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Charges dropped against former deputy

By Cass Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — Two of the alleged victims are nowhere to be found, Jerome County Sheriff's deputies say. A third one, a boy, won't cooperate. Nor will any of three female eyewitnesses.

That's the simple explanation of what led to the collapse and dismissal in the prosecution of former Jerome County Sheriff's deputy Coleman Nelson. Nelson, who no longer works for the department, was off-duty on Feb. 4, Super Bowl Sunday, when city police say, he stumbled drunk through traffic, belted profanities with in earshot of children in downtown Jerome and hit a minor in a physical altercation. Charges of misdemeanor assault, being intoxicated in public and disturbing the peace were all dropped Oct. 18, following a motion by the city prosecutor.

The dismissal marks the second time unforeseen circumstances have trumped charges against Nelson. In early June 2004, Nelson, who was studying criminal justice at Southern Oregon University, was charged with punching 48-year-old political activist Joannie McGowan in the face while she walked home late one night in Ashland, Ore. But before McGowan could testify, she killed herself.

"Oregon didn't factor into my decision," said Jerome City Prosecutor John Lohspeich, who said the single fact that a lack of willing witnesses forced him to dismiss the case was "frustrating."

Former Jerome Police Det. Dan Chatterton had been subpoenaed for the case and was expecting to testify at the stand. Two weeks ago, he received a phone call informing him that the case had been dismissed.

He said he wasn't altogether surprised by the outcome, which leads to a second explanation of why the state's case collapsed.

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South Hills burn



Sarah Hopkins of the U.S. Forest Service in Ketchum uses a drip torch to light a controlled burn in the South Hills Monday near Magic Mountain.

Forest Service tries to curb wildfires, help aspens

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

Firefighters are experts at extinguishing blazes. Turns out they're not bad at setting them, either.

About 40 firefighters lit controlled fires Monday in the South Hills in an effort to torch nearly 800 acres of conifers, brush and grasses. Officials say the burns will promote the growth of aspens — a tree species in decline across the West — and head off potential catastrophic fires such as those that struck southern Idaho this summer.

"The purpose of this prescribed fire is to improve forest health and to reduce catastrophic wildfires," said Chris Schenck, a fire management officer in the Forest Service's Minidoka Ranger District. "By removing encroaching conifer trees and brush we can reduce or eliminate the competition for aspen, which is largely fire resistant."

Officials estimate that 60 percent of Idaho's aspen population has been lost

— choked out by needled conifers and plagued by disease. The trees provide habitat for 13 species of birds and food for grouse, elk and deer.

A century-long federal policy of extinguishing every wildfire of extinguishing every wildfire has also hurt aspens, a tree that relies on fires for regeneration, said Scott Nannenga, ranger in the Minidoka District.

Besides destroying undergrowth that can swallow aspens, controlled burns remove low-lying dry fuels that can turn a wildfire into a mega blaze. Fire managers on the Castle Rock Fire that threatened Ketchum this summer blamed in part a large fuel load for the fire's severity.

Controlled burns are becoming a more popular prevention tool for land managers, Nannenga said. The Forest

Service and the BLM have conducted several smaller controlled burns this year.

Firefighters from three national forests and the Bureau of Land Management will conduct South Hills burns this week, weather permitting. Crews set several fires Monday by dropping balls filled with fire starter from a helicopter and by lighting small blazes with hand-held drip torches.

Meanwhile, much of the Rock Creek area in the South Hills will be closed to overnight campers. Roads and trails near the burn areas will also be temporarily closed. The Forest Service encourages visitors to look for signs posted in the area for more information about closures, updates and ignition times.

Visitors should also expect to see smoke in the South Hills through the end of the week, when officials hope to have completed the burns.

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See a video of the controlled burn in the South Hills at MagickValley.com

Hailey to vote on marijuana

Even if measure passes, possibility of lawsuits linger

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

When Hailey voters go to the polls next week they'll have an opportunity to light up a whole new Rocky Mountain high.

Thanks to an activist who doesn't live there, voters will be asked to cast ballots on four separate but related measures that aim to legalize marijuana use in the Blaine County ski town. If they approve any or all, city and state officials will be handed a difficult and potentially expensive legal problem of how to interpret the will of the people when the people want to do something that is clearly illegal everywhere else.

The initiatives, if approved by voters, would give the city the following directions:

- Allow sale of cannabis in limited use for adults. Sales would be taxed and regulated — like those of tobacco and alcohol — with the city keeping the revenue.
- Exempt patients with doctor recommendations for medicinal marijuana from any law enforcement punishment.
- Establish a policy favorable to the growing of industrial hemp.
- Make personal use of marijuana the city's "lowest law enforcement priority."

Each measure would also create a community panel to help the city push for decriminalization at the state level.

The initiatives were brought by Ryan Davidson, a 30-year-old native of Canada, who now lives in Garden City, and works as a "patient-safety attendant" at Salinas Valley Hospital in Bolinas. Davidson said he's driven by libertarian principles — not a desire to encourage recreational drug use — and that he chose four measures instead of one because voters value different things.

"The overall goal is to send a message to legislators that this is what city of Hailey residents want," he said. Asked if the measures are essentially legalizing marijuana, Davidson said "right, right."

Davidson lived in Hailey for a few months in 2004. He said he chose Hailey for his ballot measures because the resort town — more liberal than most in Idaho — was one of the "easiest places" to get on the ballot.

Under Idaho law, citizens can get on a ballot by collecting petition signatures equal to 20 percent of the turnout in the most recent election in that jurisdiction. Hailey's 2005 election had only candidates who went unopposed, leading to an election in which

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Rancher to pay for alleged water violations

Bruneau Cattle Co. must keep feedlot waste out of canal

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A cattle rancher in southern Idaho must pay \$40,000 after settling a federal complaint that "unreasonable" water from his 7,000-

head operation spilled illegally into a canal leading to the Snake River.

Bruneau Cattle Co. owner Eric Davis must also make sure future wastewater from his feedlot is confined to a grass field, not spilled into streams leading to the river. The field also can't be over-loaded with nutrients from the manure. If he can't do that, Davis will have to construct a lagoon to collect the water,

according to the settlement. Following a February 2006 inspection, EPA officials determined Davis' ranch, southeast of Bruneau had discharged wastewater without a permit on dozens of occasions into the South Side Canal and another channel, both of which eventually flow into the Snake River's C.J. Strike Reservoir. Though the feedlot held about 4,000 cattle at the time, it didn't have

any containment facilities to prevent runoff during rainstorms, the EPA said.

"The big thing that they've agreed to do, which I think is critical, is to put in place a containment system," said Mike Russell, the director of the EPA's compliance and enforcement of rules governing feedlots, in a telephone interview from Seattle.

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86 in Congress ask Yellowstone to get rid of snowmobiles

By Matthew Brown
Associated Press writer

BILLINGS, Mont. — Eighty-six members of Congress are asking the National Park Service to phase out snowmobiles in Yellowstone National Park. They contend the agency is ignoring the increased noise and air pollution that would result from a plan to allow up to 540 of the machines daily.

"... studies have repeatedly demonstrated that the best way to protect the health and safety of Yellowstone's visitors, staff, wildlife and natural resources ... is to phase out snowmobile use ..."

The congressional opposition, in a letter sent Monday to Park Service Director Mary Bomar, comes as Yellowstone is set to finalize its snowmobile rules in the next three weeks. More than a decade in the making, the park's snowmobile policy has engendered a nationwide debate pitting public access advocates against conservationists who say Yellowstone should be closed to most motorized use during winter months.

Yellowstone area — told Bomar that snowmobiles should be replaced by a smaller number of guided snowcoaches. Those are essentially buses on skis. Allowing snowmobiles, they wrote, would provide "inferior protection" of the park and show a "disregard" for the Park Service's conservation mission.

The members of Congress — none of them from the

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts (High 58, Low 39, 57/33).

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Breezy and cool with a slight chance of showers developing. Highs up to 50s.
Tonight: Clearing and drying. Lows middle 30s.
Tomorrow: Cool with sunny periods. Highs middle 50s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Shoshone High School - Middle School Music Department Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Shoshone School Gym, no cost, open to the public, 886-2381.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Bar-J Wranglers of Jackson Hole, Wyoming, western concert, featuring rich harmonies, yodeling, fiddle and comedy for the whole family, 6 p.m. local fiddlers pre-show performance and 7 p.m. program, Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls High School, \$15, proceeds to O'Leary Jr. High Band instrument scholarship program, 733-2155.
Benefit Auction and Dinner, presented by Buhl High School Jazz and Select Chorus, 6 to 7 p.m. spaghetti dinner, 7:15 p.m. entertainment and 7:30 p.m. auction, Buhl High School Cafeteria, \$6 per plate, 308-2422.
The Haunted Mansion, 7 p.m., to midnight, one-half mile west of Kim Hansen in Burley, Highway 30 on the south side of the road (opposite the truck route; look for flashing lights), \$5, proceeds go to charities, 312-9317 (presold tickets: 808-3289).

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 2425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 844-2700.
Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road, 622-4438.
Burley Public Library Board, 4 p.m., library conference room, 1300 Miller Ave., 878-7708.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

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 Flir 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, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.
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.
TCPE (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins at 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 736-9282.
Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women & Children'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, 670-2573.
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.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Hubble Vision" at 7 p.m. at "Anthems of Ghoulish Delight" at 8:15 p.m., Herrick 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.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by West Allen and Mike Aquilino

Use the letters in these four jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RONED

ENMOY

BRAMKE

TECJOB



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: What the live wrestler got when he won the match - "PIN MONEY"

Answers (answers below): Jumble: DREBY LIVN UPQRAQ BEMCAN Answer: What the live wrestler got when he won the match - "PIN MONEY"

MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE NATION

IDAHO

Failed auction could force Idaho to revisit lake lease policy

BOISE — Idaho residents balked at paying double the going annual rate to lease two new state-owned lake-front parcels, a blow to officials who are hoping to boost revenue from prized vacation properties to pay for public schools and colleges.

Idaho failed to win any bidders for leases on two new lots on Priest Lake for an annual rate of 5 percent of their appraised value. Currently, leaseholders pay 2.5 percent of a state-owned parcel's appraised value every year. The state was using the auction as a test case to measure the appetite for shoreline lots whose value has been rising in tandem with private home sites in the same communities. Existing leaseholders had been fighting the move for fear a precursor to the state raising rates on all state-owned lots once their leases come up for renewal in 2010.

Had last week's auction succeeded, it would have been a harbinger of a disturbing trend, increase foes said. Family cabins, once a traditional firmly rooted in the middle class, are more and more the domain of Idaho's new money elite.

"A large number of us will just have to say goodbye to Priest Lake," Bud Bellis, president of the Priest Lake State Leases Association, told The Spokesman-Review.

Idaho collects \$4 million a year from its leased cabin sites. Holders sign long-term leases, then are responsible for improvements including power, sewer and water lines. In recent years, the value of lakefront property has been climbing. The lowest parcel at Priest Lake, where a typical plot ranges from 100 to 150 feet of shoreline, is now valued at about \$300,000.

At 2.5 percent rent, that would be \$7,500 a year. At 5 percent, it would be \$15,000 a year.

The state, eager to boost revenue, is trying to determine what the new lease rates should be. Last week's test auction was to be one measure.

"The property we own along Fayette and Priest, then are prime lots for residential use," said Mike Murphy, bureau chief of surface and mineral resources for the state Department of Lands. "So we're looking to make the lease rates that would be appropriate for those types of properties, nothing more, nothing less — just what is reasonable and what is at the market."

Man caught with 10 bullets gets five years in federal prison

BOISE — Keeping 10 bullets in his pocket cost Russell Lee Tiner five years in a federal penitentiary.

Tiner, 35, of Emmett, was sentenced in federal court Monday to 61 months for illegally possessing ammunition.

A multiple offender, Tiner was prohibited by conditions in 1997 rape conviction from possessing firearms or ammunition. But he was arrested in Emmett last December after

EVEN SPIRITS NEED A BREAK



Kevin Bliza, left, dressed as Julius Cesar, jokes with friend Bert Landin, dressed as Robin Hood, during a break Friday in the alley behind Polander's Costumes and Novelty Shop in Twin Falls. The two said that business was brisk at the shop Friday, with people making purchases for Halloween, and that even more people were expected at the store as Halloween neared.

a police officer who saw Tiner driving while those privileges were suspended.

Police say they found 10 bullets in one of Tiner's pockets after the arrest. U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge says Tiner must also spend three years on supervised release after serving his term.

weeks, and be decided by federal workers shuffling mountains of loan applications in Ft. Worth, Texas, and suburban Maryland.

WASHINGTON

Science panel urges end to Bush's nuclear waste proposal

A panel of the National Academy of Sciences urged President Bush on Monday to abandon an ambitious plan to resume nuclear waste reprocessing that is the heart of the administration's push to expand the civilian use of nuclear power. A 17-member panel of the Academy's National Research Council said the proposed Global Nuclear Energy Partnership, or GNEP, has not been adequately peer reviewed and is banking on reprocessing technology that hasn't been proven, or isn't expected to be ready in the time the administration envisions.

The report, released Monday, said GNEP research is taking money and focus away from other nuclear research programs and should be "significantly" peer reviewed and is banking on reprocessing technology that hasn't been proven, or isn't expected to be ready in the time the administration envisions.

"All committee members agree that the GNEP program should not go forward and that it should be replaced by a less aggressive research program," said the panel. It said if the administration proceeds as planned there would be "significant technical and financial risks."

Bush announced the global nuclear initiative in early 2006 and has repeatedly touted it as key to U.S. efforts to deal with a growing amount of highly radioactive reactor waste and still allow a large expansion of commercial nuclear power. Internationally, the plan envisions a small number of countries including the United States and Russia

supplying other nations with reactor fuel and reprocessing their used fuel.

The Academy panel said it did not address the pros and cons of the international aspects of the GNEP program, but expressed deep reservations about its ability to address the U.S. waste disposal issue.

WYOMING

Majority of comments oppose wolf plan

CHEYENNE — Most of the 352 individual comments the Wyoming Game and Fish Department received on the state's plan for managing gray wolves oppose the proposal. The public comment period on the wolf plan expired Oct. 10. The department received comments from people in 15 states and Canada.

The plan drew negative comments from both livestock producers and conservationists. Ranchers expressed fear the plan would subject their livestock to wolf predation, while environmentalists argued the plan would lead to too many wolves being killed.

The agency posted the comments on its Web site at http://gfw.state.wy.us. "We hope that by posting all of the individual comments on our Web site, people will be able to understand the tremendous variety of opinions that exist concerning wolf management in Wyoming," Game and Fish Director Terry Cleveland said in a statement.

Wyoming, Montana and Idaho are seeking to end federal oversight of wolves by each state taking over management of the animals within their borders.

Wyoming for the past several years has been the only one of the three states without a federally approved wolf management plan in place.

— The Associated Press

CORRECTIONS

Shriver obituary contained error

The obituary for James W. Shriver printed in Friday's newspaper contained an error, due to incorrect information given to the Times-News. While employed at Boeing Aircraft, Shriver built

jet-engines for the Vanguard Satellite.

Athlete misidentified

Raft River wide receiver Jacob Williams was misidentified in a photo caption in the Friday, Oct. 26 sports section.

Name of spokesperson was wrong

A story in Friday's newspaper misidentified Idaho State Department of Education Spokeswoman Melissa McGrath.

The Times-News regrets the errors.

NEW ONLINE

Watch a video of the prescribed burn in the South Hills.

Check out sample ballots for the Halley marijuana initiative.

See photos of a different color in a photo gallery.



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EDITORIAL

Hardworking and creative, Johnson deserves another term

Never underestimate the power of doing your homework. That's why we're endorsing David Johnson for election to the Twin Falls City Council on Nov. 6...

But we also like Johnson because he's a big-picture guy, questioning whether the policies of the present are serving Twin Falls' future.



Johnson's basic philosophy is that it's easier — and cheaper — for government to head off problems than to fix them.

Among his ideas: Impact fees, which are costs assessed to developers to pay for growth...

Twin Falls needs a chief financial officer, not just a financial manager — an employee whose job it would be to seek efficiencies in city government...

The city should be more proactive about finding and developing new sources of water.

Managing limited municipal water sources should be a regional approach.

Twin Falls at least needs to consider involvement in a potential regional airport.

The awarding of contracts to manage city assets, like Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course and the city pool, merits closer scrutiny by the council.

Garzon-Mejia, a jeweler by training who moved to Twin Falls a year ago, is a forceful spokesman for the needs of senior citizens and of the Hispanic community.

That must change. Ten percent of Twin Falls residents are Hispanic — that's about 4,000 people.

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Brad Hurd... publisher Steve Crump... opinion editor
The members of the editorial board and writers of this piece, we hope Garzon-Mejia will stay involved in politics and community activism.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bush must be held accountable for his actions
Yes, help me "slap Bush." I'm trying to start a Web page that will be titled "Slap Bush," a Web page devoted to seeking legal action to prosecute Bush.

Illegal aliens and terrorists easy access to our country:
For too many indiscretions against the American people (especially the middle class) for the benefit of special interests and political favors.

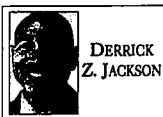
Investigation would be able to uncover:
For taking our country's balanced budget (thanks to President Clinton) to our country's worst deficit in history.

this and other nations. JAMES W. CIMINO Kimberly
Children's health insurance needs tweaking
Rep. Mike Simpson's Oct. 28 article trying to justify his vote was the usual political speak, a lot of verbiage but very little substance.

What Rep. Simpson does not mention is that the proposed bill would provide benefits for children up to 24 years of age and making \$82,000 a year.

Bush continues to cover up true cost of Iraq war

Math Daniels and Lawrence Lindsey are footnotes who continue to kick us from behind. Lindsey was the chief economic policy adviser to President Bush who predicted in 2002 that invading Iraq would cost \$100 billion to \$200 billion.



It is largely forgotten that Lindsey said this not to warn Americans that this would blow a hole in the domestic economy of the United States.

