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Many ghost towns are only a day trip away.

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Driver falls asleep at wheel, injured in crash.

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## Buyer's market: Contractors try to inject some life into home sales

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Wolverton Homes likes to have about 20 available homes on the market in Twin Falls County, but when that number crept up to 30, the company decided to use a creative marketing plan to move the extra inventory.

Over the weekend, the homebuilder joined with Gem State Realty and Wells Fargo Bank to organize the first-ever "72 Hour Choose Your Rebate" sale in the region. The unusual approach helped Wolverton sell about 10 homes, said Marketing Director Justin Winson.

"Our sale was successful," Winson

said. "Now that we got some of those homes sold we can pull another 25 building permits and give our subcontractors enough work over winter."

Although the Twin Falls area is not experiencing the same 14-year low in housing sales seen in the rest of the nation, it is struggling with a decline in new and existing home sales.

A cumulative six-month report of residential construction spending during the third quarter, which included, new

home construction, additions and repairs, showed that spending in Twin Falls declined 37 percent, or about \$20.8 million, compared to the same six-month period reported in 2006.

Winson, who said the local housing market remained strong despite some setbacks, said vendors are offering thousands of dollars in incentives such as refrigerators, mirrors and window treatments to lure potential home buyers.

However, the largest incentive was a steep price reduction on homes over the weekend — even helping to buy down interest rates on financing packages.

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A for sale sign can be seen in front of a newly built house Monday afternoon in Twin Falls. Although the Twin Falls area is not experiencing the same 14-year low in housing sales seen in the rest of the nation, it is struggling with a decline in new and existing home sales.

## Citizen points way to marijuana stash

Twin Falls police arrest two, seize 21 lbs. of weed

By Cass Friedman  
Times-News writer

There are those exhausting drug busts that entail months of unraveling layers of deceit, obtaining warrants, and employing informants.

Monday morning's seizure of over 21 pounds, spread throughout 20 compact bricks, practically fell from the sky.

Justin Bright, 29, of Twin Falls, was arrested on suspicion of two misdemeanors of drug possession, while Samuel Wood, 28, also of Twin Falls, told police he accepted responsibility for the drugs. Wood was booked on suspicion of felony trafficking. Both men may be charged today in court.

"It just came together really easily," said Twin Falls Police Officer Eric Barzee.

Forget warrants, all cops needed in this case were perceptive citizens. A property manager and a maintenance man strolled into Apt. 4 at 1794 Heyburn Ave. E. to clean the space and to assess damage after Bright terminated his rent, said Barzee.



Wood Bright

"It was filthy but there was no personal property left in there," Barzee said. The maintenance worker, who believed he smelled marijuana, followed the scent to a hallway closet where he found a large Tupperware case.

"He opened the lid. There was this," Barzee said, pointing to 20 packages of pot strewn over a table next to the police evidence locker.

The suspects were not hardened criminals, so forget deception too.

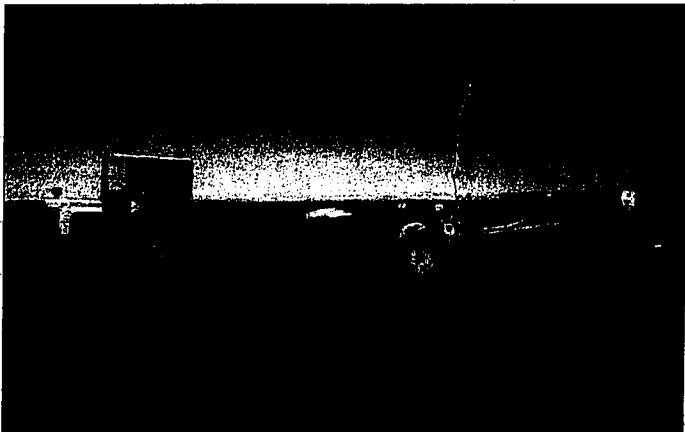
"As far as I know neither of them had criminal records," Barzee said.

Bright, who had called his landlord Monday morning to ask to extend his rent for three days, passed by the home in the morning. Officers were waiting for him.

Bright had not returned his keys to the manager. He told the police that on Sunday night, Wood, his new housemate, had gotten scared the police might come to their place.

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## Healing the land



Eric Barney's tractor pulls seed drills Monday, leaving a trail of grass and flower seeds across the scorched desert land southeast of Shoshone.

## Officials hope to coax fire-scarred desert back to life

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — The largest ever fire rehabilitation effort in southern Idaho is under way, a Herculean project to nurse desert scorched by summer wildland fires back to life.

Officials in the Twin Falls District of the Bureau of Land Management have secured 1.2 million pounds of seed following a national fire season so voracious, many feared, there wouldn't be enough to go around. Now crews are racing to plant the seeds before winter sets in.

"The logistics of fire rehab are mind-boggling," said Scott Uhrig, a BLM supervisor overseeing the rehab. A seven-person crew has



Barren of Land Management firefighters work Monday to fill bags with seeds for 30 varieties of plants, from grass to flowers. The warehouse has 1.2 million pounds of seeds — 80 percent of them native to Idaho — that will be used in an effort to rehabilitate thousands of acres of land that was scorched by wildfires this summer.

scrambled from sun-up to their native to Idaho — at a sundown to mix seed varieties — about 80 percent of the past two weeks.

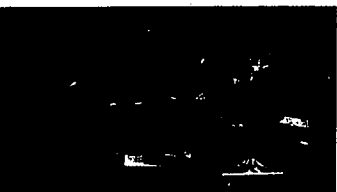
They won't stop until Thanksgiving.

Teams of archeologists sweep the blackened desert for cultural artifacts that may have been exposed during the blazes.

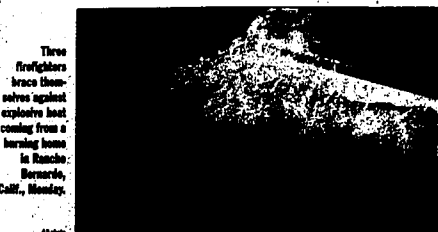
Behind them are nearly 100 seed-planting "drills," which comb scorched earth from Shoshone to the Nevada border, dropping the tiny seeds into upturned soil. The contracted planters don't have time to go home at night — many sleep in makeshift camps miles from the desert.

Seed driller Eric Barney, a 21-year-old from west of Magic Reservoir, stops his ancient tractor to gauge his progress a few miles outside of Shoshone, the site of the

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Two men were arrested Monday after Twin Falls police officers Eric Barzee and Alaina Stowell seized more than 21 pounds of marijuana from an apartment at 1794 Heyburn Ave. E.



AP Photo

## Wildfires wreak havoc in Southern Calif.

Quarter-million people urged to flee; dozens of homes destroyed

By Allison Hoffman and Gillian Flaccio  
Associated Press writers

SAN DIEGO — Wildfires blown by fierce desert winds Monday reduced hundreds of Southern

California homes to ashes, forced hundreds of thousands of people to flee and laid a hellish, spidery pattern of luminous orange over the drought-stricken region.

At least one person was killed and dozens were injured. At least 855 homes burned — about 130 in one mountain area alone — and 188 businesses and other structures were destroyed. Thousands of other buildings were threatened by more than a dozen blazes

covering at least 520 square miles. "The sky was just red. Everywhere I looked was red, glowing. Law enforcement came barreling in with police cars with loudspeakers telling everyone to get out now," said Ronnie Leigh, 55, who fled her mobile home in northern Los Angeles County as smoke darkened the sky over the nearby ridge line.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today Tonight Wednesday

Weather icons and forecast details for Twin Falls, including High 67, Low 34, and 66/38.

Today: Mild and mainly sunny. High in the middle 60s.
Tonight: Mostly clear and calm. Lows in the lower to mid 30s.
Tomorrow: Some high clouds by afternoon. Remaining mild with highs reaching the middle 60s.

Complete weather report: See page B4

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

'Awake My Soul,' special showing of full-length DVD musical documentary, 3:30 p.m., Herrett Center Planetarium;
And opening reception for Place X 4: The Photography of Steve Filides, Shelley McEuen, Russell Hapworth and Don Jepsen-Minyard, 7 to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center, CSI, no cost, 732-6655.

CHURCH EVENTS

Agape Interfaith Luncheon, with speaker Kathy Whipple on "Finding Joy in All Circumstances," 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Basque Center, Gooding, \$7, 934-5700, for (no charge for non program only).

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley, 788-5500.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 84-4700.
Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 6 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-2767.
Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 410 E. Second St., 366-7418.
Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 507 Idaho St., 934-4321.
Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 200 E. Ave. A, 342-8189.
Jerome School Board, 7 p.m., Carter Luther Vocational Ag Building, high school campus, 104 Tiger Drive, 324-2392.
Shoshone Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030.

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at Plier Elementary and Hagerman High School Gym; and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (temporary location: LDS church on Main), no cost, 732-6475.
Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 100 East and 100 N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2277.
SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.
TOPS ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2002 Filer Ave. E., 736-7237 or 736-9289.

'Reverse Mortgage Group,' especially for seniors, baby boomers and the "sandwich generation" with topics: Reverse Mortgages, How Can Assisted Living Benefit Me?, Financial Planning (Retirement, LTC) and Real Estate: Today's Market, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Obenchain Insurance Community Room, 264 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls, refreshments provided, no cost, \$40 Free Meyer gift-card door prize and Grand Prize drawing for dinner-for-two and overnight stay atactus Pates, 735-0700 or djpeters@brockhollings.com.
North-Cassia Senior Center for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C. St., Rupert, (208) 436-0987.
Road 2 Recovery, a 12-step program, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Building of New Beginnings, 1044 E. Main St., (next to Goode Motors across from First Federal Savings Bank), Burley, 670-2578.
Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557 or 324-7237.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Burley Bluegrass Jam, traditional bluegrass focus (all skill levels welcome), 7 to 10 p.m., The Chadwick Grille, 139 W. Main St., corner of Main and Oakley, Burley, (208) 670-4868 or robcurtis2@gmail.com.

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

HOME AND GARDEN

University of Idaho Extension and Idaho's County tree fruit-growing seminar, with speakers Roger Aikland of Aikland Orchard and Richard Kelley of Kelley Orchards and Kelley Nursery. Other speakers include Rick Vycital of Idaho Small Business Development Center and Jim Barker of Buhl, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Hagerman Senior Center, \$15 per person (includes lunch), 324-7578.

MUSEUMS

Pullman Planetarium "Hubble Vision" at 7 p.m., and "Antheims of Ghoulie Delight" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for

adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

MORNING BRIEFING

Jurors find Hall guilty of second slaying, rape in Boise

By Rebecca Boone Associated Press Writer

BOISE — A jury Monday found Erick Virgil Hall guilty of the first-degree murder and felony rape of Cheryl Ann Hanlon.
The conviction came on the third anniversary of Hall's conviction in the murder of another woman.
After deliberating for more than two full days, the jury from Gooding County concluded Hall raped and killed Hanlon in 2003 in the Boise foothills. Some of the jurors struggled to keep from crying as the verdict was read, while others were already on death row for the murder of flight attendant Lynn Hennemman, in 2000 — appeared unshaken.
Now the jurors must decide whether Hall is eligible for the death penalty in

Hanlon's murder. A DNA sample taken after Hall was arrested and charged with murdering Hanlon was linked to the murder of Hennemman, whose body was discovered along the Boise greenbelt.
The sentencing phase of the trial could take place in the next few days, 4th District Judge Thomas Neville said.
Shortly after the verdict, Neville turned down a request from defense attorney Rob Chastain to declare a mistrial. Chastain said that since at least one juror — the man elected to serve as the jury foreperson — knew that Hall was already on death row, the entire trial had been tainted and violated Hall's right to a fair trial.
The juror's wife apparently told him that Hall was a law school student, according to court testimony. The juror

immediately told her to stop talking and reported it to the judge, according to court records. Neville ultimately decided that the man would be able to "compartmentalize" his wife's comment and would be able to serve as a juror.
On Monday, Neville said he was sticking with his earlier decision about the juror and that jury was fair.
Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Jan Bennett said Hall exploited Hanlon's kind nature, luring her to the Boise foothills before raping her, strangling her and trying to bury her.
But Hall's defense attorneys maintained that Hall and Hanlon had rough, consensual sex and that Hanlon's death was an accident.
Hanlon's body was found by a teen who was walking

his dog along a trail in the foothills on March 1, 2003. Prosecutors said she had been beaten so severely that she looked like the victim of a traffic accident. At the time, Boise detectives were still searching for the person who killed Hanlon three years earlier, and there were some similarities between the cases — both women had been strangled with something other than a pair of hands; both had been severely beaten and raped.
A witness who had seen Hanlon walking with a man in downtown Boise the night before she was killed helped create a composite sketch, and Hall was arrested a short time later. Prosecutors said DNA taken from Hall matched him to evidence from a composite sketch of both Hanlon and Hennemman.

AROUND THE NATION

GEORGIA

Critics: Government's new obesity ads 'too soft'

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OKLAHOMA

Oral Roberts says 'devil is not going to steal' namesake school

TULSA — Oral Roberts returned to his namesake university Monday and denied the brutal accusations that have threatened to engulf the school, telling students and employees in a chapel service that "the devil is not going to steal ORU."
The 75-year-old televangelist first visited Oral Roberts University in three years, Roberts said at the service that his son Richard Roberts, who took leave from his job at the school's president last week, eventually will return to his position, the Tulsa World reported.
Three former professors sued the university for wrongful termination, claiming they were dismissed after they turned over to the board of regents a copy of a report documenting moral and ethical lapses on the part of Richard Roberts and his family.
Oral Roberts, 89, said in the chapel service that he has moved back to Tulsa from California, where he has lived for several years. The crowd gave him standing ovations.
The 5,700-student Bible Belt school has used mediation this week with the three former professors, he said. Their lawsuit and attached report accuses Richard Roberts and his wife, Lindsay, of mispending university funds and improperly asking that students get involved in a local political race.
The lawsuit alleges that university funds covered home remodels and a \$29,411 senior trip to the Bahamas for one of Roberts' daughters and says Lindsay Roberts sent scores of overnight text messages on university-issued cell phones to people described in the lawsuit as "underage males."
Oral Roberts famously told viewers in 1958 that God told him to raise \$8 million for the university or he

MISSOURI

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They portrayed her as a victim of severe mental illness whose delusion of being pregnant was being threatened, causing her to enter a delirium state when the killing took place.
They also argued that she had post-traumatic stress disorder brought on by mental, physical and sexual abuse as a child.
But during closing arguments, federal prosecutor Roseann Ketchmark called the pseudocyesis claim "voodoo science."
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LOUISIANA

Heavy rains lash New Orleans, flooding city

NEW ORLEANS — Heavy rains lashed the flood-prone city Monday, inundating areas that had not yet recovered from Hurricane Katrina and leading the Army Corps of Engineers to close a gate on a suburban canal where the waters threatened to breach.
After more than 8 inches of rain fell on parts of New Orleans by late afternoon, Mayor Ray Nagin shut City Hall early, and schools also closed. Twenty city guidelines stay indoors until the flood potential subsided. More rain was expected overnight.
Worst-high water in parts of eastern New Orleans soaked businesses, some of which had recently reopened after being damaged by 2005's Hurricane Katrina.
All city's pumps were working properly, emergency preparedness officials said. Still, they urged motorists to stay off the streets to avoid creating waves in the canals and water into homes and businesses.
Officials closed a gate on the Harvey Canal in Jefferson Parish; it was one of several in the area placed under safety guidelines after Katrina flood waters breached two New Orleans canals in August 2005, causing catastrophic flooding.
The corps has worked to strengthen the canal about five miles from downtown, but engineers worried that water being driven into it might lead to flooding. The area around the canal includes homes and businesses.
Unlike the canal walls that broke during Katrina, the walls on the Harvey Canal are not considered at threat of being breached.
— wire services

CORRECTIONS

Barigar did not hold Democratic office

Twin Falls City Councilman Shawn Barigar's political activities were incorrectly reported in a column that appeared on the Magic Valley page Saturday. Barigar was not a Democratic precinct chairman.

Letter to editor had typographic error

Due to a typing error, a sentence in a letter by Roger Howarth that appeared on Saturday's Opinion page contained a typographic error. The sentence should have read, "Don't let the lack of foresight be your guiding light."
The Times-News regrets the errors.

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# NASA refuses to disclose survey on airline safety

MOFFETT FIELD, Calif. (AP) — An unprecedented national survey of pilots by the U.S. government has found that safety problems from near collisions and runway interference occur far more frequently than previously recognized. But the government is withholding the information, fearful it would upset air travelers and hurt airline profits.

NASA gathered the information under an \$8.5 million federal safety project, through telephone interviews with roughly 24,000 commercial and general aviation pilots over nearly four years. Since shutting down the project

more than one year ago, the space agency has refused to divulge its survey data publicly.

