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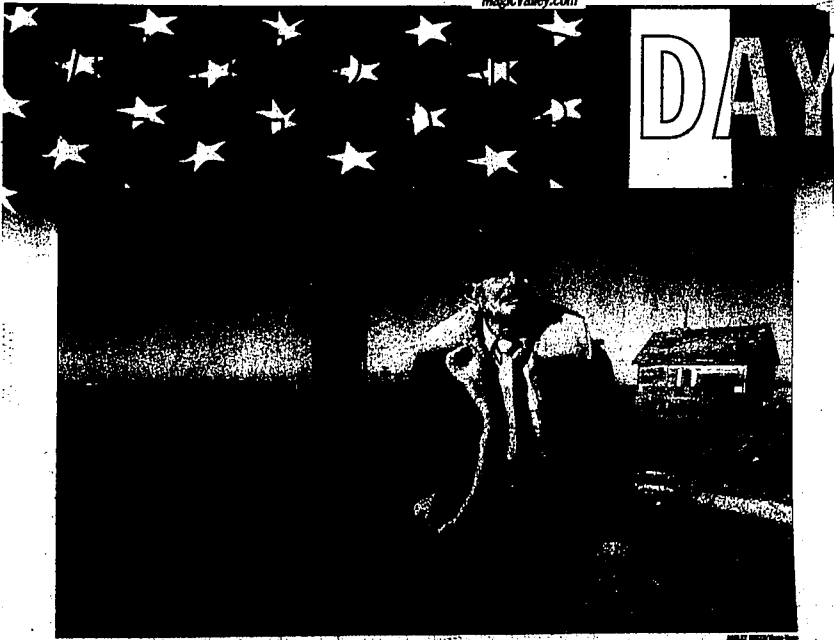
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SPORTS, D1



## What makes a hero?

Loyalty counts along with bravery

By Michael Hill  
Associated Press writer

ALBANY, N.Y. — An infantryman charges a pillbox in the face of enemy fire. A firefighter rushes up the stairwell of a burning skyscraper as office workers flee. A teacher shields her students from a schoolyard gunman with her body.

Heroes all. But what personal qualities made them heroes?

In the movies, heroes are charismatic rebels played by the likes of Will Smith or Bruce Willis. But researchers who surveyed decorated

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Norman Mailer reflects on turning 80 during an interview in his Brooklyn Heights apartment in New York in January 2003.

# The long goodbye

Hazelton WWII veteran reunites with former high school sweetheart

By Andrea Gates  
Times-News writer

Separated by 60 years, some lost letters and a world war, two high school sweethearts recently reunited as friends — just in time for their 80s.

Their long goodbye: In 1943 came while waiting for a train bound for basic training in Amarillo, Texas.

That day, Arthur Balsch, now 83, his parents and his first girlfriend of two years Marilyn Brooks, all stood together at the Mindokka depot.

"I think it was January. It was dark and it was cold, and we were standing out there waiting for the train to come. It was just a very sad time," said Brooks, now 81.

On that chilly day in rural Idaho, she stood by Balsch's parents and said goodbye to the "wonderful fellow" she dated from Hazelton. Then they didn't see each other for more than 60 years.

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## Norman Mailer dies at 84

Author embodied a generation of literary ambition

By Hillel Italie  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — His friends all tell similar stories: Norman Mailer at a dinner party, awards ceremony or afternoon gathering, hubbub on comes up or down a few steps or a flight of stairs, short of breath, as if getting from one place to another was a struggle even greater than finding the right word to finish a paragraph.

Then, he would be seated, and was himself again.

"We would talk about everything," novelist William Kennedy said of Mailer, who died Saturday at age 84 after spending more than two months in and out of hospitals. "He knew he wasn't going to live very much longer, but he would still talk of taking on

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## The journey home

Iraq troops find resources to ease transition

By Nade Poppino  
Times-News writer

Like the others he served with, Idaho Army National Guard Maj. Todd Edgar had some issues when he got home to Twin Falls.

He had anger issues after a year in northern Iraq. It wasn't always easy

to sleep, and it took some time for the fact to sink in that random garbage bags weren't hiding explosive devices.

"I don't want to say it's slower, but it's certainly a much different environment to get used to, to realize

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U.S. Army National Guard Maj. Todd Edgar reviews a report Friday morning at the armory in Twin Falls. Edgar returned from a year-long tour in Kirkuk, Iraq, in late 2006.

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**TODAY'S FORECAST**

**TWIN FALLS**

Today	Tonight	Monday
High 46	Low 27	49/31

**MINI-CASSIA**  
 Today: Scattered rain showers through about midday, mostly dry and cool for the afternoon. Highs middle 40s.  
 Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy skies and cold. Lows in the lower 20s.  
 Tomorrow: Mostly sunny and breezy. Highs in the middle 40s, lows in the upper 20s.

**Complete weather report: See page D8**

**TODAY'S HAPPENINGS**

**BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS**

**"Work of Human Hands" Sale**, featuring items handcrafted by disadvantaged artisans and farmers; sponsored by St. Catherine's Catholic Church, noon to 3 p.m., at the church, State Street, Hagerman, open to the public, free admission, 837-9178.

**HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**Snake River Elks Lodge No. 2807 Veterans Day celebration brunch**, traditional breakfast menu with a variety of choices, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the lodge, next to the golf course, Highway 93, no cost for veterans and active duty military personnel, 324-0200 or 969-0356.

**American Legion Post No. 19 Fairfield annual Veterans Day Dinner**, 1 p.m., Legion Hall, Fairfield, all veterans welcome, 934-5796.

**Sons of Knute Drum and Bugle Presentation**, with 16 bugle calls, reading of "In Flanders Fields," historic flag presentation by Roger Juntunen, bugle by Dave Nelson and drum by Tom Snow, 2 p.m., Twin Falls City Park band shell, 733-8323.

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To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID.

**THREE-DAY PLANNER**

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**Nov. 14** — College of Southern Idaho Jazz Ensemble concert, CSI music students under the direction of Gene Conley with a variety of jazz standards, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Recital Hall (FA 119), open to the public, donations accepted, 732-6765 or tjensen@csi.edu.

**BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS**

**Nov. 12** — The 18th Annual Mr. BHS contest, a fundraiser for the Burley Special Olympics, 7:30 p.m., Burley High School in the King Fine Arts Center, \$4 advance ticket, \$5 at the door, \$3 for children under age 12 or \$15 per family, 878-6606.

**BUSINESS**

**Nov. 14** — Job Search Workshop, offered by the Department of Labor; learn tips on interviewing, writing resumes, completing applications and identifying skills and interests, 420 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 735-2500.

**CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

**Nov. 12** — Mini-Cassia Retired Educators meeting, with speaker Federal Programs director for the Mini-doka County School District Michelle Widmier on the "No Child Left Behind" act, 11 a.m., Morey's Steak-house, Burley, guests welcome, 438-5917.

**Nov. 12** — Local Chapter 1959 National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association monthly meeting, speaker Loyd DeWitt on Vietnam, 11:30 a.m., Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, for all retired or active federal employees, 733-9477.

**Nov. 13** — Twentieth Century Club meeting, noon, Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 734-2552 for reservations.

**Nov. 12** — Magic Valley Orchid Society meeting, 7 p.m., in the Great Room, Bridgeway Estates, across 14 Magic Valley Mall, no cost, visitors welcome, 734-7272.

**Nov. 13** — Hagerman Valley Historical Society program, "Chinese Mining in the Snake River Canyon," by Ron James, 7 p.m., National Park Service building, 221 N. State St., Hagerman, open to the public, no cost, refreshments served, 837-6080.

**Nov. 13** — Thanksgiving Tester Table, with demonstrations on heating and light, 10 a.m., Make a Difference Foods, 1414 Heyburn Ave. E., Twin Falls, 734-6516 to RSVP.

**Nov. 13** — Moms on the Run meeting and lunch, with Sheila Erling on "Knowledge, the Gift of Life" and Vee Hanson on "Always Learning," 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Mandarin House, 735 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, \$10 (includes buffet), 324-1233 or 537-9157.

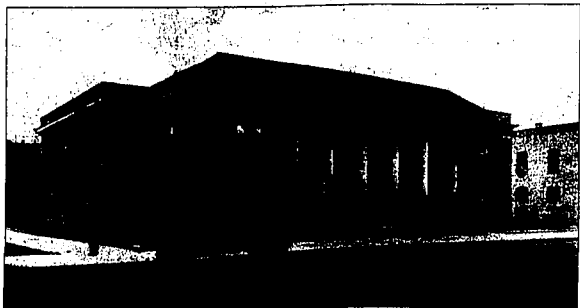
**Nov. 13** — Snake River Weavers' Guild meeting, with Loraine Reese as hostess, 1:30 p.m., 537-6573 or 734-5358.

**Nov. 13** — The American Legion Post No. 7 & Auxiliary meeting, 5:30 p.m. social hour with turkey dinner and separate meetings to follow, Post Home, 447 Seabrook St., Twin Falls; bring side dish or dessert, open to legion and auxiliary members, guests and prospective members, 733-0962 or 734-1435.

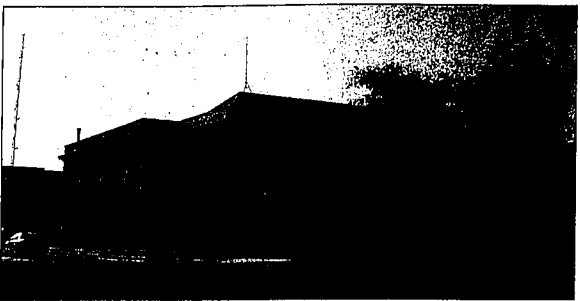
**Nov. 14** — Rupert American Legion Post 10 meeting, 7 p.m., Rupert Elks, 438-4806.

**MORNING BRIEFING**  
**PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY**

The Magic Valley's history as seen through the lens of photographers, then and now ...



Twin Falls Public Library



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The exact date of completion of the former Twin Falls Post Office, now home to the Twin Falls School District at 201 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls, is unknown. The cornerstone of the building reads 1917, but with World War I and some lag time by the United States Postal service, it still wasn't complete by April 1918. The 1918-1919 Polk Directory, published in December 1918, still lists the Post Office as under construction at the time. A newspaper article from April 1919 announced the next owner of the building that was then being used as the post office, so the new post office could have been completed sometime between December 1918 and April 1919.

Information summarized from "Neither Rain nor Sleet ... A History of the Post Office Locations in Twin Falls," by Chris Bolton. Twin Falls Public Library, Bibeau Collection

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**Fleeing pain**

Alternative therapies include a new reflex treatment available in Twin Falls.

MONDAY IN IMAGE



**In the press**

Autumn's apple harvest yields sensational cider.

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**Potluck politics**

How to navigate this holiday minefield.

WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME



**'Turquoise Rose'**

How making a movie helped an Iraq war veteran from Twin Falls.