By Dec. 31 of that year, Daniels — now governor of Indiana — conveniently replaced Lindsey's \$100 billion to \$200 billion estimate with one of \$50 billion to \$60 billion.



about Iraq, it could be managed by "rotating resources from things that are of less than life and death importance to meet the life and death imperatives of the moment."

That set the table for the lies to come from the more well-known architects of the unprovoked invasion: the weapons of mass destruction

that did not exist. On Jan. 19, 2003, before the March invasion, ABC's George Stephanopoulos asked Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld what the war would cost.

Rumsfeld responded, "The Office of Management and Budget estimated it would be something under \$50 billion."

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz would eventually and famously chime in that any high cost or large troop estimates for Iraq were

"wildly off the mark." This is all important to remember because this week, the Congressional Budget Office estimated that a deep and prolonged occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan could total \$2.4 trillion by 2017.

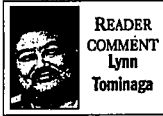
She added, "We just don't think that it's appropriate to wildly speculate and throw out a number like \$2.4 trillion that is based on just hypotheticals. It's not a smart way to run a railroad."

Five years ago, Lawrence Lindsey told us "That's nothing." Daniels said Lindsey's "nothing" was "very, very high."

Boston Globe columnist Derrick Z. Jackson at boston-globe.com.

Idaho needs a comprehensive aquifer management plan

Idaho is in the midst of a monumental water fight. The conflict is between the rights of groundwater users — including many of the communities of Southern Idaho — and surface water users of the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer.



READER COMMENT Lynn Tomlinaga
have implications for every Idaho resident. This past July, farmers and dairymen in the Magic Valley faced the prospect of having irrigation water supplied from the aquifer cut off by the IDWR.

If the curtailment order had been imposed, the direct economic damage to Idaho farmers and their families would have likely meant the financial ruin of families who have farmed the Magic Valley for generations.

Should future water supply be curtailed, consider for a moment the other major impacts to the Magic Valley and Idaho economy:

- Loss of 3,500 jobs
Unpaid bank farm loans
Decreased production at cheese-processing plants with less milk and water available
Reduced business for seed and fertilizer vendors
Drop-off of purchases at tractor, farm implement and automobile dealerships

Active and adaptive aquifer management will sustain spring discharges at current levels, maximize the beneficial use of water resources to the fullest potential for all Idahoans, and avert the outcome of water policy dictated by drought.

Now is a critical period for every water user in the state of Idaho. Now is the time for policy-makers to develop a comprehensive aquifer management plan ensuring adequate water supplies are available for all of Idaho's needs.

Lynn Tomlinaga is the executive director of the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators.

Idaho has endured drought over seven of the last nine years, causing water shortages that remain unresolved for Idahoans living on this arid land. To avert this impending crisis, Idaho Groundwater Appropriators (IGWA) has submitted mitigation plans to the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) for the next three years to provide water to the spring users, at a cost of \$3 million to IGWA members.

The multiple water issues involved are complicated and raise the very real possibility of Idaho facing an economic crisis — one that will

have implications for every Idaho resident. This past July, farmers and dairymen in the Magic Valley faced the prospect of having irrigation water supplied from the aquifer cut off by the IDWR. The proposed curtailment of the right to pump water from the East Snake Plain Aquifer would have been both unprecedented and appalling to farm families, industries and municipalities, and would have been executed on behalf of just two fish-farming businesses near Hagerman. This curtailment order was lifted by the IDWR because of proposals submitted to the department by IGWA, with the help of upper eastern Idaho irrigators, which provided additional mitigation water to avoid curtailment this year — but only this year.

If the curtailment order had been imposed, the direct economic damage to Idaho farmers and their families would have likely meant the financial ruin of families who have farmed the Magic Valley for genera-

tions. Should future water supply be curtailed, consider for a moment the other major impacts to the Magic Valley and Idaho economy:

IGWA believes the solution lies in intelligently managing the Eastern Snake River Plain aquifer — not

shutting off use of the aquifer. Thoughtful management holds the key to resolve the water supply conflicts of the past quarter century. Careful management would mean no single water user would be allowed to command the entire aquifer.

Now is a critical period for every water user in the state of Idaho. Now is the time for policy-makers to develop a comprehensive aquifer management plan ensuring adequate water supplies are available for all of Idaho's needs.

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Blackwater bodyguards given immunity

By Lara Jakes Jordan
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The State Department promised Blackwater USA bodyguards immunity from prosecution in its investigation of last month's deadly shooting of 17 Iraqi civilians. The Associated Press has learned. The immunity deal has delayed a criminal inquiry into the Sept. 16 killings and could undermine any effort to prosecute security contractors for their role in the incident that has infuriated the Iraqi government.

"Once you give immunity, you can't take it away," said a senior law enforcement official familiar with the investigation. State Department officials declined to confirm or deny that immunity had been granted. One official — who refused to be quoted by name — said: "In fact, such a decision was made, it was done without any input or authorization from any senior State Department official in Washington."

Justice Department spokesman Dean Boyd and FBI spokesman Rich Kolko declined comment. FBI agents were returning to Washington late Monday from Baghdad, where they have been trying to collect evidence in the Sept. 16

embassy convoy shooting without using statements from Blackwater employees who were given immunity.

Three senior law enforcement officials said all the Blackwater bodyguards involved — both in the vehicle convoy and in at least two helicopters above — were given the legal protections as investigators from the Bureau of Diplomatic Security sought to find out what happened. The bureau is an arm of the State Department.

The investigative misstep comes in the wake of already-strained relations between the United States and Iraq, which is demanding the right to launch its own prosecution of the Blackwater bodyguards.

Blackwater spokeswoman Anne Tyrrell declined comment about the U.S. investigation. Based in Myock, N.C., Blackwater USA is the largest private security firm protecting U.S. diplomats in Iraq.

The company has said its Sept. 16 convoy was under attack before it opened fire in west Baghdad's Nisour Square, killing 17 Iraqis. A follow-up investigation by the Iraqi government, however, concluded that Blackwater's men were unprovoked. No witnesses have been found to contradict that finding.

More than 1 in 10 high schools in America are 'dropout factories'

By Nancy Zuckerbrod
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — It's a nickname no principal could be proud of: "Dropout Factory," a high school where no more than 60 percent of the students who start as freshmen make it to their senior year. That dubious distinction applies to more than one in 10 high schools across America.

"If you're born in a neighborhood or town where the only high school is one where graduation is not the norm, how is this living in the land of equal opportunity?" asks Bob Balanz, the researcher at Johns Hopkins University who defines such a school as a "dropout factory."

There are about 1,700 regular or vocational high schools nationwide that fit that description, according to an analysis of Education Department data conducted by Johns Hopkins for The Associated Press. That's 12 percent of all such schools, no more than a decade ago but no less, either.

While some of the missing students transferred, most dropped out, Balanz says. The data tracked senior classes for three years in a row — 2004, 2005 and 2006

— to make sure local events like plant closures weren't to blame for the low retention rates.

The highest concentration of dropout factories is in large cities or high-poverty rural areas in the South and Southwest. Most have high proportions of minority students. These schools are tougher to turn around, because their students face challenges well beyond the academic ones — the need to work as well as go to school, for example, or a need for social services.

Utah, which has low poverty rates and fewer minorities than most states, is the only state without a dropout factory. Florida and South Carolina have the highest percentages. About half of high schools in these states classify as dropout factories.

"Part of the problem we've had here is we live in a state that culturally and traditionally has not valued a high school education," said Jim Foster, a spokesman for South Carolina's Department of Education. He noted that culturally and traditionally once could get good jobs in textile mills without a high school degree, but that those jobs are now much harder to come by.

Idaho
DROPOUT FACTORIES
2.97% (3 of 101)
(Percentage of dropout factories to other schools in category)
STATE RANK
40
(Ranked from highest to lowest dropout factory rate)

Federal lawmakers haven't focused much attention on the problem. The No Child Left Behind education law, for example, pays much more attention to educating younger students. But that appears to be changing.

House and Senate proposals to renew the five-year-old No Child law would give high schools more federal money and put more pressure on them to improve, and the Bush administration supports the idea.

"The current law imposes serious consequences on schools that report low scores on math and reading tests, such as having to replace teachers or principals, but it lacks the same kind of teeth when it comes to graduation rates.

Nationally, about 70 percent of U.S. students gradu-

ate on time with a regular diploma. For Hispanic and black students, the proportion drops to about half.

The legislative proposals would:

- Make sure schools report their graduation rates by racial, ethnic and other sub-groups and are judged on those.
- That's to ensure schools aren't just graduating white students in high numbers, but also are working to ensure minority students get diplomas.

- Get states to build data systems to keep track of students throughout their school years and more accurately measure graduation and dropout rates.

- Ensure states count graduation rates in a uniform way. States have used a variety of formulas, including counting the percentage of entering seniors who get a diploma. That measurement ignores the fact that kids who drop out typically do so before their senior year.

- Create strong progress goals for graduation rates and impose sanctions on schools that miss them. Most states currently lack meaningful goals, according to The Education Trust, a nonprofit that advocates for poor and minority children.

AROUND THE NATION

D NORTH CAROLINA

Beach house blaze that killed 7 students may have started on deck

OCEAN ISLE BEACH — For the great college buddies spending a late-season weekend at a friend's beach house, the deck overlooking a canal was the center of their good times.

It was where they talked, listened to music and danced late into the night. But investigators fear the deck just two blocks from the beach may also have been the starting point of a fast-moving fire that killed seven people, including a group of high school friends who went off to college together.

It sounded like they were having a good time. Unfortunately, the fire didn't show any mercy," said Terry Walden, whose 19-year-old daughter, Allison, died in the blaze. "They probably never woke up."

The storm of fire and smoke — so daunting that firefighters radioed for backup before they even arrived at the scene — erupted the home early Sunday, killing six students from the University of South Carolina and one from Clemson University. Six other South Carolina students in the house survived.

NEW YORK

Mafia girlfriend says FBI used mob muscle to crack civil rights case

NEW YORK — The FBI used mob muscle to solve the 1964 disappearance of three civil rights volunteers in Mississippi, a gangster's girlfriend testified Monday, becoming the first witness to repeat in open court a story that has been underworld lore for years.

Linda Schiro said that her boyfriend, Mafia tough guy Gregory Scarpa Sr., was recruited by the FBI to help find the volunteers' bodies. She said Scarpa told her he put a gun in a Ku Klux Klan's mouth and forced him to reveal the whereabouts of the victims.

The FBI has never acknowledged that Scarpa, nicknamed "The Grim Reaper," was involved in the case. The bureau did not immediately return a call for comment Monday. Schiro took the stand as a witness for the prosecution at

the trial of former FBI agent R. Lindley DeVecchio, who is charged in state court with four counts of murder in what authorities have called one of the worst law enforcement corruption cases in U.S. history.

WASHINGTON

Stinging anti-Clinton video proliferates on YouTube and Google

First came the Orvellian mash-up YouTube video that portrayed Hillary Rodham Clinton as Big Brother. Then came a clip of her off-key rendition of the Star Spangled Banner. Now, a stinging 13-minute video by a bitter Clinton foe is finding its own Internet audience.

The clip, a preview of a longer film by one-time Clinton donor Peter Paul,

has scored more than 1.4 million hits on Google Video and about 350,000 on YouTube during the past week. Its popularity has driven it to the top spot on Google Video over the past two weeks.

Paul is a Hollywood entrepreneur, former partner of Spider-Man creator Stan Lee and convicted felon who has sued the Clintons in connection with a celebrity-packed fundraiser he helped organize for her 2008 Senate race. A California appeals court earlier this month ruled that Sen. Clinton should be dismissed from the suit.

But Paul has devoted a Web site to the case and has been on tour in recent days showing his film, "Hillary Uncensored," at New England college campuses. Today, he is scheduled to screen it at the Metropolitan Club in New York City.

Scientists see if chemical in hot sauce may also numb surgery pain

WASHINGTON — Devil's Revenge. Spontaneous Combustion. Hot sauces have names like that for a reason. Now scientists are testing if the stuff that makes the sauces so savage can numb the pain of surgery.

Doctors are dripping the chemical that gives chill peppers their fire directly into open wounds during knee replacement and a few other highly painful operations.

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Crude oil prices nearing \$94 a barrel

Mexico suspends some production, weaker U.S. dollar spurs surge

By John Wilen
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Oil futures surged to a new record near \$94 Monday, propelled by the weak dollar and news that Mexico's state oil company had suspended a fifth of its oil

production due to stormy weather. Crude futures rallied late in the session as the euro rebounded against the dollar, analysts said. The euro hit a record high against the dollar early Monday morning, then declined only to rally back later in the day.

"The dollar seems to be the force that's driving us now," said Phil Flynn, an analyst at Alaron Trading Corp., in Chicago.

The dollar's descent against other major currencies has drawn investors to crude

futures as a hedge against the weakening currency and made dollar-denominated oil futures less expensive to people dealing in other currencies, said David Moore, commodities strategist with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia in Sydney.

Oil prices were also supported by news that Mexico's Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, was to temporarily halt as much as 600,000 barrels of daily crude production.

"Mexico shut down production for a few days,"

which will likely disrupt imports and cut domestic oil inventories, said Chip Hodge, energy portfolio manager at John Hancock Financial Securities in Boston.

The Mexican oil fields are expected to return to service, later this week.

Light, sweet crude for December rose \$1.67 to settle at a record \$93.53 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after rising as high as \$93.80 earlier, a trading record. Crude prices are closing in on the inflation-adjusted highs hit in early 1980.

Depending on the how the adjustment is calculated, \$38 a barrel then would be worth \$96 to \$101 or more today.

Oil prices have jumped 10 percent since the Energy Department on Wednesday reported that oil supplies dropped sharply during the week ended Oct. 19.

Prices on Monday were also supported by fighting in Turkey between armed forces and Kurdish rebels, and the U.S. government's imposition last week of harsh penalties against Iran.

Other Nymex energy

futures were also higher. Gasoline for November delivery rose 5.34 cents to settle at \$2.3274 a gallon, while November heating oil rose 3.21 cents to settle at \$2.4646 a gallon.

November natural gas futures, which expired at the end of the Nymex session, rose 5.1 cents to settle at \$7.269 per 1,000 cubic feet.

At the pump, the national average price of a gallon of gas rose 0.7 cent overnight to \$2.856 a gallon, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service.

Countrywide reports 3Q loss of \$1.2B

By Alex Velga
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Countrywide Financial Corp. led \$1.7 billion in the third quarter, but its shares soared Friday after the nation's largest mortgage lender said it expects to be profitable this quarter and next year.

It was Countrywide's first quarterly loss in 25 years. But the Calabasas, Calif.-based company said it will be profitable in the fourth quarter and in 2008, as it restructures its business to take advantage of the current market.

"We continue to be bullish about the long-term prospects of both Countrywide and our industry," Chairman and Chief Executive Angelo Mozilo said during a conference call with Wall Street analysts.

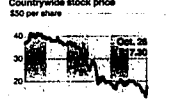
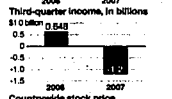
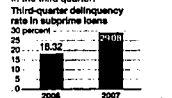
Shares jumped \$4.23, or 32.4 percent, to close at \$17.30 on Friday after rising as high as \$17.51. The stock is down 64 percent from its 52-week high of \$45.26. The loss for the third quarter came as mortgage market woes forced Countrywide to set aside millions in loan-loss provisions and writedowns, and the lender originated fewer loans.

Countrywide's loss amounted to \$2.85 per share for the July-September period in contrast to a profit of \$64.7 million, or \$1.03 per share, a year ago.

Analysts probed by Thomson Financial, on average, forecast a loss of \$1.28 per share for the quarter.

Woeful quarter

Shares of Countrywide Financial rose \$4.23 Friday, despite the company reporting a \$1.2 billion loss in the third quarter.



SOURCE: The company; Thomson Financial

A growing number of experts believe Fed will cut key rate again

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The message from Ben Bernanke and his Federal Reserve colleagues is clear: The housing slump will drag on well into next year as credit problems linger. What's not so apparent is how they'll deal with the crisis, although another interest rate cut could come this week.

In recent speeches, Fed policymakers have stressed that the economy is going through a period marked by a high degree of economic uncertainty. Given that, Bernanke and his fellow policymakers have kept their options open about the Fed's next move.

Since cutting a key rate last month for the first time in just over four years, Fed policymakers have pledged to "act as needed" to keep the economy growing and inflation in check. That broad pledge has left the door open to, among other things, another reduction to its key rate, holding that rate steady or taking more narrowly tailored action by sleing its lending rate to banks.

"We will need to be nimble," said Donald Kohn, the central bank's No. 2 policymaker.

With the housing slump deepening, credit troubles persisting and Wall Street on edge, a growing number of investors and economists believe the Fed will lower its key rate.

The federal funds rate probably will be cut by one-quarter percentage point to 4.50 at the end of a two-day meeting Wednesday, these

analysts predict. The federal funds rate affects many other interest rates charged to individuals and businesses and is the Fed's most potent tool for influencing economic activity.

"I'm becoming more inclined to think the Fed is going to cut rates," said Stuart Lofman, chief economist at PNC Financial Services Group.

Wall Street agreed, giving stocks a lift. The Dow Jones Industrials gained 63.56 points to close at 13,870.26.

Others, however, think the

Fed will leave rates unchanged. They worry that galloping oil prices could spread inflation.

If the funds rate is lowered, commercial banks' prime lending rate — for certain credit cards, home equity lines of credit and other loans — would drop by a corresponding amount, to 7.50 percent.

"Things are in motion. There is a lot more velocity in terms of developments in the markets and that makes it harder for the Fed to stay on top of things," said Brian Bethune, economist at Global Insight. He's in the camp

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expecting another rate cut.

While not sending a clear signal on their next move, Bernanke and his colleagues, in remarks over the past month, have been consistent in their assessment that the housing slump and credit crunch pose to the country's economic health.

The tricky part for the Fed is getting a handle on how these problems will affect buying and investment decisions by individuals and businesses — major shippers of overall economic activity.