At The Associated Press disclosed details Monday about the survey and efforts to keep its results secret. NASA's chief said he will reconsider how much of the survey findings can be made public.

"NASA should focus on how we can provide information to the public, not on how we can withhold it," NASA Administrator Michael Griffin said in a statement. He said the agency's research and data "should be widely available and subject to review and scrutiny."

# Homes

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Tenny Garner, home mortgage consultant with Wells Fargo of Twin Falls, said the buy-down was offered to help young, first-time home buyers. A buy-down helps lower the payment for the first few years.

"Say you're young, and you know that you are going to be getting a raise or are working on paying some things off," Garner said. "This buy-down in the interest rate lowers the rate from 6.375 percent to 4.375 percent for the first year. The second year the rate would be 5.375 percent and on the third year, and each subsequent year, the rate would stay at 6.375 percent."

Other area contractors have been watching the market and making adjust-

ments during the decline.

"Sure, we're slower than we were last year but we still are busy," said Kevin Bradshaw of Bradshaw Homes in Twin Falls. "We have lowered home prices anywhere from \$5,000 to \$15,000, depending on the home, and are considering all offers. We are considering incentives like including closing costs in the home price, but haven't resorted to that, yet."

Bradshaw explained that last year his company closed on 20 homes. So far, they have only closed on nine and have four more homes on the market to move.

Bradshaw and Garner said one of the factors slowing the local housing market is the downturn in the national housing market.

"People are still out there looking for homes to buy but those coming in from out of state are having to wait longer to sell their homes, before they move," Bradshaw said. "I saw on the television earlier that the stock price for the country's major home builders are going up so we are just sitting back and watching to see what

happens here before we decide what to do."

In the meantime, builders are still looking toward the future. "We still have all the work we normally do," said Ray Goffin, of Ray Goffin Construction. "What we are seeing here is just something trickling across the country. It's a normal part of the cycle."

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# Fires

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Soon after nightfall, fire officials announced that 500 homes and 100 commercial properties had been destroyed by a fire in northern San Diego County that exploded to 145,000 acres, said Roxanne Provanzik, a spokeswoman for the California Department of Forestry. The fire injured seven firefighters and one civilian, and was spreading unchecked.

A pair of wildfires consisting of 133 homes in the Lake Arrowhead mountain resort area in the San Bernardino National Forest east of Los Angeles, authorities said. Hundreds of homes were lost in the same community four years ago.

Firefighters — who lost valuable time trying to persuade stubborn homeowners

to leave — had their work cut out for them as winds gusting to 70 mph scattered embers onto dry brush, spawning spot fires. California officials pleaded for help from fire departments in other states.

"A lot of people are going to lose their homes today," San Diego Fire Cpt. Lisa Blake predicted earlier.

At least 14 fires were burning in Southern California, said Patti Roberts, a spokeswoman for the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

From San Diego to Malibu, more than 150 miles up the coast, at least 265,000 people were warned to leave their homes. More than 250,000 were told to flee in San Diego County alone.

"It's probably closer to 300,000," said County Supervisor Ron Roberts.

Hundreds of patients were

moved by school bus and ambulance from a hospital and nursing homes, some in hospital gowns and wheelchairs. Some carried their medical records in clear plastic bags.

A 1,049-inmate jail in Orange County was evacuated because of heavy smoke. The prisoners were bused to other lockups.

In San Diego County, where at least four fires burned, more than 200,000 reverse 911 calls — calls from county officials to residents — alerted residents to evacuations, said County Supervisor Roberts.

About 10,000 of them ended up at Qualcomm Stadium, home to the NFL's Chargers, where thousands of people huddled in eerie silence on the bleachers, staring at muted TV news reports of the wildfires.

# Drugs

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home. Wood asked Bright if he wouldn't mind storing the pot at his old apartment and Bright accepted. But Wood wouldn't let his friend take the fall.

When he returned to their new apartment later, he told

Barzee. "I don't want my friend to get in trouble."

Searching the suspects, police found a receipt for FedEx package sent from El Paso, Texas, to recipients in Twin Falls who were unfamiliar to police.

Twin Falls Police Capt.

Matt Hlcks said police are looking into whether that package may have contained the bricks of pot. Or would that just be far too easy?

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# Seeds

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Red Bridge Fire that threatened to consume the town. He points out a few tiny white specks on the horizon: the camp where he'll rest tonight with his father, another drifter.

"I'm in this tractor 10 hours a day, at least," he said. "It gets a bit tedious by the end of the day."

Barney takes the moment to scan the seemingly endless desert-scape for rocks that could pierce his tractor's tires. At one point earlier this month, the father-son pair changed five punctured tires a day.

Contractors such as Barney earn about \$7 per acre they plant. They'll cover 40 acres on a good day during their 70-day contract.

BLM officials said they hope to seed-drill about 128,000 acres in southern Idaho this fall — just a fraction of the nearly 600,000 BLM-managed acres that burned this summer. Mother Nature will take care of the rest, said Jennifer Mata, a BLM fire ecologist.

BLM scientists surveyed much of the burned land last year, and they are basing this year's seed mixtures on what

previously grew.

This is the second year in a row the BLM has set district records for the number of rehab acres. Last year, the district rehabbed 90,000 acres.

The district secured about \$10 million from the federal government late in the summer just for Murphy Complex rehab alone. That fire was Idaho's largest in a century.

The district has asked for another \$16.2 million to rehab other burned areas, including more near Shoshone and Burley.

In addition to planting seed mixtures, the BLM is removing 12 miles of hazardous trees near Jarbidge, planting 1,600 shrubs and building 99 miles of fence in the Murphy effort.

It could begin planting sage brush in the next two weeks, though seed supplies are expected to run low. Hundreds of square miles of prime sage grouse habitat were destroyed in the Murphy fire.

The district could take as long as three years to finish the project, but for now seed planting is the priority as winter approaches, the ground freezes and the desert is blanketed by snow.

"We're in a hurry," Uhrig said. "It's seven days-a-week, around-the-clock work."

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# Patchwork laws, inattention let teacher sexual misconduct flourish

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — In the final installment of a three-day series on sexual misconduct by teachers in America's AP exams how a lack of decisive intervention in schools and legislatures allows abusers to keep operating.

By Robert Tanner  
Associated Press writer

Every school has rules governing teacher behavior. Every state has laws against child abuse, and many specifically outlaw teachers taking sexual liberties with students. Every district has administrators who watch out for sexual misconduct by teachers.

Yet people like Chad Maughan stay in the classroom. Maughan got in trouble twice for viewing pornography at work in Washington state but was allowed to keep teaching. Within two years, he was convicted of raping a 14-year-old girl in his school.

Legal loopholes, fear of lawsuits and inattention all have weakened the safeguards that are supposed to protect children in school. The system fails hundreds of kids each year, an AP investigation found. It undoubtedly fails many more whose offenders go free.

State efforts to strengthen laws against sex abuse by teachers have run up opposition from school boards and teachers unions. In Congress, a measure that would train investigators and create a national registry of offenders has even gotten a hearing.

Few leaders recognize — let alone attack — a national shame. "Instead of ignoring it or fighting it, why don't you get involved in it," says Ted Thompson, executive director of the National Association to Prevent Sexual Abuse of Children.

An Associated Press investigation identified 2,570 cases from 2001 to 2005 in which teachers were punished or removed from the classroom for sexual misconduct. The largest number of cases came from fondling or rape. Reporters in all 50 states and the District of Columbia gathered the cases from state agencies with responsibility for teacher licensing.

**A patchwork of laws**  
Even accounting for population differences, states vary widely on how many teachers they discipline and how rigorously. The investigation showed. That reflects the patchwork nature of the laws and rules that aim to protect schoolchildren. Each state takes its own approach to background checks, fingerprinting and reporting abuse.

While states have taken halting steps toward accountability in recent years after decades of widespread neglect, there are still many gaps. Some states check fingerprints against records only in their own states, not the FBI databases, so they miss offenders from other states. Others only check for violations when teachers are newly hired, missing veteran teachers who have run afoul of the law since they were first hired.

"You can fingerprint them all you want and nothing's going to come up," says John Seryak, a longtime Ohio middle school teacher who now trains teachers to spot when a colleague is abusing kids.

School systems also have

made an attempt at weeding out wrongdoers. For the past 20 years, educators have shared information with other states about teachers who've run into administrative trouble.

The National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification created the list, and Roy Ehrenhofer, its executive director, says protecting children is one of the group's top goals.

But the list has its flaws. It only provides identifying information such as names, birth dates and Social Security numbers, nothing describing a teacher's past problems, leaving it up to a state agency or a hiring school district to dig deeper. Also, the list is not publicly available.

"There are some liability issues involved there," Ehrenhofer says. "It just serves as a flag saying you need to check this person further."

Created in 1987, the list contains names of some 37,000 teachers who have had license problems, which includes all misbehavior, not just sexual.

## Efforts run into resistance

Similar piecemeal efforts have often run into resistance from lawmakers reluctant to tackle the subject, from teacher unions concerned with privacy and due process, and from school boards worried about court fights.

In Washington state, Maughan's case led to a law that clarified the definition of sexual misconduct and required school districts to share information.

Maughan had been suspended from one job for looking at pornography on school computers, but the district said only that he had used "poor judgment." At the second job, he was reprimanded for viewing pornography, and told administrators he had an addiction and was getting counseling.

In 2005, school employees found a paper bag containing a 14-year-old girl's lace underwear and a sexually explicit note from her to Maughan. The teacher pleaded guilty to rape.

State Sen. Don Benton, who fought for the law that fol-

lowed the arrest, said "we had tremendous resistance from the teachers union when it came to personnel files."

"We have to tell school districts, 'Look, you have a duty and a responsibility. As parents we are entrusting you with our children to take extra steps to ensure that the people you hire are safe.'"

In Minnesota, the state school board association — allied with two church groups — has lobbied against a bill that would give victims of child sex abuse more time to bring civil claims. Schools, like churches, could be held liable if they failed to stop abuse that they should have known about.

"Schools have nothing to fear unless they either actively participated or covered up grave misconduct," says Assistant House Majority Leader Steve Simon, a Democrat pushing the measure.

## National approach urged

Advocates argue what's needed is a coordinated national approach. But there

has been virtually no momentum there.

A report ordered by Congress and released in 2004 examined previous studies and surveys of teacher sexual misconduct and sent a troubling message. It estimated that some 4.5 million students out of 50 million in American public schools "are subject to sexual misconduct by an employee of a school sometime between kindergarten and 12th grade."

But that report, compiled by leading expert Carol Shakeshaft, head of the educational leadership department at Virginia Commonwealth University, was largely ignored.

"The most powerful tool for change is money, says Thompson with the national child abuse prevention group. That means dropping statutes of limitations that serve as barriers to lawsuits for all childhood sex abuse, he argues. Nothing motivates institutions more than the threat of paying out a big settlement.

Also, he says, it's the right

thing to do: "Should somebody who raped a child be free and clear because the clock ticked?"

To victims' advocates, the problem is not just teachers who look the other way when one of their own misbehaves. It isn't only school principals who choose a quiet solution to a problem. Lawmakers, judges, the media and even parents have all shown a great deal of reluctance to recognize and deal with sex abuse when it surfaces.

The nation needs to change its attitude toward teacher sexual misconduct, and child abuse overall, much in the way it changed its perspective about drunken driving in the last 25 years, Thompson says.

"Socially, we have a problem," says Mary Jo McGrath, a California attorney who has worked on teacher sexual abuse cases for three decades. "Our inability to think that kids might be in danger, our inability to think that the nicest teacher on the block might be an offender — those things keep us uneducated. I'm passionate that people wake up."

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## Mothers Against Meth director motivates local students

By Andrea Gates  
Times-News writer

Signing on the dotted line wasn't just a formality Monday at Twin Falls High School. It could also be a lifesaver.

Hundreds of students pledged to never do meth, signing their names to a promise and proudly displaying their intent on walls at the school. The signature came after the director of Mothers Against Methamphetamine briefed them on dangers behind the synthetic narcotic.

With a quick, deep, Alabama drawl, former obstetrician, and Mothers Against Meth Director Dr. Mary Holley kept the student body of 1,376 teenagers enraptured for an hour, during two talks she gave Monday at the school.

"The kids were quiet and paid attention. I thought she (Holley) did a nice job," said Twin Falls High School

Principal Ben Allen. Holley spoke from personal experience — she lost her brother to a meth addiction — and she spared no dry details about what the drug can do to people. Students listened when they saw portraits illuminated on a large screen in the auditorium of meth users, who were caught in their addiction. Picture after picture, the people were different, but their look was the same — missing teeth, sunken cheeks, white skin, pus-filled sores and sunken eyes.

"This one didn't survive," Holley said about one of the addicts, pictured on the big screen.

Another woman's face illuminated with an air of lifelessness as it lit, but she was actually alive and in the middle of a meth "crash" — which is a multi-day long period of rest after a long bender.

"This is day two ... After I got the nose out her throat," Holley said.



Dr. Mary Holley, director of Mothers Against Meth, speaks about crystal methamphetamine and its effects Monday night at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts auditorium.

"Why does it have to be so ugly," she asked, before explaining that addicts have "chains" around their "veins." Different rhymes peppered Holley's anti-meth points. "The high is a lie," she told the students, because meth gives people a feeling of power and control, even

though addicts lack those virtues, she said.

The percentage of high school-aged people using methamphetamine has dropped every year for 10 years, Holley told her audience.

But meth customers die, and their pushers move on to look for new clientele — like the students in Monday's audience, Holley said. A picture of strawberry meth, that looked like candy — illuminated the screen in Roper Auditorium.

Students at Twin Falls High School, though, were eager to show they will not be the next meth customer.

Twin Falls High School Senior Amber Petersen, sat Monday afternoon beside her graphing calculator under a wall of anti-meth pledges. Petersen, 18, is a student body officer, and she helped decorate the school with information about the dangers of drugs.

"We really wanted to make

it a bigger deal this year," Petersen said.

Holley's audience coincided with this week's Red Ribbon Week, which has been lauded as the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the country.

Petersen, who said she does not "party" hasn't heard much about her peers using meth. "I'm guessing it's out there," and students talk about other drugs and alcohol, she said.

A faith-based version of the seminar was presented Monday night at the College of Southern Idaho, and additional speeches will be made this week.

Holley's appearance was sponsored by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Regional Advisory Committee, Miracle Valley Ministry Center, Southern Idaho Partners Against Drugs and the District 5 Juvenile Justice Council in Idaho.

It was her first presentation at Twin Falls High School.

### If you go

Dr. Mary Holley will make additional speeches this week on the dangers of methamphetamine, at the following locations.

- **Today** — Hailey Middle School, 9:30 a.m. Wood River High School, 2:20 p.m. Community Campus Auditorium, Hamul, 7 p.m.
- **Wednesday** — Burley Junior High School, 8:45 a.m. Minico High School, Rupert, 12:30 p.m., 1:45 p.m. King Fine Arts Auditorium, Burley, 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** — Gooding High School, TBA Shoshone High School, 1 p.m. College of Southern Idaho, Fine Arts Building auditorium, Twin Falls, 7 p.m.
- **Friday** — Jerome High School, 8:45 a.m. Valley High School, TBA

## Woman burned in early morning crash

By Cass Friedman  
Times-News writer

Kimberly Rock Creek firefighters pulled a Rupert woman from a burning 1985 Mercury Topaz that lay on its side Monday morning in a shallow waterway about 10 feet from the south side of a bridge on Addison Avenue East at 3625 East, firefighters said.

Cynthia Slack, 50, was in poor condition, burned, conscious but uncommunicative when firefighters transferred her to a hospital at 7:16 a.m., said Chief Mike Hendricks of the Rock Creek Fire District.

Later in the morning, Slack was lifeflighted in critical condition from St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to a burn center in Salt Lake City.

The woman apparently fell asleep at the wheel before her car left the south side of the road and came to rest on its side in the ravine below the bridge, said Twin Falls County Sheriff's Deputy Kenny Balsich.

Hendricks said the flames probably erupted in the car engine compartment and traveled into the passenger area of the car. The car was left almost entirely charred.

## T.F. City Council holds off on pool contract decision

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

The negotiators made their case.

But after close to an hour of discussion, the Twin Falls City Council decided Monday it just didn't have enough information to approve the city's revised contract with the YMCA of Twin Falls to continue management of the city pool.

The dealbreaker, several councilors said, was the lack of a document detailing management practices at the pool. Based off of a manual used when the city operated the pool, the document is being updated and revised and was not included with the contract given to the council, city management assistant Gretchen Scott said.

The problem, council member Shawn Barigar said, was the rest of the contract mostly stated how the two groups would communicate. "(The document) is actually the nuts and bolts of the management agreement," Barigar said.

With some debate, the council otherwise accepted the other changes made to the contract — some decided earlier that day. Among other things, the process used to solve disputes between the city and YMCA was modified to include a mediator from the pool advisory board, the cost of YMCA memberships and pool passes will be equalized, and the YMCA will disclose quarterly and annual financial statements and track attendance figures.