THURSDAY IN TNT



**To the holy land**

Reformed Church members talk about their visit to Israel.

SATURDAY IN RELIGION

**WHAT'S NEW AT MAGICVALLEY.COM**

**Submarine discovery brings closure**



A family finds closure after the discovery of a sunken sub that carried one of their own.

**Wedding guide: Picking a dress**



How to pick that special dress? A veteran of wedding gowns gives tips on price ranges

**THREE-DAY PLANNER**

**FAMILY**

**Nov. 13** — Idaho Family Reading Week, with Clifford the Big Red Dog and crafts, treats, contests and books to read and for the taking, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Gooding Public Library, 934-4089.

**Nov. 13** — Mouse library visit, "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie" character available with stories, activities, games and treats, 7 p.m., Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., no cost, space limited (early registration encouraged), 878-7708.

**Nov. 14** — Hansen Library Open House, new children's books on display and available for checkout, 3 to 6 p.m., at the library, 120 Maple Ave. W., 423-4122.

**Nov. 14** — Jerome Public Library Idaho

**Family Reading week**, featuring historical fiction author, Christine Bender with an educational presentation on the voyages of Columbus and Magellan and discussion of future plans to work on archaeological dig at whaling site in Labrador, 5 to 7 p.m., at the library, free books to first 50 children attending program, 324-5427.

**HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**Nov. 12** — Veteran's Day Commemoration program, dinner and fundraiser auction, sponsored by Declo American Legion Post 144 with musical entertainment, no-host, Dutch-oven barbecue pork ribs or roast beef dinner and auction in support of 2007 food convoy and other veteran and children programs, 6:30 p.m., Gymnasium/Multiple Purpose Room,

Declo Elementary School, 120 E. Main St., Declo, \$13.50 per person, 654-2444 or 654-2519 or 219-9225.

**Nov. 12** — The American Legion and Auxiliary Unit 77 of Paul Veterans Day celebration, includes potluck dinner (meat will be furnished) and opportunity to donate to Legion annual Food and Gift convoy to the Veterans Home in Pocatello, 6:30 p.m., American Hall, Paul, all veterans and auxiliary members are invited to attend, 438-5524.

**Nov. 13** — The "Lights for Life" ceremony and Hoopie Tree lighting, includes music by Danielle Coltrin and Johanna Anderson and guest speakers Jay Black and Dr. Mark Dowdle, 7 p.m., Cassia Regional Medical Center, 1501 Highland Avenue, Burley, tax-deductible donation for memorial tree lights, 678-4444.

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# The long goodbye

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## Off to war

As internment camps were being filled with people of Japanese descent in Mindokko, and young men were leaving for battle, there was a strong vibe of national support for World War II.

But there was also unhappiness.

"It was like everyone you knew, who were men, were going off to war. It was heart-breaking," Brooks said.

But for Balsch, it was what American men were supposed to do.

"That war was different. Practically our whole class was either drafted or enlisted. It was what you thought you should do," said Balsch, who graduated from high school in Hazelton.

And Balsch didn't want to be drafted — he enlisted. He liked planes and he wanted to fight from the air rather than the ground. So he joined the United States Army Air Forces after passing its selection tests.

During basic training he chose to become a gunner on a ball turret, and he landed in the belly of a B-24 Liberator. That gave him one of the best views of the European theater between 1943 and 1945.

Inside a compact one-man sphere equipped with guns, glass and isolation, Balsch battled the Axis. He almost wasn't allowed to take the post, though, because of his height — but he was "agile" he said, so he was given the position.

Now an older man, Balsch rocked in the recliner in his living room recounting the turbulence from enemy flank. He said they often flew over Munich and shot at railroads and oil yards.

"We tried to cripple them from moving on the ground," Balsch said.

Balsch's crew was never fatally hit, and Balsch said he was never scared. He was the youngest on his crew, which knocked down three enemy planes, or ME-109s, during their two years at war.

"We got bullet holes. We got hit lightly with flak," Balsch said. "Every trip there was probably a lot of flak." To throw off German gunners on the ground, Balsch said they released shiny metallic material similar to Christmas tree tinsel, which looked like planes from the ground.

Injury-wise, Balsch said he fared well. Except for a minor burn he got on his ankle from an electrically heated flight suit.

"They said I should have gotten the Purple Heart for that," Balsch said with a chuckle.

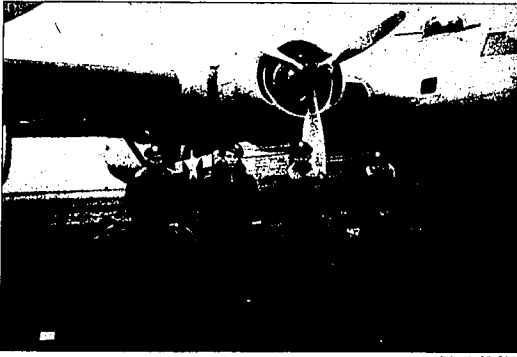
## Thoughts of home

When they weren't flying there was a lot of time to think about people at home. Balsch said. He considers writing "cold" but he did send letters home during the war, he said.

Those that arrived, though, were sometimes missing pieces, like ones he sent to his parents.

"Everything was censored," Balsch said. "Pieces were cut out."

After every mission, "interrogators" would speak with



Arthur Balsch, front row third from left, who was a ball turret gunner in a B-24, poses with his crew in front of their plane in England during World War II.

Balsch, he said, to learn about what they saw from the air during their missions.

And there were other letters, though, which apparently never made it home — like ones addressed to Brooks. "I'm sure I got letters from her in war, but I didn't keep any. I know I wrote her plenty of times," Balsch said.

But they don't know what happened to their letters. "It was like all of a sudden I didn't hear from him anymore. We were young and I thought, well, I knew he was overseas," she said. "I didn't think he'd found anyone else, but I thought maybe he decided when he came home he wanted to be free to see others. When you're young you hear all sorts of things."

Brooks was sad but she said she understood.

"He had been in a war and he probably wanted to experience something new," she said.

But at only 18, Balsch said he didn't see anyone else overseas. The military even went to extremes to ensure its troops based in Attleborough, England stayed away from foreign women, Balsch said.

"I never left the base. I didn't have any reason to. I had my girl at home," Balsch said.

Balsch and his high school sweetheart may have stayed together after the war — but Brooks was already married when Balsch returned.

She had married a man who had been discharged, and they raised a family and lived together in California.

until Brooks was widowed. Balsch went to college, married and had six children — which he raised with his wife in a home he built in Hazelton on land his parents gave him after the war. Balsch and his wife divorced around 15 years ago, he said.

## A reunion

Balsch and Brooks reunited about three years ago — over the phone — after Brooks went to a high school reunion attended by one of Balsch's friends.

"I came home and there was a message on my answering machine from Arthur Balsch," she said. "It was a voice from the past. I listened to it twice and we chatted for the longest time."

Balsch has a lot of pictures he's collected in his long-time home. As a true patriot, one of his framed favorites shows an image of Uncle Sam crafted from 9,000 WWI servicemen — Balsch's uncle lies somewhere in Sam's beard, he said.

Images of Balsch's children and grandchildren also adorn the crowded bookshelves. In that vast collection of pictures there's also one of Brooks — one is recent, from a visit they shared smiling

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next to each other in Idaho. But another is old — a black and white portrait of Brooks with a coiffure crafted from plii curls.

"I think our lives turned out the way they were supposed to, and it's nice to have that friendship again," Brooks said.

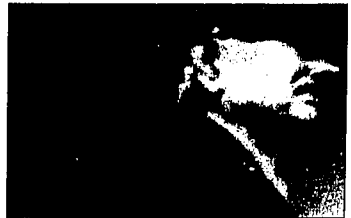
Many of the people who knew Balsch during WWII are gone. He said he doesn't know what became of his old crew members, who were mostly from the East Coast. They lost touch after the war, Balsch said.

And his five high school buddies who enlisted with him in Boise have since passed away, he said.

In spite of these losses, the message today on Veterans Day is still strong.

"It means we did something right," Balsch said.

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Arthur Balsch was part of the 8th Air Force based in England and flew a number of missions over Munich, Germany, during the war.

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James Wright  
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Dear Mr. Wright:

The article published "More than an Eye Full" on Thursday, November 08, 2007, was a lesson learned for any future business with The Times News. Wednesday, November 7, 2007, two reporters from the Times News came into Gold's Gym unannounced; they questioned part of our management team, who referred them to the police department multiple times. The owners were notified of this inquiry and were advised from legal council to call back the inquiring reporter and simply state the facts. Knowing the repercussions this could have to our companies, Gold's Gym and Sunstatlons only wanted to do the "right thing" by telling the truth about the incident. We took all precautions to protect the security and privacy of our employees and customers by involving the Twin Falls Police Department, knowing that the facts would become public knowledge. Unfortunately, the reporter, Cass Friedman sensationalized the quotes from Bob Roberts, which ultimately has jeopardized not only Bob's character as well as the company's. Not only were Mr. Roberts comments taken out of context, but the questions leading up to his comments were misleading and evasive. We feel like this article did more damage to the reputation of our businesses than it was informative to the community.

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# Resources

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 that not everything's a threat," Edgar said Thursday.  
 Moving between those environments, from the war zone to wherever soldiers call "home," can be harsh for many soldiers. But unlike past wars, Edgar and the rest of Idaho's 116th Cavalry Brigade who served time in Iraq came home to a mental health support system eager and ready to assist them.

## The working man's army

Soldiers bring a lot more than souvenirs home with them.

"They don't sleep as well. They drink too much. They keep their guns locked and loaded, and they're always watching for suspicious things in the road."

At the very least, their ailments can be described as "waried." Tom Ressler, a supervisor for Idaho's Office of Veterans Advocacy, said he's seen everything from brain injuries to amputations — and, of course, troubles with readjusting to life in the states. Even returning from a one- to two-parent household can cause problems. Families, after all, don't have a rigid chain of command.

"Just the whole dynamic of putting the family back together again is stressful," Ressler said.

Challenges can vary by service. It's one thing for regular active-duty troops to return home. But they didn't leave careers and families on hold to reenter, for a year or two, said Mark Hellman, chief of social work services for the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Boise.

The practice in Iraq and Afghanistan of treating National Guard and reserve troops like active-duty soldiers has changed and amplified what returns to their face when they reenter, Hellman said. Such "weekend warriors" can be more likely to face social problems at home and at work, especially when their occasional weekend and training keeps them in the soldiering mindset.

"They're still exposed to some of that same environmental stimuli," said Sue Hicks, program manager for soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan at the Boise hospital.

Their options for care are many. Hicks said. The hospital and its clinic in Twin Falls, provide couples and family counseling, anger management groups, support groups and other programs. At first, Hicks said, she'll meet with soldiers as often as twice a week. After a year, she'll only meet with them once a month.

Some soldiers who never see their faces that doesn't mean they don't suffer from the same problems.