"It remains too early to assess the extent to which household and business spending will be affected by the weakness in housing and the tightening in credit conditions," Bernanke said recently. "The ultimate implications" of financial developments for the cost and availability of credit, and thus for the broader economy, remain uncertain," he said.

U.S. Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke in Washington, D.C. Saturday. Many experts are speculating the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates to help the economy due to the current housing slump and credit crunch.



Idaho Department of labor urges support for H2-B visa bill

Bill would increase numbers of foreign nonagricultural workers

The Times-News

Idaho Department of Labor Director Roger Madsen urged Idaho's congressional delegation to support legislation that would exempt returning seasonal nonagricultural workers from the federal cap on annual visas for foreign workers.

In a letter to Sens. Larry Craig and Michael Crapo and Reps. Michael Simpson and Bill Sali, Madsen said the limit of 66,000 foreign nonagricultural workers allowed into the United States through September 2008 has already been met, so no Idaho employers who have yet to submit applications for these workers will be able to receive additional workers.

"This action will severely affect the ability of Idaho employers who recruit foreign workers to maintain their work forces in the face of extremely low

unemployment," Madsen wrote in a prepared statement.

Last year, 90 Idaho employers were authorized to hire 2,200 documented foreign workers for nonagricultural jobs. Because of seasonality or other factors in businesses like ski resorts, tree planting and stone quarries, most operate for less than the full year and rely on seasonal workers to remain viable.

Legislation that would continue the law has been held up in debates over immigration, wages and protections for American workers.

A one-year extension of the exemption was unanimously approved by the U.S. Senate on Oct. 16 as part of the Commerce, Justice and Science Appropriations Bill and is now the subject of House-Senate negotiations trying to resolve differences between the House and Senate versions of the budget bill.

"Idaho's low unemployment rate makes it difficult to recruit enough United States workers to meet employer demands," Madsen wrote.

Idaho's unemployment rate was a record low 2.3 percent in September, the fourth month since April that the state has had the nation's lowest unemployment rate.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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Lithia Mo.	16.09	▲ .10	Micron	9.99	▲ .23	Supervalu	38.48	▼ .29

COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	94.02	▼ .35	Dec. Oil	93.53	▲ 1.67
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IRAQ

Suicide bomber on bike kills 29 in Baqouba

BAGHDAD — A suicide bomber rode his bicycle into a crowd of police recruits in Baqouba on Monday, killing at least 29 people in a province that has become a battleground among U.S. forces, al-Qaida militants and Shiite radicals.

A group of Shiite and Sunni clerics, meanwhile, were rescued one day after they were kidnapped in the capital after meeting with the government to discuss how to coordinate efforts against al-Qaida in Iraq.

In a reflection of the extraordinary complexity of Iraq, the U.S. military blamed a Shiite militant for the kidnapping, in which one of the clerics was said to have been killed. The military did not reveal its evidence, but has claimed that so-called rogue Shiite groups are doing everything possible to stop Iraqis from joining U.S. forces — even in the fight against the Sunni al-Qaida in Iraq.

Police and hospital officials reported at least 19 people wounded in the attack in Baqouba, the capital of Diyala province 35 miles northeast of Baghdad.

ISRAEL

Despite prostate cancer, Olmert to stay on job

JERUSALEM — Israel Prime Minister Ehud Olmert announced Monday that he has prostate cancer but will continue to govern and expects to be cured by surgery.

The 62-year-old leader, looking fit and speaking calmly, told a news conference that a biopsy had detected a malignant tumor in its early stage. He said he had learned of the diagnosis over the weekend and chosen to undergo surgical removal of the prostate gland "in the coming months."

"My doctors have informed me that I have a full chance of recovery and there is nothing about the tumor that is life-threatening or likely to impact my performance" or my ability to carry out the duties bestowed upon me," he said.

RUSSIA

'Chessboard' serial killer sentenced to life

MOSCOW — A former grocery clerk who imagined himself as "almost God" while murdering 48 people during a methodical hunt to kill one person for every space on a chessboard was sentenced Monday to life in a hard labor colony.

A Moscow court handed down Russia's harshest possible sentence for Alexander Pichushkin, 33, who mostly preyed on residents of his poor Moscow neighborhood. Pichushkin stood in a reinforced glass cage, his hands cuffed behind his back, while the judge read the sentence in a room packed with victims' relatives. Asked whether he understood the sentence, he replied: "I'm not deaf."

Pichushkin, who had been unrepentant and defiant during the trial, looked subdued and depressed. Some of the victims' relatives wiped away tears as they listened.

Pichushkin became known as "the chessboard killer" because he said he wanted to kill 64 people to match the

spaces on a chessboard. He had boasted of killing 60 people and trying to kill three others. However, prosecutors could find evidence to charge him with only 48 murders and three attempted murders. After a five-week trial, a jury found Pichushkin guilty on all counts last Wednesday.

INDIA

Activists decry use of children in Gap factory

NEW DELHI — The Indian children reportedly found making clothes for Gap Inc. should be reunited with their families and compensated by the government, activists said Monday amid a spreading scandal about the use of child labor by the international clothing chain.

The reported discovery of children as young as 10 sewing clothes for clothing retailer Gap Inc. in a New Delhi factory has renewed concerns about child labor in

India, but government officials offered no comment Monday.

"The biggest responsibility here lies with the Indian government — they don't develop a way of monitoring" factories, said Bhuwan Ribhu, a lawyer who works with Bachpan Bachao Andolan, or the Save Childhood Movement. "International companies hire subcontractors and then forget about it. There is no monitoring at all," Ribhu added. "Where the Gap is concerned, at least they've taken a good proactive stand against the subcontractors."

Britain's Observer newspaper on Sunday reported that it had found children making clothes with Gap labels in a squalid factory in New Delhi. It quoted the children as saying they were from poor parts of India and had been sold to the sweatshop by their impoverished families. Some said they were not paid for their work.

Gap responded quickly, saying the factory was being run by a subcontractor who

was hired in violation of Gap's policies, and none of the products made there will be sold in its stores.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

At least 20 killed in Tropical Storm Noel

SANTO DOMINGO

Tropical Storm Noel lashed the Dominican Republic with heavy rains on Monday, causing flooding and mudslides that killed at least 20 people and left another 20 missing, officials said.

Noel was expected to dump up to 20 inches of rain on the Dominican Republic and Haiti, which share the island of Hispaniola, as it heads northward toward the Bahamas. Forecasters said it was likely to veer east, away

from the United States. The storm had been forecast to hit Haiti hardest but veered toward the Dominican Republic, apparently catching residents off-guard. Schools and shops closed across the Dominican Republic and many roads were impassable. Communication was cut between many small towns and the capital.

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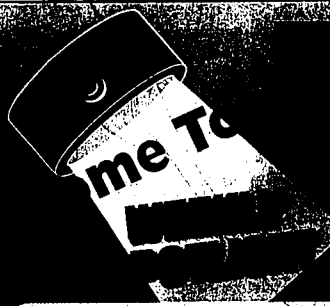
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Eight days of Southern Idaho basketball



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Freshman Lucet blazes a trail to American basketball

So: Who's next

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

Here we learn to shoot into the southeast trade winds and watch the ball sail. We sweat it out on cracked blacktop, mimicking Kobe, Shaq, M.J., and all the other heroes we've met only through the filter of a television screen.

Here we're never more than 30 minutes from the beaches where tourists pay thousands a week to bronze themselves before heading back to their real world. But our world isn't about blue seas or white sand. Ours revolves around a 3,000-Franc ball and the promise it holds like the salty sea air's inflated with. Here we're not looking for a way out. We're looking for a way in.

This is basketball in New Caledonia, where we've been kept a world away from the American game. Until now.

Nearly a year ago, Soana Lucet walked into the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium to lit-



College of Southern Idaho guard/forward Soana Lucet, of New Caledonia, poses for a portrait at the school on Thursday.

tle fanfare from the Golden Eagles faithful. With head coach Randy Rogers' team already 18-2 and ranked 17th in the nation, the arrival of a 6-foot-1, French-speaking redshirt from a tiny island territory practically no one in Twin Falls could find on a map reg-

istered only as a footnote to Maria Moore's promising sophomore season.

But Lucet's first footsteps onto the CSI hardwood reverberated. They carried through the high desert, across the Pacific Ocean to that tiny French island territory

932 miles east of Australia's northeastern coast. Those were the footsteps of a rarely in today's truly globalized world collegiate basketball — the footsteps of a pioneer.

This Thursday in Phoenix, Lucet will become the first New

So: Who's next

Caledonian to play collegiate basketball in the United States when the No. 11 Golden Eagles take on Chandler-Gilbert Community College in Phoenix. She enters that game already a national hero of sorts, carrying a country's hoop dreams on her shoulders.

"They were amazed," Lucet said of her countrymen's reaction when they learned she had a place in American basketball. "Everyone was like, 'It's amazing. You don't even know how many people want to do that.' That's why I really want to make it. I want to do my best because everybody wishes they could come here and dream to be here."

Lucet is a rarity among basketball players in her homeland, a true mix of dreams and desire. From the time she began playing competitively at age 15 as a high school freshman to her 20-point, 15-rebound per game dominance in the 2006 FIBA Oceania Youth Tournament, Lucet distanced herself from her

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Utah Jazz forward Mehmet Okur, right, drives around Los Angeles Lakers center Andrew Bynum in the third quarter of an NBA preseason game in Anaheim, Tuesday, Oct. 23.

Jazz hope to do even better after reaching Western finals

By Doug Alden
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — The Utah Jazz are coming off their best season in nine years. Whether they can capitalize on the experience and go further this time will depend on how much the young team learned.

The Jazz reached the Western Conference finals in their first playoff appearance since 2003.

"A lot of us grew up. A lot of us realized how good our offense could be, how good our defense could be," said Carlos Boozer, one was one of six Utah players making their postseason debut. "I think we realized the capability of this team and how we can come together."

The Jazz also learned just how quickly they can fall apart. After overcoming a 2-0 series deficit against Houston in the first round and then beating Golden State in the second, Utah ran into the San Antonio Spurs and lost a one-sided series.

San Antonio went on to win the NBA title after dispatching Utah in five games, making the Jazz look like the playoff newbies they were. It was an unpleasant lesson that coach Jerry Sloan hopes registered.

"We'll find out. We hope that the bottom line is that they will want to win more," Sloan said. "You hope that they can learn winning is fun when you put a lot into it. It takes a lot to do it every single day during the regular season."

Sloan is entering his 20th season coaching the Jazz and finally has some reason to be optimistic. He has a young team with playoff experience and the core players are back.

The biggest exception is guard Derek Fisher, who asked to be released from his contract because of his 1-year-old daughter's treatment for cancer. The Jazz reluctantly agreed and Fisher has since returned to the Los Angeles Lakers, his first team.

During his only season in Utah, Fisher didn't provide the offense the Jazz had hoped he would; but there was no question his leadership pushed the younger players through the playoff run.

"You can't just plug in experience. That has to be earned," Boozer said. "D-Fish is very missed right now."

Boozer is a logical choice to replace him.

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Lowell, not A-Rod, a priority for Red Sox

By Jimmy Golon
Associated Press writer

DENVER — While the Boston Red Sox celebrated at Coors Field after their second World Series sweep in four years, general manager Theo Epstein was serenaded with two pieces of advice.

"Re-sign Lowell!" the sizable contingent of Boston fans yelled from behind the visitor's dugout. Then they broke into a chant of, "Don't sign A-Rod!"

Before the champagne-style sparkling beverage had dried from the traditional post-game party on Sunday night, the Red Sox brass was reminded of the difficulty facing them if they're going to have a chance at a third championship any time soon.

Among the potential free agents are third baseman Mike Lowell, the World Series MVP

and Curt Schilling, a star of the team's 2004 title. Other players eligible for free agency include knuckleballer Tim Lincecum, who can be brought back with a team option, and spare outfielders Eric Hinske and Bobby Kielty.

"Free agency to me is very new, so I'm going to take it step by step," Lowell said while clutching the World Series MVP trophy. "I've never had the fact that I enjoy playing here in Boston. I have great teammates, a great manager, great coaches, so we'll see what happens. But I'm more focused on celebrating right now."

Lowell, who made \$9 million this year, is expected to be a target for the New York Yankees now that Alex Rodriguez has declared himself a free agent.

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New York Yankees manager Joe Torre and bench coach Joe Girardi, right, look on during spring training, March 1, 2005, in Tampa, Fla. The Yankees picked experience over popularity, Monday, offering the manager's job, left vacant by Torre, to Girardi at the risk of watching Don Mattingly walk away from the franchise.

For more on Girardi, see Page B6

2007 District IV volleyball all-star game

When: 6 p.m., Tuesday
Where: Baun Gymnasium, Twin Falls High School
Admission: Adults \$5, senior citizens \$3, students \$3. No IHSAA cards allowed.

Schedule

Northwest vs. Northeast
Southwest vs. Southeast
Northwest vs. Southwest
Northeast vs. Southeast
Northwest vs. Southwest
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Coaches

Northwest: [Names]
Northeast: [Names]
Southwest: [Names]
Southeast: [Names]

Coach: LuAnne Avelson, Hagerman.

Northwest team:
Jordan Burthorn; OH, Jarome; Katherine Wittball; S/D5; Jarome; Morgan Hubert; OH, Richfield; Kimber Swainston; L; Richfield; Kimberly Wittball; M, Richfield; Tammy Anderson; M, Dietrich; Amye Ingram; OH, Community School; Kyrstine Inman; S Community School; Coach's Norm Rock, Richfield.

Southeast team:
Erica Post; OH, Twin Falls; Aqleen Inman; OH, Twin Falls; Theaie Hunter; M, Buhl; Erin Kober; L, Richfield; Megan L. OH, Buhl; Kessie Newberry; OH, M; Kimberly; S; OH, Buhl; Dasha Sutherland; M; Kimberly; Coach: Jim Hall, Kimber.

Southwest team:
Alex Higgins; M; Buhl; Kaitlin Roberts; S; Buhl; Shannon Stinson; M; Valley; Coach: [Names]

2007 Idaho High School Football State Championships

Class 6A Division II
Mickey at Dietrich, 1 p.m.
Saturday's games
Class 3A
Buhl at Fruitland, 1 p.m.
Class 4A Division I
Hagerman at Council, 1 p.m.
Class 5A Division II
Richland at Carey, 2 p.m.
Class 6A Division I
Twin Falls at Buhl, 2 p.m.

2007-08 COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Maylene Omelas

No. 4 • Height: 5-6 • Position: PG • Class: So.

Hometown (High school): Chihuahua, Mexico (Mountain View HS)

Bio: Omelas played in each of CSI's 32 games as the backup point guard to All-American sophomore Maria Moore. The 2006 graduate of Salt Lake City's Mountain View High averaged 4.7 points and 2.3 assists, scoring a career-high 18 points in an 81-76 loss to Snow College. Omelas moved from Mexico to Salt Lake City during her junior year of high school before helping Mountain View to a runner-up finish in the 2006 Class 5A tournament.

Coach Rogers says: "Maylene had to learn from what I consider one of the best guards (Maria Moore) to play junior college basketball at the point guard spot. She's not the same type of player, but she's successful in her own ways."



Omelas

Kelsey Jardine

No. 10 • Height: 5-8 • Position: SG • Class: Fr.

Hometown (High school): Twin Falls (Twin Falls HS)

Bio: Jardine helped the Bruins to three top-four Class 5A state tournament finishes in her high school career. She helped TFHS to fourth in the state as a senior, averaging 9.7 points and 3.7 rebounds in being named the High Country Conference Player of the Year.

Jardine also graduated as an honor student from TFHS.

Coach Rogers says: "She's a shooter. She's trying to transition from high school to college and the speed of the game, trying to get her shot off quicker. It's going to take time for her to get repetitions in shooting the ball, but she's a pure shooter."



Jardine

Jamie Edwards

No. 14 • Height: 5-6 • Position: PG • Class: So. (RS)

Hometown (Previous college): Twin Falls (Sheridan College)

Bio: Edwards returns to Twin Falls after spending her freshman year and a medical redshirt year at Sheridan (Wyo.) College. She helped TFHS to a third-place finish at the Class 5A state tournament as a senior in 2005, averaging 7.6 points and 4.4 assists per game as the team's starting point guard.

Edwards also ran track as a Bruins senior, earning two state relay medals.

Coach Rogers says: "She has some experience playing at the college level and she's in great shape. She's just trying to work herself into a position to where she can get out on the floor."



Edwards

Kim Gamblin

No. 20 • Height: 6-1 • Position: PF • Class: So.

Hometown (Previous College): Herriman, Utah (Snow)

Bio: Gamblin transferred to CSI after playing her freshman year at Snow College in Ephraim, Utah. Gamblin was a part-time starter for the Badgers, averaging 9.7 points and 5.3 rebounds in 31 games played. She scored a career-high 24 points in a 78-73 win over Chandler-Gilbert Community College, and led the Badgers in single-game rebounding 10 times.

Gamblin will redshirt this season at CSI after she couldn't receive an official release from Snow College officials for the 2007-08 season. She has been writing a daily diary that will be posted on the CSI website during this season. Rogers expects Gamblin to be a major force in the 2008-09 season, as the all-purpose player will have two years of practice at the collegiate level under her belt.



Gamblin

Samantha Tinned

No. 21 • Height: 6-0 • Position: SF • Class: So.

Hometown (Previous college): Seattle (Highline College)

Bio: After becoming a two-time Class 4A Washington state tournament MVP at Tacoma's Lincoln and Garfield High Schools, Tinned spent last season at Seattle's Highline Community College, helping her team to fifth in the NWAAC, earning conference first team honors in the process.

Tinned averaged over 21 points and 7 rebounds at Highline, but will likely have to sit out the first part of this season until the January second semester.

Coach Rogers says: "I call her the Big Smooth. She is as smooth as they come. She has a great 15-foot foul which is one of the toughest shots in basketball. Athletic, fearless, quiet and she's got kind of a steady assassin that way."



Tinned

Amy Higbee

No. 22 • Height: 5-9 • Position: SG • Class: So.