The contract is meant to renew one that expired Sept. 30 and was extended for one month due to unresolved issues. The pool, and its management by the YMCA, was thrust into public scrutiny this summer when the YMCA endured a string of publicized disputes between employees and management, and the conflict, Scott said, has many reasons that much more difficult.

"It took several different versions this time to get to an agreement we're all comfortable with," Scott said in reference to the contract submitted to the city.

## FIRST THE BUILDING, THEN THE BUILDERS



Jeff Gooding, a member of The Magic Valley Builders Association, helps to tidy up a garage filled with spider webs Monday afternoon. Crews are preparing the new Safe House project and discussing the building process for the home that will provide care for troubled teens.

## Builders association prepares to piece together Safe House

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

For now, it stands empty and alone.

But tonight, the home at the corner of Rose Street and Shoup Avenue will be filled with the sounds of socializing, one month before it could be filled with the sounds of hard work.

The Magic Valley Builders Association will hold its October meeting at 6 p.m. today at the future site of Twin Falls County's second Safe House, in a bid to find volunteers to donate their time and energy to remodeling the facility. Once remodeled, the building — acquired in the 2006 sale of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to St. Luke's Health System — will have space for up to 12 teens who

have been abused or neglected.

The home will double the number of teens the program can house, something association member Jeff Gooding dubbed a worthy project.

"We want to do this because these are our teens," he said while visiting the site on Monday.

The association seems to have embraced that idea. Someone has already volunteered to redo the siding on the home, and Gooding said he knew of at least one area Realtor who promised a check in lieu of work.

The remodel, plans for which will be on display at the meeting tonight, will be extensive. The home has no grounded outlets. The kitchen has to be completely ripped out, and the garage

will be rebuilt to accommodate 10 beds. Such work can grow expensive quickly. An early estimate, Gooding said, puts the starting budget at \$120,000 — doubt what county commissioners had suggested before. A \$150,000 grant — the county received from the state Legislature — will do a lot to cover the work, which could start in 30

days if the plans are approved by the city by then. Work on the home will likely take between four and six months to complete, Gooding said. And the builders will have company: Safe House Director Val Stotts said residents of the current home on Sixth Avenue North, some of whom may live in the new building, will help with the construction as well.

"Then they have some ownership in it," Stotts said. The second home will not only ease pressure on the current home, which Stotts said is usually full, but will also allow program coordinators to separate the teens by gender. That will prevent some problems caused by mixing the

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## McClain, Hauser running unopposed for Buhl City Council seats

### McClain ready to make appointed position voter-approved

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Two years ago Pam McClain was asked to step in and serve on the Buhl City Council under bitterest conditions. With the unexpected death of Chuck Geska, the city lost not just one of its most volunteers but a councilman as well. Although nobody is running against her, the

upcoming election is still an important milestone, McClain said.

"After being appointed two years ago, I didn't really know if I would run," she said. "I've enjoyed learning about the city government and there is still a lot to learn."

Since her appointment, the city has undertaken

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### Hauser ready for long-term council commitment

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Kyle Hauser has decided to take the fact that nobody is running against him as a compliment.

Hauser, appointed by Mayor Charles Sheridan after councilman Steve Highbarger resigned, has been on the City Council since March. The terms of his appointment were to com-

plete the remainder of Highbarger's two-year term.

"I guess it means that the citizens of Buhl think I'm doing a good job," Hauser said. "I'm sure not going to complain about nobody stepping into the election against me; I guess I'm kind of relieved and glad to know that I'll get to serve."

Instead of running for

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### Creta Susan Dudley

Creta Susan Dudley, our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, niece and friend, has succumbed to dementia.

Early Friday morning, Oct. 19, 2007, she returned to the Lord. She had spent many years in decline, but at last she is free and we can remember her at her best. We will remember her beauty, charm and laughter.

Susan was born Jan. 23, 1910, in Pocatello, Idaho. She was raised in southern Idaho, predominantly in the Magic Valley area. She raised her family of eight children in northern Utah, the Magic Valley in southern Idaho, and in the Treasure Valley in western Idaho. Even though she lived in the city later in life, she was always a country girl at heart. She was very creative with interior design and painting. She loved country music and doing the Jitterbug. She loved strawberry milkshakes and going for drives, often at the same time. Her weekends included watching old movies on Saturdays and attending the LDS Church on Sundays, where she served in a variety of ministries. She loved to be with her children as a grandmother, daycare operator,

foster parent, or Primary teacher.

She is survived by her brother, Brent, Wilken, Byron, Danny, Eric, Patrick and Matthew; her sisters, Becky and Pam; her children, W. Frank (Carol) Orr, Tam (Lucky) DeB, Deb (Jim) Laycock, Dan (Rebecca) Orr, David (Bonni) Orr, Budd's wife Frieda, Creta Anne Dudley and Brandon (Candace) Dudley. She has 29 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Susan was preceded in death by her parents, Aubrey Herbert Jones and Creta Maude Beckley; her brother, Aubrey; her son, Vernon Peter (Budd) Orr; and her granddaughter, Heather Elaine Orr.

A viewing will be held from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at the Family Center and LDS Ward Chapel, 5605 S. Vine St. in Murray, Utah. A memorial service will be held from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the same location. Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at the Middleton Cemetery in Middleton, Idaho. Flowers may be sent to Larkin Mortuary, 290 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

We want to express our gratitude to the Midvale Care Center and CNS Hospice workers for the loving care given to Creta Susan.

### Rob Roy Spafford

Rob Roy Spafford, age 56, died of cancer at his home in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on Oct. 7, 2007, with his wife, two daughters and a son.

He was a loving family man on his side. He died as he lived, with courage and integrity.

He was born June 23, 1951, in Pocatello to Dr. James H. and Virginia (Strope) Spafford and was raised and educated in Twin Falls until 1969. Rob met his wife of 34 years, Susan Steed in Moscow, where they had two daughters, "Melissa" and "Jessica."

Rob was a graduate of the University of Idaho, he was a proud member of the carpenter's union, participating in the construction of the Kibbie Dome. After graduating in 1974 with a degree in civil engineering, and later attaining his MBA, they moved to Coeur d'Alene, where he worked for the U.S. Forest Service for 20 years, forming lifelong friendships along the way.

In August of 2006, Rob went to work for the Coeur d'Alene Tribe as the tribe's engineer, working closely with the tribal engineers on projects close to his heart. He was intimately involved in the design and development of the Trail of the Coeur d'Alene legacy that lives on. He was also dedicated to many charitable organizations, including the

Museum of North Idaho, where he served as president and treasurer on the board of directors, and the Boy Scouts of America at Camp Estancia. He is survived by his wife, Sue; daughters and sons-in-law, Melissa and Scott Wells and Jessica and Lex Levy; grandchildren, Olivia Wells and Hayden Levy; grandsons, Benjamin Leary and Garrett. Dr. James H. and Virginia Spafford; preceded in death by his father-in-law, Frederick B. Steed, and survived by his mother-in-law, Edith M. Steed; brothers and sisters-in-law, Steve and Sue Spafford and John and Becky Spafford; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Margaret and Tom Spafford; and nephews and nieces, including Rob and Tony and Bob Loyd; along with Aunt Carol; and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Rob had many interests, including an eclectic reading and music library, creating gemstone jewelry and delighting us with his culinary expertise and dry humor. Rob was married at home in the mountains of Idaho and spent time camping, fishing and enjoying its natural beauty. He treasured fishing and left only footprints; he loved to go deep as deep as he could with his friends and family.

At Rob's request, no funeral service will be held. A celebration of his life is planned for the first of November in the spring. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Hospice of North Idaho, for whom we are deeply grateful, 9493 Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835.

Rob was married and combined their families on Aug. 2, 1978, in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Later, Jim and Shirley were sealed in the Fresno California LDS Temple. During the course of Shirley's marriage, they divided their time between their home in Bakersfield, Calif., and their home in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Jim is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 30 years, Shirley Stinson of

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### Bette Eckles

Bette Eckles, 74, of Wendell, Idaho, died peacefully at her home Sunday, Oct. 20, 2007.



She was surrounded by her family after a short battle with lung cancer. She was the youngest of six children born to Albert and Violet Jacobson on Jan. 29, 1933, in Hagerman, Idaho. In 1954, she married Victor Eckles. Together they made their home in Wendell, and there they raised three children. "Dynamic couples and small packages" best describes Bette. Though small in stature, her personality packed a punch. Her hobbies included knitting, crocheting, gardening and oil painting. She treasured the time she spent with her grandchildren. She was an active member of Jehovah's Witnesses and actively enjoyed volunteering in the Kingdom Hall Quick-Build projects. She was preceded in death

by her great-granddaughter, Violet Eckles; her husband, Victor; two brothers, LeRoy and Loris; and her parents. She is survived by her son, Rodney Eckles of Wendell; two daughters, Robyn (Steve) Mink of Wendell and Vicki (Kenneth) Jensen of Jerome; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, Clell Jacobson of Wendell; and two sisters, Kathleen Bernie of Nampa and Jean Mohwinkel of Wendell.

Her children would like to graciously thank the family, many friends and Hospice Visions for all of their support.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 101 Bliss St. West, in Lewiston, Idaho. The family requests that donations be made to: Hospice Visions Inc., 209 Shop Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

### Jean Parker

Our beloved daughter, sister, aunt, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Sondra Jean Parker, 68-year-old resident of Burley, passed away Oct. 22, 2007, at her home of an extended illness.

Jean, or Jennie as she was known by was born Nov. 10, 1938, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Loren Wardell Freeman and Helen Pearl Bagley Freeman. The family later moved to Boise, then to Seattle, and then back to Twin Falls, where Jean was 8, where she attended school until she graduated in 1956. Music was a big part of her life in school; including choir, piano and participating in school plays was a favorite of hers. On April 17, 1957, she married Zane W. Parker in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They were joined in a beautiful, Utah, moving back to Twin Falls, and then to Burley, where they have lived for more than 30 years.

She was very active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in the Relief Society, Young Women and Primary. She was called as president of the Relief Society of the Burley Ward in 1981. She has been active in many years with the music programs. She was ward organist, choir director and played in all the organizations and for many special occasions, including the Relief Society of the Burley 8th Ward Singing Sisters who performed for many ward and stake functions. As Burley Stake music chairman, she

and Jeff Rasmussen started the 4th of July Patriotic Program and the annual Christmas Concert, which continue today and have grown from the Burley Stake to multi-stake and area programs.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Freeman of Rupert; two brothers, Gary W. (Ann) Freeman of Burley and Kenneth A. (Terri) Freeman of Riverport, Utah; her husband, Zane W. Parker of Burley; six children, Lori (Craig) Blauer of Burley, Nicolas (Debra) Parker of Mesa, Ariz., Lela (Wood) Wood of Burley, Mark (Renée) Parker of Gilbert, Ariz., Christopher (Joni) Parker of Queen Creek, Ariz., and Teri (John) Adams of Ogden, Utah; 21 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Loren Wardell Freeman; and one sister, Deanna Faye.

She was loved by her family and friends and will be sadly missed.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, at the Burley Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 209 Normal Ave., with Bishop Lance Loveland officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:40 a.m. Thursday at the church.

The family would like to specially thank Edna Stone Health and Hospice for all of their loving care and kindness. The family suggests memorials be directed to Idaho Home Health and Hospice in the care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

### James Edward Stinson

Shirley were married and combined their families on Aug. 2, 1978, in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Later, Jim and Shirley were sealed in the Fresno California LDS Temple. During the course of Shirley's marriage, they divided their time between their home in Bakersfield, Calif., and their home in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, son, neighbor and friend. He was known for his loving heart, his kindness and his wonderful ability to make everyone laugh. He was loved by many who called him "Dad" and was his cherished wife's best friend. Jim and Shirley became active members of the LDS Church in Twin Falls and at their ward in Bakersfield, where they were welcomed with open arms.

Jim is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 30 years, Shirley Stinson of

Twin Falls; his brother, Darrel Stinson of California; Jim's daughters and their spouses, Marilyn and Bob of Twin Falls, Patti of California, Pamela and Ray of Oregon, Arden and Cheryl of California, Jeanne and Robert of California; and his sons' and their spouses, Dean and Carol of Oregon, Brent and Marlaan of Oregon, Arden and Cheryl of Utah and Steve and Cheryl of Bakersfield, Calif. He is also survived by 20 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his son, Kim; his grandsons, Joseph Carr and Christopher McNeill; his parents; his brother, Huston; and sister, Vikki.

He will be buried from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, at the LDS 2nd Ward Church, 229

Park Ave. in Twin Falls. Entombment will be at Sunset Memorial Park directly following the service and is under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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Mabel Wodskow Hopkins of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Star LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Church, 100 S. 200 W. in Burley; visitation from 10 to 10:40 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Grace E. Fryou of Boise, funeral at 12:30 p.m. today at the Cloverdale Funeral Home, 1200 N. Cloverdale Road in Boise.

Hazel Olive Owens Huffaker of Gooding, funeral

at 2 p.m. today at Demary Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

Griselda "Grace" Salinas Lopez of Rupert, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; rosary will be recited at 5 p.m. today, followed by visitation until 8 p.m., at the Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St. Visitation also one hour before the funeral Wednesday at the church.

Belva V. Douglas of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

## Charles R. Barnes

Charles R. Barnes, 77, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Oct. 22, 2007, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

## DEATH NOTICES

## Elmo Elson

Elmo Elson, 88, of Malta, died Monday, Oct. 22, 2007, at his home. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 29, at the Malta LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:40 a.m. Monday at the church. A complete obituary will be held later.

## Alice Bowman

Alice (Waite) Bowman, 94, of Albany, Ore., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at the home of her daughter in Albany, Ore. At her request, she was cremated and no service was held. A family memorial service will be held later.

## Doris Shields

Doris (Bowman) Shields, 87, of Boise and formerly of Kimberly and Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 5, 2007, in Boise. At her request, she was cremated and no service was held. A family memorial service will be held later.

## Franklin L. Linnell

Franklin "Frank" L. Linnell, 76, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Oct. 22, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

## James Goodell

James Goodell, 77, of Gooding, died Sunday, Oct. 21, 2007, at Sunbridge Care Center in Twin Falls.

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## McClain

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momentous tasks passing two multimillion-dollar water and wastewater bonds as well as wrapping up Broadway Avenue's beautification project.

"I like to finish what I started and want to be on-hand to see the arsenic treatment facility built, as well as the new wastewater treatment system," McClain said.

Another issue she would like to see ironed out is the North Park agreement between the school district and city.

"That is a really big issue. This summer when the park started to dry out people had concerns, and rightly so. They deserve to have answers as to who is

going to be responsible for the park," she said. "I think that everything can be solved when adults bring adult ideals to the table."

Having spent six years as a trustee on the Buhl school board, McClain said she learned the value in being diplomatic and finds the professionalism of the City Council an asset to the community.

"This is a pivotal time in Buhl. We are going to need to plan for quality growth, but at the same time need to take care of the established neighborhoods in town," she said. "I think that with the degree of professionalism that is found amongst the council we can do what is right for Buhl."

## Hauser

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another two-year term. Hauser decided to run for the four-year position now held by Council President Bob VanDeWater, who decided not to seek reelection.

"I've had a great time on the council but with my obligations with Clear Springs and with family, I'm just at a point in my life where I cannot give the appropriate amount of time to serving on the council," said VanDeWater, who has been a council member for a decade. "If you can't give the time, stepping down is the right thing to do."

For Hauser, running unopposed will give him the opportunity to do what he feels he does best — listen.

"Where I work at the store I

hear from the public," he said. "That is half the battle; just listening to people and that is what they really want — to have their issues heard."

Hauser said that although he feels the federal government has disconnected from helping to fund the mandate to get the city's drinking water under 22 parts per billion of arsenic, he looks forward to seeing the project through.

Congress, he said, "has really neglected to see the impact that these unfunded mandates have on people. Our country is filled with people just trying to get by."

"But as a city, our consequences for not remaining in compliance are very strict. It is something that we have to do."

## House

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gendes — and help staff better serve teens affected by sex abuse and similar issues.

Association members tonight will get to see the results of the program first-hand — Stotts said she plans to bring one of her employees who was once a resident of the home. The staffer, she said,

is a perfect example of how the Safe House keeps its residents out of more serious trouble and gets them back on track.


It's a job that never ends, said Nikki Cluff, on-site from Cottage Cleaning to tidy up the home.

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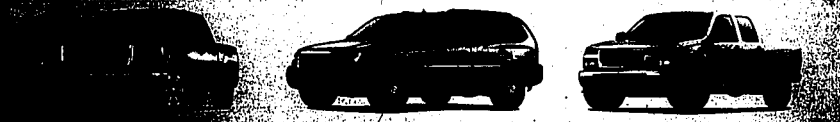
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EDITORIAL

## Do ask, do tell: Lifting the curtain on teacher sex abuse

Let's say you're a ninth-grader living in an Idaho community of 2,000 or 3,000 people, and the unthinkable happens. Your teacher sexually abuses you, and then says no one will believe you if you report him.

