use its revenue to build and maintain roads, build parking lots along waterways, fund along waterways, fund search-and-rescue, buy road-side land for preservation or enhancing scenic beauty, and pay for law enforcement as well as trusts meant to remediate gas-related water pollution, among other

pollution, things.
"We followed the state's own guidelines," Allen told

The Associated Press, on why his tribe was amenable to initing uses for the tax revenue. The money can be spent on infrastructure and additional to the spent of the spent of

Scientists exploring deep sea basin off the Philippines discover rare marine species

MANILA. Philippines — Scientists exploring a deep ocean basin in search of species Isolated for millions of 'years found marine life believed to be previously undiscovered, including a teritacled orange worm and anyunusual black jellyfish. Project leader Dr. Larry Madin sald 'Ruesday that U.S. and Philippine scientists collected about 100 different specimens in a search in the Celebes Sea south of the Philippines. Madin, of the MANILA, Philippines

Madin, of th lassachusetts-based Wood Massachusetts-based woods
Hele Oceanographic
Institution, said the sea is at
the heart of the "coral trianglo" bordered by, the
Philippines, Malaysia and
indonesia — a region recognized by scientists as having a
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nized by scientists as having a high degree of biological diversity. The deepest part of the Celebes Seal's 16,500 feet. The team was able to explore to a depth of about 9,100 feet using a remotely operated

aminen.

"This is probably the center where many of the species evolved and spread to other parts of the ocean, so its going back to the source in many ways." Madla told a grdup of journalists, government officials; students and U.S. Ambassador Kristle Kenney and her staff.

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U.S. Antibussator Ansue Kenney and her staff. The project involved the Institute Insti

Into wreckings of the Hanne in 1985.

The group returned to Manila on Tuesday after spending about two weeks in the Celebes Sea off Tawi-Tawi, the Phillippines southernmost provincial archipelago nearly 700 miles south of Manila. Madin said the specimens they collected included several possibly newly discovered species. One was a sea cudumber that is nearly trapsparent which could swim by bending its clongated body. Another was a black jellyfish found near the sea flot.

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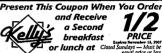
meters is shown at a briefing Tuesday aboard

colored worm that had 10 tentacles like a squid, Madin said. "We don't know what it is ... it might be something new," he said.

new," he said.

He said it would take "a few
more weeks" of research to
determine whether the
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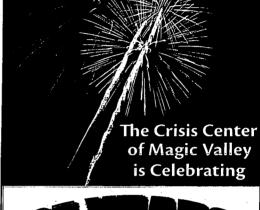
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LAS VEGAS — A fugitive accused in the videotaped molestation of a 3-year-old girl was arrested quietly during a traffic stop, telling the officer, "I'm tired of running" police said.

Chester, "Chest", Arthur

"Chet" Arthur Chester "Chet" Arthur Silles, 37, was scheduled for a hearing Wednesday. He was pulled over late Monday in Henderson for not having a license plate and admitted his dentity after police sald his icense looked suspicious, authorities said.

authorities said.

'This is an answer to our prayers, actually,' Nye County-Sheriff Tony DeMeo said. 'He should be off the street. In our opinion, he is a predator.'

Stiles had been wanted since Oct. 5 on warrants issued for 21 felony charges in connection with the acts seen



A booking photo, provided Menday by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, shows Chester Arthur Stiles.

on the videotape. The charges on the videotape. The charges include lewdness with a minor, sexual assault and attempted sexual assault, Las Vegas police Capt. Vincent Cannito said. The videotape, found in the rural Nevada town of

prompted an equally intense search for the young girl who appeared in it. Police with lit-tle to go on had encouraged organizations to prom-her haunting image

shifted uner resource.

Ing Sules.

Henderson police Officer
Mike Dye said he stopped
Sules at about 7 p.m. on a
busy thoroughfare just outside Las Vegas driving a white
sedan with no license plates.

"He said, I'm Chester Sules,
the gave wur're looking, for,"

the guy you're looking for,"
Dye said. "He said, I'm tired of

Dye said. "He said, I'm tired of running."

Stiles, who had been portrayed by authorities as a dangerous, knife-wielding survivalist, provided an expired California drivers license with a photo that Dye said looked "suspicious."

The picture on the license didn't quite match the gentle-man in the vehicle." Dye said. After further questioning, the officer said Stiles revealed his true name. Dye said Stiles cooperated and didn't resist. Dye called for backup and another officer arrived to handcuff Stiles. Stiles was booked at the Clark County jail. He had not yet hired a lawyer, police said. Stiles was already wanted on state and federal warrants in a case alleging he groped a

in a case alleging he groped a 6-year-old girl in 2003. Police had received hundreds of tips on Stiles, who they believed might be dangerous and pos-sibly armed based on earlier

sibly armed based on earlier arrests.
Elaine Thomas, who said she was an ex-girlfriend of Silles, called authorities when his picture appeared on the news, she told ABCs "Good Morning America" on

Tuesday. His truck had been in her driveway until this past weekend, when authorities picked it up, she said.

She said she never imagined he was capable of the acts on the tape.

'As far as I knew, he was interested in older, heavyset women because that was helien of women he dated, up to and including myself," she

said. You don't imagine someone going from dating older, heavyset women to doing something that horrid to a child.

Silles' previous arrests included charges of assault, battery, resisting a police officer, auto theft, leaving the scene of an accident and contempt of court, authorities said.