Hometown (High school): Alamo, Nev. (Pahrangat Valley HS)

Bio: Higbee averaged 2.0 points and 1.7 rebounds per game as a CSI freshman, playing in 25 games and starting in 15. She scored a career-high 16 points twice.

Higbee was a three-sport athlete at Pahrangat Valley High, playing volleyball, basketball and softball, winning a combined eight combined state championships. She also finished as an honor roll student during each of her high school years.

Coach Rogers says: "Amy's really my Ashley Thompson. My Jelena Williams from a couple years ago. She's not going to put up incredible numbers, but you know where you're going to get from her. You're going to get hustle, rebounds, and she's going to run the floor hard."



Higbee

Cassie Wood

No. 24 • Height: 5-9 • Position: SG • Class: Fr.

Hometown (High school): Richfield (Richfield HS)

Bio: Wood was a four-year varsity starter at Richfield and helped the Tigers to the Class 1A state championship as a senior. She averaged 14.7 points, 7.3 rebounds and 3.3 points per game and was named to the Major Valley Northside Conference First Team as a senior.

Wood also played volleyball and participated in track and field at Richfield, where she graduated with honors.

Coach Rogers says: "When we watched Cassie play, it was about her effort, her winning attitude, her nervousness die away on the court, and she didn't mind getting us. She just hustles, and hustles and hustles."



Wood

Noelle Millicic

No. 30 • Height: 6-0 • Position: G/F • Class: Fr.

Hometown (High school): Boulder City, Nev. (Boulder City HS)

Bio: Millicic was named the Las Vegas Review-Journal's Class 3A Player of the Year as Boulder City finished 12-9 on the 2005-07 season. She was a McDonald's All-American nominee as a senior. Millicic also excelled in soccer at Boulder City, earning all-state first team honors as a senior.

Preseason injuries and illnesses have sidelined her most of the fall, but Rogers expects Millicic to work her way into significant playing time during her CSI career.

Coach Rogers says: "We're hoping she can get well because she's the type of kid that everyone wants. A line guard that can get up and down the floor plus she gets on the glass real well. Whether it's this year or next year, she's going to be a great player for CSI."



Millicic

Tera Tremayne

No. 31 • Height: 5-6 • Position: SG • Class: So.

Hometown (High school): Battle Mountain, Nev. (Battle Mtn. HS)

Bio: Tremayne played 29 games as a reserve shooting guard for CSI as a freshman, averaging 3.2 points and 1.7 rebounds per game. She finished with a career-high 12 points on two occasions.

Tremayne led Battle Mountain to a Class 2A championship as a senior, leading the state in scoring and finishing with 246 career 3-pointers.

Coach Rogers says: "She understands the game so well with her dad as a coach and her background growing up with the game. She's kind of a floor leader out there, and again, her maturity from her freshman to sophomore year has been tremendous."



Tremayne

LaCale Pringle-Buchanan

No. 32 • Height: 5-8 • Position: G/F • Class: Fr. (RS)

Hometown (Previous college): Seattle (Pepperdine)

Bio: Pringle-Buchanan spent a redshirt year at Pepperdine University before transferring to CSI. She was a four-year starter at Garfield and earned Seattle Times All-area honors as a senior.

Pringle-Buchanan led Garfield to the 2005-06 Class 4A KingCo West title, averaging 17.5 points, 10.3 rebounds, 5.6 assists and 4.3 steals per game. Garfield head coach Joyce Walker called Pringle-Buchanan the smartest player she's worked with.

Coach Rogers says: "She has a love for the game. The kids love her effort, her winning attitude, her nervousness die away on the court, and she didn't mind getting us. She just hustles, and hustles and hustles."



Pringle-Buchanan

Eva Ivanova

No. 42 • Height: 6-3 • Position: C • Class: So.

Hometown (High school): Varma, Bulgaria (Georgi Benkovski)

Bio: Ivanova averaged 4.8 points, 3.3 rebounds and 3 blocks per game in 32 appearances as a CSI freshman. She scored a career-high 16 points in a 66-53 win over the College of Eastern Utah and grabbed a career-high nine rebounds on two occasions.

Ivanova played in the Junior European Championships in 2004-05.

Coach Rogers says: "We're probably going to give her mostly on the perimeter against zones. Still trying to get her aggressive inside, but she's gotten a lot better than that. We need her size inside, we need her rebounding, but we expect her to be one of her better percentage shooters."



Ivanova

Anita Burdick

No. 44 • Height: 6-3 • Position: C • Class: So.

Hometown (High school): Reno, Nev. (North Valley HS)

Bio: Burdick averaged 6.2 points and 3.8 rebounds in 29 appearances as a CSI freshman and tied with Ivanova for a team-high 31 blocks. She poured in a career-high 19 points in 10 minutes of play during an 87-68 win over CNCC, and grabbed a career-high 12 rebounds in an 83-63 win over Phoenix College.

Burdick owns the North Valley High single-game records for points (44) and rebounds (26), along with the career records for rebounds and all school records for blocks.

Coach Rogers says: "That's probably our go-to post player inside, right now. She's very physical, her confidence is getting high, and we just hope that continues on throughout the year. If that does, we'll be very fortunate inside."



Burdick

Maddy Plunkett

No. 52 • Height: 6-2 • Position: C • Class: Fr.

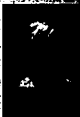
Hometown (High school): Albury, New South Wales, Australia (Dowling)

Bio: Plunkett played in Australia's 2006 U20 Junior Championships, averaging 14.0 points and 8.2 rebounds per game. Plunkett played on a number of competitive teams on the national level in Australia.

She also played on the New South Wales Olympic Development team in 2006, helping the squad finish second at the Australian All-Schools Championships in Perth.

Plunkett was also recruited by Central Washington College, Casper College (Wyo.) and Chandler-Gilbert Community College (Wash.).

Coach Rogers says: "There's so many parts of Maddy that we're looking for. Her personality to be open around her work ethic and the fact that she's a very physical player. She's nervous but confident."



Plunkett

Sharon Lopez

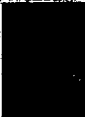
No. 55 • Height: 5-8 • Position: G/F • Class: Fr. (RS)

Hometown (High school): New Caledonia (La Providence)

Bio: Lopez is the first New Caledonian player to play collegiate basketball in the U.S. According to Australiabasket.com, she led her team to third place the FIBA Oceania U20 tournament and is widely considered the best player from her home country.

During the tournament, she averaged 20.7 points and 13.2 rebounds per game. She arrived in Twin Falls last January and has been studying English while working out with the team since.

Coach Rogers says: "It makes us better when you're on the floor and she's looking forward to the game. She's a great player."



Lopez

2007-08 CSI Women's Basketball Schedule

Opponent	Location	Date	Time
Chandler-Gilbert CC	Phoenix, Ariz.	Thursday, Nov. 1	7 p.m.
Mesa College	Mesa, Ariz.	Saturday, Nov. 3	7 p.m.
Central Arizona Tournament			
Central Arizona	Coolidge, Ariz.	Thursday, Nov. 15	8:30 p.m.
Odeasa College	Coolidge, Ariz.	Friday, Nov. 16	6 p.m.
Monroe College	Coolidge, Ariz.	Saturday, Nov. 17	1 p.m.
Treasure Valley CC	Twin Falls	Friday, Nov. 23	6 p.m.
Yreappel College	Twin Falls	Saturday, Nov. 24	6 p.m.
Boise Office Equipment Tournament			
CSI All-Stars	Twin Falls	Friday, Nov. 30	6 p.m.
Columbia Basin CC	Mesa, Ariz.	Saturday, Dec. 1	6 p.m.
Coze-Cola Classic			
Yakima Valley CC	Twin Falls	Thursday, Dec. 6	8 p.m.
Northwest Wyoming	Twin Falls	Friday, Dec. 7	8 p.m.
Sheridan College	Twin Falls	Saturday, Dec. 8	8 p.m.
North Idaho College SWAC Challenge			
Washington All-Stars	Coeur d'Alene	Thursday, Jan. 3	6 p.m.
Idaho All-Stars	Coeur d'Alene	Friday, Jan. 4	4 p.m.
North Idaho Alumni	Coeur d'Alene	Saturday, Jan. 5	4 p.m.
SWAC Regular Season			
Colorado NW	Twin Falls	Thursday, Jan. 10	5:30 p.m.
Eastern Utah	Twin Falls	Saturday, Jan. 12	1 p.m.
North Idaho	Coeur d'Alene	Saturday, Jan. 19	2 p.m.
Snow College	Ephraim, Utah	Friday, Jan. 25	5:30 p.m.
Salt Lake CC	Salt Lake City	Saturday, Jan. 26	1 p.m.
North Idaho	Twin Falls	Friday, Feb. 1	5:30 p.m.
North Idaho	Twin Falls	Saturday, Feb. 2	1 p.m.
Eastern Utah	Price, Utah	Friday, Feb. 8	5:30 p.m.
Eastern Utah	Price, Utah	Saturday, Feb. 9	1 p.m.
Snow College	Twin Falls	Friday, Feb. 15	5:30 p.m.
Snow College	Twin Falls	Saturday, Feb. 16	1 p.m.
Salt Lake CC	Twin Falls	Friday, Feb. 22	5:30 p.m.
Salt Lake CC	Twin Falls	Saturday, Feb. 23	1 p.m.
Colorado NW	Rangely, Colo.	Friday, Feb. 29	5:30 p.m.
Colorado NW	Rangely, Colo.	Saturday, March 1	1 p.m.
Region 1B Championships	SWAC Winner	March 6-8	TBA
NUCA National tournament	Salina, Kan.	March 18-22	TBA

Coaches

Head Coach: Steve Rogers, 127-40 (75-21) SWAC

Assistant Coach: Jim Golden, 127-40 (75-21) SWAC

Rogers enters his sixth year at CSI with 20 years of coaching credentials. His Golden State record haven't lost more than seven games in the past four seasons, and hold a career winning percentage in SWAC play of .683. Rogers finished with a 25-7 record in the past four seasons, and hold a career winning percentage in SWAC play of .683. Rogers finished with a 25-7 record in the past four seasons, and hold a career winning percentage in SWAC play of .683.

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SCOREBOARD

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NASCAR Nextel Cup Leaders Through Oct. 29

Table with columns: Driver, Team, Points, Laps Led, Races Won. Top drivers include Jimmie Johnson, Tony Stewart, and Matt Kenseth.

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MLB Final Standings Through Oct. 29

Table with columns: League, Division, Team, W, L, Pct. Lists standings for American and National Leagues.

GAME PLAN

LOCAL TV SCHEDULE

Table listing local TV schedules for various sports events, including NFL, MLB, and college sports.

CHAMPIONS TOUR

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Table listing PGA TOUR players and their scores for the Champions Tour.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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Table listing Top 25 college football teams and their records.

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Rich sends letter to SEC commissioner apologizing for Georgia's celebration

Atlanta - Georgia coach Mark Richt apologized Monday for his team's raucous celebration after its first victory against Florida, a display that he encouraged in hopes of firing his team up.

The motivational tactic seemed to work - the No. 10 Bulldogs went on to a 42-30 victory, only their third win against the 16th-ranked Gators in the last 18 years.

But Richt apologized to Southeastern Conference commissioner Mike Slive by telephone and in a letter for his actions leading up to Saturday's game.

Some 70 players stormed the field after knowledge of Missouri's touchdown lead led to numerous penalty flags. Richt didn't mind a bit, admitting afterward he told his team he would give them extra running if they didn't get called for excessive celebration.

"As a follow-up to our telephone discussion earlier today, I do want to apologize in writing for what transpired after the first score of the Georgia/Florida game this past Saturday when our entire team left the bench area to celebrate the score," Richt wrote.

"I apologize that I put everyone in that situation and specifically apologize to you,

Southeastern Conference, and the University of Florida. You can be assured I will not ask our team to do this type of thing again."

Romo cashes in on new contract

IRVING, Texas - Tony Romo didn't have to wait until the offseason to get his big payday from the Dallas Cowboys after all. Romo has agreed to a six-year, \$67 million deal that will be announced Tuesday, according to a person familiar with the deal who requested anonymity because the contract has not been announced.

The contract, which will become effective this week and provides salary cap relief for Dallas, includes \$30 million in guaranteed money.

"It's a great feeling you have when the organization and the people stand behind you, and you can be the quarterback for a long, long time," Romo said. "It's a neat feeling that, 'You're our guy, we like you.' ... It makes you feel good as a person and a player."

Sports Shorts

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District IV teams fall in 2A football playoffs

Times-News

The Wendell Trojans were on the verge of a magnificent win in the final game of the 2007 2A football season Saturday, holding the Cardinals to third-and-goal on the 1-yard line with time running out. However, the Cardinals won the final play, leaving the ball set to the end zone for the 18-13 victory that sent the Trojans home from the Class 2A playoffs.

The last three plays were two punts and we stopped them," Wendell coach Jerry Diehl said. "Then they won it right at the end."

The Trojans led the game 13-6 late the fourth quarter,

with Eric Lopez carrying 72 yards for a score during the first and Cory Vanderhage running for a 28-yard touchdown early in the fourth. But the final five minutes were wild, according to Diehl. Soda Springs controlled the clock by driving the ball on the ground, finally scoring a fourth-and-13 touchdown pass. Wendell retained the lead at 13-12, but the Cardinals recovered the onside kick and drove again for the game-winner.

And the Trojans' Brandon Hope carried 10 times for 92 yards, Vanderhage carried four times for 35 yards and a score and Lopez carried just once for his 72-yard touchdown. Jason

Chandler completed 4 of 6 passes for 28 yards.

Despite the 3-6 record, Diehl said that he and his team are pleased with the season's finish: the first Canyon Conference title and playoff berth since 2004. Ironically, it will be the Trojans' last Canyon title as they move up to the Class 3A ranks for 2008.

Soda Springs 16, Wendell 13
 2A Football
 10:07-12
 10/26/07
 Photos by [unreadable]

Wendell - Eric Lopez 72 yds (kick) 2:17
 Soda Springs - Adam Hart 1 yds from Jordan McMurtry (conversion) 10:22
 Fourth quarter
 W - Cory Vanderhage 28 yds (Cory Vanderhage) 10:22
 S3 - Brock Lewis 13 yds from McMurtry (pass) 10:22
 S5 - Chad Christensen 1 yds 0:00

FIRTH 59, GLENN'S FERRY 6

The Firch Cougars proved themselves a nasty competitor once again as they defeated the Glenn's Ferry Pilots 59-6 Saturday during the first round of the Class 2A playoffs. It was a rematch with a similar outcome as the Pilots fell to the Cougars 55-0 during the 2006 second round.

"They're a big, physical team," Pilots coach Roy Spriggs said. "Well-disciplined, and they executed well. The first few series we were able to play with them, but turnovers, fumbles got us out of the game."

Glenn's Ferry was, however, able to avoid another shutout as Jesus Rodriguez

broke free for a 50-plus yard touchdown scamper during the second half. Rodriguez would total more than 100 yards on the ground for the Pilots' season finale. A full box score was not available.

The Pilots (2-7) are done until next fall when the Canyon Conference is shaken up by the departure of Wendell and the addition of the Declo Hornets, who last won a Canyon title in 1999 before ruling the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference from 2000-2004.

"I hate to see Wendell go. It's been a great rivalry," Spriggs said. "But the conference won't be down. (Declo) will be good."

Doctors clear BSU running back Johnson for practices

BOISE (AP) — After missing the last two games with a bruised kidney, Boise State's star running back Johnson has been cleared by team doctors to return to practice, coach Chris Peterson said Monday.

Johnson's status for Saturday's matchup with San Jose State is uncertain. Peterson says much depends on Johnson's health this week and ability to get back in game shape after two weeks of rest.

"Unless we have a weird setback of any sort, which we don't anticipate, we'll get him in the mix," Peterson told reporters. "We want to be smart with him. We've got to get his legs going, see how he holds up conditioning wise, see how he holds up."

Johnson is the emotional leader on offense and he leads the team with 653 yards on the ground and nine touchdowns. His rushing totals are good for second best in the Western Athletic Conference.

But the No. 21 Broncos have hardly missed a beat offensively in his absence.

Backups Jeremy Avery and D.J. Harper combined to rush for 277 yards and four touchdowns in Friday's 31-21 victory at Fresno State, becoming the first freshmen to each run for more than 100 yards in a game since 1977.

The duo teamed up the week before for 132 rushing yards and a touchdown in a victory at Louisiana Tech. Avery also caught four passes for 79 yards and a touchdown in that game.

Even with Johnson coming back, Peterson says he intends to keep Harper and Avery involved.

"We'll spread the wealth around a little bit," he said. "Together they give Boise State (7-1, 4-0 WAC) one of the most explosive running attacks in the nation. The Broncos average 215 yards on the ground per game, second best in the WAC and 14th nationally."

Peterson says it's easy to praise running backs for that success. But he said the real credit for the Broncos' offense as a whole should go to the team's offensive line.

The Broncos head into Saturday's game averaging 487 yards and nearly 42 points per game. The front five have also given quarterbacks Tony Stewart plenty of time to find open receivers, allowing just 11 sacks all year.

"We have a really good offensive line and we've had a lot of success," Peterson said. "They're getting in a groove. We certainly wouldn't be doing what we're doing on offense... It all starts on the offensive line."

Favre tosses 82-yard TD in OT to beat Broncos 19-13

DENVER (AP) — It was another signature moment in a career that is full of them.

On the first play following the kickoff in overtime, Brett Favre connected on an 82-yard touchdown pass with Greg Jennings and the Green Bay Packers defeated the Denver Broncos 19-13 on Monday night.

Denver had tied the score at 13 on Jason Elam's 21-yard field goal as time ran out in regulation, setting the stage for another Favre comeback.

Green Bay (6-1) won the coin toss and on the first play, Jennings was matched up in man-to-man coverage on the left side. Favre, who threw a 79-yard touchdown pass to James Jones in the first half, hit Jennings in stride at the Denver 40. Cornerback Dre' Bly had no shot at catching the speedy wide receiver who trotted into the end zone as Favre rushed to celebrate Green Bay's first 6-1 start in five years.