## Healing a matter of time'

Edgar was one of those who worked things out on his own.

He passed the post-traumatic stress disorder screenings in Fort Lewis, Wash. But he still had to adjust to life in sleepy old Twin Falls.

Some things were easier than others. Reuniting with his children, Abby and Maxwell, wasn't hard. And traffic regulations helped him get his driving under control.

"I guess the threat of traffic violations and tickets is

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what gets you to quit dodging the sack of garbage in the sec' hut you said.

But the single father never stopped in to see a counselor, though he knew soldiers who did. There's long been a stigma against such things in the military, Edgar said, but that's starting to go away. And he credited a previous counseling session for helping open up relations with his children.

"My first divorce, the feeling in the military was if you went for that kind of counseling, it displayed some kind of weakness or shortcoming in your character," he said. "My second divorce that I got, that's one of the first things I did, was to get counseling with my kids."

It's all part of what health providers say is a more open atmosphere in today's military. Soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan may face the same problems their predecessors did in other wars, but they have a far better support network once they come home, said Alex Tubbs, a counselor with the VA outpatient clinic in Twin Falls.

"I think the military is recognizing ... mental health issues in general better now than they were 30 or 40 years ago," Tubbs said.

And that's resulted in a coordinated outreach campaign to combat what the U.S. Army calls "battle-mind," the set of responses that keeps soldiers alive. In addition to its existing services, the VA set up a national suicide prevention hotline in August, and outside groups such as the National Alliance on Mental Illness target support groups toward veterans.

The effort, Hellman said, is unprecedented in his 20 years in the field. But while it's helping, the anti-counseling stigma still exists, and more can always be done.

"I think that's going to be something we're going to deal with for some time."

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# Heroes

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World War II veterans found not all heroes are cut from the same swashbuckling cloth. Quiet types with a sense of loyalty and selflessness often have the right stuff, too.

"We often think of the gung-ho, John Wayne 'Sands of two Jimm' kind of hero driven to combat," said researcher Brian Wansink of Cornell University. "But there's a whole lot of these heroes that are much more along the lines of that Captain Miller character Tom Hanks played in 'Saving Private Ryan' — the reluctant high school English teacher."

In a paper to be published in the management-oriented Journal The Leadership Quarterly, researchers asked 526 World War II veterans who experienced "heavy and frequent combat" to evaluate themselves on qualities such as leadership, loyalty, spontaneity and selflessness.

There were 63 men in the group who received a medal for meritorious service or valor — either a Bronze Star, Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross or Medal of Honor.

Unsurprisingly, veterans who had been awarded medals tended to rate themselves higher for qualities like leadership, adventurousness and adaptability. Results became more intriguing when researchers divided medal earners into two groups: those who enlisted (" eager heroes") and those who were drafted ("reluctant heroes").

The reluctant heroes scored higher than any other group in "selflessness and working well with others."

The study suggests that quiet heroes rely on a deep sense of duty and esprit de corps as opposed to derring-do.

That sentiment was echoed by several of the medal-earning veterans interviewed separately for this story.

"To a man, they downplayed any notion of heroism."  
 "You show me a man who says he was brave over there and I'll show you a liar," said drafted and Bronze Star recipient William O. Carpenter, 84, of Champalgn Ill. "Every one of us was afraid. Even the Germans were afraid."

Former paratrooper Charles Murz was shot more times than he can recall after dropping behind enemy lines in Europe and earning two Bronze Stars. Now 83 and living in East China, Mich., he says at the idea he showed any particular courage.

"Brave? Well, I don't know about that," Murz said. "I did what I had to do at the time that I did it."

Wansink said that understanding the range of heroic qualities can be useful to people who recruit and train soldiers, firefighters and



World War II veteran Charles Murz, 83, is reflected in a display case featuring two Purple Hearts, two Bronze Stars and other awards he received while with the 101st Airborne, at his East China, Mich., home Oct. 24.

police. A quiet respectful the extroverted high school student might be able to distinguish herself as much as Wansink also said the

study underscores the effectiveness of team building in hazardous jobs, be it partnering police officers, partnering firefighters live together or organizing troops into units.

"A hand grenade falls on the floor and leads you to do something other than if you didn't know who these guys were and didn't have a commitment to them," he said.

That sort of loyalty effect has been noted before, famously by the late author Stephen E. Ambrose, who even named one of his books about World War II combat troops "Band of Brothers." Writing in "Citizen Soldiers" of the men who liberated Europe, he noted: "What held them together was not country and flag, but unit cohesion."

"I did it because it was expected of me," said 88-year-old Marcel Leschot, of Indianapolis, Ill., a Bronze Star recipient. "You never thought of your own preservation."

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# Mailer

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the greatest subjects. He always was working on something."

"He was absolutely dauntless," said Jason Epstein, who edited several of Mailer's books at Random House. "He was quite weak in the end, but he still managed to write a seven-volume novel about Hitler."

The Pulitzer Prize-winning Mailer, the eminent literary journalist, drama king and gentleman, eternal striver for the Great American Novel, seemed to embody in recent years not just one writer, but a generation for whom the printed word was a noble and endangered way of life.

More than such peers as Gore Vidal, William Styron or Kurt Vonnegut, Mailer was the writer as writer, not a career to be printed on a business card, but a calling, an identity with all the follies and privileges to which a man alert to his own gifts felt entitled.

He wrote letters to the president, sounded off on talk shows, likened himself to Picasso, placed himself on a "plataea" with Jacqueline Kennedy.

"Some part of me knew that I had more emotion than most," Mailer, who married six times and stabbed one of his wives, once wrote. He cautioned himself not to "exhaust the emotions of others."

"He was interesting, because he was interested," said Vidal, a longtime friend and occasional rival. "He had a radical imagination, a way of approaching subjects that was never boring."

"He was by nature bound to a style of excess," said E.L. Doctorow, who worked with Mailer in the 1960s as an editor at the Dial Press. "There were times when you would be fed up with him, but if you could conceive of American culture of the past 50 years without Norman Mailer, you would find it a lot drier."

Lightning struck early for Mailer, and he struck back. In his 20s, he was the prodigy behind "The Naked and the Dead," the World War II novel that made him instantly, and pretentiously, famous. He came back in his 30s as the master self-advertiser, the anointer of John F. Kennedy as "Superman" at the supermarket. In his 40s, he was the fighting narrator-participant in "The Armies of the Night"; in his 50s, the cool chronicler of killer Gary Gilmore.

His hero was the authentic, autonomous man — the boxer, or graffiti artist, or maestro of jazz, or the "Norman Mailer" who starred in "The Armies of the Night" and other works of journalism. The bureaucrat-mind was his enemy, from the military leaders of "The Naked and the Dead" to the Kleenex box-like skyscrapers that appalled him when looking out from his Brooklyn town house, to the processed presidency of Richard Nixon.

"Nixon's crime is his inability to rise above the admiration for the corporation," Mailer wrote in 1974, commenting on the Oval Office tapes that would help drive Nixon from office.

Throughout the transcendence of acting like the dog, the tough, even-minded, cool, unimpressed, and tasteful, the smooth president of a large corporation — an auto-ethic man, let us say, who has no clients but whose good assistants have some how — God knows how, allowed more than a trace of the to get into the molybdenum.

It was easy to make fun of Mailer, with his chesty and sometimes foolish pronouncements, his nerve as a man in his 80s to write a 450-page novel about the childhood of Hitler, as told by a succubus of Satan, with a bibliography citing Milton, Plutarch and Freud.

"But mocking Mailer was usually just a way of putting down what Mailer's greatest risk was to presume. That writing — and writers — mattered. To argue with him was good sport. To dismiss him was to dismiss literature."

Though he believed in

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reincarnation, we shouldn't count on such luck again. He was a man who saw the world whole and still forgave it. We have only started to miss him.



Arthur Norman Mailer speaks at an anti-war rally at the bandshell in New York's Central Park, in March 1966.

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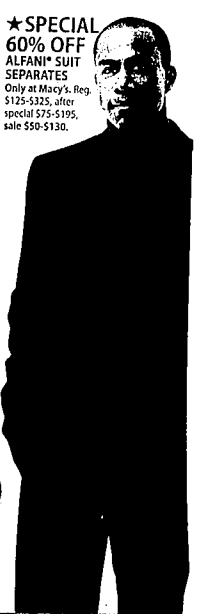
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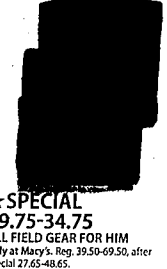
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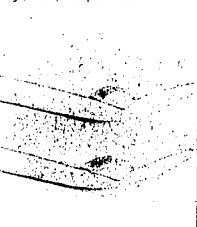
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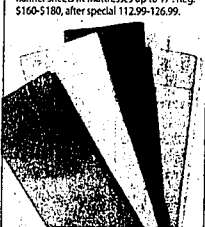
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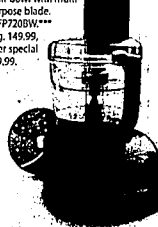
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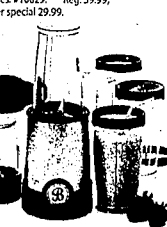
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# Time to choose: yea or nay on cloning

LONDON (AP)—The international community faces a stark choice: outlaw human cloning or prepare for the creation of cloned humans, U.N. researchers said Saturday.

Previous attempts to reach a binding worldwide treaty foundered over divisions on whether to outlaw all cloning or permit cloning of cells for research.

The best solution may be to ban human cloning, but to allow countries to conduct strictly controlled therapeutic research, including stem cell research, according to the report from the Japan-based United Nations University Institute for Advanced Studies.

Almost all countries oppose human cloning and more than 50 nations have introduced laws banning it. But lack of binding global legislation gives scientists an opening to create human clones in countries where bans do not exist.

"Failure to outlaw reproductive cloning means it is just a matter of time until cloned individuals share the planet," said Brendan Tobin, a human rights lawyer who co-authored the report.

"If failure to compromise continues, the world community must accept responsibility and ensure that any cloned individual receives full human rights protection," he said.

Cloning research proponents argue it offers great hope for producing targeted tissue and the potential for a cure for diseases such as cancer, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and diabetes.

The report recommends permitting cloning cells for research — but not cloning aimed at duplicating a person or animal. It also calls for strict controls to prevent the uncontrolled production and destruction of embryos.

# Despite ban, confusion reigns on sale of growth hormone

By David B. Carraro  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Jeffrey George had no background in health care when he founded his business to sell human growth hormone on the Internet.

But even though most uses of the drug are illegal, he is absolutely certain that selling HGH isn't against the law as long as customers have a prescription.

"It's the same thing as getting antibiotics," the 26-year-old bodybuilder said

in a recent interview.

His confidence is understandable. Seventeen years after Congress made it a felony to distribute synthetic HGH improperly, there is still confusion about who may legally get the drug.