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Nevada high court blocks execution 90 minutes before man was set to die by lethal injection

CARSON CITY, Nev. — A killer's execution was halted 90 minutes before he was set to die amid arguments from death penalty opponents that the state should wait until the U.S. Supreme Court reviews the constitutionality of lethal injections.

injections.

The Nevada Supreme Court issued the last-minute stay Monday for William Castillo, who beat an elderly woman to death with a tire

le appeals of his own andrison officials have said he
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Out, nave come uncer attack
to the recent and recent that the three-drug cocktail
doesn't always work as quickby a sintended and thatinmates are subjected to excruciating pain.
Nevada prison officials
planned to execute Castillo

agreed Sept. 25 to review the method of lethal injection used by most states. The high court will hear a challenge early next year from two immates in Kentucky who claim that lethal injection as practiced by that state amounts to cruel and unusui-al punishment, in violation of the Eighth Amendment. Executions in at least 10 states have been halted as a result of the Ilidgation over

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thai injections. The injections, devised as a humane alternative to elec-trocution and the gas cham-ber, have come under attack

with double doses of three drugs — amounts so strong that the first injection likely would have caused him to immediately become uncon-

immediately become unconscious.

The Nevada high court's ruling came more than two hours after Castillo was served his final meal. The immate had been slightly sedated as prison staffers prepared to take him to the death chamber.

Nevada Corrections

Director Howard Skolnik sald

Nevada Corrections Director Howard Skolnik said Castillo was disappointed when he told him about the

when he told him about une stay.

"He asked if it would be possible to get a little more medication to calm him down and take the edge off." the director said.

Two of Berndt's family members had planned to witness the execution, and

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Skolnik said, "They were hoping for some kind of closure today which they did not get." Lee Rowland, one of the ACLU lawyers who argued the case Monday before the Supreme Court, welcomed the decision, which was signed by all seven justices. "Clearly, this was the right thing to do, legally and morally," she said. "We are heartened that this decision will bring Nevada in line with the

rest of the country, which has decided to await guidance from the U.S. Supreme Court." bring Nevada in line with the

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Two dead, 16 hurt in LA pileup caused by blinding sandstorm

ALANCASTER, Callif. (AP) —
A blinding sandstorm caught dozens of vehicles in a high-way pileup. Thesday in the high desert north of Los Angeles, killing at least two people and injuring 16, authorities said.

Two victims were in critical condition after the crash that left vehicles scattered across the highway, Los Angeles County Fire Inspector Ron Haralson said.

County Fire Inspector Ron Haralson said.

The crash was reported around 1:40 p.m. during a sandstorm whipped by winds gusting up to 55 mph, the National Weather Service

said.
"Everybody just came to an abrupt stop. There were peo-ple that were speeding and unfortunately I don't know if

they made it through or not," Anthony Valdez Pino told KCAL-TV. "I had lost sight of

KCAL-TV. "I had lost signt or them."

He said he heard brakes screeching all around him.

"I've never seen dust like that," said Pino, who said he drives through the area daily.
"I've lived out here most of the live and I've never seen my life and I've never seen dust that thick like that

before."
The accident happened just west of Edwards Air Force Base at the northern edge of Los Angeles County, not far from the site of a flery truck pileup Friday night in a tunnel on the Intersate 5 freeway. The cause of that crash, which killed three people and injured 10, is still under investigation.



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Putin, visiting Iran, makes veiled warnings against U.S.

TEHRAN, Iran — Russian leader Vladimir Putin met his Iranian counterpart Tuesday and Implicitly warned the U.S. not to use a former Soviet republic to stage an attack on Iran. He also said countries bordering the Caspian Sea must jointly back any oil pipeline projects in the region.

At a summit of the five nations that border the inland Casplan Sea, Putin said none of the nations' ter-ritory should be used by any outside countries for use of military force against any nation in the region. It was a clear reference to long-standing rumors that the U.S. was planning to use Azerbaijan, a former Soviet republic, as a staging ground for any possible military

action against Iran.
"We are saying that no
Caspian nation should offer
its territory to third powers its territory to third power for use of force or militar agression against any aspian state," Putin said. Iranian

Caspian state," Putin sald, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad also underlined the need for soli darity. "The Caspian Sea is a inland sea and it only belongs to the Caspian states,

therefore only they are enti-tled to have their ships and military forces here," he sald. A State Department spokesman, Tom Casey, said the United States is not plan-

Iran.
"We are pursuing a diplomatic course with respect to Iran that includes with respect to its nuclear program as well as with respect to its support for terrorism

and other issues that methere." he said.
Putin refused to set a date for the start-up of iran's first nuclear power plant, to be built by Russia.
"I only gave promises to my mom when I was a small and told Iranian sked

my mom when I was a small boy," Putin told Iranian reporters, when asked whether he could promise that the plant that Russia is building would be launched before his term

ends next May.

At the same time, he said,
"We are not going to
renounce our obligations."
Putins careful stonce suggested that Russla is seeking
to preserve solid ties with
Iran without angering the
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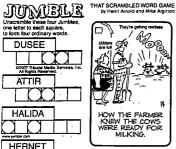
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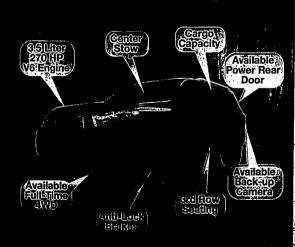
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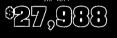








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