The Broncos (4-6) sent it into overtime with a drive that began at their own 7 with 2:27 left.

Out of timeouts, the field goal unit scrambled onto the field and Elam calmly nailed the kick, just as he did two months ago when the Broncos ran the same field drill to beat Buffalo as time expired in the opener.

Denver almost had to share the spotlight with the Colorado Rockies, who were scheduled to play Game 5 of the World Series on Monday night at Coors Field as they were swept by the Boston Red Sox Sunday night.

Instead, they shared it with Favre, who was criticized for a series of underthrown passes against Washington last week.

Some of his best moments have come on Monday night, from his incredible game in Oakland following the death of his father to his game-winner to Antonio Freeman in overtime against Miami last week.

Now he's 6-1 for the third time in



Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre celebrates after throwing an 82-yard touchdown pass to Greg Jennings against the Denver Broncos on the first play of overtime in Green Bay's 19-13 victory on Monday.

his career. In 1996, Favre and the Packers parlayed a similar start into their Super Bowl title. The Packers also started out 6-1 in 2002, when they finished 12-4 but were done in by injuries and bounced out of the playoffs in the first round by Atlanta.

Looking nothing like his 38 years, Favre outlasted the Broncos second-year quarterback Jay Cutler, widely con-

sidered the only passer in the league whose arm strength can rival his. Favre finished 21-of-27 for 331 yards and a 142.4 passer rating.

Cutler was 21-of-34 for 264 yards. He was sacked twice by Aaron Kampman, who also sacked wide receiver Brandon Marshall on an ill-fated trick play.

Favre also drove Green Bay 98

yards for a field goal, and the Packers, last in the league in rushing, found a ground game against the NFL's worst run defense.

Ryan Grant came in when DeShawn Wynn went down early with an injured shoulder and gained 104 yards on 22 carries. He became Green Bay's first 100-yard rusher since Alvin Green on Dec. 3, 2006.

Home run king looking for work: Bonds files for free agency

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The home run king is looking for a job.

Barry Bonds filed for free agency Monday on the first possible day after the World Series ended with Boston's sweep of the Colorado Rockies on Sunday night. That means the slugger's tenure with San Francisco is now over. Giants owner Peter Magowan told him last month the club would not bring him back for a 16th season.

Yet the 43-year-old Bonds, with 762 career homers, said last week he's ruling out a change of heart by his longtime employer.

"I told Peter Magowan, 'If I'm a part-time player, I'm still better than your full-time player, and it's a wise idea to keep me,'" Bonds told a group of about 450 people in the audience of a speaking forum last week in San Francisco. "We still have time. Things might change."

Bonds broke Hank Aaron's home run record with No. 756 on Aug. 7, and he has been a big reason in the Giants have drawn more than 3 million fans in all eight years of their waterfront ballpark's existence.

Bonds' departure apparently isn't sitting well. He was reminded of his long list of accolades — a record seven NL MVPs, 14 All-Star game selections, eight Gold Glove awards — and asked whether he really accomplished all of that during his 22-year big league career.

"I did, and then I got fired," Bonds said to that same group. "Shame on me, huh?"

San Francisco third baseman Pedro Feliz also was among the 57 players who filed Monday. The Giants could become a suitor of Alex Rodriguez — though many wonder whether the organization would be willing to pay the kind of money the

infielder will demand, even with Bonds' mega salary no longer in the mix. A-Rod's agent, Scott Boras, announced on Sunday night during Game 4 of the World Series that he would opt out of his New York Yankees contract.

Twins center fielder Torii Hunter, who along with Rodriguez filed for free agency Monday, will be another player on San Francisco's radar. But if the Giants are interested, they will be one of what is expected to be a handful of teams courting the cordial star.

Also Monday, the Giants selected longtime baseball executive John Barr to be a special assistant to general manager Brian Sabean. Barr will oversee amateur and professional scouting. Doug Mappson was promoted to coordinator of amateur scouting.

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Red Sox

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Once coveted by the Red Sox, Rodriguez became the focal point of much of the locals' Yankee-hating venom after he engineered a trade to New York.

So when Wendel trickled into the stands that A-Rod had opted out of his contract — in the middle of Boston's coronation — the fans let the team's brain trust know how they felt. Team president Larry Lucchino said he heard the chant, but wanted to survive the tide before turning to 2008.

Schilling said in spring training that he would come back for a one-year deal at his current salary, \$13 million. The Red Sox already have injuries limited him to 24 starts and a 3.87 ERA as he converted himself from a power thrower to a contact pitcher with slower stuff.

The Red Sox already have control of Wakefield and young starters Josh Beckett, Daisuke Matsuzaka and Jon Lester — not to mention Clay Buchholz, who pitched a no-hitter in his second major-league start. The lineup is stocked with youth, too: rookie of the year contender Dustin Pedroia, Jacoby Ellsbury and Kevin Youkilis.

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counters through countless hours of individual practice, something uncharacteristic of a New Zealandian player.

"It's very busy," Lucet said.

"First of all, we're an island, so we have the beach, the sand and stuff. I've never run so much in my life (as I have at CSI). Like, 'You're not running, you're playing. If you're good, you're good. If you want to improve, you have to leave, and that's the only way you can improve.'"

When teammates would want out on practices when it came time to condition, Lucet stuck with the game as its tricks unfolded in front of her, both on the court and through the televised world. The influence of the NBA is woven into the fiber of her game. From the quick crossover to her step-back 3-pintler off the dribble,

Lucet came to Twin Falls with the style and flow of American basketball already built in.

"It's on her. She's obviously had to work at it," Rogers said. "It's her college-ready game. 'I'm not stupid enough to think that I did this.'"

"She came here with some really good fundamentals and some good footwork. I don't know where she saw that, to be honest. TV, NBA, but she's got moves that guys do."

Those moves got Lucet noticed during the Oceania Youth Tournament, as coaches from Oregon State University — where Gary Payton lab-jacked his way through Gill Coliseum, into the NBA and onto the TV screen — looked for a way to bring her to America.

There was no way a French-speaking player could navigate her way through an

American college placement exam, which is how Rogers and his singular open foreign scholarship came in. Months later, Lucet got her introduction to CSI basketball.

"The first time I walked in the gym, I was so amazed," Lucet said. "We play outside. We don't have gyms. We play on the street ball court."

While she's learned to speak proficiently English and practiced daily during her first 10 months at CSI, play is the one thing she hasn't done. After spending the previous four years of her life being defined by her on-court performance, her adjustment to American culture was complicated by the inability to do the one thing she was known for. In her home country.

"When I came here in January, because I came here to learn English, I was

practicing with the team, I was doing everything, but I was just sitting on the bench, and it's not funny," Lucet said. "So I'm ready. This year I'm ready. I'm not going to sit."

Rogers has no intention of keeping Lucet familiar with the end of his bench. Though she's built like a prototypical junior college power forward, Lucet can comfortably play either guard position. Her versatility is expected to be a huge boon as the No. 11 Golden Eagles seek out their first national tournament berth in three years.

"Right now she's reenergized again and ready to go," Rogers said. "She's a special kid."

Special on the court for her ability, and special off it for the courage to be a pioneer.

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2007-2008 NBA SEASON PREVIEW

Power rankings Based on a scale of one to five, with five being the best ranking

Atlantic

Central

Southeast

Team	Offense	Defense	Coaching	Bench	Total	Notes
ATLANTA	4	3	3	3	13	The defensive prowess of the Bulls makes them look like favorites in the East.
BOSTON	3	3	3	3	13	Kopit Kidd and the team together. Jefferson's health is crucial.
CHARLOTTE	3	3	3	3	13	Budding star Josh Smith healthy for returning Atlantic champions.
INDIANA	3	3	3	3	13	KG, Allen and Pierce make the Celtics an immediate threat again.
MILWAUKEE	3	3	3	3	13	Impressive front line; focus on the basketball—not legal—court.
MINNESOTA	3	3	3	3	13	Might be the only Atlantic team that didn't improve over the summer.
NEW YORK	3	3	3	3	13	Chicago can compete for home-court advantage if it avoids a slow start.
ORLANDO	3	3	3	3	13	Back-to-back conference final calls. Are they still an elite team?
PHOENIX	3	3	3	3	13	How far they go depends on LeBron James' supporting cast.
SAN ANTONIO	3	3	3	3	13	Struggles could lead to someone going— even long-time star O'Neal.
MEMPHIS	3	3	3	3	13	Better team than last year even better if they can stay healthy.
MIAMI	3	3	3	3	13	Stan Van Gundy's team will have many ways to hurt others.
NEW JERSEY	3	3	3	3	13	With health, Wizards will score plenty. Defensive woes figure to remain.
WASHINGTON	3	3	3	3	13	The most mediocre lineup including D-Wade and Shaq.
DETROIT	3	3	3	3	11	Joe Johnson was the best player before a season-ending injury.
PHILADELPHIA	3	3	3	3	10	Hinged in the right direction before Morrison went down.

New England is the most dominant team in football. The Red Sox are trying to win their second World Series in four years. Is this the year the Celtics make the recent Boston-area sports dominance a triumvirate? Now, Ray Allen and Kevin Garnett join Paul Pierce to form...

the Boston ThreeParty

Triple threats

Kevin Garnett, Paul Pierce and Ray Allen join forces in Boston in 07. Last year, they would have averaged 72.8 mpg if they played together.

Top trio from last year

Denver Carmelo Anthony	68.2
Alton Brown	
J.R. Smith	

Washington Antawn Jamison

Clayton Kress	67.3
Caron Butler	

Houston Tracy McGrady

Tracy McGrady	62.6
Yao Ming	

Phoenix Amaro Stoudemire

Shawn Marion	61.1
Steve Nash	

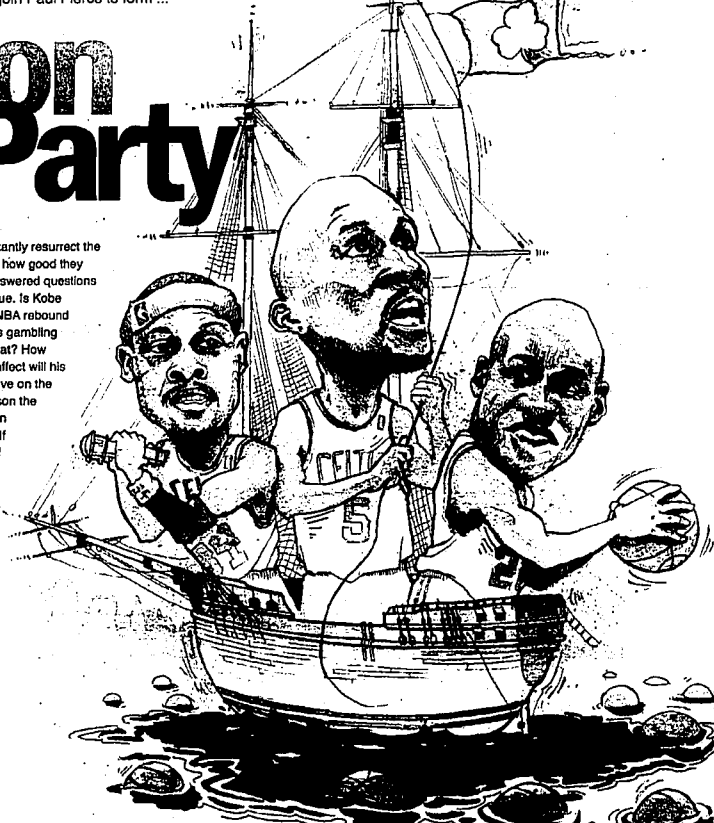
While the Celtics will instantly resurrect the once-storied franchise, just how good they will be is one of many unanswered questions that remain around the league. Is Kobe staying or going? Can the NBA rebound from referee Tim Donaghy's gambling fiasco? Can the Spurs repeat? How about Isiah Thomas? What affect will his sexual harassment case have on the Knicks? Is this the last season the Sonics and rookie star Kevin Durant will play in Seattle? If you're keeping score, tip-off is Tuesday night.

2006-07 season leaders (Average per game statistics)

POINTS	REBOUNDS	ASSISTS	STEALS
Kobe Bryant LAL 31.6	Kevin Garnett MIN 12.8	Steve Nash PHX 11.6	Baron Davis GSW 2.14
Carmelo Anthony DEN 28.9	Yipon Chandler NYK 12.4	Doron Williams UTA 9.3	Ron Artest SAC 2.13
Gilbert Arenas WAS 28.4	Dwight Howard ORL 12.3	Chris Paul NOH 8.9	Caron Butler WAS 2.13
LuRon James CLE 27.3	Carlos Boozer UTA 11.7	Chris Paul NOH 8.9	Gerald Wallace CHA 2.00
Michael Redd MIL 26.7	Marcus Camby DEN 11.7	Baron Davis GSW 8.1	Andre Iguodala PHI 2.00

Five rookies to watch this season (Draft pick)

Player	Team	Notes
Kevin Durant	OKC	Star for ACC season's MVP
Luol Rad	IND	Star for ACC season's MVP
Scottie Pippen	CHI	Star for ACC season's MVP
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Making an impact

The Portland Trail Blazers lost 2007 No. 1 draft pick Greg Oden to a season-ending knee surgery. Since 2001, top picks have helped their teams to improve by double-digit wins during their rookie seasons:

YEAR	NO. 1 PICK	TEAM	PREVIOUS RECORD	WITH NO. 1 PICK	WINS +/-
2006	Andrea Bargnani	TOR	19-63	22-60	+20
2005	Andrew Bogut	MIL	11-51	20-40	+10
2004	Dwight Howard	ORL	1-16	20-39	+15
2003	LeBron James	CLE	1-16	26-36	+18
2002	Yao Ming	HOU	1-16	27-39	+15
2001	Kwame Brown	WAS	1-16	21-45	+18
2000	Kenyon Martin	NJN	1-13	20-26	+5

Longest running missed playoff spots

TEAM	LAST PLAYOFF YEAR	SEASONS
Atlanta	(1998-99)	8 seasons
Portland	(2002-03)	4 seasons
Minnesota	(2003-04)	3 seasons
New Orleans	(2003-04)	3 seasons
New York	(2003-04)	3 seasons

Northwest

Team	Offense	Defense	Coaching	Bench	Total
PORTLAND	4	4	4	4	16
MINNESOTA	4	4	4	4	16
MEMPHIS	4	4	4	4	16
INDIANA	4	4	4	4	16
NEW JERSEY	4	4	4	4	16
NEW YORK	4	4	4	4	16
ORLANDO	4	4	4	4	16
PHOENIX	4	4	4	4	16
SAN ANTONIO	4	4	4	4	16
WASHINGTON	4	4	4	4	16

The returning champion Spurs and the Jazz appear to be the teams to beat in the West.

Pacific

Team	Offense	Defense	Coaching	Bench	Total
MEMPHIS	4	4	4	4	16
MINNESOTA	4	4	4	4	16
INDIANA	4	4	4	4	16
NEW JERSEY	4	4	4	4	16
NEW YORK	4	4	4	4	16
ORLANDO	4	4	4	4	16
PHOENIX	4	4	4	4	16
SAN ANTONIO	4	4	4	4	16
WASHINGTON	4	4	4	4	16

Injured, he's back. After last season's performance, expect a repeat.

Southwest

Team	Offense	Defense	Coaching	Bench	Total
MEMPHIS	4	4	4	4	16
MINNESOTA	4	4	4	4	16
INDIANA	4	4	4	4	16
NEW JERSEY	4	4	4	4	16
NEW YORK	4	4	4	4	16
ORLANDO	4	4	4	4	16
PHOENIX	4	4	4	4	16
SAN ANTONIO	4	4	4	4	16
WASHINGTON	4	4	4	4	16

Major leap in the tough Southwest Division should not be easy.

PH: John; Ed DeSario; Jake O'Connell; Brian Mahony; Illustration by Mike Budai / AP

Jazz

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 along with third-year guard Deron Williams, whose assist average of 9.3 was second only to Steve Nash. "It's a point guard/power forward combination the Jazz haven't had since 2003, the end of the John Stockton and Karl Malone era."
 "Obviously, Coach has given us the reins to take over and we have," Buser said. "We're going to continue to lead our team by example. We have a lot on our shoulders but we're up for that challenge every night."
 "One of those challenges is going to be kept the locker room atmosphere happy. It wasn't last year, especially at the end."
 Boozer and Williams both averaged more than 20 points against

the Spurs, but nobody else scored in double figures. Williams noted the lack of support and accused unnamed teammates of giving up and starting vacation early.
 The animosity was resolved two weeks before training camp when former All-Star Andre Kirilenko announced that he was unhappy playing for Sloan and wanted to be traded. Williams countered with some shots about Kirilenko's attitude.
 "The Jazz have tried to keep the spat from escalating into anything more and it didn't seem to be an issue during the preseason."
 Kirilenko sat down with Sloan

and Jazz management before camp and both sides have been trying to adjust. Sloan, not exactly known for practicing positive reinforcement, has backed off slightly on his criticism and Kirilenko has kept his mouth shut about any additional gripes.
 "Andre's been terrific. He's worked very hard and just concentrated on basketball," Sloan said. "We want to see him do well. We've never coached a guy yet we wanted to see fail."
 The Jazz could use a happy, or at least content, Kirilenko. The Jazz offense was largely Boozer and Williams last season and Kirilenko grew frustrated as his averages for

scoring, rebounding and steals dropped to career lows. His 144 blocks were barely better than the 135 he had two years before, when his season was cut in half by injuries.
 Kirilenko is still the starter at small forward, joining Boozer and center Mehmet Okur on Utah's front line. Williams, who played for the United States team that won the FIBA Americas tournament, has quickly established himself as one of the league's top young point guards.
 "I didn't have to worry about making mistakes and coming out. I just got to go out there and play free and I had a lot of confidence," said Williams, who also averaged 16.2 points. "When you have that confi-

dence it's easier to do a lot of things."
 Without Fisher, the Jazz will have a new shooting guard and Ronnie Brewer. Utah's first-round pick in the 2006 draft, appears to have claimed the job with a strong preseason and summer league.
 Williams said the Jazz want to go further than last year. The Jazz mean reaching the NBA finals, which would take winning a conference that includes the Spurs, Mavericks and Suns.
 But the Jazz are thinking big. "We want to try to win the championship," Williams said. "We feel that with the guys we have here, with the coaches we have, there's no reason we shouldn't win the championship in the next couple of years."