He may be right: Your parents, perhaps, went to high school with this man, who's twice been named the school district's teacher of the year. Maybe he's the coach of the high school football team, or a leader in his local church.

What would you do? Could you do anything?

That was the crux of a recent Associated Press series of articles about teachers who sexually abuse students. The wire service's investigation found more than 2,500 cases nationwide over five years.

There are 3 million public school teachers in America, most devoted to their work. Yet statistically there are three instances of sexual abuse by teachers of students every single day.

And it can happen here.

Not often, says Tarna Bergstrand, chairwoman of the Professional Standards Commission and ethics committee that is charged with disciplining teachers who cross the line. But when it does happen, the results are tragic. "We had one case in 16 interviews with a little girl, where the interviewer asked why she didn't tell anyone that she was being abused," Bergstrand said. "She said, 'Well, he was a teacher and teachers aren't supposed to do bad things.' It broke my heart."

Out of 14,800 teachers in grades kindergarten through 12th in Idaho, nine had their teaching licenses revoked, suspended or denied in 2005. Between 2001 and 2005, the state averaged about seven such discipline cases a year, according to state records, though some years had as many as 13 cases and some years had as few as four.

Nationally, nine out of 10 of abusive educators are male. And at least 446 had multiple victims. "The worst case in Idaho happened nearly two decades ago in Boise, where Centennial High School science teacher Dan Campbell — who had previously taught many of a same students in middle school — pleaded guilty to two counts of rape and one count of lewd and lascivious conduct for having sex with at least three students.

Three of the victims are pregnant, and all were pressured by Campbell into having abortions, according to court records.

The ex-teacher is now serving a life sentence. The upper-middle class area of West Boise where Centennial is located is among the safest neighborhoods in the state, but Campbell's abuse went on for years.

Training teachers is critical in preventing such crimes, but that's only a first step. Idaho's code of ethics for teachers is already quite specific about what's appropriate and what isn't.

Yet because of the stigma involved, many teachers who commit sexual abuse never even face criminal charges.

What is who needs is better education of youngsters about what constitutes sexual abuse and how they can respond to it.

That instruction should be done by someone who isn't a teacher — an administrator or a member of the community — and it should be frank. Kids should clearly know there's someone they can call who will take them seriously.

And Idaho needs an unambiguous, uniform protocol for investigating allegations of sex abuse, used by every school district in the state.

In the private sector, many employers have a clear, universal standard for looking into allegations of sexual harassment. They do that, in part, to protect themselves from legal liability, but also to insure that they have healthy — and hence productive — workplaces.

Idaho schools should emulate those processes, which emphasize isolating the victim from the abuser and preventing retaliation against the accuser.

Only the Department of Education with the backing of the State Board of Education, the Legislature and the governor could implement such a system. It should be a priority.

In excess of 99 percent of teachers would never do anything inappropriate to a student. But there are a few who would.

Such people, by and large, are predators first and teachers second, not folks who made a single error of judgment.

Because of that, Idaho's kids are always at risk.

## Don't change your bulbs; change your leaders

People often ask: I want to get greener, but should I do it? New light bulbs? A hybrid? A solar roof? Well, all of those things are helpful. But actually, the greenest thing you can do is this: Choose the right leaders. It is so much more important to change your leaders than to change your light bulbs.



THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

Why? Because leaders write the rules, set the standards and offer the tax incentives that drive market behavior across a whole city, state or country. Whatever any of us does individually matters a tiny bit. But when leaders change the rules, you get scale change across the whole marketplace. And the energy-climate challenge we face today is a huge scale problem. Without scale, all you have is a green hobby.

Have no illusions, everything George W. Bush wouldn't do on energy after 9/11 — his resisting improved mileage for cars and actually trying to weaken air-conditioner standards — swamped any good works you did. Fortunately, the vacuum in the White House is being filled by leaders from below. "Take the New York City taxi story. Two years ago, David Yassky, a City Council member, sat down with one of his backers, Jack Hidary, a technology entrepreneur, and brainstormed about how to make New York City greener — at scale. For starters, they checked with the Taxi and Limousine Commission to see what it would be like to replace the old gas-guzzling Crown Victoria yellow cabs, which get around 10 miles a gallon, with better-mileage, low-emission hybrids. Great idea, only it turned out to be illegal, thanks to some old size regulations designed to favor Crown Vics.

Recalled Hidary: "When they first told me, I said, 'Are you serious? Illegal?'" So he formed a nonprofit called SmartTransportation.org to help Yassky lobby the City Council to change the laws to permit hybrid taxis. They also reframed it as a health issue, with the help of Louise Vetter, president of the American Lung Association of the City of New York. "New York City has among the dirtiest air in the U.S.," Vetter said. "When it comes to ozone and particulate matter, New Yorkers are breathing very unhealthy air. Most of it is tailpipe emissions. And in New York City, where asthma rates are among the highest in the nation, the high ozone levels create very serious threats, especially for kids who spend a lot of time outdoors. Converting cabs from yellow to green would be a great gift to the city's children."

Matt Daus, who heads the taxi commission, which is independent of the mayor, was initially reluctant, but once he learned of the health and other benefits, he joined forces with Yassky and Hidary and the measure passed the City Council by 50-0 on June 30, 2005. Since then, more than 500 taxi drivers have converted to



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hybrids — mostly Ford Escapes, but also Toyota Highlanders and Priuses, and others.

On May 22, Mayor Michael Bloomberg, one of the greenest mayors in America, they decided to push even further, insisting on a new rule, which the taxi commission has to approve, that will not just permit but require all cabs — 12,000 in all — to be hybrids or other low-emission vehicles that get at least 30 miles a gallon, within five years.

"When it comes to health and safety and environmental issues, government should be setting standards," the mayor said. "What you need are leaders who are willing to push for standards that are in society's long-term interest." When the citizens see the progress, Bloomberg added, "then they start to lead." And this encourages leaders to seek credit-sensitive technology.

I asked Ebyron Friedman, a top New York City fleet operator, how he liked the hybrids: "Absolutely fabulous. We started out with 18, and now we have over 200, mostly Ford Escapes. Now we only put hybrids out there. The drivers are demanding them and the

public is demanding them. It has been great economically. With gas prices as they are, the drivers are saving \$30 dollars a shift." He said drivers who were getting 7 to 10 miles a gallon from their Crown Vics were getting 25 to 30 from their hybrids. The cost of shifting to these hybrids, he added, has not been onerous.

New Hillary is trying to get law firms and investment banks, which use gas-guzzling Town Cars — 12,000 in the city — to demand hybrid sedans only.

This is how scale change happens. When the Big Apple becomes the Green Apple, and 40 million tourists come through every year and take a gas, one hybrid cab ride, they'll go back home and ask their leaders, "Why don't we have hybrid cabs?"

So if you want to be a green college kid or a green national security adviser, you can change lights. You can change cars. But if you don't change leaders, your actions are nothing more than an expression of, as Dick Cheney would say, "personal virtue."

Thomas Friedman is a columnist for the New York Times.

## Frightening to think of U.S. turning inward

The Economist magazine asks a provocative question: "Is America turning left?" The British weekly says the "worrying problem is not 1992 but the liberal overreach of the 1960s. By embracing leftist causes that were too extreme for the American mainstream — from unfettered trade to affirmative action — the Democrats cast themselves into the political wilderness. Now the American people seem to be reacting to conservatism by turning left."

The magazine says, "... some sort of shift seems to be under way." The result is Democrats moving to the left on trade and a more protectionist America. And soon make the world's poor regret Mr. Bush's passing."

This is where I beg to differ. The Economist asked the wrong question and drew the wrong conclusion. The question ought to be: "Is America turning inward?" An inward-looking America transcends party labels. The right-wing assault on immigration and immigrants is as much of this trend as is the liberal concern about the implications of trade.

House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio regularly sends missives to news organizations about the dangers posed by the new majority. He said, "Not only have House Democrats done nothing to strengthen our



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ability to combat illegal immigration, they have actively voted to undermine our efforts."

This is inward-looking America. We can go it alone. We don't need the 12 million people who depend on our integral part of our economy, or our success.

This is not partisan politics because many Democrats are expressing the same fear-fetish of our future. I substitute the words "free trade" for "immigration" and you can write the same story. We can go it alone. We don't need to connect (or compare) with the rest of the world.

Trade creates thousands of good-paying jobs in the Pacific Northwest (more than 85,000 people in Washington work for foreign-owned companies). Last year the state exported \$53 billion in manufactured goods (it helps when you use jet airplanes). But it's important to agriculture, too. Exports were estimated at \$2 billion in 2005 — more than a third of the state's agricultural revenue.

U.S. Trade Representative Susan Schwab says the trade issue brings together Democrats and Republicans

## The same government that promotes trade as essential has moved security up the list of what's most important.

"who get it." The challenge of trade politics is the benefits of trade are so broadly based, so diffused, so widely shared," she said. While "the negative impact of trade is concentrated and much more visible."

Trade is an essential element to the America turning inward story, but it's only one chapter.

The same government that promotes trade as essential has moved security up the list of what's most important. This country's export control system for what is considered sensitive technology was designed for the Cold War. It makes no sense when our economic competitors can purchase the same technology that we ban from export in another market.

Our obsession with security is turning us into an island: It's more difficult for Americans to travel around the world and for people from other nations to come here.

Just a few weeks ago, some 3 million Americans were still waiting for their passports — the State Department's goal was to cut that in half by the end of the

year. It's as if all our systems are promoting isolation. Soon it will be impossible for a family to take relatives on a spur-of-the-moment trip to Canada (unless they already have a passport with them). Since 9/11, overseas travel to the United States has plummeted nearly 20 percent. Research reveals that business, leisure and other types of travel are increasingly choosing non-U.S. destinations," says the Discover America Partnership, a travel industry coalition. "Bottom line: America's broken travel system — visa policy, the entry experience and perceptions of an unwelcoming environment — is harming the country's economic security, public diplomacy and national security."

It's not just travel. It's not just trade. It's America's shifting perception about its place in the world. We seem to have forgotten our history: We are not very good at isolation. We thrive when we look out the window and think about what can be.

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

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## One last home stand for CSI volleyball

### Times-News

Let the fan and games come. After all, things get a lot less friendly next week.

The No. 8 College of Southern Idaho volleyball team can enter tonight's exhibition sophomore night match against NAAIA Division I power College of Idaho sporting a wide collective grin. Heading into Saturday's final Scenic West Athletic Conference regular-season match of the year, the Golden Eagles are right where they want to be.

At 33-9 and 7-2 in SWAC play, CSI is firmly in second place in the conference standings and already wrapped up the right to host the Region 18B Tournament, held next Friday through Saturday in Twin Falls.

Even with a Saturday road loss to a North Idaho College squad CSI is already 2-0 against this season, the worst position CSI will enter the postseason at would be hosting an over-whelmed College of Eastern Utah team instead of SWAC doormat Colorado Northwestern Community College.

While CSI will focus on topping NIC on Saturday, tonight's match against the Yotes, ranked No. 8 in the NAAIA at 16-7 on the season, should have more of a friendly feel. CSI will honor its outgoing sophomores, but head coach Heidi Cartrisser isn't expected to rely heavily on her top players. Sophomore setter Puddle Finau is expected to sit out tonight's match, along with

Friday's match at Spokane (Wash.) Community College, as she rests her surgically-repaired knees for the postseason.

Cartrisser is expecting a tight match against close friend and Yotes head coach Liz Mendiolfa and her squad. The Yotes are coming off a 3-1 Saturday loss to Southern Oregon University that snapped a 14-match win streak, and will be looking to right the ship tonight. Five College of Idaho players are averaging over two kills per game, and the Yotes' experience-edge-of-suiting-ites seniors for tonight's match will be something the young Golden Eagles will look to overcome.



### Eagle Eyes

Tonight: College of Idaho (16-7, 13-1 CCC) at No. 8 CSI (33-9, 7-2 SWAC), 7 p.m.

Last time they met: The Yotes, currently ranked No. 8 in the NAAIA Division I National Poll, defeated CSI 30-26, 30-26, 30-22 in this season's earlier exhibition match in Caldwell, Ore. the horizon: The Golden Eagles head north to play Spokane Community College at 7 p.m., MDT, Friday, before taking on SWAC rival North Idaho College at 4 p.m., MDT, Saturday.

Sophomore night: Tonight's match is the final regular-season home match for the Golden Eagles. Prior to play, the program will honor outgoing sophomores Puddle Finau, Chanelle Esteban, Leslie Aki, and Gabriela Bolowczyk.

## MVS doles out awards

By Linda Brittan  
Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT: Nev. — Magic Valley Speedway's 22nd annual awards banquet was held last Saturday night in the Gale Room at Cactus Pete's Resort, honoring Idaho's only NASCAR-sanctioned track champions for 2007 and acknowledging many others with special awards given throughout the evening.

After the invocation given by Sam Fowler and opening remarks by new MVS owner/promoter Eddy McKean, MVS track announcer Derrick Shannon took over as Master of Ceremonies. Ashley McKean was on stage to help distribute the awards while Mughn Milley, representing NASCAR, made the trip from Florida in order to attend the banquet. Along with the trophies and plaques, jackets from Sprint and MVS were also presented to the track title winners. Champions also received rings courtesy of Jensen Jewellers which were presented by representative Allen Easterling. T-shirts course of Pepsi were also distributed.

Steve Jones, who captured 11 wins over the 18-race schedule in the Pepsi Premier Series, accepted the feature division's top award along with the award for setting the fastest qualifying speed for the season. Coming in at second in the division was T.J. Woodhall with Rob West finishing third while Mike Greco and Steve Fisher rounded out the top five. The Best-Looking Car award went to Dan Peterson, while Travis Monnet received Most Improved Driver recognition. Steve Fisher captured Rookie of the Year honors. Brian Bolton, representing series sponsor Pepsi presented the awards for the feature division.

Jones has sold the winning gold No. 3 car to Jonathon Gomez who drove the car in the October 6 Fall Classic at MVS. Jones' plans for the 2008 season are still uncertain but a stab at the Rocky Mountain Challenge Series is still a possibility for the multi-time MVS top performer. Another big need for Jones is a trip to the Whelen All-American Series banquet in Las Vegas on November 10, where he will be honored along with other short-track drivers from across the United States and Canada for his accomplishments this season.

After two years of domination by Louis Lopez in the Budweiser Grand Nationals division, Budweiser representative Randy Mitchell presented Jerry McKean with the season's top award. McKean's seven wins in 13 starts helped to land 2007 track title for the driver from Jerome. McKean's victories included four of the five Chase for the Championship races held at the end of the season.

McKean came in as runner-up in the division, with Kris McKean, Kony Hatke and Jonathan Gomez completing the top five. Lopez set the fastest qualifying time while Rookie of the Year honors went to Kris McKean. Jerry McKean having won the vote for Best-Looking Car. Kris McKean also took home the Most Improved Driver award.

NAPA Pony Stocks Driver Bill Miles and others in the division were honored by series sponsor representative Allen Schvaneveldt. Miles earned the track championship after a six-win season placed him in the final standings. Jason Whitely, 2006 champion, finished second in the series with Josh Pitz, Shawn Nice and Randy Grubbs rounding out the top five. Rookie of the Year honors went to Jonathon Gomez while Whitely topped in the Fast Qualifying award for the year. Jason Abbott was the recipient of the Most Improved Driver award and Randy Grubbs was presented with Best-Looking Car honors.

Series sponsor Eddy McKean presented the awards for the Magic Valley Pepsi Truck Stocks division. Jim Shirley captured his first track championship at MVS after his lone win along with 12 top five finishes earned him the season title. Shirley's consistency placed him ahead of Craig Nuthak, Jim Howard, Desi Ahrens and John Hoogendorn who occupied the next four spots in the standings. Stacey Jensen received Rookie of the Year honors and Shelia Harms took home the Best-Looking Car award. Jason Todd set the fastest qualifying time while Jason Hodnett received Most Improved Driver honors.

For the Quale's Electronics Hornet Jet Peck's consistency earned him the top spot for the season, which was presented by series sponsor Mel Quale. Daniel Shirley and Renee Lopez finished just behind Peck in the final standings. Lopez received the Best-Looking Car award with Shirley earning Rookie of the Year honors. Quale also presented Queen Bee champion Misty Greco with her award for capturing the track title in the division along with recognizing Alecia Dagen and Charli Hammond-Sanchez who placed second and third in the division. Additionally, Bill Mankar for

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## Rockies & Roll

### Rockies, Red Sox ready for World Series

By Howard Ullman  
Associated Press writer

BOSTON — Fenway Park was quiet, the Red Sox clubhouse was dry and Jonathan Papelbon was done with his Irish step dance.