Doctors, pharmacists and even law enforcement agents disagree about the meaning of the law that, at least on paper, appears to ban prescriptions for HGH for anything other than a handful of rare illnesses.

The Food and Drug

Administration has warned that anyone who distributes HGH for athletic enhancement or as an anti-aging remedy faces up to five years in prison, but that threat is rarely enforced.

Web sites frequented by bodybuilders brazenly hawk low-order growth hormone as a way of increasing strength and stamina.

George's company, South Beach Rejuvenation and Health, touts the drug as a "fountain of youth," capable of removing wrinkles,

and boosting sex drive.

"Rejuvenation" centers catering to aging Baby Boomers offer HGH injections as a remedy for everything from low energy to expanding waistlines.

Distributors, according to a recent FDA alert, have increasingly offered to fulfill demand by importing unapproved versions of the drug from China, even though all such shipments are flatly illegal.

After years of treating it as a minor problem, some law enforcement agencies

have recently turned more attention to HGH.

In September, the founder of one of China's largest drug manufacturers, the GeneScience Pharmaceuticals Company, was indicted on federal charges that he smuggled huge amounts of HGH into the U.S.

Last month, state officials seized \$7.5 million in Chinese-made growth hormone from a Brooklyn pharmacy that had been supplying anti-aging clinics in New York and Florida.

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## From front lines to job lines

More reservists report problems getting their old jobs back

By Hope Yen  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Labor Department on Thursday sought to defend its record of helping reservists who are denied their old civilian jobs when they come back from war.

Lawmakers said the system is broken; one senator called the procedures for veterans seeking help a confusing "Walter: Read-like nightmare."

Charles Ciccolella, the department's assistant secretary for veterans' employment and training, acknowledged that officials could do a better job protecting the legal rights of troops who take leave from work to fight for their country.

But Ciccolella said the solution was to improve education of employers — not to litigate more cases in court. Most disputes can be resolved with a phone call to an employer explaining what the law says.

In many cases, the employer does not understand the law, Ciccolella told a Senate panel. "It is not the egregious, 'We are not going to hire you or fire you.'"

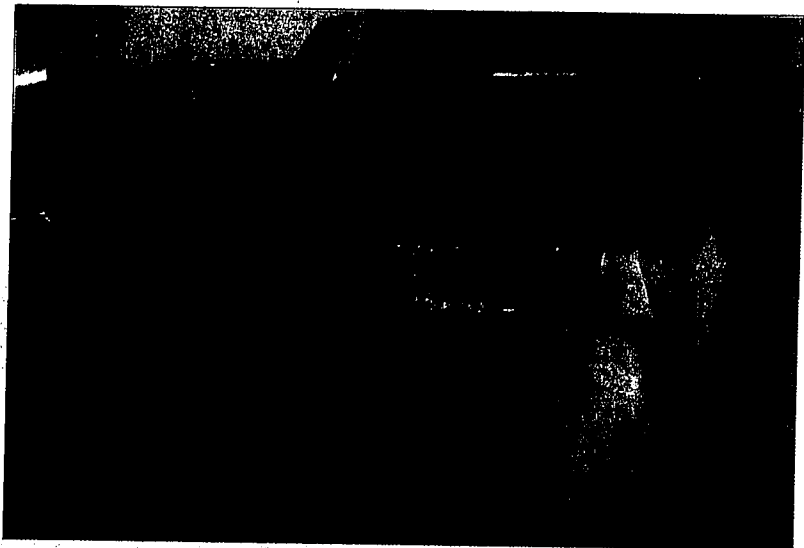
A Pentagon survey of reservists in 2005-2006, released Thursday by the Senate Health, Education, Labor & Pension Committee, details increasing discontent among returning troops under strain from extended tours in Iraq.

It found that 44 percent of them were dissatisfied with how the Labor Department handled their complaint of employment discrimination based on their military status, up from 27 percent in 2004.

Nearly one-third, or 29 percent, said they had difficulty getting the information they needed from government agencies charged with protecting their rights, while 77 percent of those with a complaint said they didn't even bother trying to get assistance, in part because they think it would make a difference.

The findings come amid intense political and public

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Allene Eberhard removes a batch of quiche from an oven in Sun Valley. Heavenly Quiche recently was a contract with a branch of the United States military to serve quiche in commissaries.

# Marketing quiche to Marines

## Sun Valley-based food company earns contract with United States Marine Corps

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

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Selling quiche to the United States Marine Corps may be the mother of all marketing successes, and that was exactly what Allene Eberhard, owner of Sun Valley-based Heavenly Quiche, was able to do after more than two years of pitching the idea to the United States military.

"These men and women are out there working hard to defend our country, and I have a strong belief that we need them to eat well," Eberhard said. "I felt that it was important for our troops to be eating well in order to do what they do."

But pitching that idea to the military was not going to be an easy task.

The first thing that Eberhard needed to do was get past the bureaucracy in order to get an artichoke quiche into the hands of a

United States marine.

A few large franchises, such as McDonald's, have managed to penetrate the military's network of buyers and commissaries — there are even mobile McDonald's at some military bases in Iraq. However, for a small producer of all-natural quiche, the task is a little more difficult.

"We have been working on military accounts for more than two years even though I didn't quite know how to handle the military," Eberhard said. "In the end, it was just a lot of hard work and patience that eventually paid off."

Heavenly Quiche is now sold to the United States Marine Corps through commissaries, which purchase an unspecified number of boxes that contain 150 quiche each

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— Allene Eberhard, owner of Sun Valley-based Heavenly Quiche

and cost about \$6.

And if you're wondering, a Marine doesn't just eat one dainty little quiche — he usually eats about 12 at a time.

A spokeswoman with the U.S. Department of Defense said she could not confirm or deny if quiche was added to the military's menu, and Eberhard said she cannot release the names of her buyers in the military.

Since Eberhard started her Heavenly Quiche business in 1996, she has developed it into a network of pre-packaging plants throughout the west, as well as a sales and marketing operation based in Sun Valley and Burley.

That's not bad for a business she started in her garage.

The key, she said, was a lot of 16-hour days and plenty of patience.

"I've had to expand it to meet demand and I had to move one of my offices from Sun Valley to Burley because a lot of my employees would just want to ski," Eberhard said. "We still test our products wherever they are made, so I will usually ask for a box that was just made so I can do my own taste test."

As for the Marines who may be trying quiche for the first time — it's difficult to know how they compare the Fromage au Loeuf or Hearts of Artichoke to the traditional chipped beef on rye.

## GOING PUBLIC

By Julia Silverman  
Associated Press writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — Growing interest in seasonal and locally sourced foods has created a fanfare for indoor public markets, where heirloom tomatoes are sold alongside artisan breads and freshly pressed olive oil.

Thriving have crowded places like San Francisco's gleaming new Ferry Building market and the Granville Island market in Vancouver, B.C., and the markets have encouraged nearby residential and commercial redevelopment.

But amid the acclaim, there are signs that public markets don't always pay off. That lesson has come painfully to cities with struggling or shuttered public markets

such as Portland, Maine; Toledo, Ohio; and Vancouver, Wash.

Indoor, year-round markets are expensive, and tough to get off the ground, particularly in pricey urban areas. Public markets in Portland, Ore. and Boston have been planned since the turn of the millennium, but construction at permanent locations has not begun.

"Year-round, sheltered markets are also under discussion in Pittsburgh, Madison, Wis., and Chicago."

"You're trying to cobble together money from private sources, no-interest loans, grants, money from the city, economic development money," said Chris Heltmann, a policy analyst with the New York City-based Project for Public Spaces.

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## U.S. cities plan for markets of fresh and local food



Nick Steffen, left, bags green beans for Randy Boyle at the farmer's market in Portland, Ore., Oct. 10. Other such as Portland, Boston, Pittsburgh and Chicago plan to build year-round, sheltered markets.



# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### Watertech Inc.

**WATERTECH, Inc.** announced recent promotions.  
Byron Nickels was promoted to executive vice president and will be responsible for all areas of operation. He will remain as president of the Gemflow Division of WATERTECH, Inc. He has been with the company since he was a junior in high school and spent 14 years in the field in the Northern Region where he was an area manager. Nickels also has experience in the laboratory, trucking and distribution, manufacturing and sales. He is a graduate of Jerome High School and attended BYU-Idaho.

Luke Mickelson has been promoted to market manager at WATERTECH, Inc., where he will be responsible for defining the market opportunities for both WATERTECH, Inc. and Gemflow Equipment.

He has been with the company for almost 10 years and is moving from Pasco, Wash., where he was the Northern Regional Manager. Mickelson has two children and he and his wife Heidi will relocate to Kimberly. He is a graduate of Kimberly High School and attended Idaho State University.

Donovan Lindsay has been promoted to regional manager over the Central Region, which will include all of Southern Idaho and parts of Northern Nevada. He has worked for the company for 18 years. Lindsay and his wife Kristene are natives of Pocatello and will continue to live there. He is a graduate of Idaho State University.

Wes Russelle has been promoted to plant manager. He is from California, graduating from Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach. He attended El Camino Jr. College in Gardena and graduated with a B.S. in Business Management from Cal State Calif. Wes has been with WATERTECH, Inc. for 6 years.

### Melissa Davlin

Melissa Davlin joined the Times-News last week as a full-time features reporter. Davlin, a southern Idaho native, graduated this year from the University of Idaho with a bachelor's degree in English with an emphasis in professional writing. She was photo editor of The Argonaut, the university's twice-weekly newspaper. She has studied abroad in Nagasaki, Japan. Before joining the staff, Davlin wrote freelance news and features stories for the Times-News this summer.

### Girl Scouts

**BOISE** — Girl Scouts of Silver Sage County has added two new staff members to its headquarters in Boise. Mary Carlson is the new director of finance and risk management. She was the vice president of operations

for the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce for eight years and also served as the treasurer for the statewide Idaho Association of Chambers of Commerce. Carlson brings more than 15 years of financial, human resources, and customer service management to the council. She also attends Boise State University, where she is a member of The National Society of Collegiate Scholars. Kristi Shahaya, the director of adult member services, will oversee recruitment and training of Girl Scout volunteers. She has worked in adult education for the past four years with a focus on health education. Shahaya has worked for The March of Dimes as a folk adult health education coordinator, for The Red Cross as a donor health counselor, for Idaho Drug-Free Youth as the Idaho Youth Summit evaluator and co-director, and for Idaho Division of Health as a health education specialist, senior. She also volunteers her time with St. Luke's Treasure Valley and the Friendship Clinic.

### Caroline Christiansen

**ST. GEORGE, Utah** — Caroline Christiansen joined the KCSG news team in January, as a reporter. She now anchors "KCSG News at 9" along with her reporting duties. Christiansen is a 2002 graduate of Declo High School. Her parents are Joy and Bonny Christiansen of Burley. She graduated from Brigham Young University in April 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in broadcast journalism. While there, she founded and hosted a cable talk show "Talk it up Provo," and hosted the BYU-TV Magazine show, "In The News." She also served as the president of two honors societies, the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Phi Epsilon. Christiansen interned for NBC's Today Show in New York City and was chosen to assist Matt Lauer. She also interned at KSWB, the WB affiliate in San Diego. Christiansen now resides in St. George, Utah.