TWIN FALLS FORECAST
 Today: Mostly cloudy with a small chance of showers. Highs upper 50s.
 Tonight: Clearing and drying. Lows upper 30s.
 Tomorrow: Becoming partly sunny. Highs upper 50s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
A chance of showers	Clearing and drying	Becoming partly sunny	A mix of sun and clouds	Mostly dry with sunny periods	Sunny and cool
High 58	Low 38	57 / 33	58 / 31	54 / 30	53 / 31

BURLEIGH/RUPERT FORECAST
 Today: Breezy and cool with a slight chance of showers developing. Highs upper 50s.
 Tonight: Clearing and drying. Lows middle 30s.
 Tomorrow: Cool with sunny periods. Highs middle 50s.

IDAHO FORECAST
SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Cloudy with a brief passing of showers possible today. The rest of the week looks to be mostly dry with seasonal daytime temperatures and chilly nights on tap.

BOISE
 Clouds and a small chance of showers moving over the area today. Becoming mostly sunny and dry for the rest of the week.

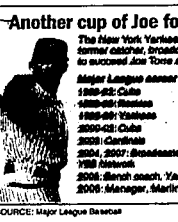
NORTHERN UTAH
 A weak disturbance will move through the area today and tomorrow. Look for more clouds than precipitation and only limited cooling.

REGGIE MILLEKRAVE'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
 "I've been thinking about how to get back into the game..."

Girardi offered Yankees job

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Yankees picked experience over popularity, offering the manager's job to Joe Girardi at the risk of watching Don Mattingly walk away from the franchise.

Beloved as team captain, Donnie Baseball was the early favorite to replace Joe Torre and openly coveted the spot. After finding out Monday he didn't get it, Mattingly told the Yankees he had no interest in returning next year as bench coach or in any other coaching position.



SOURCE: Major League Baseball

Don was extremely disappointed to learn today that he wasn't the organization's choice to fill the managerial vacancy. Mattingly's agent, Steve Schulte, said in an e-mail, "Instead, he was informed the organization offered the position to Joe Girardi."

Girardi was the 2006 NL Manager of the Year with Florida, plus he has a pin-striped pedigree. The hard-nosed catcher played on three Yankees teams that won the World Series, served as their bench coach and was a TV announcer this year.

"Joe Girardi is a good man," Torre said Monday on "Late Show with David Letterman." "He's got a feel for this organization."

Still, surprising Mattingly — who always receives one of the loudest ovations on Old-Timers' Day — was sure to be disappointed to another former Yankee snub: Babe Ruth was never offered the manager's job he so desperately wanted.

Mattingly was the Yankees' hitting coach for three years

before moving next to Torre this season. Schulte said Mattingly congratulated Girardi and wished him well.

A baseball official confirmed the Yankees are negotiating with Girardi's agent, Steve Mandell.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because a deal hasn't been formalized, said general manager Brian Cashman made the recommendation and it was accepted by the Yankees.

Messages left for Cashman were not returned.

"The Yankees contacted us," Mandell said. "They have an interest in Joe becoming their manager. We've had some discussions. It's a process and we'll go through the process."

He declined to say when there might be an announcement. Girardi also bent out of the Yankees' first-base coach Tony Pena, who had the managerial experience of the candidates.

Girardi caught for the Yankees from 1996-99, served as a bench coach in

2005, then managed the Marlins the following year. He kept a young team in contention until September and then was fired, apparently for clashing with owner Jeffrey Loria and others above him.

The 43-year-old Girardi often told many in the Marlins about how the Yankees did things, reinforcing the winning ways he learned in New York. Now, he'll get a chance to try them out himself.

Girardi was the first person to interview to replace Torre, who managed the team to the playoffs in each of his 12 seasons. He spent about five hours with the Yankees' baseball operations staff last week, and an hour with general manager Brian Hank and Hal, son-in-law Felix Lopez, and team president Randy Levine.

Girardi turned down the Baltimore Orioles' managing job last summer, choosing to spend time with his ailing father.

Mattingly also interviewed for the Yankees spot last week, telling team manage-

ment how much he wanted it. Earlier this month, he said replacing Torre would be quite a challenge.

"It's like following John Wooden or something," Mattingly said then. "This guy wins championship after championship and we're in the playoffs in every year." "It's pretty much a no-win situation for someone coming in here to be able to live up to the expectations or live up to what he did. It's not going to happen. So as far as someone coming in and taking over this job, it's not necessarily a great situation."

Girardi gets the unenviable task of following Torre, who led the Yankees to four World Series titles in his first five years — but none since — and was one of the most celebrated sports figures in the city.

As Girardi takes the job, he inherits a team in transition and one without Alex Rodriguez. He also is not assured of getting back pitchers Andy Pettitte and Mariano Rivera or catcher Jorge Posada.

Rodriguez informed the Yankees on Sunday that he was terminating his contract and becoming a free agent. The Yankees have repeatedly said they would negotiate with A-Rod if he hit the open market.

The Yankees offered Torre a one-year contract featuring a hefty payout and performance-based bonuses, and he turned it down Oct. 18. The result was a messy departure that split Yankees fans into camps of Torre supporters and proponents for change.

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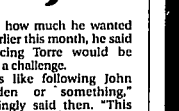
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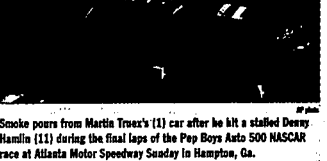
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP
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Smoke pours from Martin Truex's (1) car after he hit a stalled Darby Danby (11) during the final laps of the Pep Boys Auto 500 NASCAR race at Atlanta Motor Speedway Sunday in Hampton, Ga.

NASCAR admits water got in Atlanta fuel, leading to big wreck

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — NASCAR has its own "Water-gate."

The racing organization conceded Monday that water got into the fuel supply of more than two cars during the race at Atlanta Motor Speedway, apparently leading to a crash that took out several top contenders in the closing laps.

Denny Hamlin was leading the Pep Boys Auto 500 with three laps to go when his car sputtered while taking the green flag after a caution period. Martin Truex, who led the most laps Sunday, smashed into the back of Hamlin's car and finished 31st. Hamlin slipped to 24th.

Both were in the Chase for the championship.

"There are multiple teams that are showing positive for some level of water contamination level in their fuel," said John Darby, NASCAR's Nextel Cup director. "I can't tell you the exact number. It's more than two and less than the full field of 43 at the moment."

Darby dismissed sabotage as a possible explanation, saying too many teams were affected for anyone to have been singled out.

"For those who have their evil, twisted conspiracy hats on, we want to put that to rest," Darby said. "If it was sabotage, it would have been the kind of thing where someone hates NASCAR racing across the board."

He said extensive testing done by Susco, NASCAR's official fuel supplier, showed no signs of problems in the underground storage tanks at the suburban Atlanta speedway. The

problem likely occurred in the piping that runs from the tanks to the pumps, or in the pumps themselves, which teams use to fill the high-tech cans that are used for fueling.

"It's a brownish-colored water," Darby said. "If it was just water, it would be more clear. That should help us understand if it came from a failed pipe or a failed pump or some other source that allowed it to enter the fuel."

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Boras apologizes after MLB criticizes A-Rod and his agent over timing of announcement

NEW YORK (AP) — Major League Baseball had this message for Alex Rodriguez and agent Scott Boras: Shame on you.

Boras announced during Game 4 of the World Series on Sunday night that A-Rod was opting out of the final three seasons of his contract with the New York Yankees. The timing left baseball officials livid, and Boras apologized Monday evening, just after Rodriguez became the players' association and fled with a free agent for the first time since 2000.

"We were very disappointed that Scott Boras would try to upstage our premier baseball event of the season with that announcement," said DuPuoy, baseball's chief operating officer, said Monday in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

"There was no reason to make an

announcement last night other than to put his selfish interests and that of one individual player above the overall good of the game," DuPuoy said. "Last night and today belong to the Boston Red Sox, who should be celebrated for their achievement, and to the Colorado Rockies, who made such an unbelievable run to the World Series."

Boras said causing a distraction was an unintended consequence.

"I apologize to the Boston Red Sox and Colorado Rockies and their players, Major League Baseball and its players, and baseball fans everywhere for that interference," he said in a statement. "The teams and players involved deserved to be the focus of the evening and honored with the utmost respect. The unfortunate result was not my

intent, but is solely my fault. I could have handled this situation better, and for that I am truly sorry."

Red Sox fans sure took notice fast. After their team won the title for the second time in four seasons, they stood behind the visitors' dugout at Coors Field and chanted: "Don't sign A-Rod!"

"Kind of strange that Red Sox president Larry Lucchino said after Boston completed its sweep of Colorado, New York, which failed to make the World Series in all of Rodriguez's seasons, maintained Monday that it will not attempt to re-sign A-Rod now that he has opted out."

"No chance," Hank Steinbrenner, a son of owner George Steinbrenner, said Monday at Legends Field. "Not if it made official."

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Loan No. 9485485727 T.S. No. ID-07-9787-D.L. On 2/19/2006, at 10:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: daily at 10:00:00 AM at the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1015, Twin Falls ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee on behalf of Washington Mutual Bank (Mortgagee) will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 1 OF GLENDALE SUBDIVISION 2, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO according to the official plat thereof, recorded in book 3 of Plats, page 45, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Parcel No. 2, 2% portion of the West 1/4 of said Section 13, Township 10 South, range 17 East of the Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Lot 4, thence N, 89° 30' 00" W, 25.0 feet, thence N 01° 00' 00" E, 125.36 feet, parallel with 25.0 feet West of the West Boundary of said Lot 4, to the North Boundary of said Subdivision, thence S, 89° 30' 00" E, 25.0 feet along the West Boundary of said Lot 4 to the Southwest corner of said Lot 4 and the Point of Beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-110 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of the above referenced real property is 1748 GLENDALE AVE, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID LEE ROBINSON, a MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY as Grantor/Trustor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC. as Trustee and recorded 4771988 as Instrument No. 2005-099113 on page 4 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS COUNTY, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 4/01/1998. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$629.51, due per month for the months of 11/2007 through 10/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$71,557.11 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.000000 per cent (7%) per annum from 12/11/2006. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sale and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 10/18/2007 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Dana Linder, Vice President. Visit www.fairlyasap.com if you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released or discharged of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 919504

PUBLISH: October 30, November 6, 13 and 20, 2007

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SAMPLE BALLOT

City of Hagerman, State of Idaho
November 6, 2007

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FOR MAYOR
Four Year Term
(May Vote for One)

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JACOB RICE, JR

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Four Year Term
(May Vote for Two)

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DOUGLAS WICKHAM

PUBLISH: October 24 and 30, 2007

PUBLIC NOTICE

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RESOLUTION No. 2007-03

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING A GENERAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2007, DESIGNATING THE POLLING PLACES, DESIGNATING THE REGISTRAR AND DEPUTY REGISTRARS, AND ORDERING THE CITY CLERK TO GIVE NOTICE OF SUCH ACTION.

SECTION 1. The General City Election will be held in and for the City of Hagerman on the 6th day of November, 2007, at which time there will be elected a Mayor for a term of four (4) years. Two Council Members to serve for a term of four (4) years.

SECTION 2. The following are designated as the polling places and times for such election: Hagerman City Hall at 110 W. Main, Hagerman, Idaho from 12:00 Noon until 8:00 P.M.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall give public notice of the time and place of holding such general city election by posting such notice in three public places or publishing such notice in at least two issues of the Times-News, the legal newspaper of record, the first publication if such notice to be made not less than 30 days previous to the date of the election and the last publication not less than 5 days prior to the election; the notice so published shall state the polling place, such precinct and the hours during which the polls shall be open for the purpose of voting; said notice to contain such information as is required by the requirements of Section 50-436 of the Idaho Code.

PASSED BY THE Council and Approved by the Mayor on the 29th day of October, 2007.

Walter Peterson, Mayor

Margaret Padrow, City Clerk

PUBLISH: October 24 and 30, 2007

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT PLAN FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

SUBJECT: Proposed use of one federally funded Block Grant Plan, Availability of Plan for public review.

PURPOSE: The purpose is to receive comment on the proposed use of funds during Federal Fiscal Year 2008. The Block Grant Plan being reviewed will be:

- The Preventative Health & Health Services Block Grant
101 Lost & Found
102 Cards of Thanks
104 Newsletters
106 Happy Ads
108 Special Notices

AVAILABLE PLANS: The Plan will be available for public review at the Department of Health and Welfare Center at the Office of the Public Hearing.

DATE: This day of October, 2007.

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION City of Murtaugh, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Murtaugh, Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2007. The election will be held for the purpose of electing a Mayor for a term of 2 years, two council members for a term of four years, and one council member for a term of two years.

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FOR COUNCILMEMBER Two Year Term (May Vote for One)

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Puzzles by Pappocorn

Grid for a 9x9 Su Do Ku puzzle. Row 1: 2, 5, 8, 3, 9, 7, 4, 3, 1. Row 2: 4, 9, 7, 2, 4, 3, 3, 1, 7. Row 3: 1, 3, 9, 8, 6, 7, 5, 2, 5. Row 4: 8, 4, 6, 3, 2, 1, 5, 8, 9.

EASY #90

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved.

The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page C-8.

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EMPLOYMENT 200 Employment 201 Accounting 202 Clerk 203 Reception 204 Customer Service 205 Daily 206 Drivers 207 Reception 208 Farm 209 General 210 Management 211 Miscellaneous 212 Miscellaneous 213 Professional 214 Retail 215 Sales 216 Trades 217 Newspaper Carriers

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General

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Medical

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REAL ESTATE 501 Open House 502 Homes For Sale 510 Out-Of-Area Homes

Homes For Sale

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Homes For Sale

Homes For Sale TWIN FALLS 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 969,000

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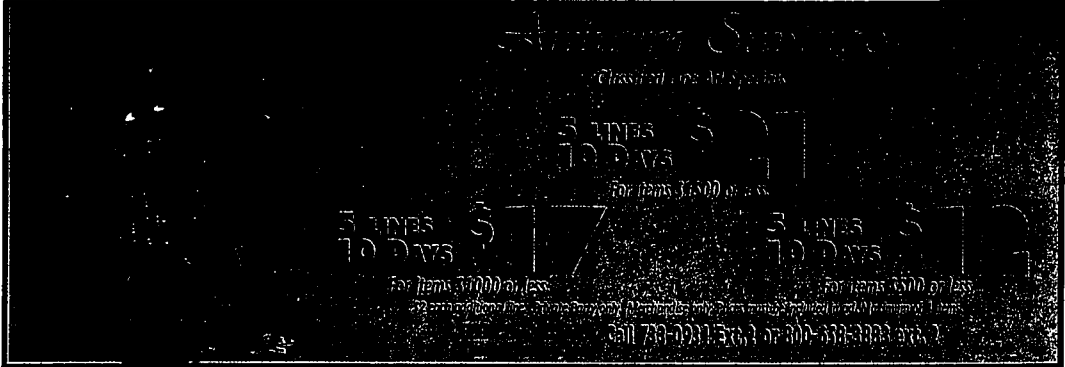
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A horse of another color?

Dressing up horses an enjoyable part of shows for owner and animal

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

Llamas in leggings? Gouts in coats?

In Magic Valley, you're more likely to find horses — dressed like Johnny Depp or Sylvester I. Pussycat, with the owner as Tweety Bird. Don't expect to see them trick-or-treating, though. These equine ensembles seem to appear only in competitions and parades.

At many 4-H horse shows' freestyle-reining events, the rider chooses a costume, music and a routine, often with a theme that coordinates. Miniature horse shows have a similar event, a costume class.

"People enjoy it. They can't believe what we do to them, that the horse will tolerate it," said Debbie Emery of Filer, leader of the Mini Happy Tules 4-H club and president of the Mini Magic miniature horse club. "Most of them can't believe how much they do look like the costumes or the scenes."

Among the local minis' costumes? A billboard to match the owner's Capital One caveman, suits to match a taco, reindeer to match Santa Claus. This last one is a favorite at Christmastime, when the minis march in parades.

Perhaps it's the years of training, but horses don't seem to mind being dressed up, agreed several costuming owners.

"The horses are pretty calm, accepting of whatever the kids do to them," said Janie Jones of Twin Falls, leader of the Bridle Bits 4-H club and horse superintendent at the Twin Falls County Fair. "The kids are usually pretty smart about it. ... It's interesting to see what they come up with."

Of the costumes Jones has seen, one of the more memorable was Beauty and the Beast, while Jones' daughter and her horse have dressed as Little Red Riding Hood and the big bad wolf, and as a dragon.

Some horses may even enjoy the experience. When Brenda Allen of Kimberly dressed her daughter, 10-year-old Rachel, and her horse like the grungy scallywags of the "Pirates of the Caribbean" movies, the



Jenna Adkins, 11, of Twin Falls, poses with her 5-year-old horse, Rock-N-Road, on Thursday at her Twin Falls home. The duo has dressed as cowgirls, as Indians, and in Hawaiian get-ups for 4-H events.

"When you try to find something, they usually have it that fits humans, and you have to find something that fits the horse and that the horse isn't scared of."

— Jenna Adkins, 11, Twin Falls

horse's attitude changed from irritation to swagger. "He got really cooperative when I put the hat on him," Allen said. "I think it made him feel like he was really something."

Jenna Adkins, 11, of Twin Falls, has dressed in cowgirl, Indian and Hawaiian duds with her horse, and she managed to find a second occasion to wear one of the costumes — Twin Falls' Westert'Days parade.



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Rachel Allen, 10, smiles at Tole the pirate horse Thursday at Arrow E Arena in Twin Falls.



Jaesssa Kiehl, 7, shows off her horse Jersie on Thursday at Arrow E Arena. Jaesssa and Jersie are costumed as Jabberjaws this year, because, as Jaesssa's mother said, the girl wanted to be "a little bit misbehaved."