The jubilation of Boston's pennant-clinching comeback was over. There was still one more opponent to face, one that fashioned an incredible streak to reach the World Series for the first time.

Monday's stillness was the calm before the swarm. The Colorado Rockies are coming to town, taking a 2-1 surge into Game 1 Wednesday night.

"They certainly should be fresh — perhaps too fresh."

After sweeping the Arizona Diamondbacks to win their first NL pennant, the Rockies will play their first game in nine days. The Red Sox spent most of the time on the field, rallying from a 3-1 AL championship series deficit and outscoring the Colorado Indians 30-5 in the last three games.

"We've played a lot of intense games but we'd rather go in seeing live pitches in a couple of days than nine days off," said Dustin Pedroia, who drove in five runs in Sunday night's 11-2 clincher.

"They'll be ready. They've waited their whole lives to be in this situation so I don't think they're going to affect their play at all," he said.

Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said it was worth the eight-day layoff just to see the city galvanized by the Rockies' first World Series appearance.

"I've enjoyed watching the city



ABOVE: The Boston Red Sox grounds crew works behind the freshly-painted World Series logo at Fenway Park in Boston Monday. ABOVE, RIGHT: Colorado Rockies outfielder Willy Taveras runs wind sprints in the outfield during baseball practice at Coors Field in Denver, Monday.

embrace it," Hurdle said. "I've been able to go to some places where we were able to be in the background and just watch the buzz from other people. We've gone to places where we've been overly embraced, too."

"All the stories about the down time were appropriate. What will it do to the Rockies? I understand that. But to watch the city — not to have us run right into the World Series — has been really cool."

The weather is Boston for the first two games is supposed to be mild, with mostly clear skies and



### Red Sox vs. Rockies

Game 1: Wednesday, 6:35 p.m.  
Pitchers: Josh Beckett (20-7) vs. Jeff Francis (17-9)  
TV: Fox

temperatures in the 50s. There's no snow in the forecast for the weekend game in Denver. Meteorologist Robert

Glancy of the National Weather Service said Monday that Games 3 and 4 should be played in around-bump weather.

"We won't have to mess with rain or snow," Glancy said. "We're between storms. It won't be bitterly cold. But stay tuned. Forecasts do change."

ALCS MVP Josh Beckett will pitch the opener against Jeff Francis, who is 2-0 with a 2.13 ERA in his first postseason. Beckett is 3-0 with a 1.17 ERA in this year's playoffs and was the

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## Rockies suspend ticket sales after computer crash

By Colleen Slavin  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — The Colorado Rockies suspended World Series ticket sales Monday after overwhelming demand crashed their computer system.

"Right now we're shutting the system down," club spokesman Jay Alves announced outside Coors Field, drawing boos from fans. "We expect to be online at some point."

"We're as frustrated and disappointed as they are," Alves said.

Alves had said last week that the Rockies were prepared for any computer problems.

On Monday, there were 8.5 million attempts to connect with the computers in the first 30 minutes after sales started, he said, and only several hundred tickets had been sold before the system had to be shut down.

The Rockies put as many as 60,000 tickets up online daily, and sales officials said their computers were ready to handle the expected crush. But two hours after tickets went on sale, many fans reported they could not get access to the ticket-sales Web site.



Colorado State University journalism student Matt Spaulding grimaces as he tries to buy World Series tickets online in a computer lab at the Morgan Library on campus Monday.

About 20 people lined up in near-freezing temperatures outside the Denver Public Library where it opened in hopes of using public-access computers to score tickets.

"If you can't get tickets here, you're going to have to pay \$200, \$300 above face value," said

Clayton McLeod, a 26-year-old heavy-machine operator who took the day off to try to get seats.

McLeod said he has Internet access from his apartment building but thought the library's computers might be faster. His mother, father, uncle and girlfriend were trying to buy tickets from other computers, he said.

His boss, also a Rockies fan, agreed to give him the day off and asked McLeod to get tickets for him, too.

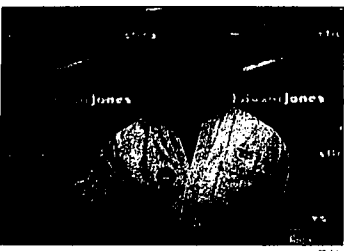
"We'll see how many I'll get," McLeod said. The Rockies limited sales to four per person per game.

Coors Field seats more than 50,000, but about 30,000 spots per game are allotted to season-ticket holders, the two teams and Major League Baseball.

Season-ticket holders got a chance to buy their tickets last weekend. Prices range from \$65 to \$250. Tickets originally were to be sold at Coors Field and Rockies' Dugout Stores in the Denver area, as well as online. The team announced Wednesday all sales would be online, saying that would be more fair.

# La Russa to return as Cardinals manager

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Tony La Russa tended to his many pets on the West Coast for a week or so, and made up his mind: He wanted to keep managing. Now, he's hoping the St. Louis Cardinals can make an equally quick decision on hiring a general manager.



St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa speaks during a news conference announcing he will return as Cardinals manager Monday in St. Louis.

La Russa agreed Monday to a two-year contract to stay in St. Louis, confident that the Cardinals can still be contenders. Whether he ever works out his rift with Scott Rolen, that remains to be seen.

"You've got to be honest, he's probably the one guy who has issues with me," La Russa said. "You hope he's healthy, understand we have issues, and don't let it get in the way."

A year after winning the World Series, the Cardinals endured a disappointing 78-win season. General Manager Walt Jocketty, who hired La Russa in 1995, was fired earlier this month.

The 63-year-old La Russa never courted offers from other teams. He would have preferred the new GM of the Oakland Athletics, but La Russa felt it was important to finalize his status heading into free agency.

Team chairman Bill DeWitt Jr. said

all the GM candidates he's talked to have said they'd have no problem working with La Russa.

"I'm real pleased it worked out," La Russa said. "I'm thrilled to be back."

La Russa has led St. Louis to seven playoff appearances, six NL Central championships, two pennants and the 2006 World Series win over Detroit. His Oakland team won the 1986 World Series.

DeWitt expects to hire a new GM by the end of the World Series. The candidates are all currently assistant GMs,

including former Jockeyty top aide John Mozeflak.

"The sooner the better, ideally," DeWitt said.

La Russa also said he'd gotten positive feedback from players with the notable exception of Rolen, the star third baseman with whom he's clashed repeatedly the past few seasons.

La Russa twice benched him in the 2006 playoffs, displeased that Rolen failed to disclose the extent of a shoulder injury. Rolen disagreed with the manager's handling.

Most of the roster is happy to have him back.

"I've played for a lot of managers and as far as running a bullpen, I'd put him with Bobby Cox as the best in the majors," reliever Russ Springer said. "He's a winning manager, the fans love him and he gets respect from managers across the league."

La Russa said the firing of Jocketty was not a huge surprise, given the front-office squabble that developed with Jeff Luhnow, vice president in charge of amateur scouting and player development. The two clashed in philosophy. Jockeyty's old-school approach vs. Luhnow's new-school numbers crunching.

# Edwards and Kenseth not getting along on or off the NASCAR track

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — What happens on the track between Jeff Gordon and Jimmie Johnson stays there, as the teammates have mastered the balance between competition and friendship.

The same can't be said for Matt Kenseth and Carl Edwards, who were caught on camera in a nasty confrontation following Sunday's race at Martinsville Speedway.

Kenseth was about to be interviewed when Edwards, his teammate at Roush Fenway Racing, grabbed him and firmly pushed him down on pit road. In a video posted on YouTube, the two are seen arguing before Edwards climbs over the pit wall. Before walking away, Edwards raised a fist as if to strike Kenseth, who noticeably flinched.

A Roush Fenway spokesman said Monday the team had no immediate comment on the incident, and president Geoff Smith was out of the office and unavailable.

Apparently, there's some serious animosity between Edwards and Kenseth, who have publicly criticized each other following a Busch Series race in Kansas last month.

It started when Kenseth appeared to cut Edwards off midway through the race, and the contact caused Edwards to cut a tire. Edwards later wrecked — not because of Kenseth — but blamed him for it by clapping his hands and giving a thumbs-up at Kenseth as he passed by him on the track.

"The reason I was mad, someone like a teammate would not do that," Edwards said. "He may or may not have done it on purpose. He's my teammate and we've really got a good relationship, so I hope we can get by this."

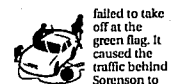
Kenseth went on to finish second, and was perplexed by Edwards' anger.

"I don't really feel like I did anything wrong," he said. "My job is not to get out of his way all of the time. We're supposed to race each other like we always race each other, and race each other with respect."

Kenseth didn't stop before taking a slight jab at Edwards, who is running away with the Busch Series driver championship but only has the car ranked third in the owner's point standings. Entries fielded by Richard Childress Racing and Joe Gibbs Racing and piloted by multiple drivers.

"If I was getting beat by the owner's championship, I'd be upset about that," Kenseth said.

"It's not exactly clear what they were even arguing about, but it likely stemmed from a mid-race restart when Reed Sorenson's car



**In the Pits**  
BY JENNA FRYER • AP

failed to take off at the green flag. It caused the traffic behind Sorenson to stack up, and Kenseth and Edwards became entangled as they tried to weave around Sorenson.

They banged doors in Turn 1, and had heavier contact in Turn 3 that caused Edwards to lose track position. His anger apparently festered for the rest of the race, and when the spotted Kenseth starting a television interview; he was aggressive in interrupting to make a point.

It was a stark contrast from the harmony in the Hendrick Motorsports camp, which had just witnessed another duel between championship contenders Johnson and Gordon.

Johnson won Sunday's race, holding off a charge from his mentor and friend, to score his series-best seventh victory of the season and tighten a championship battle that Gordon is trying to run away with. With four races remaining, Gordon holds a 63-point lead over Johnson.

There's no animosity between the two, who celebrated in Victory Lane together. Losing crew chief Steve Letarte climbed atop Johnson's pit box for a congratulatory high-five with winning crew chief Chad Knaus.

"I know that Jeff is going to do everything that he can to win, and I'm going to do the same," Johnson said. "We have a good deal of respect for one another."

The unity is contagious at Hendrick, where driver Casey Mears also went to Victory Lane, as did several of Gordon's crew members. A week earlier, when Gordon won in Charlotte, driver Kyle Busch stopped by to congratulate him.

"It's a teamwork philosophy that's been in place for a few years implementing and fostered by assembling selfless employees who focus on the big picture."

"I have told them this year, last year year before that, 'You won't get beat from the outside in this business once you get the momentum. It is going to happen from the inside,'" he said.

The cohesiveness could be why Hendrick has won 15 of 32 races this season, put three drivers in the Chase and has just five wins on the season.

Now the team appears to have a brewing problem between its top two drivers that if left to fester will only prevent the organization from ever catching up with Hendrick.

# Inbeaten Colts top Jaguars

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — All that talk about defending Super Bowl champion Indianapolis being better this season just might be true.

The Colts dominated every aspect of Monday night's showdown against the Jacksonville Jaguars, easily winning 29-7 and once again taking charge in the AFC South.

They also moved a step closer to setting up an undefeated matchup with New England (7-0). The teams meet Nov. 4.

The Patriots should provide more of a challenge than the Jaguars did.

Joseph Addai and Kenton Keith combined for 141 yards rushing. Peyton Manning once again "wagone" apart Jacksonville's secondary, and the Colts avenged their most embarrassing loss of last season.

Indianapolis (6-0) improved to 3-0 in the division and left Jacksonville (4-2), "Bengals" in the all-too-familiar chase mode. The Colts, who have won the last four division titles, also joined Green Bay (1929-31) and St. Louis (1999-2001) as the only teams in history to start 6-0 for three straight years.

They made this one look easy, backing up assertions by coaches. Tony Dungy and Jack Del Rio that the Colts are stronger, faster, more disciplined and simply better than they were during last year's championship run.

The Colts knocked David Garrard out of the game, pretty much bottled up Fred Taylor and Maurice Jones-Drew and extended their winning streak to 11 games.

They also and Jones-Drew spearheaded last year's 44-17 run in Jacksonville. The Jaguars ran for a franchise-record



Indianapolis Colts defensive back Bob Sanders, left, intercepts a second-quarter pass intended for Jacksonville Jaguars receiver Dennis Northcutt during Monday's game in Jacksonville, Fla.

375 yards — a defensive meltdown that proved to be a turning point for Indy. The team faced its run defense along the stretch and then won it all.

Indianapolis tried to catch the Colts off guard from the start Monday night, calling on Garrard to throw early and often. It backfired. Garrard was knocked out of the game in the second quarter and Jacksonville's kickstarter receivers dropped several balls.

Meanwhile, Manning was Manning. He had plenty of time to throw, and with Marvin Harrison still nursing a sore knee, hooked up with Wayne Allister over the field. Manning finished 23-of-37 for 259 yards, with a touchdown and an interception. He also ran for a score.

Wayne caught nine passes for 131 yards.

Manning's 35-yard TD pass to Dallas Clark made it 29-7 with 5:58 to play. By then, the stands at Jacksonville Municipal Stadium were mostly empty and the Jaguars had pretty much conceded the game.

Indianapolis built a 17-0 halftime lead with three long drives. Manning exposed Jacksonville's secondary, and Addai and Keith picked up yards between the tackles.

The Colts mixed it up better than they have in recent meetings against the Jaguars, who had played them tough despite losing seven of the previous 10 meetings.

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World Series MVP in 2003.

If Beckett is just as sharp Wednesday, Papelbon — a much better closer than dancer — could finish up.

Papelbon put the wackiest touches on Boston's celebration when it clinched the AL East. Strolling near the mound and shorts, he performed a wild dance while spraying champagne in all directions.

His recent performance Sunday was more subdued.

"Papelbon is wearing clothes on this time," I.D. Drew said.

Just imagine his encore if the Red Sox win the World Series for the second time in four years.

"I don't know," Drew said. "He looked like he worked on his dance a little bit over the last time and last night. So we'll see. Maybe he's getting some lessons."

On Monday, there were stacks of bottled water on the clubhouse carpet instead of the ice-filled champagne bins that were quickly emptied by fans trying to compete things. That wouldn't be very intelligent. Sometimes this game is really difficult to play. Sometimes you need to simplify it.

There is one difference Francona would love to see a better performance than the

Sox, a group that tries not to change its approach no mat-

ter how extraordinary the situation.

"The mentality is always the same, every day. You play nine innings or whatever it takes," manager Terry Francona said. "I don't think we try to complicate things. That wouldn't be very intelligent. Sometimes this game is really difficult to play. Sometimes you need to simplify it."

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place the rest of the way. The Rockies' big stretch forced a one-game tiebreaker with San Diego, which they won in 13 innings.

"They had an incredible run to this point," said Curt Schilling, Boston's probable Game 2 starter. "They're going to play us tough, but they'll get it if their pitchers can tame the Red Sox hitters."

Boston hit 391 (40-for-105) in the last three games of the ALCS. No longer are David Ortiz, Manny Ramirez, and Mike Lowell the only threats.

The Red Sox have an edge in experience. They're also resilient. Seven players who were on the ALCS team that rallied from a 3-0 deficit to beat the New York Yankees in the 2004 ALCS were on the team that came back from a 3-1 hole against Cleveland.

"You just try to relax and do what you did all year," Drew said. "I knew I didn't want to walk off that field an loser. I'd been in that place twice before so it was nice to go home a winner and realize you've still got some more baseball to play."

On that same field, the ALCS logo behind home plate had been replaced Monday by a World Series emblem.

Year	Series	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6	Game 7	Game 8	Game 9	Game 10	Game 11	Game 12	Game 13	Game 14	Game 15	Game 16	Game 17	Game 18	Game 19	Game 20	Game 21	Game 22	Game 23	Game 24	Game 25	Game 26	Game 27	Game 28	Game 29	Game 30	Game 31	Game 32	Game 33	Game 34	Game 35	Game 36	Game 37	Game 38	Game 39	Game 40	Game 41	Game 42	Game 43	Game 44	Game 45	Game 46	Game 47	Game 48	Game 49	Game 50	Game 51	Game 52	Game 53	Game 54	Game 55	Game 56	Game 57	Game 58	Game 59	Game 60	Game 61	Game 62	Game 63	Game 64	Game 65	Game 66	Game 67	Game 68	Game 69	Game 70	Game 71	Game 72	Game 73	Game 74	Game 75	Game 76	Game 77	Game 78	Game 79	Game 80	Game 81	Game 82	Game 83	Game 84	Game 85	Game 86	Game 87	Game 88	Game 89	Game 90	Game 91	Game 92	Game 93	Game 94	Game 95	Game 96	Game 97	Game 98	Game 99	Game 100
1903	AL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Colored at Fenway in June. The Rockies won the rubber game, behind Francis 7-1, and handed Beckett his first loss of the season after nine wins.

Overall, the Rockies outscored Boston 20-5 in the series.