### Stephanie Olson

**KETCHUM** — AmeriTitle announced the appointment of Stephanie Olson as business development representative for B. I. n. e. Company. Olson is a lifelong Idaho resident and recently relocated from Boise with a six-year background in mortgage lending and banking. She will be responsible for the title company's day-to-day sales and marketing activities for both Halley and Ketchum AmeriTitle offices.

"We are very excited to have Stephanie join our AmeriTitle team and know she will build strong relationships with our existing and future customers throughout the Valley," said Holden Morgan, general manager for AmeriTitle Blaine County operations.

### Gary Edgerton

**BOISE** — D.L. Evans Bank announced the appointment of Gary Edgerton as vice president and manager of their Boise Mortgage Lending Center located at 7450 West Emerald St. Edgerton received his finance degree at Idaho State University. He has completed his degree with class-

es on Real Estate Law, Consumer and Commercial Lending through the Institute of Financial Education. He is involved in the Lenders Mortgage Association, the Building Contractor Association of Southwest Idaho, the Ada County Realtor's Association, and the Women's Council of Realtors. He is also a member of the Boise Chamber of Commerce.

### Shawna D. Wasko

Shawna D. Wasko has joined the Southern Idaho's Office on Aging as their new public information/contracts manager. Wasko is a graduate of CSI and holds a bachelor's degree in Human Resource and Development through Idaho State University. Some of her duties will include facilitating the caregiver and Grandparents as Parents Support groups.

### William R. Hollifield

William R. Hollifield has joined the law firm of Jeffrey J. Hepworth, P.A. and Associates as "Of Counsel." He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Idaho in 1969, and has been practicing law in Twin Falls since 1973. His practice will continue to focus on municipal law, commercial law, representing individuals charged with crimes and DUI's, real estate law, personal injuries, and the representation of creditors and bankruptcy trustees.

Hollifield is on the Board of Directors of the YMCA of Twin Falls, has served as commissioner and president of the Idaho State Bar, as attorney liaison to the Ninth Circuit Judiciary, and as Twin Falls County prosecuting attorney. He has received the Idaho State Bar Award for Professionalism and Bankruptcy Award for Professionalism.

### Glanbia Foods

Glanbia Foods, Inc. announced recent staff promotions and new hires. James Bond has been promoted from a management trainee to quality assurance team leader at Glanbia's Richfield facility. He will be responsible for coordinating new product documentation, support customer service for Glanbia Nutritionals, and website support. Bond received a bachelor's degree in sales from Utah State University.

Roxi Reed has been promoted from SAP analyst to cheese logistics administrator at the Twin Falls office. She will be responsible for inbound and outbound cheese shipments for all of Glanbia's Idaho facilities, as well as documenting international shipments. Reed received an associate's degree from the College of Southern Idaho.

John Hanke has been promoted to director of facility technology at the Twin Falls office. He previously worked at the Gooding facility as the site maintenance manager. He will provide technical support to Glanbia's whey processing

plants and assist in research and development efforts. He earned a bachelor's of science degree in Chemical Engineering from The University of Nebraska. Ondrea Kelsa has been promoted from the logistics coordinator to whey logistics administrator at the Twin Falls office. She will be responsible for arranging international and domestic shipments for Glanbia's nutritional and food powder shipments. She received an associate's degree from the College of Southern Idaho.

Mike Brown has been hired as dairy economist at the Twin Falls office. He will provide both domestic and international dairy market analysis, coordinate regulatory and other U.S. dairy policy initiatives, and develop price risk management programs to meet needs of milk suppliers and processor customers. He brings 20 years of experience to this position. He earned a bachelor's degree of science degree, summa cum laude, from Virginia Tech University.

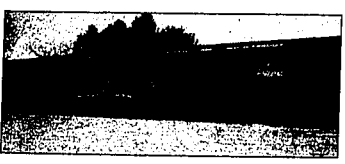
**Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services**  
Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services, Inc. announced the addition of two new employees.

Scott Lindquist will be working in the Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services Psychological Rehabilitation Program where he will assist people who have been diagnosed with persistent and severe mental illness in improving life skills such as symptom management at work, employment readiness, budgeting, social skills and basic living skills. Lindquist has a Master of Counseling degree from Idaho State University, a Bachelor of Social Work degree from Lewis-Clark State College, a Bachelors degree in Human Resource Management from the University of Idaho and is a licensed social worker. He has four years experience in human services and social work and five years as a financial advisor and academic advisor for college students.

Amanda Turner has been hired as a developmental specialist in Community Access Program where she will evaluate the strengths, needs and interests of program participants and develops service plans and intervention strategies that result in the acquisition of various personal, social and independent living skills. She will also supervise Therapy Technicians to be sure service plans are properly implemented with appropriate information collected and documented. Turner has a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Communication from the University of Idaho, one year of human service experience as a pre-school teacher and a therapy technician, and two years working in various business settings.

## MILESTONES

### STORAGE EXPANSION



Claborn RV Storage, Inc. located one mile east of Kimberly on historic U.S. Highway 30, just completed Phase IV of their storage facilities by constructing another building to house more motor homes, travel trailers, boats, campers and other recreational vehicles. With four phases now complete, they offer three buildings for covered storage and one open area all with locked security fencing and night lighting. Each space is also offered seasonal fresh water service and an electric space cord entry system year round.

Boy Claborn said they are becoming more aware all the time that the demand for covered storage spaces actually exceeds the demand for non-covered spaces. And Kirk Claborn added that it is not just the winter weather, but other weather, especially heat from the sun, that can eventually be hard on tops and exterior finishes of most recreational vehicles. For more information, including availability and annual pre-paid discounts: Dave and Kirk Claborn, 423-5876 or 420-4501.

### DAVITA RIBBON CUTTING



Devita, located at 1840 Canyon Crest in Twin Falls held their ribbon cutting recently along with the Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors. Devita provides dialysis services for their patients. The company is the largest independent provider of dialysis services in the United States. For more information: 737-0001. Pictured from left, Joanna Engles, registered nurse and regional operations director; Cindy Torres, patient care technician; Carolin Hecht, patient care technician; Denise Staszak, registered nurse and facility administrator; Alicia Edos, registered nurse and administrative assistant; Paula Kemp, patient care technician; Tamara Wilkinson, social worker and Janine Nechwitz, dietician.



Davita Berley Dialysis Center held a ribbon cutting Oct. 23 to commemorate its grand opening at its new location of 741 N. Overland Ave. in Berley. Center with selectors is Teresa Richkins, facility administrator. Davita Berley Dialysis Center opened at its new location of 741 N. Overland Ave. in Berley on Oct. 1 and held a grand opening celebration Oct. 23. It was previously located inside Parka View Cars and Rehabilitation Center in Berley. Business hours are 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The business can be reached by calling 678-8950 or 677-5483.

Facility administrator is Teresa Richkins, RN. Other staff includes Jeannine Vallejo, RN, CD; Susan Williams, RN, CDM; Laurie Hance, CCHT; Natalie Soaric, CCHT; Darla Simmons, CCHT; Brent Moo, PCT; Tamara Wilkinson, Janine Nechwitz, RD; medical director Magraj Marashman, MD; and August Ortman of Bloomed.

Davita is a Fortune 500 company and provides dialysis services for those diagnosed with chronic kidney failure. It has hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis and dialysis education and supplies. They have more than 1,300 outpatient dialysis facilities and acute units in more than 600 hospitals. They are located in 42 states and the District of Columbia, serving approximately 103,000 patients.

## Residents re-locate car lot, open business

Dean and Ginny Kuhn have owned the used-car business "The Wholesaler" for 15 years. The business was previously located on Beryl Ave. in Twin Falls. They are incorporating their businesses and have moved the business to the Time Machines lot located at 664 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls. Their son, Kully, and Dean have teamed up on the new lot. They have 40 plus cars on the lot and have been open for two months. They have also purchased the old Char-Lee Horse building at 560 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls. It is a 5,000 square feet building, filled with "great old stuff." It was open from 1970-1993 as a shoe shop and antiques and collectibles store. They did some remodeling and reopened it for business this summer. When they took the sheering off the front of the building, they found a "Bursom" sign and discovered that it was Bursom's Market in the 1920s. It has a rich history as a grocery store in the 20's, a laundromat, a paint store and a second hand store. Char-Lee is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.

## We want YOUR BUSINESS news

To submit contributions to the YourBusiness section, send information and photographs to Times-News Business Editor Joshua Palmer at jpalmer@magicvalley.com or call (208) 735-3231.

# YOUR BUSINESS

## Companies settle FTC's Do-Not-Call charges

By David Colker  
Los Angeles Times

Have you received calls from telemarketers — which, of course, usually come at dinner time — even though you were on the Do Not Call registry?

The Federal Trade Commission called some of these alleged violators back, and it will cost them much more than an evening meal. The agency said Wednesday that several companies, including such nationally known names as Ameriquest Mortgage Co. and ADT Security Services Inc., have agreed to pay a total of nearly \$8 million to settle charges that they made unsolicited calls to numbers on the registry.

The companies did not admit any wrongdoing as part of the settlement. Since the registry was established in 2003, consumers have put more than 145 million phone numbers on the list to block calls from telemarketers. Ameriquest Mortgage, which was one of the nation's

largest sub-prime mortgage lenders before that sector crashed, agreed to pay a \$1-million civil penalty. The company, based in Orange, Calif., hasn't accepted loan applications since August, and in September the assets of its loan servicing arm were acquired by Citigroup Inc.

The FTC agreement "brings this matter to a final conclusion as we continue the orderly wind down of Ameriquest's operations," Ameriquest said in a statement.

Boca Raton, Fla.-based ADT Security Services, which sells residential and business alarm systems nationwide, will pay \$2 million.

An ADT spokeswoman, Ann Lindstrom, issued a statement saying the calls that drew FTC objections ran afoul of a rule that disallows solicitations to registry numbers more than 90 days after a consumer expresses interest in a product.

Lindstrom blamed a software problem for not taking numbers off call lists in a timely fashion.

### MILESTONES

#### STEP AHEAD



The Step Ahead Learning Center recently celebrated becoming a new member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce with a ribbon cutting. The chamber's Ambassadors joined in the celebration. Step Ahead Learning Center is located at 273 Shoppe Ave. W., Twin Falls. They are a daycare/preschool and their professional staff can assist you with the education of your children. For more information: 736-2000. Pictured from left, Emily Bosch, Victoria Wickler; Rosalinda Bowman, executive director; Melissa Grigg and Maria Raposo.