While full-size horses get dressed up for freestyle reining class, the costume classes for miniature horses often result in disguises as elaborate as this Pink Panther and Jacques Clouseau duo by William Hyatt, 13, and mini horse Casper of Filer. Debbie Emery, president of the Mini Magic club, said judges are always impressed by Casper's tolerance of a full-coverage costume.

What to do when your horse does its business on public roads

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News correspondent

Meadow muffins. Horse pucky. Road apples. Horse owners are all too familiar with the messy manure their animals produce. Most horses defecate up to eight times a day, producing 50 pounds of manure daily and nine tons every year.

So what do riders do when their horses need to go in public?

Nothing if they're riding on country roads, said Linda Cutler, a Mini-Cassia horse owner.

"We just leave it," she said,

"I'm not going to go around like people with their dogs and a Pooper Scooper."

Cora Van Dyk of Kimberly agreed.

"Sometimes you can't catch it when you're actually on the road," she said.

Van Dyk, who has been riding for seven years, can usually tell when her horse needs a pit stop.

"They slow down most of the time, so you kind of go 'Uh oh' and move them off the road," she said.

And if they don't make it in time?

"Most of the time you actually leave it because there's no way to get it off the road

(before) someone runs it over," Van Dyk said.

Cutler, who owns two horses outside Hoyburn, said leaving the manure isn't a problem.

"It usually dries and breaks up and fertilizes the side of the road," she said.

When people ride in town, however, they're expected to be a little more conscious of where their horses do their business.

"You're supposed to clean up after your dog so I'm sure you're supposed to clean up after your horse," said Mini-Cassia's animal control officer, Marsha Kenner.

"Not that people

"They slow down most of the time, so you kind of go 'Uh oh' and move them off the road."

— Horse rider Cora Van Dyk of Kimberly

do," she added.

No one has to worry about coming across Van Dyk's horses (or their manure) in town, however.

"I try to avoid town because there's just too many people, too many cars," she said.

According to Idaho statute 49-608: "Every person riding an animal or driving any animal-drawn vehicle upon a highway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be sub-

ject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle."

It says nothing about what happens if the animal leaves behind a big pile of evidence that he's been there.

Not that it's regularly a problem, said Officer Justin Diamond of the Twin Falls Police Department. People don't normally ride their horses in the city.

"I don't know if I've ever

had to deal with that before," he said.

Twin Falls Police Officer Ken Wiesmore said while there's no a code that specifically covers horse excrement, he cites Idaho statute 49-613, which states that people can't leave debris on roads. Because riders have the same responsibilities as drivers, they're responsible for whatever the horse leaves behind.

"When car parts fall off, you've got to pick them up," he said.

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Baby Blues

By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott



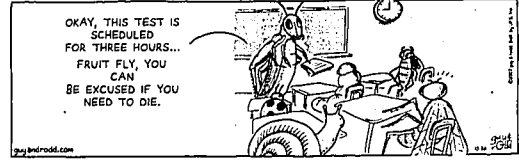
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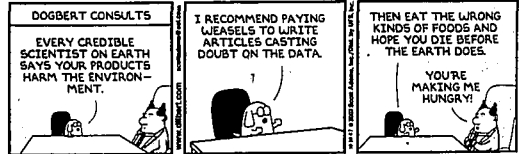
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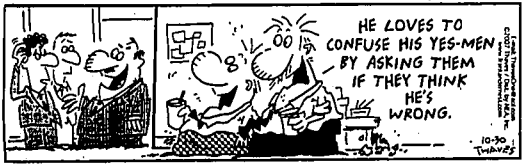
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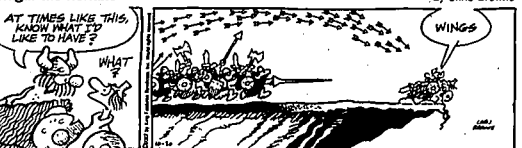
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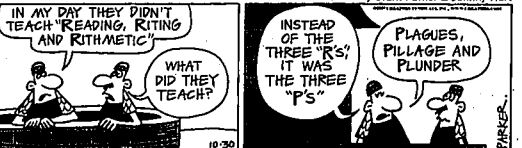
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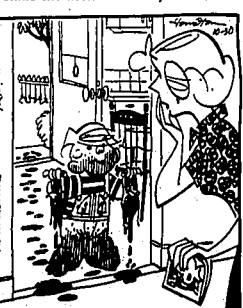
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



By Bil Keane

Pastor must meet his flock before he can shepherd it

DEAR ABBY: I would like to comment on the letter from "Police Visitor in Missouri" (Aug. 25), the minister who asked about the etiquette involved in pastoral visits. I have been a Lutheran pastor for 33 years. This topic should have been covered while the writer was in seminary, but perhaps "Police" missed class that day.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

a pastor that factor into this decision.

A coffee hour/social hour is an impossible time to get to know people. "Police" needs to understand that these visits are not social calls; they are part of his or her job, just like being a doctor, financial adviser, etc.

Being a pastor is different from being a co-worker, friend or boss. When we arrive as a pastor of a church, we are almost immediately thought of as part of the family. We are called in times of crisis and celebration, and we come into people's homes when others aren't invited.

Allow me to offer a suggestion for "Police": Invite members of the congregation to sign up if they're open to it. The visit does not have to be at their home. Meeting people for lunch at their workplace puts a time limit on it and allows the pastor to become aware of other aspects of their lives.

I recognize that not every one will be comfortable inviting me into their home, but those who would like to get to know me better (and allow me to get to know them), I prefer to visit with them one-on-one. That way, the first time I am called is not when they are in crisis and there is a more relaxed atmosphere. For anyone else, I make myself available at my home or the church.

—JOHN BACKE, DENVER
DEAR JOHN: Thank you for the suggestion. My readers did not hesitate to offer chapter and verse on this subject, as you will see. Read on.

—GREGG SEELY, HOQUIAM, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: Although I don't completely disagree with the response you gave to the minister in Missouri, I want to tell you there are some nuances around being

DEAR ABBY: Our rabbi has started a sort of random "lucky winner" approach to meeting members of our temple after the sermon, he will issue an invitation to

"anyone born in the month of July" or "anyone wearing green today" — or any number of other ways of selecting people at random. These people, who are bound to be different each week, are invited to join him following the service for a short meet, greet and chat. In this way, he can interact with small groups, and everyone gets to know each other.

—RIVKA L., ATLANTA

DEAR ABBY: My husband has been a pastor for several years. Moving to a new congregation is always difficult and getting acquainted can be daunting. His solution is to get a pictorial church directory. If one is available, and study the names and faces so he can match them correctly when he meets church members.

This has worked well in both small and large churches. Pastors are appreciated if he can match them correctly and sometimes invite both of us to dinner.

—K.A. REENTS, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

DEAR ABBY: In the church where I belong, there are cards in the pews for people to fill out. The minister can then call on those who wish to meet, and nobody feels put upon.

—IDAHO ABBY FAN

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 30, the 303rd day of 2007. There are 62 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 30, 1938, the radio play "The War of the Worlds," starring Orson Welles, aired on CBS. (The live drama, which employed fake breaking news reports, tricked some listeners who thought the portrayal of a Martian invasion was real.)

On this date: In 1735, the second president of the United States, John Adams, was born in Braintree, Mass.

In 1885, poet Ezra Pound was born in Halley, Idaho.

In 1944, the Martha Graham ballet "Appalachian Spring," with music by Aaron Copland, premiered at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., with Graham in a leading role.

In 1945, the U.S. government announced the end of shoe rationing, effective at midnight.

In 1961, the Soviet Union tested a hydrogen bomb, the "Borny," with a yield estimated at about 50 megatons.

In 1961, the Soviet Union

unanimously approved a resolution ordering the removal of Josef Stalin's body from Lenin's tomb.

In 1975, the New York Daily News ran the headline "Ford to City: Drop Dead" a day after President Gerald Ford said he would veto any proposed federal bailout of New York City.

In 1979, President Carter announced his choice of federal appeals Judge Shirley Hufstader to head the newly created Department of Education.

In 1995, by a razor-thin vote of 50.6 percent to 49.4 percent, federalists prevailed over separatists in a Quebec secession referendum.

Ten years ago: A Jury in Cambridge, Mass., convicted British nu pair Louise Woodward of second-degree murder in the death of 8-month-old Matthew Eappen. (The Judge, Huller B. Zobel, later reduced the verdict to manslaughter and set Woodward free.)

Confronting some of his harshest critics, Chinese President Jiang Zemin defended his country's human rights record before members of Congress.

Movie director Samuel Fuller died in Hollywood.

Five years ago: Israeli Prime Minister Sharon's broad-based coalition collapsed when Cabinet ministers from the moderate Labor Party resigned in a dispute over funding for Jewish settlements. "Walter Mondale returned to politics" as Minnesota Democrats approved the former vice president as a fill-in for the late Sen. Paul Wellstone less than a week before the election. (However, Mondale ended up losing to Republican Norm Coleman.)

Jan Master Jay (Jason Mizell), a rapper with the Run-D.M.C. hip-hop group, was killed in a shooting in New York; he was 37.

One year ago: Mass. Sen. John Kerry told a California college audience the young people he didn't study hard might "get stuck in Iraq," prompting harsh Republican criticism; Kerry later said it was a botched joke against President Bush's handling of the war.

Lawrence Sanders and Vijay Singh were among five people inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actor Dick Gautier is 70. Movie director Claude Lelouch is 70. Rock singer Grace Slick is 68. Songwriter Eddie Holland is 68. Actor Ed Lauter is 67. Rhythm-and-blues singer Otis Williams (The Temptations) is 66. Actor Henry Winkler is 62. Rock musician Chris Slade (Asia) is 61. Musician Timothy B. Schmit (The Eagles) is 60. Actor Harry Hamlin is 56. Actor Charles Martin Smith is 54. Country singer T. Graham Brown is 53. Actor Kevin Pollak is 50. Actor

Michael Beach is 44. Rock singer musician G. A. V. Rossdale (Bush) is 40. Comedian Ben Baller is 37. Actress Nia Long is 37. Country singer Kassidy Osborn (SHEDDAYS) is 31. Actor Gael Garcia Bernal is 29. Actor Tequan Richmond ("Everybody Hates Chris") is 15.

THOUGHT

"There are things that are known and things that are unknown; in between are doors."

—Anonymos

A video camera and 20 pounds of raw chicken used to hunt for an African lion.

(AP) LEWISBURG, W.Va. — Using a video camera and raw chicken, state officials hope to learn whether the king of the jungle is prowling the woods of West Virginia. Bow hunter Jim Shortridge believes he saw a full-grown, male African lion weighing between 250 and 300 pounds at the foot of Cold Knob Mountain earlier this month. The state Division of Natural Resources confirmed that at least one other person has reported seeing the lion.

Using a camera normally employed to catch people dumping trash illegally, the state Department of Environment and Protection has joined with Greentree County Animal Control Officer Robert McClung and exotic animal expert Jim Forga to see if they can substantiate the sightings.

Twenty pounds of raw chicken left on the site last week were devoured, but McClung said that doesn't prove the lion's existence. "Anything could have eaten it," he said. If officials spot the lion on videotape, they may set a bear trap for the animal. If caught, it would be turned over to Forga, who runs Tiger Mountain Refuge in Rinaldo, a shelter for exotic animals.

Support builds slowly for teacher pay plan

Many employees left out of ISTARs

By Andrea Gates
Times-News writer

Two weeks have passed since State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna officially unveiled an "improved" teacher pay plan proposal, and now some area superintendents and legislators are cautiously supporting the initiative.

Still, they said the plan leaves questions unanswered and some employees out.

Union representatives, meanwhile, dislike that teachers may have to give up job security and continuing contract rights to make more

money under the plan. The proposal, dubbed Idaho State Teacher Advancement and Recognition System, or ISTARs, carries a \$59 million price tag and would provide pay increases to teachers

who raise student achievement on state assessment tests, work in positions that are hard to fill, gain qualifications in multiple subject areas and take on additional leadership duties. Teachers could earn a pay increase of up to \$15,600 in a year — which means a 50 percent increase for teachers making the minimum salary of \$31,000, according to data supplied by Luna.

If passed, it would be the highest teacher pay increase for a single year, at least "as

far as we can tell," Idaho State Department of Education Spokeswoman Melissa McGrath said.

Idaho Rep. Donna L. Pence D-Goosing, likes some aspects of the proposal, but says she's not yet ready to support it all.

"I really think that there are some good parts I could go along with," said Pence, who is a former educator. But she said, "I think there's a whole lot left to be worked out on the details."

One of those details involve a big chunk of school employees who are left out of ISTARs — namely classified personnel such as para-educators, teacher aids, cooks, secretaries and custodians. The Twin Falls School District, for example, has

about 400 classified employees and 450 teachers. "This plan doesn't address those groups of people," said Twin Falls School District Superintendent Wiley Dobbs, who called classified employees part of the "school team."

"As we're brainstorming, those are areas we're concerned about," Dobbs said. Castletown School Superintendent Kelly Murphy agreed.

"We are very concerned about classified employees also ... With their salaries, and them surviving at basically subsistence levels," Murphy said, noting classified employee salaries vary.

"We think there's promise and were excited about the possibility of this kind of money coming into education for teacher salaries," Murphy said. "We still have things we'd like to see a little different, and all stakeholders probably do."

Bert Marley, who is a regional director for the Idaho Education Association, also agrees that leaving classified employees out of ISTARs is a mistake. "Para-educators, they probably have as big an impact as classroom teachers. It seems a shame to leave them out because, they're not certified teachers," Marley said.

However, in budget request outside of ISTARs, a 3 percent salary increase for classified employees has been requested, McGrath said.

"Down the road those employees could be included," she said.

Marley said he does not support the ISTARs plan as it stands. Murphy and Dobbs said their regional association of superintendents endorsed ISTARs shortly after it was unveiled.

McGrath said the proposal is "fairly concrete ... but it's not set in stone."

And Marley said he could see it morphing before it possibly exits the Legislature.

"By the end of the legislative session it could be something totally different," he said. "You don't have all those legislators in there rubber stamping things through."

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Wendell considers possible school bond

Public meeting set for Thursday night

By Andrea Gates
Times-News writer

Wendell School District officials are tossing around the idea of a school bond issue, but since their last attempt in May failed they first want to gauge community receptiveness.

So at 7 p.m. Thursday a public meeting will be held in the Wendell High School auditorium. District officials will hear community input regarding a possible bond issue for an agricultural facility and the final phase of the athletic facility, according to a district press release.

The athletic facility has thus far been constructed with more than \$100,000 in donations from the community, said Wendell School District Superintendent Greg Lowe.

But Lowe said the track still needs to be finished and rubberized.

Also, "We've heard an Ag building is a good idea," he said.

The May school bond election garnered only about 54 percent of the total vote during in favor of that proposed bond, which would have provided for the improvements, Lowe said.

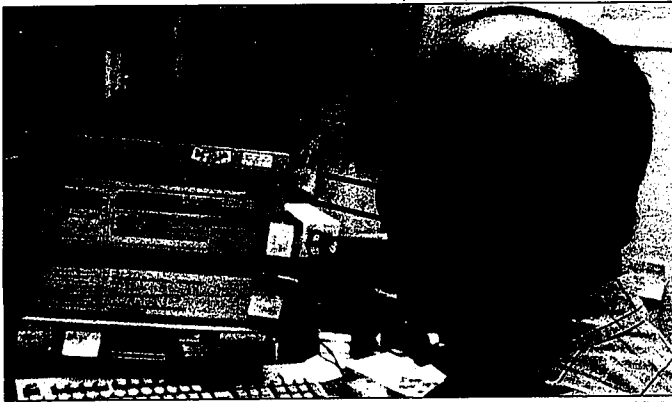
A supermajority or 66.6 percent of voters would have been required for the school bond to pass.

"So now what we want to do is have the public come together and talk about where we'd like to go from here," Lowe said. "We want to hear from folks."

Around 1,100 students are enrolled in the Wendell School District.

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Finding a plan



Doug Facks, a pharmacist at Dick's Pharmacy, has helped many people sort out Medicare drug plans, often using his own time.

Seniors briefed on Medicare enrollment

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Monday was a busy day at the Twin Falls Senior Center.

Twin Falls Mayor Lance Clow lined up for lunch with the center's usual crowd. Seniors received flu shots in a side room. And in one corner, Gene Frogge and his fellow Medicare representatives helped people figure out how to pay for their prescription drugs.

Medicare's open enrollment period is coming up, and at least 50 seniors turned out to listen to Frogge, the acting deputy regional administrator for Medicare, and his associates explain why those enrolled in Medicare should study their various choices. The enrollment, which runs from Nov. 15 to Dec. 31, gives Medicare users a chance to change their options — assuming, Frogge said, that they examine their plans.

"They may not switch, or they may find out there's a better plan," Frogge said. For some enrollees, com-

Learn more

SHBA advisers will be on hand to provide advice during Medicare enrollment at these locations and other:

- Twin Falls Senior Center: 12:30 to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Senior-Centers Call Bud for an appointment, 328-6508.
- West End Senior Center, Butte: Call for an appointment, 543-4577.
- Golden Years Senior Center, Shoshone: 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays.
- The Medicine Shoppe, Twin Falls: Call 733-9242 or walk in.
- South Central Public Health District, Twin Falls: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.
- SHBA office, Twin Falls: Call for appointment, 736-4713.

For more information and other locations, call SHBA at 736-4713 or visit <http://www.idaho.state.id.us/shba/shbawelcome.aspx>.

SHBA is a federal agency. Visit <http://www.cms.hhs.gov> or <http://www.medicare.gov>.

paring those plans through an online tool provided by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services can be difficult — especially for those who for one reason or another just don't feel comfortable around computers or don't have the internet. Monday's event was part of a national bus tour connecting enrollees with Medicare experts who, among other things, helped them decide which of 54 prescription drug plans was right for them.

Last time the bus came through — in October 2006 — Twin Falls resident June Vance was too sick to attend. This year, Vance, 66, was determined to remedy that. Her time in the hospital and her sickness left her with bigger drug bills, she said, and wondering if she could find a better plan out there.