"They took it to us pretty good," Pedroia said. "So we're going to have to make some adjustments, but I think we're two totally different teams since then."

The Red Sox stayed in first

# MVS

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Mankers' Landscaping Services presented Len Bুদ্ধhadden the first Teen Bee track champion's trophy in MVS history.

Louis Lopez and Dale Miles were acknowledged for their outstanding efforts and acknowledged as co-winners of the Most Helpful Crew Member Award. Joey Thomas, with the feature division champion team of drivers Steve Jones was awarded with top Crew Chief honors for the season. Winner of the mattress and box spring given away by Sleep Solutions was Matt Gomez, from a drawing of drivers who were "asleep at the wheel" or otherwise placing second in a race.

Dianne Van Epe and Dani Sox took home an award to give out some of the newly awards, spotlighting some

highlights of the 2007 season.

**MVS Award Recipients**

- Paul Peterson: 1. Steve Jones, 2. J.J. Woodard, 3. Steve Jones, 4. Steve Jones, 5. Steve Jones, 6. Steve Jones, 7. Steve Jones, 8. Steve Jones, 9. Steve Jones, 10. Steve Jones, 11. Steve Jones, 12. Steve Jones, 13. Steve Jones, 14. Steve Jones, 15. Steve Jones, 16. Steve Jones, 17. Steve Jones, 18. Steve Jones, 19. Steve Jones, 20. Steve Jones, 21. Steve Jones, 22. Steve Jones, 23. Steve Jones, 24. Steve Jones, 25. Steve Jones, 26. Steve Jones, 27. Steve Jones, 28. Steve Jones, 29. Steve Jones, 30. Steve Jones, 31. Steve Jones, 32. Steve Jones, 33. Steve Jones, 34. Steve Jones, 35. Steve Jones, 36. Steve Jones, 37. Steve Jones, 38. Steve Jones, 39. Steve Jones, 40. Steve Jones, 41. Steve Jones, 42. Steve Jones, 43. Steve Jones, 44. Steve Jones, 45. Steve Jones, 46. Steve Jones, 47. Steve Jones, 48. Steve Jones, 49. Steve Jones, 50. Steve Jones, 51. Steve Jones, 52. Steve Jones, 53. Steve Jones, 54. Steve Jones, 55. Steve Jones, 56. Steve Jones, 57. Steve Jones, 58. Steve Jones, 59. Steve Jones, 60. Steve Jones, 61. Steve Jones, 62. Steve Jones, 63. Steve Jones, 64. Steve Jones, 65. Steve Jones, 66. Steve Jones, 67. Steve Jones, 68. Steve Jones, 69. Steve Jones, 70. Steve Jones, 71. Steve Jones, 72. Steve Jones, 73. Steve Jones, 74. Steve Jones, 75. Steve Jones, 76. Steve Jones, 77. Steve Jones, 78. Steve Jones, 79. Steve Jones, 80. Steve Jones, 81. Steve Jones, 82. Steve Jones, 83. Steve Jones, 84. Steve Jones, 85. Steve Jones, 86. Steve Jones, 87. Steve Jones, 88. Steve Jones, 89. Steve Jones, 90. Steve Jones, 91. Steve Jones, 92. Steve Jones, 93. Steve Jones, 94. Steve Jones, 95. Steve Jones, 96. Steve Jones, 97. Steve Jones, 98. Steve Jones, 99. Steve Jones, 100. Steve Jones.



TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and mild. Highs in the mid to upper 60s. Tonight: Mainly clear, calm and quiet. Lows in the middle 30s.

BURLEWUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mild and mainly sunny. Highs in the middle 50s. Tonight: Mostly clear and calm. Lows in the lower to mid 30s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 67, Low 34).

Yesterday's Weather

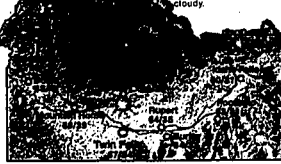
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Today will be mainly sunny with mild temperatures. Clouds begin to increase Wednesday...

BOISE Mainly sunny with mild temperatures today. Some high cloudiness may move in Wednesday...

NORTHERN UTAH It will be mostly sunny today and a good portion of Wednesday as well with mild temperatures...



Yesterday's State Forecast: 70 at Lewiston. Low: 21 at Starley. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy to sunny. High: 60 at Boise. Low: 20 at Starley.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY 'I'm not in a soufflé, regardless of the weather.' - M. Middlekauff

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 5 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Pollen Count.

Moon Phases

Table showing moon phases for Oct 28, Nov 1, Nov 8, Nov 17.

Moonrise and Moonset

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for various days.

U. V. INDEX

Table showing UV index levels for different times of day.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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NATIONAL FORECAST

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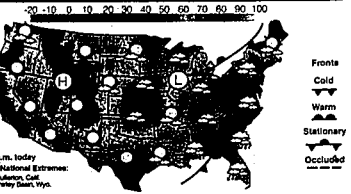
WORLD FORECAST

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CANADIAN FORECAST

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



The Patriots, Red Sox and Boston College Eagles are all rolling It's a Boston sports party!

BOSTON (AP) — Forgive those Boston sports fans who don't feel comfortable with all this success. 'I hope we don't have bandwagon fans that just want to follow along and just want to be winners,' said Paul Hutchinson as he walked through Boston Common on Monday.



Fans celebrate at Fenway Park in Boston early Monday morning after their Boston Red Sox advanced to the World Series with an 11-2 win over the Cleveland Indians in Game 7 of the American League Championship Series.

There is plenty of uplifting music in Boston these days — from the Red Sox to the Patriots to the Celtics to Boston College. Granted, the Patriots and Red Sox are no strangers to good times of late, but it's been more than two decades since Boston has had this much to cheer about.

was wearing a Patriots shirt and a Red Sox hat. 'I think the Red Sox can definitely pull it off against the Rockies.' It hasn't been this much fun to be a sports fan in this area since 1986, when the Celtics, the Red Sox and the Patriots all played in championship games.

'Twenty years later, the stars are aligning once again,' said Hutchinson, a Boston University employee from Hancock, N.H. 'It's all coming back and it's all going on here.' But die-hard fans also remember what the end of 1986 brought. The Red Sox lost the World Series to the New York Mets and the Chicago Bears drubbed the Patriots 46-10.

'That title the Celtics won? It was the city's last until the 2001 season, when the Patriots upset the St. Louis Rams in the Super Bowl.' Ray Cryan, a 63-year-old state employee, said young generations may start taking winning for granted because it's all they know. Older fans, he says, won't forget the pain inflicted by their beloved teams.

'They've never going to let their hearts totally go,' said Cryan, wearing a Red Sox cap on an unusually sunny day. 'They don't want to get hurt. Those fans remember the ball that rolled through Bill 'Buckner's' legs — and the death of Len Bias hours after he was drafted by the Celtics. That's as much a part of being a Boston fan as Curt Schilling's bloody sock or Bill Belichick's genius.

And that's one lesson Hutchinson plans to teach his 2½-month-old daughter, Charlotte. 'As his father, it reminds him of the 1975 World Series tickets he was forced to give away as he awaited the birth of his son. 'We will drive that into her head,' he said, his tiny daughter asleep against his white Boston jersey. 'Every day, she will hear about the curse, she'll hear about if you ever need proof of what faith is. It's the 2004 World Series and all that. She'll get that in rich detail.' Fans hardly know what to do with all the joy. The crowd started chanting 'Let's go Boston!' during the Patriots' 49-28 Red Sox victory in Miami. David Ortiz did pregame interviews before Game 7 against the Indians in a Patriots hat and shirt.

Red Sox manager Terry Francona was asked Monday about playing in the hottest sports city in the country. 'I've got to tell you, when I interviewed here I didn't care about the Patriots,' he said. 'I wasn't asked any questions (about them). I didn't know (Jeff) Jagodzinski was going to be the coach at BC. That really didn't enter into it. I'm thrilled for them. I'm a big Doc Rivers fan. I love the Celtics. I watch the games when they're on the West Coast, but that's not going to help us beat the Rockies.'



Los Angeles Galaxy midfielder David Beckham, left, England, passes the ball against Chicago Fire player Chris Armas during Sunday's game in Bridgeview, Ill. The Fire won 1-0.

End it like Beckham

Soccer star's first U.S. season is in the books

LOS ANGELES (AP) — He made his entrance and impressions, of conflict and plumes of smoke. He played in just five league games and scored no goals. And now David Beckham's season is over, cut short by knee and ankle injuries almost as soon as it began. 'I never had so many injuries in a short space of time,' he said. 'It's been hectic, where I used to play every day in Europe to missing half of the season.'

gave was tremendous. He drew 66,237 to Giants Stadium for his first MLS start. The Galaxy led the league in gate attendance, averaging 28,035 for 15 games. At home, the team averaged 24,252 for 15 games in its 27,000-seat stadium, bettering by 48 the mark set in 2005, even though Beckham didn't arrive until mid-July. Beckham's No. 23 jersey flew off the racks at a dizzying pace, pushing merchandise sales up 700 percent for the Galaxy and 300 percent leaguewide, according to MLS. 'We've created the buzz we wanted to create in the league. We've had a full house in most of the stadiums we've played in,' Beckham said. 'From that side it's been a success, but on my part it's been frustrating because I've not been able to go every place we've played.' Beckham was introduced to a media horde July 13, although he was already hobbling by an ankle injury while playing for England in June. Beckham later admitted his left ankle wasn't ready when he made his July 21 debut in an exhibition against Chelsea attended by a star-studded sellout crowd of 27,000 and shown live on ESPN. 'You can't really prepare for somebody like David coming to your team,' midfielder Peter Vaganas said. 'I'd be lying to you if I said that I didn't think people struggled with it. But David is a great person, a great teammate, and that makes it easy on everybody.' Then Beckham sprained his right knee Aug. 29 and was out for 1½ months — a span of 11 games — that killed the hype. As the league's highest-paid player, Beckham earned \$6.5 million in guaranteed money, including a \$5.5 million base salary. He played in just five MLS games.

LF, other Chargers, Padres among wildfire evacuees

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Reigning NFL MVP LaDainian Tomlinson was among several San Diego Chargers players, coaches and staff members who had to evacuate their homes as wildfires burned in San Diego County. The Chargers, who had just returned from their bye weekend, canceled practice Monday. Players were dismissed so they could take care of their families and because the air quality was poor

due to smoke, spokesman Bill Johnston said. As of late Monday morning, wildfires fanned by fierce desert winds forced the evacuations of nearly 250,000 people in the county.

There was no immediate word if any Chargers employees had lost their homes. Many Chargers players, as well as other current and former pro athletes, live in Poway and other suburbs

in northern San Diego County. Trevor Hoffman, baseball's career saves leader, was among a handful of Padres personnel who had to evacuate. Hoffman said he left his home in exclusive Rancho Santa Fe at about 6:30 a.m. and was heading north with his family.

'I'm just thinking about San Diego as a whole right now, being under siege by all these fires,' Hoffman said.

But at least Chicago fans got to see Beckham, who came off the bench in the Galaxy's final two games. Fans in Dallas, Toronto, New England, Colorado, Salt Lake City and Kansas City who bought tickets just to check out the English superstar were denied the opportunity because he was injured. Beckham's impact at the

Market rises on strength of tech sector

(AP) Wall Street finished a back-and-forth session Monday as investors overcame some of their nervousness about the credit markets and uneven earnings and found solace in the technology sector.

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## Glanbia announces it will produce organic cheeses

### Company predicts 20 percent annual growth in organic cheese market

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Glanbia Foods announced Monday that it will begin producing organic cheeses to meet growing consumer demand for organic dairy products. The cheese maker plans to produce eight to 10 million pounds of organic cheddar, colby and Monterey Jack cheeses over the next 12 months.

"We have been tracking the organic market for a number of years and we could see that there will be about a 20 percent annual growth in the organic cheese market," said Jeff Williams, CEO of Glanbia Foods. "Organic cheese production is usually isolated to smaller businesses, so we think that our size can bring resources such as quality control and assurance to the table, which is something that consumers are wanting more of."

Glanbia's size will also give it a competitive advantage by providing it with the ability to bring costs and prices down in a market that is dominated by smaller and more costly producers of organic cheese. The company plans to produce its organic cheeses dur-

### Idaho milk production by region:

- **Northern Idaho:** (9 producers) 535 cows — 12.48 million pounds of milk production — \$1.4 million value at the farm
- **Magic Valley:** (337 producers) 340,232 cows — 7,751 million pounds of milk production — \$923.9 million value at the farm
- **Treasure Valley:** (128 producers) 99,407 cows — 2,265 million pounds of milk production — \$269.9 million value at the farm
- **Eastern Idaho:** (209 producers) 37,019 cows — 843.3 million pounds of milk production — \$100.50 million value at the farm

Source: U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

ing the first hours of operation each day — when the facilities have been cleaned to meet organic food requirements — and then transition back to conventional cheese

production later in the day. Glanbia's organic cheese production will make up less than 10 percent of its overall cheese production. The cheese maker might be

limited by the quantity of organic cheese that it can currently produce because of the scarcity of local organic milk.

"There are only a few organic dairy farms in Idaho right now," Williams said. "And somewhere over the course of time that needs to be switched." But it can take up to two years for a conventional dairy to produce organic milk because it will have to buy or breed cows that produce organic milk and grazing land will need time for the fertilizers and non-organic chemicals to dissipate from the soil.

However, it is also a cost-efficient time for Glanbia to test the waters of organic dairy processing because of the rise in milk prices.

Organic milk cost at least 10 cents more than conventional milk less than a decade ago, but the cost of organic milk is currently less than 5 cents more than conventional milk.

"With conventional cheese we are always trying to find an economic model that works because the (profit) margins are always being squeezed," Williams said. "So we decided to try something else and that's why we began looking into producing organic cheeses."

Like its other cheeses, Glanbia will sell its organic cheese to other companies that will sell it under their own label.

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## Supreme Court to take up municipal bonds' structure

By Tom Petruo  
Los Angeles Times

The Supreme Court is about to take up a case that could change the world for municipal bond investors and make financing more expensive for some state and local governments.

The court will hear a lawsuit on Nov. 5 by two Kentucky investors who say it's unfair for that state to exempt its own bonds from state income tax while taxing the interest generated by other states' bonds.

That has long been standard practice in this country, and it in effect creates a captive audience for a state's IOUs.

The interest on most municipal bonds — debt issued by states, counties, cities, school districts and other local government bodies — is exempt from federal income tax. When a state's bonds also are exempt from its own income tax, investors in that state often have little reason to buy out-of-state municipal securities.

That's particularly true for investors who live in high-tax states.

For instance, the muni tax structure helped the Golden State sell \$2 billion in general obligation bonds last week, part of a \$62 billion backlog of debt the state must float over time to fund voter-approved infrastructure projects.

But Kentucky investors George and Catherine Davis, in a suit filed in 2003, contended that the muni tax system was unconstitutional because it interfered with commerce.

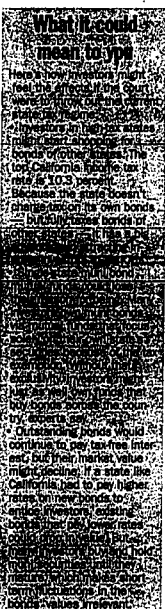
After a Kentucky appellate court agreed, the state asked the Supreme Court to uphold the current tax regime.

Most analysts and big investors in the \$2.6-trillion muni bond market expect the court to strike down the challenge to the muni system and affirm that the state's general practice doesn't violate the Constitution.

"The market isn't preparing for anything adverse," said Thomas Do, president of Municipal Market Advisors, a Concord, Mass.-based muni research firm.

Some legal experts say their Supreme Court decisions on states' rights strongly hint at support for the muni tax structure.

Nonetheless, the case is being closely watched



because the stakes are so high. A ruling by the Justices is expected in the first half of next year.

"It would be a terrible disruption to the states" if the court tossed out the status quo, said Gregory Germain, a law professor at Syracuse University.

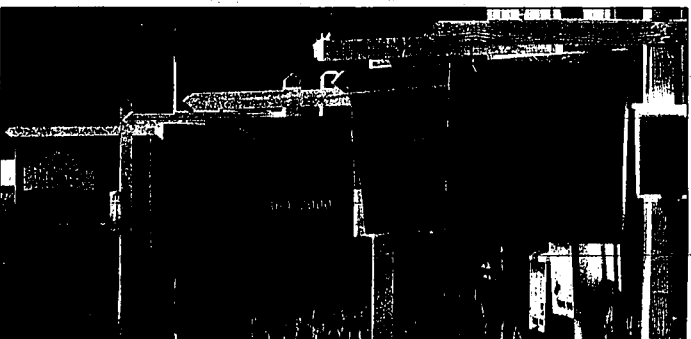
In a rare show of unity, every state in the union has joined Kentucky's cause, filing friend-of-the-court briefs in hopes of a favorable ruling.