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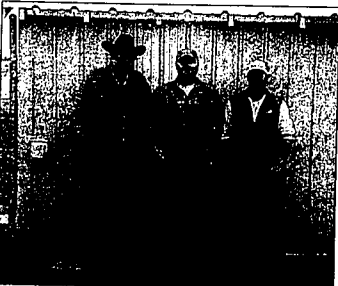
#### STUDENTS GIVE



South Central Community Action Partnership Executive Director Ken Robinette accepts a \$500 donation from Twin Falls High School students Danielle Esma, Sam Schiffer, Lara Harper, instructor Connie Wood and Jessica Carlson. The money was raised during the student's recent 'Charity' silent auction hosted by the Magic Valley Arts Council. The students created art chairs based on works by famous painters in Woods' design class and then sold the chairs in a silent auction at the arts council. The money raised from the event will benefit needy children in the Magic Valley.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

#### FAIRGROUNDS IMPROVED



Milo Sroboada and Dave Garner of Western Farm Service, Rupert and Paul, donated their time and effort by putting metal siding on the well house at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds for Steve Roberts, fairgrounds keeper.

### MEALS ON WHEELS HELP



Zab Bell's second annual Great Pumpkin Caper was held Oct. 18 at Golden Heritage Senior Center in Burley. Together with a \$2,500 donation from Modern Woodmen of America, the event raised more than \$5,000 for the Meals on Wheels program in Minidoka and Cassia counties. The program provides meals to elderly and homebound individuals. Auctioneers for the event were Carl Van Tassel and Keith Couch of US Auctions. From left are, back, Barbara Miller-Garcia, Carl and Joan Clark, Jerry Voss, Christy, Kaitlyn and Hunter Welch, Carl Van Tassel; and in front, Sharon Hardy-Mills and Zab Bell.

## Jobs

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scrutiny of veterans' care following reports earlier this year of substandard outpatient treatment at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, the premier hospital for troops returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., who chairs the Senate panel, called the findings "appalling."

He said he plans legislation to hold agencies accountable by requiring them to collect and release employment data, noting that the Pentagon did not release the survey until he specifically asked for it.

The Labor Department currently releases an annual report on employment complaints to Congress, but the figures do not include Pentagon data. The report, due to Congress on Feb. 1, has yet to be released this year.

"Veterans who seek help face a Walter Reed-like nightmare — a system that is crumbling and failing to serve them when they need it most," Kennedy said. "Our laws require the federal government to defend veterans' rights, but those who seek help must wait for months, even years, just to get a simple answer."

## Markets

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"Most of them are not going to break even in the first two to three years. Generally, they do stabilize over time."

In colder climates, it's virtually impossible to maintain a year-round flow of locally grown fruits and vegetables. That means that produce dwindles or has to be trucked in from far away — which goes against the local-grown ideal.

Public markets have also struggled to find a balance between selling raw ingredients and prepared food. Fresh produce, meat, fish, dairy and poultry distinguish a market from a food court. But Americans are geared toward a grab-and-go system, and prepared food is enticing to vendors because it has a far higher profit margin.

"If you go to a public market in Europe or Latin America, it is very difficult to find something to shove in your face," said Wendy Baumann, who was one of the founders of the Milwaukee Public Market, which has weathered significant vendor turnover since it opened in 2005 and now emphasizes prepared foods. "You can't be all to all."

"The nationwide growth of seasonal, outdoors farmers' markets, which in most climates run from early spring until mid-fall, provide fierce competition for customers and vendors.

"All the good vendors are already stretched thin," said Charlie Hertel, who was selling heaps of fuscos late-summer peppers and melons from his Forest Grove, Ore., farm at a recent farmers' market in downtown Portland. "And as I read the mission, customers are attending the market to meet the farmer, not a middleman."

Public market devotees say the payoffs can more than make up for the pitfalls.

In Portland, organizers just got permission to name

their planned market after James Beard, the Oregon native who is widely considered the father of American gastronomy.

"It will put Portland on the food map, and grow the awareness of local food," said Ron Paul, a former restaurateur who has been working on the nonprofit project since 1999.

Paul said the years spent planning for a market have let him learn from other startups. For example, he said he'd strive for a mix of vendors like those at Philadelphia's historic Reading Terminal Market, where there are at least two butchers, two bakers, and two produce vendors, each selling at different prices.

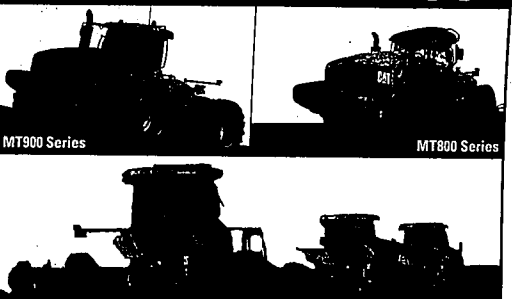
Markets can't have too

many handicrafts vendors, he said, because they create a flea-market feel.

Year-round local produce in a climate like Oregon's is unlikely, Paul acknowledged. But vendors who sell meat or dairy products will welcome the chance to set up in a stall with proper refrigeration and display cases, instead of pulling their shrink-wrapped wares out of a cooler at an outdoor market.

To break even, some public markets have branched out far beyond the original concept of local, sustainable foods: The new managers of the Milwaukee Public Market in Wisconsin, for example, just announced that the venue will be available for weddings and other events.

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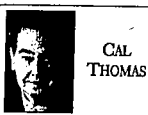
A shot in the arm for Twin Falls County workers

There's a quiet revolution going on at the courthouse. Twin Falls County, traditionally the poorest-paying public-sector employer in town, has wanted to keep its employees—and to keep them happy. County government turnover in 2006 was just 11.4 percent. State employee turnover for the same year was 13 percent, according to the Idaho Division of Human Resources. This in a county where one out of every four workers quit, retired or was fired as recently as 2004. What's changed? Twin Falls County decided to peg its salaries to what workers in comparable jobs in Idaho's other big labor markets earn. When the county's \$34.1 million budget went into effect Oct. 1, it initiated the final round of a four-year program intended to bring salaries of the more than 300 county employees — both elected and non-elected — up to at least 95 percent of the market amount. Between 2004 — the year before the compensation program began — and 2008, elected officials saw their salary rise nearly 30 percent. Meanwhile, non-elected employees — about 95 percent of the county workforce — went up more than 49 percent. Although all five of the commissioners who've served since the new salary plan started in May 2004 had a hand in the turnaround, Commissioner Tom Mikese — who hatched the idea in the first place — deserves much of the credit for keeping the salary schedule on track. Mikese said the commissioners made good on a promise to improve the workforce — and thereby improve the county overall. "The initial reason was the turnover," he told the Times-News earlier this month. "We've improved morale. We've improved productivity. We've improved longevity. The benefits are far better than just the turnover." A number of public-sector employees in southern Idaho attempt — or have tried — indexing pay to labor market indices, but not always successfully. It requires buy-in from employees, who have to be able to trust that their bosses will stick with their promises even when budgets are tight. At the Twin Falls County Courthouse, salaries are determined based on an annual survey that the county conducts using the 10 most populous counties in Idaho, and information from the Idaho Department of Labor and the Idaho Association of Counties. Compensation is set using the 10-county average and must range between 75 percent and 110 percent of the average. There's still some subjectivity in deciding earnings. First, employees' pay is decided by department heads, who are elected officials — although commissioners oversee more than a dozen departments. So a receptionist in one department, for example, might receive a higher raise than another. "We shouldn't be the highest-paid employees and we shouldn't be the lowest," Mikese said. "We should be where we're at, to be in the middle. That's exactly where we need to be." Before the program began, county wage hikes were a generic 3 percent to account for cost-of-living. But they were not always uniform and based on merit and employee performance. "It's been great to see new people come and stay," said Jerry Woolley, the jury commissioner and a county employee for 26 years. "Instead of looking at the bottom dollar, they've stayed here to realize we all stick together." Cutting turnover in any organization saves money — hiring is expensive, and improves efficiency. So if the commissioners earn \$61,714 next year compared to \$43,888 in 2004, we don't begrudge them. They're running a happier and more efficient workplace, and the taxpayers are getting more for their money.

Our view: Twin Falls County's successful free market-indexed salary program is a model for other public agencies. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

We've got plenty of nothin'

The country is frustrated. Democracy is easy. Americans want change from Bush administration policies. That much of the country was also frustrated when Democrats were in charge. Currently they've escaped them.



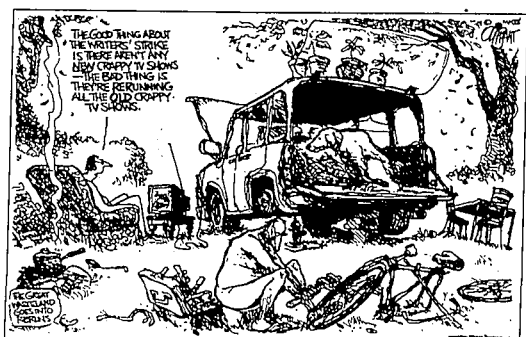
CAL THOMAS

A new Washington Post-ABC News Poll finds that nearly three-quarters of those surveyed believe the country is on the wrong track. They are deeply pessimistic about the future and disaffected with Washington's corrosive political environment.

The public believes most politicians are out for themselves and not the people. They also think most politicians say and do the bidding of their respective polarizing groups and rarely say what they mean, or mean what they say.

Politicians are not the sole cause of cynicism. For too long, too many of us have asked for a government to act as a sugar daddy, dispensing ever-greater amounts of goodies, paid for with taxpayer money. When government reaches its limits as it has now — we become angry, frustrated and, yes, cynical.

When the stock market increases by a smaller percentage than its increase last year we complain of "hard times" and worry about an approaching recession. Our grandparents never dreamed of the prosperity we enjoy today. Even the poorest



among us is richer than much of the world's poor, and the poor in America at least have the opportunity to climb out of poverty, when this opportunity is virtually nonexistent in much of the rest of the world.

Our problem is we have more of what we don't need and less of what we do need. More things and poor relationships translate into more for self and less for others. It would appear that self-storage facilities are one of the fastest growing businesses in America. I see them everywhere multiplying like overpriced coffee shops. Why do we need so many storage units? It's because we lack room in our larger houses for all the stuff we don't need, bought on credit with money many of us didn't have. It is because the marketers have sold us on the value of things, while culture has diminished the value of human relationships.

When money, pleasure and stuff don't satisfy, we can't blame these inanimate objects, so we blame politicians. But it isn't entirely their fault. They were only trying to give us what we said we wanted. Our ancestors understood sacrifice and adversity. In them it produced character and virtue. Today, the mere thought of such things breeds resentment in us. We seek pleasure and things as rights. To suggest "hard times" or sacrifice is viewed as a violation of such rights. Our superficial natures quickly and inevitably give way to cynicism and pessimism.