A quick consult with Medicare staff left her feeling much more upbeat. "Things are going well," she said. Drug benefits were a top concern Monday, but they weren't the only thing

Medicare staff focused on. Tamara Stricker, a regional coordinator for the Idaho Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors, said benefits will stay the same in 2008 while deductibles increase \$10 and premiums jump sharply.

"That last change, she said, has no obvious cause. "It doesn't make any sense," she said.

Clow and Twin Falls Vice Mayor Glenda Dwight had less to do. Medicare, after all, isn't really a city issue.

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VanZante ready to serve on Buhl City Council; running unopposed

By Blank Koch
Times-News correspondent

After a failed run for the City Council two years ago, Dick VanZante is back on the Buhl city ball. This time around, his path to serving is clear of any opponents and VanZante, 69, says he is just looking forward to helping the community he calls home.

thing," he said. "I think I'll enjoy serving on the council." Once on the council, VanZante, who will serve a two-year term, would like to help draw businesses into the area.

back up," VanZante said. "It's probably unrealistic with all the big box stores in Twin Falls, but when people come into the community, businesses will follow. I think Buhl should be touted more as a retirement community than an industrial community."

VanZante points out all the attractions in and around Buhl for seniors to enjoy; the golf course, nearby fishing and moderate winters. "The city needs to do everything it can to preserve and enhance property tax values for home owners," he said. "Along with that we need to make sure we are implementing orderly and planned growth."

He feels that with 18 months on the Planning and Zoning Committee, along

lost by 26 votes or some-

"I would like to see the store fronts downtown filled

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T.F. moves closer to impact fees

Council eyes new policy, officials

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

After paying \$44,500 to a consulting agency to determine whether impact fees — costs for growth assessed to developers — are necessary in Twin Falls, the City Council is making preparations to formally create a policy.

On Monday, the City Council outlined to city staff plans for a seven-member advisory committee, at least four of whom must be city residents, which will oversee the proposed fees and eventually make recommendations to the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission. Three members will be part of the development or real estate community.

Mayor Lance Clow said having some members who live outside city limits would be beneficial since those affected by impact fees — and new growth — are often in the area of impact or county.

Impact fees by law are used to maintain city services in new, developing areas and cannot be used to repair or replace city services or facilities. Developers and builders cover the costs on to prospective homebuilders.

The study, performed by BBC Research & Consulting of Denver, Colo., was to identify what kind of impact fees might be necessary in Twin Falls, how they should be implemented and their maximum costs. A final draft is expected next week. City officials will meet with the Twin Falls Developers' Council on Nov. 8.

After the meeting, Community Development Director said impact fees that are being considered include those for streets, fire trucks such as traffic signals and bridges; public safety, for services such as fire and police; and parks, but generally larger ones and not neighborhoods. Under state law, impact fees cannot be assessed for schools.

The advisory committee would review and impact fee policies and make recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council. After the initial ordinance is passed, the committee would likely meet once or twice a year; city officials have said. It must approve any decisions to impact fees.

Because the committee whose creation is governed by state law — would not meet often, the city plans to draw its members from existing city commissions or board, including the urban

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John Chris

John F. Christoffersen, 83, passed away peacefully at home with his loved ones by his side on Thursday, Oct. 25, 2007.

John was born Aug. 9, 1924, to Viggo and Juanita Christoffersen in American Falls, Idaho.



The family moved to Boise in 1933. John graduated from Boise High School in 1942. Following his high school graduation, John joined the Army and served his country during World War II, fighting in the South Pacific. Upon his return, he attended Boise Junior College, where he met and married Evelyn McDonald in 1946. They had been together for 58 years at the time of her death in May of 2004.

John worked for Logsdon Motors in Boise for 14 years. He began as a parts boy and worked his way to office manager and then sales manager. In the meantime, he earned his pilot's license and was the company's business pilot. John's interest in these early years included motorcycle riding, hunting and water skiing and community service in the JCs. John joined the Masonic Lodge No. 2 in 1950 and served as master in 1955. At the time, he was the youngest master Mason in the state. He obtained his 32nd Degree in 1960. In 1960, John and Evie moved their family to Twin Falls, Idaho, where John went to work as sales manager for Cadillac. He purchased the business in 1965, renaming it John Chris Motors.

John continued his enjoyment with community and commercial service while in Twin Falls. He served as president of the Cadillac National Dealer Council, GMC Denver Zone Dealer Council, president of Blue

Lakes Country Club and served as co-manager with Sterling Vaughn, was a member of the Elks Lodge, Rotary International and served on the Twin Falls City Council from 1970 to 1974, serving as mayor for the last two years.

John and Evie retired to Mesa, Ariz., loving the heat and golf. They enjoyed traveling throughout the United States and the world. They returned to Boise in 1997 to be closer to family. John shared the last years of his life with his companion, Patty Gregory, who has supported and cared for him during his yearlong battle with cancer. They had fun traveling and enjoying each other's company.

Throughout his life John was admired and well remembered for his dignity, integrity and gentlemanly demeanor. He had a quick wit with a smile to match.

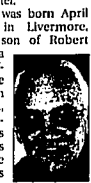
John was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Evelyn; his son, John; his younger sister, Marie; and grandson, Joey. He is survived by his companion, Patty; his son, Marc and his wife, Terri; his daughter, Julie and her husband, Rick Carr; his sister, Verna and her husband, Bruce Moore; his brother, Karl and his wife, Shirley; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to Dr. Bill Wiggins, Dr. Lisa Law, Dr. Tanya Kuhn, the staff at MST and to Life's Doors Hospice, specifically his nurse Kyle, for their tender care during Dad's last journey.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, at the home of Mac and Terri Christoffersen, 11022 W. Vada Lane in Star, Idaho. A private family inurnment will be held. Bowman Funeral Service in Garden City is in charge of arrangements.

Dewayne Heffington

Huston Dewayne Heffington, a 62-year-old resident of Burley, died Friday, Oct. 26, 2007, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center.



Dewayne was born April 17, 1945, in Livermore, Calif., the son of Robert and Virginia Clark Heffington. He was raised in Chico, Calif., by his grandparents, Jess and Lois Clark. He received his education in Chico and graduated from high school in California. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, having served our country in the United States Army. He was proud of his service and felt it was an honor to be an American. Following his honorable discharge, he resided in California, where he worked construction and was a truck driver.

He moved to Burley after meeting the love of his life, Kay Osterhout Loyd, whom he married on Dec. 13, 2003, in Burley. Together, they found true happiness and were blessed to have these past four years together. He

was a kind gentleman and enjoyed being in the outdoors. He liked to fish and especially loved participating in truck and tractor pulling events.

He is survived by his wife, Kay Heffington of Burley; two sons, David and Steven; his stepchildren, Don Eddings (Polly) and Barbara Eddings (Doug), all of Burley, and Bonnie James (Gary) of Lima, Mont.; his father, Robert Heffington of Roseburg, Ore.; two siblings, Fred Eddington of Livermore, Calif., and Debbie Sommers of Jackson, Calif.; six grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters. He was preceded in death by his mother, Virginia; a son, Phillip; and one brother, Joey.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at the Burley LDS 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Church, 515 E. 16th St., with Bishop Brent Lee officiating. Burial will be in the DeLo Cemetery with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Thursday at Bassum Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Friday at the church.

Trying to find them a home

Jerome shelter encourages people to adopt adult dogs

By Marina Ball
Times-News correspondent

Finding a dog to take home is much easier if you let Carlyne Woolf to help you.

Woolf, an employee with the Jerome Animal Shelter, will lead you by the facility's animals, slipping treats to them as she does.

"We don't have any cats," she'll tell you. "We don't have the facilities for cats."

But she'll be happy to tell you which of the shelter's dogs are "countr' dogs" and which ones are "freeway dogs." She might even tell you that with only 14 kennels, the shelter is often overcrowded.

Another reason why Woolf is eager to find good homes for the animals.

"When we have too many dogs, we have to euthanize," which is something the shelter doesn't like to do, she said. Often it's the older adult dogs who get euthanized first.

Puppies are easier to adopt than adult dogs, said Gordon Leininger, the city's animal control officer. He said he would like to implement more programs to find people who are willing to adopt older dogs.

"It's these special people," he said, "who adopt older dogs."

Leininger said. "There aren't many people for 10 years."

Leininger has managed the shelter for 10 years. In that time, a livin' surroundin' the facility has been planted, outdoor runs have been added, and volunteers have donated time, food and blankets for the dogs. The job gets difficult for Leininger, however, when he has to pick up an animal from an abusive home.

"I like to do the best I can for people and the animal," he said, noting that most home pick-ups are "strays that end up at somebody's home."

Six puppies were recently found in a stockyard and needed to be force-fed. Two didn't survive. Fortunately, for the remaining four pups, people who want dogs often want puppies or small breeds, so their chances of getting homes are better than adult dogs. The shelter has a waiting list of people who want small dogs.

The adoption process is quite easy, Woolf said. For starters, she and Leininger are happy to discuss the pros and cons of adopting different dog breeds. Adoption costs have been reduced to \$5, which still includes shots, deworming and paper. Sawtooth Veterinary Service will even provide coupons for spaying and neutering services. Also, Woolf adds, potential adopters can take dogs onto the shelter's lawn to get to know them before choosing.

For more information, call 324-8436.

DEATH NOTICES

Quama H. Winks

Quama Helen Winks, 88, of Burley, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2007, at the Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Helen M. Jarolimsek

Helen Marie Jarolimsek of Jerome, died Friday, Oct. 26, 2007, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Center in Jerome.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Richard Lee

Richard Lee, 81, of Rupert, died Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007, at the Mimioka Memorial Hospital.

At his request, no service will be held. (Hanson in Jerome.)

Melvina Jensen

Melvina Jensen, 100, of Boise, died Thursday, Oct. 25, 2007, at a local care facility.

At her request, no service will be held. (Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise.)

Eva Nadine Waggoner of Kimberly, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Jose F. Alcaraz Pacheco of Jerome, vigil service at 7 p.m. today and funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Wednesday, both at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome. (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome.)

Helen Ann Krieger of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Ave.; visitation from 8 to 9 p.m. today at Bassum Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Verna E. Hopkins Bennett of Oakley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Oakley LDS Stake Center; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main in Burley, and 10 to 10:40 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Linda Lee Trautwein Hitchcock of Twin Falls, visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Ina J. Pasborg of Boise and formerly of Glens Falls, rosary at 6 p.m. Friday and memorial Mass at 10 a.m. Saturday, both at Our Lady of Limerick in Glens Falls. (Rost Funeral Home, McMurray Chapel in Mountain Home.)

Traffic signal installed on U.S. 30 east of T.F.

The Idaho Transportation Department has opened construction of a new traffic signal located at the intersection of U.S. 30 or Kimberly Road and 3200 East Road, also known as Hankins Road.

Construction of the \$400,000 traffic signal began Monday. Installation of the signal poles will mean intermittent lane closures throughout the construction period, which is expected to be complete by mid-December.

The intersection has seen an increase in commercial truck traffic as a growing

industrial corridor begins to develop in the area. Many residential subdivisions have also sprung up in the vicinity to the north of the highway, making the corner increasingly busy for traffic crossing and entering the highway. Population growth in the neighboring cities of Kimberly and Hansen is also contributing to the increased traffic load.

SkyView Electric Inc., from Idaho Falls is the contractor.

For current driving conditions on Idaho highways, call 511-1 or visit 511.Idaho.gov.

Instructor certified for Tai Chi

BURLEY — Emily Garrard is a certified Tai Chi instructor and will be teaching weekly classes at Harmony Yoga Studio, located at 136 W. 13th St. in Burley.

Garrard has the years of formal study in Yang-style Tai Chi and Qigong and certification in Beijing 24 movement form. Tai Chi

forms involve a series of choreographed martial arts poses that flow together like a slow-motion dance. This, Chinese exercise is practiced today for both its physical and mental health benefits.

For more information, call times or registrations, 312-2520.

SERVICES

Beverly Jean Aslett of Buhl, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Cynthia Laraine Slack of Burley, funeral at noon today at the Heyburn 2nd Ward Chapel (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

James W. Shriver of Buhl, celebratory service at 1 p.m. today at the Buhl United Methodist Church on Maple and Ninth Aves.

Polly Bickett of Jerome, graveside memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park, 2296 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Brian S. Engel of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Sarah Ellen Sandy Stutzman of Meridian and formerly of Shoshone, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the First Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W. in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Robert A. Wolff of Seattle, Wash., and formerly of Buhl, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Tahomah National Cemetery in Kent, Wash.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday.
Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Buhl Plan

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 with a 31-year career with the Idaho State Tax Commission, that he brings usual assets to city management. He has a good record and have the time, desire and knowledge to be a good councilman," VanZante said. "With my time on the P&Z, I have a background with what will be going on in the city and will get caught up with the water and sewer projects. I look forward to working with the other council members, the mayor and city staff as well as the citizens of Buhl."

Plan

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 Clow said. But representatives for U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, and U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, all R-Idaho, were on hand to answer questions and advertise the Medicare services available through their offices. U.S. Social Security Administration workers stopped by to talk about additional drug-plan benefits seniors can apply for through that office.

"It's a good opportunity to get out and let people know what we can do for

them," said Katie Showmaker, regional director for Crapo. Twin Falls was the bus' only Idaho stop, and from here the group will travel to Washington and Oregon, Frogge said. But the SHIBA program holds numerous training sessions and those who missed Monday's event have other options. The goal of the bus trip, he said, is to draw attention to everyone's programs, not just Medicare.

"We're urging everybody to be proactive."

Fees

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 renewal agency and the parks and recreation commission. Seven people have expressed interest. Other options to pay for growth include raising taxes, passing bonds or having developers and cities make special negotiations, such as

building parks, which is currently the case in Twin Falls. Experts have said impact fees are needed in the long run because they generate money while increasing the amount of land for building, help developers predict costs and promote job growth.

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BURLEY THEATRE SHOWS FRIDAY THROUGH TUESDAY EACH WEEK

Class this weekend teaches basic horse health

Times-News

Perhaps you wonder where your horse's intramuscular injection should go or how to select an appropriate needle size. Or you want to know the best method for taking a horse's temperature, and where to find a digital pulse.

Help is here.

Organizers of a class this weekend promise the skills and confidence to perform basic health care for your horse.

The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho will offer the noncredit class "Horse

Health: Basic Procedures Every Horse Owner Should Know" from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday in the CSI campus' Vet Tech Large Animal Facility. Cost is \$35. Veterinary professor Dr. Jody Rockett and CSI vet tech students will instruct.

In the hands-on, interactive

class, Rockett and the vet tech students will cover the basic equine physical exam, bandaging, administering injections and other veterinary topics relevant to keeping your equine friends healthy.

To register: 732-6442, or online at www.csi.edu/community.

Share your rural autumn images with us

Times-News

Our photo-contest file is filling with beautiful scenes of fall colors. But we're still hoping for more images of people to join the mix, too — whether they're harvesting in the backyard garden plot, or burying grandkids in a leaf pile, or buckdoin' down the acreage for winter.

Here in Country Roads in November, we'll showcase some of our readers' fall photos.

Here are 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 printouts 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.

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Looking to control the voles

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I have had a lot of vole damage this year — little shrubs, big shrubs, not a root left. How do I get rid of them without trapping?

A. Vole populations are controlled by cats and other animals. If you do not own cats, and the local animal control authority has rounded up all the stray and feral cats in your neighborhood, and foxes are not abundant, the vole population will grow as large as the food supply will allow.

Even if predators are plentiful voles can continue to damage plants if much is allowed to

get too thick.

A deep layer of mulch will provide a perfect vole habitat. Limit the depth of mulch to two inches, and keep the areas around your property cleaned up, free of weeds and brush growth that might shelter the voles.

If you can't trap them, you may simply have to wait for their numbers to cycle downward again before you replant anything. In the meantime, you can protect some shrubs and perennials that are attacked by voles with underground cages made of hardware cloth or metal mesh.

Scott Aker is a horticulturist at the U.S. National Arboretum.

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 310-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

Poisonous plant safe to put in compost

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I have been adding hellbore leaves to my compost, and then I read that they are poisonous. Is this a safe practice?

A. The poisonous substances in plants do not persist, so there's no con-

cern about incorporating them in a compost heap. As the plants decay, they break down, along with any toxic substances that they contain. Even if they weren't completely broken down, they cannot be taken up by plants. And they are also safe to handle; the compounds cannot be taken up by the skin.

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- Starts Wednesdays, November 7, 7:00 p.m., at the Twin Falls Church of the Nazarene located at 1231 Washington St. N. (just west of CSI campus.)

Dress up

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Of course, it isn't always easy to find costumes for horses. "When you try to find something, they usually have it that fits humans, and you have to find something that fits the horse and that the horse isn't scared of," Adkins said. The only thing her horse shied away from was feathers for the Indian headdress, but she tries to keep in mind what might be frightening.

For her daughters' and their horses' costumes, Jessica Kluth of Kimberly has turned to fabric stores. "The kids found costumes through eBay. ...Then we went to the fabric store and got stuff to match and pieced it from there," she said. Putting together jallibid attire for 7-year-old Janessa and a clown for 11-year-old Danica took a few nights, she said.

Those costumes were inspired by behavior — either the horse's or the girl's.

"The one daughter just wanted to be a little misbehaved this year, so she's the jallibid," Jessica Kluth said. Janessa noted: "It was the



Danica Kluth, 11, is shown with Ha-Toe-Tou on Thursday at Arrow E Arena. Ha-Toe-Tou means "The Roar of Thundering Hooves," but this clown outfit may spur thundering laughter instead.

only costume I could find that was good."

Danica took her cue from her steed. "My horse acts like a clown," she said. And because her horse is a black-and-white Paint, their clown costumes are black, white and hot pink.

trick-or-treating this year? Danica laughed. "He's too big."

That's too bad. The horse would probably love a candy apple.

Ariel Hansen may be reached at 735-3376 or ariel.hansen@lee.net.

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