If the justices were to side with the Kentucky investors, every state could face one of two options: tax interest on all muni bonds, including a state's own issues, or exempt all muni bonds.

Paul Rosenfield, head of public finance for California Treasurer Bill Lockyer, said the state Constitution mandated that the state's debt must be tax-exempt.

"So we would have no choice but to make all bonds tax-free," he said.

## Mortgage overhaul



Several existing homes for sale in San Jose, Calif.

### Some lawmakers say steps need to be taken to clamp down on abuse of home mortgage industry

By Jonathan Peterson  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Responding to chaos in the mortgage industry, U.S. lawmakers soon will consider a range of long-term measures designed to clamp down on abuses and require that lenders make loans that borrowers can afford to repay.

The package, sponsored by members including Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., chairman of the House Committee on Financial Services, would make clear that the rules applied to all key participants in making loans — notably brokers and independent lenders who generally have been overlooked by regulators.

The measure also would

impose some liability on Wall Street companies that package mortgages and resell them as securities, a process that has left beleaguered borrowers uncertain where to turn when they fall behind in payments.

Further, it would mandate adequate proof of income by those who seek home loans.

"If this had been law on January 06, I think it would have avoided some of the problems we have now," Frank told reporters Monday.

Frank said the bill could pass his committee as early as next week and be voted on by House members before Thanksgiving.

It is less clear that the Senate will move forward this year. Nonetheless, the

bill embodies a broad set of federal standards that are expected to influence ongoing debate about preventing a future episode of foreclosure and turmoil in the mortgage industry.

Among the provisions, the bill would:

- Establish a federal standard for home loans, requiring that mortgages only be approved in cases where borrowers have a reasonable ability to repay.

- Prohibit any financial incentives that encourage lenders to steer borrowers into more costly loans than they qualify for, such as yield spread premiums paid by banks to brokers.

- Restrict costly prepayment penalties charged to borrowers who wish to close

out their loans, typically to refinance on cheaper terms. Such penalties would have to expire before mortgages are scheduled to reset.

- Require licensing and registration for brokers and bank loan officers. Consumer advocates have called for such rules as a way to protect borrowers from unscrupulous lenders who may move from state to state.

- Establish federal minimum requirements, while allowing states to impose tougher rules. Federal rule-making and enforcement duties would go to agencies such as the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Federal Trade Commission.

## Ameristar Casinos comments on amended schedule

### Amendment filed by the Estate of Craig H. Neilsen

Times-News

Ameristar Casinos, Inc. commented on its amended

Schedule 13D, which it filed Monday with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The amendment was filed by the Estate of Craig H. Neilsen, Ameristar's majority shareholder.

"We read the filing to indicate the Estate wishes to preserve various options regarding its holdings in Ameristar

stock," said John Boushy, Ameristar's CEO and President. "We continue to operate our business as usual and our management team remains focused on delivering outstanding operating results."

Ameristar would not provide further comment on the amended schedule.

Ameristar Casinos, Inc. is a Las Vegas-based gaming and entertainment company which was founded in 1954 in Jackpot, Nev.

Ameristar has been a public company since November 1993, and currently operates eight casinos including Cactus Petes and The Horseshu in Jackpot, Nev.

## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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Idacorp	33.05	▲ .29
Supervalu	38.43	▲ 1.11

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# Turkey sends more troops to fight Kurdish rebels on Iraq border

By Volkan Serisakal and Christopher Torchia  
Associated Press writers



Turkish soldiers ride in armored vehicles in the province of Sirnak, on the Turkish-Iraq border, southeastern Turkey, Monday.

SIRNAK, Turkey — Dozens of Kurdish military vehicles streamed toward the Iraq border with heavy artillery and ammunition Monday after Kurdish guerrillas killed a dozen soldiers and claimed to have captured eight in an intensifying crisis threatening to spill into Iraq.

Arab nations joined the U.S. and Europe in urging Turkey's government not to attack suspected guerrilla bases in the Kurdish region of northern Iraq, while Turkish citizens rallied across the country demanding action against the rebels.

Iran's president claimed the guerrillas would announce a cease-fire. But the rebels denied that, saying

that started Oct. 1. It included \$189.3 billion for the Defense Department, \$6.9 billion for the State Department and \$200 million for other agencies.

southeastern town of Sirnak toward Uludere, closer to the border.

Trucks towing artillery pieces covered with camouflage tarps were trailed by khaki-colored trucks that appeared to be loaded with ammunition. Armored personnel carriers with helmeted Turkish soldiers manning heavy machine guns escorted the trucks.

The Pentagon has said 60,000 Turkish soldiers have been deployed along the border. The north is one of the few relatively calm Iraqi regions, and the U.S. fears an incursion by its ally Turkey could worsen the Iraq war.

After weeks of stepped-up clashes between Turkish troops and rebels, tensions ratcheted even higher after a guerrilla ambush Sunday killed 12 soldiers and left eight missing. The army said 34 rebels died in a counterattack.

# Bush asks for \$46 billion more for Iraq, Afghanistan wars

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush asked Congress for \$46 billion more to bankroll wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and said he wants the money approved by Christmas. The fighting in Iraq, in its fifth year, already has cost more than \$455 billion.

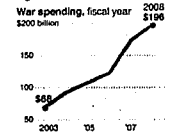
war grows every day — in lives lost, dollars spent, and to our reputation around the world," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said. "The American people long ago rejected the president's planned 10-year occupation of Iraq and want the administration to provide a concrete plan to bring our troops home."

Announcing his latest request, Bush alluded to the nation's disenchantment with the war, which has claimed the lives of more than 3,030 members of the U.S. military and more than 73,000 Iraqi civilians.

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## Bush seeks nearly \$200 billion for war

The Bush administration asked Congress to approve \$196.4 billion for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan in 2008.



SOURCE: Congressional Budget Office

# In new tape, Bin Laden urges Iraqi insurgents to unite

By Kim Gabel  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD (AP) — Osama bin Laden scolded his al-Qaida followers in Iraq and other insurgents Monday, saying they have "been lax" for failing to overcome fanatical tribal rivalries and unite in the fight against U.S. troops.

The message of his new audiotape reflected the growing disarray among Iraq's Sunni Arab insurgents and bin Laden's client group in the country, both of which are facing heavy U.S. military pressure and an uprising among Sunni tribesmen.

He used the word "tafasub" — "fanaticism" — to chastise insurgents for putting their allegiance to tribe or tribal organization above the larger fight to overcome American forces.

While the authenticity of the tape could not be verified immediately, analysts remembered that bin Laden in previous messages, U.S. officials in Washington said analysts were still studying the tape.

"My mujahedeen brothers in Iraq, you are a people worthy of praise and flattery. You are good well to carry out a glorious duty by fighting the enemy. But some of you have lagged behind in carrying out another glorious duty, which is to unite as one — as God wants," bin Laden said.

He warned followers "against hypocritical enemies who are infiltrating your ranks to create sedition among mujahedeen groups."

Analyst for the Washington-based Center for Strategic and International Studies, said bin Laden's underlying message appeared to be aimed at al-Qaida in Iraq — "that al-Qaida needs to be less arrogant and moderate its conduct."



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## Scare up a ghost town

Many are only a day trip — or less — away from Magic Valley

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

With fewer than 10 inches of rainfall annually in south-central Idaho and northeastern Nevada, what you see is mostly what you get, including, in the spirit of the season, ghost towns.

There are more than a dozen between Wells, Nev., to the south and Ketchum on the north, and from Silver City on the west and Idaho to the east, that are readily accessible.

But not *always* accessible.

For example, Owyhee County's Silver City — the undisput-

ed queen of Idaho ghost towns — is 6,200 feet up in the Owyhee Mountains and reachable only by unimproved roads 79 miles south of Boise. It's not a good winter destination.

And the historical remains in the old Atlanta mining district northwest of Fairfield — including fabulous Rocky Bar — are typically snowed in after Thanksgiving.

But for day trips and family outings, here are the top eight ghost towns in the northern Great Basin.



Owyhee County's Silver City, the best-preserved Idaho ghost town, is accessible into November.

Photo courtesy of Idaho Travel Council

### 1. SILVER CITY

It's a bit of a project, but a trip to Silver City is a must for anyone interested in ghost towns or Idaho history — or both. And the next fortnight may be the best time of year to visit Idaho's most complete remaining ghost town.

By Veterans Day, snow may cover New York Summit, the high point on a kidney-busting 23-mile drive from the nearest paved highway. Before then, you'll have Silver City — site of an epic silver and gold rush in the 1860s — mostly to yourself.

The Idaho Hotel, the city's signature structure, is open through the end of October, but most of the 100 or so folks who live part of the year in Silver City have long since thought about decamping someplace warmer for the winter. And virtually all of the 35,000 tourists who come here annually are gone.

You can wander Jordan and Washington streets, peer into historic structures, visit the pioneer cemetery and generally experience a ghost town when it's best experienced — empty.

The surrounding area is wooded

and gorgeous in the fall, and while amenities are non-existent — even the water gets turned off in November so the town's pipes don't freeze — it's a fine place for a picnic and an afternoon outing.

But take a full tank of gas, check the forecast before you go and be alert for sudden changes in weather. Most passenger vehicles can navigate the eclectic road from Idaho Highway 78, but there are no service stations in Silver City, and cell phone reception in the Owyhee Mountains is intermittent.

War Eagle Mountain just to the

east of Silver City brought thousands of prospectors in search of silver and gold here. At its zenith, 2,500 people lived in Silver City, which had six general stores, eight saloons and a brewery, a hospital, several brothels, Idaho's first telegraph service and its first newspaper.

Silver City is a four- to five-hour drive from Twin Falls. Take Interstate 84 to Hammett, then follow Highway 78 to Bruneau Dunes State Park. Continue past the park turnoff to the intersection with Idaho Highway 51, then turn left.

Drive five miles south to Bruneau and two miles beyond, picking up Highway 78 again. Follow Idaho 78 about 25 miles past Grand View, until you see a historical marker and a sign pointing to Silver City, then turn off the highway and follow the dirt road up Striker Creek Basin Gulch, across Sinker Canyon and up Scotch Bob Creek to New York Summit, then down to Silver City along Jordan Creek.

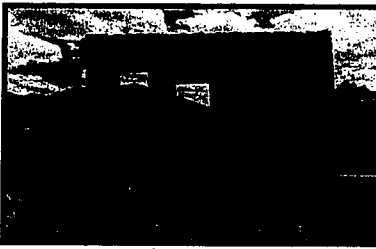
If you need to fill up your car, do it in Grand View. And this time of year, take along extra blankets and food, just in case.

### 2. CONTACT, NEV.

Few ghost towns sit beside a major federal highway, but Contact always was unique among Great Basin boomtowns. A dozen miles south of Jackpot off U.S. Highway 93, the settlement was organized in 1887 after silver strikes on nearby China and Blanchard mountains. According to the Web site [elkrose.com](http://elkrose.com), the population peaked in 1897, but the mines played out and Contact was virtually abandoned by 1905.

U.S. Mining and Smelting Co. revived the district a couple of years later, and by 1907 Contact had 300 residents and rival town sites were platted. The population grew throughout World War I, and by the 1920s, Contact had several hotels. The Wells Branch of the Oregon Short Line Railroad arrived in 1925, but the Great Depression dried up investment. After a boomlet during World War II, the community disappeared although mining continued until 1958 — copper, lead, silver, zinc, gold.

At the old Contact site, the rock walls of one of the first stores stand near the remains of the school. A few folks still live in the Contact area, however, so respect private property. And beware of hidden mine shafts and rattlesnakes.



The ruins and artifacts of Contact, Nev., are just a few yards from U.S. Highway 93 south of Jackpot.

Photo courtesy of Idaho Travel Council

### 3. METROPOLIS, NEV.

[Elkrose.com](http://Elkrose.com) contains some fascinating history of one of the least-known corners of the lower 48 states, including the extensive ruins of Metropolis, a land promotion scheme of the Pacific Reclamation Co. located 12 miles northwest of Wells. Using a name denoting a large city and prosperity, the company started the settlement in 1911, according to local amateur historian Howard Hickson. Drought, water rights litigation, high interest rates, jackrabbits and Mormon crickets contributed to the demise of the town and surrounding farms.

For information about Metropolis, call the Northeastern Nevada Museum in Elko at (775) 738-3418.

Read about more GHOST TOWNS on page D4

## Costuming your critters?

For Halloween, do you dress up your kids? Your baby goats, we mean, not your children. If you've recently costumed a horse, a llama, a cow, a goat or another large animal, the *Times-News* wants to hear from you. Perhaps it was for a costume contest at the county fair, or maybe you're outfitting your livestock for trick-or-treating this year.

Either way, contact reporter Ariel Hanson at 735-3378 or [ariel.hanson@tcnet.net](mailto:ariel.hanson@tcnet.net) by 9 a.m. Wednesday. Include your name, contact information and a description of the costume.

## Share your rural autumn images with the paper

### Times-News

Here in *Country Roads* in November, we'll showcase some of our readers' fall photos, along with our judges' comments. Here are the rules for our no-prize fall contest:

- Photos must be taken in Magic Valley, Mini-Cassia or the Wood River Valley.
- Stick to recent photos. That means images of fall 2006 or fall 2007.

- For judging, submit prints (they can be plain-paper prints or standard photo prints). Please do not e-mail your entry.

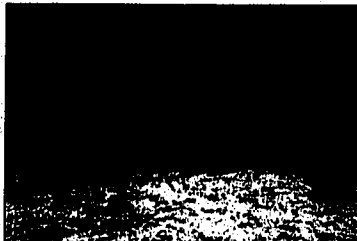
After we choose winners, we'll ask them to e-mail high-resolution digital versions for publication.

- Identify the people in your photograph, and where and when it was taken. And, of course, tell us who shot the photo.

- Include your address, phone number and e-mail address.

- Mail entries to: Virginia Hutchins, Features Editor, *Times-News*, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

- Deadline for us to receive your entries is Nov. 14.

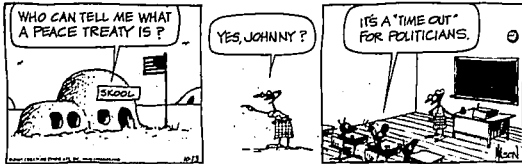


In the South Hills on Sept. 30, snow contrasts with bright leaves and sky. Colin Randolph of Twin Falls captured the scene.

Photo courtesy of Idaho Travel Council

B.C.

By Johnny Hart



Baby Blues

By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott



Baldo

By Hector O. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos



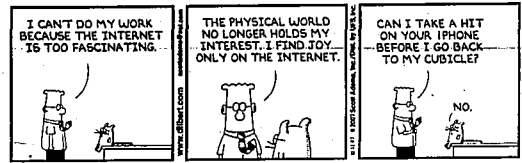
Brevity

By Guy & Rodd



Dilbert

By Scott Adams



Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau



The Elderberries

By Phil Frank and Joe Troski



For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



Luann

By Greg Evans



Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



Pearls Before Swine

By Stephan Pastis



Pickles

By Brian Crane



Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



Zits

By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



Non Sequitur

By Wiley



Strange Brew

By John Deering



Give extra kindness today, Capricorn

IF OCT. 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... During the coming 12 months don't fall prey to avoidable temptations and you will sail past any trouble. Successful plans can be made or put into action in late November and in early December when Lady Luck is rooting for your side. Grab whatever assistance comes your way and make important decisions then because you will develop powerful ambitions and need wise counselors to help you along as the summer approaches. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Every action receives a reaction. If you beat your head against a wall, the result will most likely be a very sore head. Hold off on new endeavors, signing contracts or making commitments. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Being slow and thorough is commendable. You may fear losing a chance to make a few extra dollars, but it is best to follow your own rules. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Play devil or conservative. There is a tendency to prevaricate when placed in a defensive position but that could cause trouble. Stressful situations that arise require cool

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

logic and patience. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Develop the patience of a saint. The pressing need to rush to meet a deadline could be working at cross purposes with accuracy. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Startling something new under these signs might seem like an uphill climb. It is a far better idea to tend with existing situations and take care of any little criticisms or mistakes that crop up. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Avoid being bogged down by minor details. There is a tendency to resist necessary adjustments so others might find you stuffy or stubborn. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): When stuck between a rock and a hard place, it is helpful to have a friend waiting in the wings who will give you a hand. Cultivate relationships with those who can extricate you from a jam. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Sticky situations will turn out all right in the end if you maintain a low profile. Keep

your temper in check. Following rules and regulations to the nth degree will bring eventual success. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Buck up, buckaroo. Things aren't as bad as they may seem. You may find that others resist your charms and that your wallet is shrinking, but this is just a temporary condition. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Coolheadedness could be taken to an extreme. What you consider to be giving someone what he or she deserves may be somewhat cruel from another perspective. Extra kindness is needed. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Call it out. You may be faring to go, but others prefer to stay calm, cool and collected. Past indiscretions or errors in judgment could show up in the spotlight and reflect badly on you or a companion. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It isn't your job to give someone a comeuppance or teach lessons. While it is important to stand up for your rights, you could encounter a chilly atmosphere if you try to control others.