It was during the '90s that the Taliban and their terrorist buddies used our negligence to map out 9/11... and who knows what else? Change can be a good thing. A changed life is good, if the old one was bad. Change back from a dollar is rare, but nice. But in order to change the direction of our country we need leaders who will boldly take us in a better direction, ones who will fight this war until we win it.

While the political GPS system is calculating the route, it would be nice for some of the presidential candidates to start talking about which kind of character we need to have when we arrive, lest we continue our present practice of filling even more storage units while our hearts and souls remain largely empty, except for the poisons known as cynicism and pessimism.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wake up, people, before you lose your voting rights

I have to agree with the editorial in Thursday's paper about the shameful turnout for the election in Wendell. When I was working in City Hall, all we heard about from people coming in to pay their water bills was the poor condition of the streets, high water bills, sewer problems and the list goes on and on. Where are they when the voting takes place, where are these people when the City Council meets in City Hall twice a month to discuss problems in the City?

I say the next time someone complains to me, "I'll ask them if they voted and if they say no, I'll have to tell them they have no right to complain. Voting is a right we have because our servicemen and women fight for our freedom and we are not taking advantage of it. The people of Wendell and other towns are not keeping informed, and it is relatively easy to find out what is going on with the newspapers and the council meetings that are open to the public.

I was not in City Hall for quite a while before someone was told that I had been one of those who didn't even let go. They have no right to know it. That is a sad commentary on how the citizens of the community are showing interest in the welfare of the city. Wake up, people, before you lose your rights, because if you can't even show interest in your own city, what interest are you showing in our great country? We could actually lose our freedom if for not enough people care! CAROL BEAUDREAU Dietrich

We must give our lives back to God, learn to love

We fight for oil, power, recognition and religion when there are far greater battles of human suffering in our world awaiting our attention.

When someone hurts, can we feel their pain? Part of strength is caring what happens to someone else and that requires compassion. Sometimes we have no time for that. It is as though we have forgotten how to love. No wonder our world is in so much pain. The gadgets and things we give our children will never replace our love for them. The lonely, lost, old, incurable, and dying have no less need for love.

Our gods of money, possessions, and pleasure are like cold dead stones that heal no one's problems. It is one thing to care and quite another to love. We cannot let our world be reduced to no more meaning than this. What is there left to give our youth and our children hope and a future if we do not educate their hearts.

Our faith is not only in prayer and study of God's laws, but in the act of loving others. We must give our lives back to God who made us and learn how to love again: How can we ever learn who we are without learning who God is? And God is love.

We must unmask our brave front of pretension, even when it means we show our honest pain. We can be strong and not hate ourselves to the pain of others. If we would put our love into action, we must listen to our hearts. Are we so trapped in our reason to lose touch with our feelings? LOYD E. BAKEWELL Twin Falls

In the future, day wars will be about oil

The problems today in America are the worst they have ever been in my lifetime (1927-2007). The world today is one monumental mess! There isn't a solution to the world's problems today.

The United States is mined down in the Middle East over oil, but the Bush-Cheney plan to secure their interest in Iraq has the cost of oil almost \$100 a barrel on paper. By the time that oil gets to the gas pumps in its various mixtures, you are looking at all shapes and forms, at least overall about anyone's guess, \$10 or \$20 a gallon or more.

This means at the corporate level, a barrel (50 gallons) probably \$500 to \$1,000. Oil is in about everything a human needs today: the autos alone, billions; add the trucks, tractors, roads, bridges, aircraft, containers, pens, pencils, instruments, hospitals, cooling toys, construction materials, on and on.

One day, the wars of our world will all be about oil. All of our money, our day control the population of our world. It has to. And from my seat, I don't see a pale face on the agenda that understands the problems. Bush and Cheney started over oil in Iraq. He threw massive power out of China and Russia again. The have-nuts have the nerves in their pockets. China, Japan, Russia — all these nations are world powers today.

The window to turn it around is short on the Bush-Cheney watch. This coming election is the most important in my lifetime. I wish I

know who the new FDR is! Pay attention! BARNIE ROWLAND Hagerman

November is Home Health and Hospice Care Month

From time to time, people will ask us, "Your work as a hospice nurse is so important, but it must be so sad, how can you do it?"

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November is National Home Health and Hospice Care Month. It was that day we think Mayor Lance Clark is so important as a proclamation to recognize those of us in the city of Twin Falls who work for a greater understanding and awareness of the importance of care at the end of life. GLORIA MISBACH, BSN Twin Falls

(Editor's note: Gloria Misbach is a registered nurse with Idaho Home Health and Hospice in Twin Falls. She submitted this letter on behalf of five other nurses: Pam Perley, Sharynn Van Tassel, Rhonda Sackley, Gail Watson and Sandy Thil.)

QUOTE

"This is just an anti-gun decision."

— James Leuenberger, an attorney for Medford, Ore., teacher Shirley Katz, after a judge ruled that she has no right to carry a semiautomatic handgun at school.

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# OTHER VIEWS

## Here's what other newspapers in the Intermountain West are saying about ...



### ... medical school

Lewiston Tribune

Some ideas might be too good to die, but others — like creating a medical school in Idaho — are certainly too bad to live.

Yet Idaho State University President Arthur Vallas is proceeding with plans to put such a school on his campus. And it's not hard to see why: People who should know better have given the idea credence.

First, legislators early this year put up \$300,000 for a study "to determine the need and feasibility of increased medical education opportunities in Idaho." The money came from the so-called Millennium Fund, the account holding receipts from a multistate settlement with cigarette makers. That no doubt made it easier to spend, but no one should invest an elaborate study to see that Idaho's building a medical school makes as much sense as Idaho's starting a space exploration program.

Next, Gov. Butch Otter invited a number of Idahoans to a closed-door health-care summit in August, and announced before the doors slammed shut that he wanted them to come up with a proposal for a new medical school. Short of a plan to pay for such a school, Otter might as well have asked them for a way to swing on a star, and carry moonbeams home in a jar. But in the wake of such folly from two branches of state government, Vallas' pipe dream began to look like a real option. He recently has been meeting with offi-

cialists from Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello and Bannock County to coordinate operations of a med school and hospital.

It's past time someone applied the brakes to this exercise in futility. Sure, Idaho, especially rural Idaho, could use more doctors. And it might be that training more Idahoans to be doctors could increase the number who choose to practice here. But that does not require the enormous one-time cost of creating a medical school and big annual cost of operating one ...



### ... a DOE coverup

Post Register, Idaho Falls

The U.S. Department of Energy has something to hide. Or perhaps it just likes hiding things.

In 1958, Don Hill was among at least 11 people dosed by radioactive Iodine-131 while the site was producing lanthanum-140, work that was both highly secret and risky.

Since then, Hill was told his medical records were lost. He has been accused of lying and subject to harassment. He can't get credit for the eight years he worked at the site during the 1950s, which cut his pension.

Every time Hill goes close to exposing InLa, the truth slips away. Witnesses say that DOE Inspector General David Barrett verified all of Hill's claims — but the DOE buried Barrett's report.

Not even the clout of U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, who at the time occupied senior positions on the Energy and Appropriations panels — could prod the DOE along. Craig insisted that the DOE was engaged in a cover-up. "Who is being protected and why?" he asked four years ago.

And for what? The DOE is playing far such small stakes here. Hill hasn't asked for

money under the Energy Employee Occupational Illness Compensation Program. He simply wants his full pension plus the certainty his medical records might provide about the injuries he received and the possible effects on his health.

Hill's no rattle-rouser, and he's not trying to undermine nuclear energy. Hill only went public — nearly 50 years after the fact — as a last resort.

... There's no indication anyone's health suffered. Hill is a spry 80-year-old.

Perhaps the secrecy stems, as Hill suspects, from the fact that lanthanum-140 was tied to nuclear weapons production. That would seem to violate the site's charter as a commercial research station.

But consider the era — the height of the Cold War. Five decades later, who's going to quibble over that — especially when you consider the site has been involved with developing reactors to power submarines, producing nuclear fuel for those ships and armor for tanks.

Is this DOE simply so tied to its past — when national security claims made this massive bureaucracy unaccountable to anybody — that it can't break its addiction to secrecy? Or is the agency covering up something more mundane? Did it, for instance, mishandle employee medical records?

Inevitably, the Rala story invites the question: If the DOE won't acknowledge something this minor, what else isn't it telling us?



### ... school vouchers

Salt Lake Tribune

Vouchers are dead. It's time to move on.

The perennial pet legislation of the Utah Legislature's deeply conser-

vative leaders was soundly defeated by a power greater than they: the people of Utah (voters rejected vouchers by 62 percent to 38 percent on Tuesday). Now we'll see whether the Republican-controlled legislative branch will see the vote as the anti-voucher statement it is, or ignore the result and try to foist another version of this far-right invention on Utah's more sensible electorate.

We urge the proponents of taxpayer-funded private school vouchers to graciously admit defeat of their effort to create an expensive and constitutionally suspect public/private system and, instead, to invest the same wholehearted effort in adequately funding Utah's public schools.

The defeat of the nation's first universal voucher system was resounding. It cannot, however, be interpreted as unconditional support for the current state of public education, which has problems identifiable by test scores and dropout rates.

Yet the lopsided vote sends one clear message: Vouchers are not the right way to go about solving the system's deficiencies.

Many of the public system's shortcomings can be addressed by reducing class sizes, offering quality teachers a substantial salary increase, fully funding all-

day kindergarten and early-grade reading and math programs, and by making remedial help available to older students.

It's clearly time to get serious about making public education work, and Tuesday's vote is an indication that Utah residents feel a sense of urgency to do just that.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### New duplexes in Jerome are ugly, atrocious

In a previous letter to the editor from another reader, I'm glad that someone else counted the one-lane tracks being blamed on snow-scooters. How dumb and gullible do the writers of this dish wrap think we are to believe the words and pictures put onto it?

The citizens of Jerome need to drive north up Tiger Drive past 18th Avenue East to look at those new duplexes being built. They are the most ugly and atrocious new residences destined for ghetto land. They look like chicken houses and Hunt barracks that are too close together and too close to the street. The builder and designer should be required to live in them after they have been required to pay Jerome compensation for the ugly things. Anything for a fast buck! Who OKs these buildings?

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# Keeping newborns alive

## Memphis battles entrenched infant mortality problem

By Erin McClam  
Associated Press writer

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The first thing you notice is how tiny they are: Row upon row of babies, some no older than this day, hooked to grotesque jumbles of tubes. Press your palm against the incubator wall and the infant inside disappears from view.

It takes a while for something much sadder to occur to you: In a room full of newborns, dozens of them, there is no crying. The sound of beeping heart monitors, the rustle and murmur of observing doctors, but no crying.

They're too small and too sick to cry," explains a passing nurse.

This is the newborn intensive care unit of the Regional Medical Center of Memphis, universally known around this city as The Med, perhaps two miles from the blues clubs and rib joints of Beale Street.