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



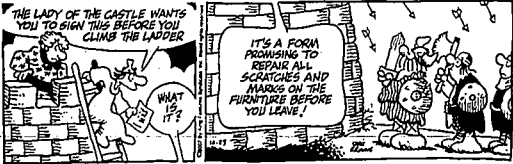
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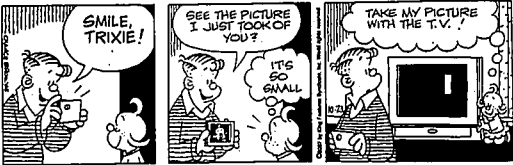
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Classic Peanuts

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By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



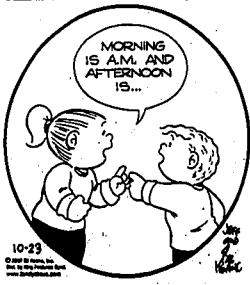
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham

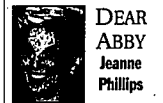


THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



# Moms who plan ahead can relieve separation anxiety



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

would feel the same way. Honeycombs are not for kids, both for their sakes and the parents'.

— THE STEPMOM

**DEAR ABBY:** After reading your response to "Desperate Mom in Miami" (Aug. 10), I was being married and wasn't sure if she should take her 4-year-old son on her honeymoon because she was afraid he'd be traumatized if he was left alone. Of course he will be traumatized if his mother leaves him for that long!

"Desperate" has been living with this man since her child was 6 months old. They have already had their honeymoon, so they should go away for only the weekend without her son. Come on, Abby, sit an impressionable 4-year-old — not an older child!

— T.C. IN WADSWORTH, OHIO

**DEAR T.C.:** I stand by my reply. While I did find it curious that "Desperate" had planned a 12-day honeymoon and then was uncomfortable about leaving her son with her mother and the boy's father, by age 4 children tend to be somewhat independent. The honeymoon will present the perfect opportunity for her son to get used to having other people around him. Other mothers with similar experiences offered helpful suggestions. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** You were spot-on in your advice to "Desperate Mom." Her separation anxiety (and that of her son) will be lessened with a little advance planning. She should buy some children's books, record her

self reading them, and leave them with the boy's caregivers to listen to each night before bed.

She should also get some little cars or other low-cost toys, wrap them, and have Grandma and Daddy reward the boy's "grown-up" behavior at the end of the day. A 30-minute calling card will allow her son to talk to Mommy for a short time every other day or in case of emergency. The mother should also send postcards to arrive while she's gone, praising him as a big boy and closing with, "See you soon."

— SANDY IN CIRCLE PINES, MINN.

**DEAR ABBY:** I was recently married and a 5-year-old daughter was part of the package. We took our honeymoon a couple of months later and explained to her what it was a vacation for two people to take when they get married — and children don't come. Period. We told her we would call to say hi and bring back a small gift.

I understood completely and was excited to spend extra time with my husband's mother and sister. She would not have enjoyed the trip we were taking, and I'll bet "Desperate's" son

DEAR ABBY: When I married for the second time, I had four children whom I left at home with my mother. Before I left, I assembled a goody bag for each of them — one for each day I would be gone. Inside I placed a short letter telling them where I was likely to be on that day, and some of the things I might be doing. I also included a few pieces of candy and a small toy.

Every night before they went to bed, the kids would open their goody bags and find a treat from me. They looked forward to it, and were able to tell from the number of bags left how many more days I would be gone. They enjoyed their toys and treats, and their separation anxiety was greatly diminished.

— WORKED FOR ME IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

**DEAR ABBY:** Your response to "Desperate Mom" was correct. The idea of children being "traumatized" by a disrupted schedule has gotten out of control.

My friend sheltered her two boys from almost everything. They're now 18 and 20, and not only have almost no coping skills, but are also fearful of anything new or different. I believe too many parents use "traumatized" as an excuse to avoid dealing with normal situations when they arise, and it is a disservice to their children.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 23, the 296th day of 2007. There are 69 days left in the year.

### Today's highlight:

On Oct. 23, 1707, the first Parliament of Great Britain, created by the Acts of Union between England and Scotland, held its first meeting.

On this date:

In 1864, forces led by Union Gen. Samuel R. Curtis repelled Confederate Gen. Sterling Price's army in the Civil War Battle of Westport in Missouri.

In 1915, tens of thousands of women marched in New York City, demanding the right to vote.

In 1925, talk show host Johnny Carson was born in Corning, Iowa.

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf began, resulting in an Allied victory. The United Nations General Assembly convened in New York for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing Meadow.

In 1956, a student-sparked revolt against Hungary's Communist rule began; as the revolution spread, Soviet forces started entering the country, and the uprising was put down within weeks.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon agreed to turn over White House tapes concerning subpoenaed by the Watergate special prosecutor to John J. Sirica.

In 1983, 241 U.S. Marines and sailors in Lebanon were killed in a suicide truck bombing at Beirut International Airport; a near-simultaneous attack on French forces killed 59 paratroopers.

In 1997, the U.S. Senate rejected, 58-42, the Supreme Court nomination of Robert H. Bork.

Ten years ago: British au pair Louise Woodward, charged with murdering a baby in her care, testified at her trial in Cambridge, Mass., that she had never hurt 8-month-old Matthew Eappen, saying, "I love kids."

The International Whaling Commission opened the way for an American Indian

tribe, the Makah, to resume traditional whale hunts for the first time in seven decades. The Florida Marlins beat the Cleveland Indians, 8-7, in Game 5 of the World Series.

Five years ago: Gusmen seized a crowded Moscow theater, taking hundreds hostage and threatening to detonate a \$355.5 billion package. Russian army pulled out of Chechnya. President Bush signed the biggest military spending increase since Ronald Reagan's administration — a \$355.5 billion package. Broadway librettist Adolph Green died in New York at age 87. The San Francisco Giants edged the Anaheim Angels, 4-3, to tie the World Series at two games each.

One year ago: Former Enron CEO Jeffrey Skilling was sentenced by a federal judge in Houston to 24 years in prison for his role in the company's collapse. Police in Budapest clashed with protesters in anti-government demonstrations, coinciding with Hungary's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of its uprising against Soviet rule.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS



Movie director Philip Kaufman is 71. Soccer great Pele is 67. Author Michael Crichton is 64. Country singer Michael Biehn is 56. Movie director Ang Lee is 53. Jazz singer Dianne Reeves is 51.

Country singer Dwight Yoakam is 51. Movie director Sam Raimi is 48. Poetist "Walt" Whitman is 48. Rock musician Robert Trujillo (Metallica) is 43. Rhythm-and-blues singer David Thomas (Tame Impala) is 41. Country musician Brian Nevin (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 41. Country singer-musician Junior Bryant is 39. Country singer Jimmy Wayne is 35. Actor Ryan Reynolds is 31. Actress Masiela Lusha is 22.

## THOUGHT

"It is the characteristic of the most stringent censorship that they give credibility to the opinions they attack."

— Voltaire, French author and philosopher (1694-1778)

## Underwater pumpkin carvers compete off Florida

KEY LARGO, Fla. (AP) — Not content to carve their pumpkins in the traditional way, several divers carved jack-o'-lanterns more than 30 feet below the ocean's surface.

Ken and Linda Smith of Sebring, Fla., took top honors Saturday for their "scary pumpkin" at the 10th annual

Amoray Dive Resort Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest at the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. Their prize was a free dive trip.

Carving underwater wasn't easy, Ken Smith said. "The pumpkins want to float, so that makes it difficult," he said. "So you're

working against your own buoyancy and the pumpkins."

Some contestants dropped a weight inside their pumpkins to keep them on the bottom. They then climbed and pored to create their entries alongside yellowtail snapper and other fish. The contest was staged about five miles off Key Largo.

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# Ghost towns

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**4. MULDOON**

Located 17 miles east of Bellevue, across the Little Wood River and up Muldoon Creek, Muldoon was named after a champion wrestler of the day, according to Wayne Spurling, author of "Ghost Towns of Idaho" (Caxton, \$12.95). Established in 1891 to serve the silver mines up Muldoon and Argosy creeks, the town had a population of 1,500 at its peak — with livery stables, saloons, stores, hotels and a hotel — but it lasted only a dozen years. A smelter was built nearby along with 23 charcoal kilns to furnish it with fuel. Today only a black slag pile and the remains of the kilns are left, according to Spurling.

**5. IDAHOME**

In 1914, a group of entrepreneurs took one look at the broad swath of the Raft River Valley and imagined a paradise.  
 The outbreak of World



Northwest of Fairfield, the Atlanta/Rocky-Bar mining district was the richest in Idaho during the Civil War.

War I had sent grain prices soaring, and the endless Cassia County grasslands were ideal for barley and hard red winter wheat. Idaho, built astride the main north-south highway between the Snake River Plain and Utah, was supposed to be the nexus of that vision. But farm prices fell hard after the Armistice, and a decade of drought finished off Idaho before the Great Depression could. The remains are seven miles north of Malta on Idaho Highway 77.

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**6. HENRY, NEV.**

Henry, south of Contact, was a depot and water station on the Oregon Short Line, according to elkorose.com. The station came into being in late 1925 and was named after Henry

Harris, a popular black foreman for the Sparks-Harrell cattle empire. Harris had come from Texas and served as a cook for Nevada Gov. John Sparks. After moving to Elko County, he became respected and admired for his knowledge of the cattle industry.

A couple of ranches grew near Henry and used the depot for shipping cattle. Because of the number of children on nearby ranches, a school operated at Henry during the 1930s and '40s. By the time the Oregon Short Line ended operations and pulled up its rails in 1978, the area was empty.

The small depot, adjoined by the water pump and tower, remain today amid a stand of trees. For information about Henry, call the Northeastern Nevada Museum in Elko at (775) 738-3418.

**7. DONIPHAN**

Located 11 miles southwest of Halley, Doniphan flourished for 20 years beginning in the 1880s. Little remains of

the town because fires have burned over the sagebrush, but the ruins of the Big Camas Mill still stand a short distance away.

In its heyday, Doniphan had a post office, store, houses, saloons and schools. It served the mines — the Tip Top, the Big Camas, the Hidden Treasure and the Black Cinder — of the Halley Gold Belt. The Big Camas and the Black Cinder were the first silver mines in what's now Blaine County.

**8. BULLION CITY**

This one is seven miles west of Halley at the mouth of Bullion Gulch. By 1882, it had a population of about 700, according to Spurling. The silver that flowed from the Mayflower, Jay Gould, May Queen and Idaho mines made Halley possible. But as Halley thrived, Bullion City dwindled until the post office was closed in 1899. Many mine dumps remain in the narrow gulch.

*Steve Crump may be reached at 735-3223.*

# Gardening books cover vast landscape

By Joel M. Lerner  
 Special to The Washington Post

Landscape gardening books are a wonderful mode of communication. They can capture the humor of gardening, address the latest trends in landscape design and educate you. Here are some books that offer a window into areas of interest among American gardeners.

"Armitage's Native Plants for North American Gardens," by Allan M. Armitage (Timber Press, 2006; \$49.95) addresses native plants in an encyclopedic fashion. Armitage critiques each species and its hybrids, embellishing the information with personal accounts of his experiences with these plants.

"The Oxford Companion to the Garden," edited by Patrick Taylor (Oxford University Press, 2006; \$65) is a valuable book for students of landscape design and garden enthusiasts. It's the perfect guide for anyone who wants to learn in an entertaining way about magnificent classical to contemporary gardens of the world and the masters who created them.

"The Secret Techniques of Bonsai," by Masakuni Kawasumi II with Masakuni Kawasumi III (Kodansha, 2005; \$29) describes in great detail the exact steps to learn the bonsai style of cultivating plants. Incorporating advice from his son, a tree doctor, the author teaches how to produce splendid specimens.

"Edens Lost & Found," by Harry Willand and Dale Bell (Chelsea Green Publishing, 2006; \$40) is an inspirational book to learn what you can do for your city to make its landscape more self-sustaining. Restore prairies in parts of cities; turn areas into gardens for growing produce; increase greenspace by planting trees and flowers; build green roofs; raise honeybees and butterflies in rooftop gardens. Restore prairies in parts of cities; turn areas into gardens for growing produce; increase greenspace by planting trees and flowers; build green roofs; raise honeybees and butterflies in rooftop gardens.

"Encyclopedia of Garden

Design & Structure," by Derek Fell (Firefly Books, 2005; \$29.95) has the landscape design ideas you have been looking for. Design ideas are cataloged in alphabetical order. There are excellent examples in every category that are guaranteed to stimulate and inspire you, including: Avenues, Animals, Annulars, Arbors, Balconies, Benches, Boardwalks, Boulders, Wildflowers, Window boxes and Woodland gardens.

"Gorgeous Garden Railways," by Marc Horowitz and Pat Hayward (Kalmbach Publishing, 2006; \$24.95) answers the call for more information about garden design with garden railways, a popular hobby. Such rail projects are well liked among serious train enthusiasts who are amateur gardeners and serious gardeners who are amateur model-train enthusiasts.

"The Life Cycles of Butterflies," by Judy Burris and Wayne Richards (Storey Publishing, 2006; \$16.95) is a well-written and well-photographed text about how butterflies become colorful, beneficial insects. From egg to winged adult, their amazing story is told in text and photography. The authors cover 23 of the most common butterflies you will want to attract and identify throughout summer.

"The Sun-Inspired House," by Debra Rucker Coleman (Sun Plans, 2005; \$29.95) includes floor plans but is about much more than just construction details. These are energy-efficient plans that scientifically link you with the surrounding landscape to make the best use of the sun, wind, surrounding vegetation and contours of the land.

"Radical Prunings," by Bonnie Thomas Abbott (Ermis Books, 2005; \$14.95) is for the open-minded gardener. This novel answers fictional questions, offers garden tips with an irreverent sharp wit and outrageousness, yet offers a down-to-earth collection of responses to readers of her garden column as Miss Mertensia

Crydalls, the Contessa of Compost

"The \$64 Tomato," by William Alexander (Algonquin Books, 2006; \$22.95) is a personal account of the author's quest for the perfect garden. While it's truly nonfiction (I think), it moves like a novel, and Alexander offers his take on many of the issues facing gardeners today. You will relate to many of the anecdotes that he weaves through this horticultural memoir.

"To Everything There is a Season," by Alice G. Miller (Sentar Press, 2005; \$24.95) is an autobiographical story about gardening. I could feel Miller's enthusiasm and total enjoyment in the lessons she learned. The author, a psychotherapist, uses her garden for spiritual renewal, to better understand life and as a place to meditate and feel a connectedness with all that we have on earth.

"Fool Plants of the World," by Ben-Erik van Wyk (Timber Press, 2005; \$39.95) is a standout as a book about edible plants. The author, professor of botany at the University of Johannesburg in South Africa, has made a study of virtually every plant suitable for eating that you might encounter. The focus is primarily on plants grown for food.

"Incredible Vegetables From Self-Watering Containers," by Edward C. Smith (Storey Publishing, 2006; \$19.95) will give you the step-by-step methodology you need to grow the vegetables that are a part of your diet. With the right care, container-grown vegetables will surpass a moderately well-prepared in-ground garden. This handy book makes gardening for edibles easier than ever.

Joel M. Lerner is president of Environmental Design in Capitol View Park, Md.

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# Stalking the wild onion

By Scott Aker  
 Special to The Washington Post

Q. We have a plague of wild onions, but I am reluctant to call a lawn-care company because I don't want strong herbicides used. A few seasons back, I spent hours spading and digging them out by hand, but this seemed to make the problem worse the following year. Any suggestions?

A. What you have, Allium vineale (wild garlic), is one of the most difficult weeds

to eradicate in landscape beds and turf. If pulling hasn't worked, you'll have to resort to using an herbicide. Roundup, or any other herbicide containing glyphosate or glufosinate may be used, but you'll have to apply it surgically in landscape beds.

Mix up a small amount of the herbicide and, wearing rubber gloves, dip a sponge in the weedkiller and wipe the foliage of the wild garlic. Be sure to wring out excess solution so it doesn't drip on other plants.

In lawns, you can kill wild

garlic with any broadleaf herbicide containing 2,4-D. It's a good idea to use a leaf rake to abrade the foliage, which is very waxy and repellent to liquids, before you spray. If you have seeded this fall, you should wait until at least two mowings before using the herbicide on the garlic to avoid killing your grass seedlings.

# Calling all barterers

Have you traded a pumpkin for a dozen eggs? Or received an afternoon's use of the neighbor's tractor for shoeing his horse?

The Times-News wants to know how the old-fashioned

tradition of barter lives on in Magic Valley. Tell us how you get your needs and wants met without shelling out cash. Contact correspondent Blair Koch at 316-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

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