And these are the children with a fighting chance. A small fraction, will join the sparse field of little corpses buried in wooden boxes at the county cemetery, distinguished only by little metal plates and identification numbers, perhaps remembered with a stray and shriveled balloon.

Others will go home with mothers in a few days, a week or a year, and they will begin a life fighting impossible odds in this city's worst neighborhoods, forging a struggle against poverty entrenched for generations.

A 2002 federal report put this city at the top of the list for infant deaths in American cities: 692 dead babies over a four-year span, a rate of more than 15 deaths for every 1,000 births, more than twice the U.S. average.

Broken down by ZIP code, centering on the poorest places in this very poor city, there are spots where babies die at a higher rate than they do in some Third World countries.

Some health officials object to that characterization because the figures are small enough to call their statistical significance into question. But no one denies that there is an epidemic of dead babies here.

It is difficult to explain exactly why. It is even more difficult to say whether it will get significantly better any time soon.

Ask people here about their city and they are quick to acknowledge the problems — particularly poverty and racial disharmony — the one exacerbating the other for decades.

They also will physically grab your arm and insist that this is a place with a lot of people pulling for it. And trying very hard, desperately, to figure out a way to save more of the smallest among them.

from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Global reports consistently place the United States near the worst among industrialized nations; analysts have blamed extreme disparity in the health-care quality depending on race and income level.



Dr. Shelley Korones listens to an infant's heart in the NICU at the Regional Medical Center in Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 10. This infant was suffering from an abnormal heart.

There are foot soldiers in Memphis' war on its infant death problem — medical, governmental, religious. And then there are people like Rosanna Stepney, an AmeriCorps volunteer.

She was assigned to Porter-Leath, a Memphis nonprofit children's center. And now she is holding the hand — figuratively and, once in a while, literally — of a 19-year-old named Crystal Owens, steering her through her first year as a mother.

Doing Stepney is driving through the streets of Hollywood in north Memphis, a place with all the telltale pockmarks of poverty in an American city — graffiti and closed shops, cracked roads with leaning street signs, glares at the unfamiliar.

The topics today are stress management and nutrition — the former for Crystal and the latter for Jaquarius Butler, her 4-month old son, who is smiling up and giggling from an infant seat on the floor of the sparse home where Crystal lives.

(Where Crystal "stays," as she puts it. Her mother kicked her out of the house after learning she was pregnant with her boyfriend's child. The boyfriend's mother has taken them in.)

Things are improving: Crystal has found a job as a cashier at Burger King, and has begun taking night classes. She had no job, no classes and no prenatal care when Stepney approached her, two months pregnant, at their church.

They navigated the pregnancy together for Crystal and she is navigating Jaquarius' first year. On this visit, Stepney is concerned about Crystal's newly

packed schedule. "Exercise is good for you," she says. "Or relax in the bathtub."

For Jaquarius, Stepney recommends Peek-a-boo and baby push-ups.

"And start him on the cereal," she says. "That's a four- to six-months food. Make sure he gets his proper vegetables and fruits. If he doesn't want to eat it, you know, just put a little applesauce on there."

These are the basics. Many young mothers in Memphis are lacking prenatal care, and with it they are lacking some of the most basic dos and don'ts about carrying a child to term.

Margaret Taylor, a nurse midwife who works at a Christ Community Health Services on a particularly gloomy section of Broad Avenue in Memphis, can tick off what she hears:

If you raise your hands over your head your baby will become wrapped in the umbilical cord. If you feel sick, open the medicine cabinet, any bottle will do. Or just as bad: Stay away from everything in the medicine cabinet.

"I've been in health care for 28 years," Taylor says. "There have been so many programs over time. But you still have women that don't take advantage of it. So you have to look at the culture. What makes people believe things that have no medical basis? It's been passed down."

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# Oil prices spur massive wealth shift

By Steven Milloy  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — High oil prices are fueling one of the biggest transfers of wealth in history. Oil consumers are paying \$4 billion to \$5 billion more for crude oil every day than they did just five years ago, pumping more than \$2 trillion into the coffers of oil companies and oil-producing nations this year alone.

The consequences are evident in minds and mortar: anger at Chindes motor-fuel pumps and inflated confidence in the Kremlin; new weapons in Chad and new petrochemical plants in Saudi Arabia; no-driving campaigns in South Korea and bigger sales for Toyota hybrid cars; a fiscal burden in Senegal and a famine in Brazil; in Burma, recent demonstrations triggered by a government decision to raise fuel prices.

In the United States, the rising bill for imported petroleum has already eroded consumer savings, led to inflation, worsens the trade deficit, undermines the dollar, and makes it more difficult for the Federal Reserve to balance its competing goals of fighting inflation and sustaining growth.

High prices have given a boost to oil-rich Alaska, which in September raised the annual oil dividend paid to every man, woman and child living there for a year to \$1,654, an increase of \$547 from last year. In other states, high prices create greater incentives for pursuing non-oil energy projects that once might have looked too expensive and hurt earnings at energy-intensive companies like airlines and chemical makers. Even Kellogg's cited higher energy costs as a drag on its third-quarter earnings.

With crude oil prices flirting with \$100 a barrel, there is no end in sight to the redistribution of more than 1 percent of the world's gross domestic product. Earlier oil shocks generated giant shifts in wealth and pools of petrodollars, but they eventually faded and economies adjusted. This new high point in petroleum prices has arrived over four years, and many believe it will represent a new plateau even if prices drop back somewhat in coming months.

"There's never been anything like this on a sustained basis the way we've seen the last couple of years," said Kenneth Rogoff, a Harvard University economics professor and former chief economist at the International

Monetary Fund. Oil prices "are not spiking; they're just rising," he added.

The benefits, to the tune of \$700 billion a year, are flowing to the world's oil-exporting countries.

Two of those nations — Iran and Venezuela — may be better positioned to defy the Bush administration because of swelling oil revenue. Venezuela has used its oil wealth to dispense patronage around South America, vying for influence even with longtime U.S. allies. And Iran could be less vulnerable to sanctions designed to pressure it into giving up its nuclear program or opening it to inspection.

The world's biggest oil exporter, Saudi Arabia, is using its rejuvenated oil riches to build four cities. Projects like these are designed to burnish the country's image, develop a non-oil economy and generate enough employment to maintain social stability.

Despite projects like this, Saudi Arabia is running a budget surplus. It has paid down much of the foreign debt it accumulated in the late 1990s and is adding to its foreign-exchange reserves.

Russia, the world's No. 2 oil exporter, shows oil's transformational impact in the political as well as the economic realm. When Vladimir Putin came to power in 2000, less than two years after the collapse of the ruble and Russia's default on its international debt, the country's policy-makers worried that 2003 could bring another financial crisis. The country's foreign-debt repayments were scheduled to peak at \$17 billion that year.

As Putin nears the end of his second term as president, the soaring price of oil has helped allow Russia to increase the federal budget tenfold since 1999 while paying off its foreign debt and building the third-largest and hard-currency reserves in the world, about \$425 billion.

"The government is much stronger, much more self-assured and self-confident," said Vladimir Milov, head of the Institute of Energy Policy in Moscow and a former deputy minister of energy. "It believes it can cope with any economic crisis at home."

With good reason. Using energy revenue, the government has built up a \$150 billion rainy-day account called the Stabilization Fund. "This financial independence has contributed to more assertive actions by Russia in

the international arena," Milov said. "There is a strong drive within part of the elite to show that we are off our knees."

The result: Russia is trying to reclaim former Soviet republics as part of its sphere of influence. Freed of the need to curry favor with foreign oil companies and Western bankers, Russia can resist what it views as American expansionism, particularly regarding NATO enlargement and U.S. missile defense in Eastern Europe, and forge an independent approach to contentious issues like Iran's nuclear program.

But many economists have called petroleum reserves a bane, saying they enable oil-rich countries to avoid taking steps that would diversify their economies and spread wealth more equitably. Russia, for example, has rising inflation, soaring imports and a lack of new investment in the very industry that is fueling the boom.

The problems are worse in Nigeria, which is battling an insurgency that has curtailed output in the oil-rich Niger River Delta. The central government has been disbanding its remaining oil reserves, though corruption has undermined the program's effectiveness. The government has also cut domestic gas subsidies, raising prices several times over in the name of improving health, education and infrastructure.

"Our oil wealth is a curse rather than a blessing for our country," said Halima Dahiru, a 36-year-old housewife, as she waited for a bus near a Texaco station in Kano, the commercial capital of northern Nigeria.

"You go to bed and wake up the next morning to hear the government has increased the price of petrol, and you have to live with it," she said. "The only sensible thing to do is to adjust to the new reality because nothing will make the government listen to public outcry."

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## Getting to the bottom of animal animosity

WE've got this weathered deck out in the back yard that needs to be replaced, but that's not the immediate problem.

The more pressing issue is that I've got a fat dog who keeps getting stuck under it.

The deck is 8 inches off the ground — not quite enough clearance for a round Leggs who's obsessed with chasing cats.

They're the same cats that Petunia has lived with for two years, so you'd think pursuing them into tight spots would have lost its considerable charm a long time ago.

There's also the dog spots whiskers and a tail disappearing beneath the deck, she's there too. Lamentably, she gets two or three inches underneath, gets stuck and can't back out.

That's where I come in. For 16 years, there's a wooden frame beneath the planking, which means that in places the clearance in the crawl-space is down to 3 or 4 inches. Suffice it to say that's not enough room for me to wiggle through.

So I have to try to talk the dog out by moral suasion.

That's tough. I've tried offering dog treats, sausages, pieces of cheese — even cold peas.

But Petunia is disinclined to compress her frame — rather substantial for a small mutt — through insanely small spaces.

"At times, I've grabbed her tail — which certainly gets the dog's attention. But usually that sudden movement just wedges her even farther beneath the deck."  
Fortunately by this time, the two cats Petunia was chasing — Callie and Sophie — Evie wearied of cowering in the dark recesses and came bolting past, dashing for daylight.

THIS usually isn't a problem, but when a stirps the dog's adrenaline enough so that she follows.

Leaving me, of course, jammed under the deck, with my feet sticking out.

While there, I've discovered, among other things, that we have a leak in the house that runs across the top of the deck.

Also, I found a wasp's nest, and assorted other insect infestations of nearly biblical proportions.

The only long-term solutions, I suppose, are fatter cats or a skinnier dog.  
Me? I'm just trying to get the ants out of my hair.  
As soon as I get out of here.

DON'T ASK ME  
Steve Crump

# Heading for the hills

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

Josh Hale, 10, and his father, Roy, pointed Saturday at the price tag on a brand-new snowboard still in its wrapping: \$450.

Then they flipped it around and revealed how much it was actually selling for — including the binders for the boots: \$279.

"It's a big difference," Roy Hale said, nodding in approval.

Hundreds of skiers, snowboarders and winter sport aficionados visited the College of Southern Idaho Ski Club's Ski Swap at the Eldon Evans Expo Center over the weekend, hoping to score big on low prices. The event is as much of community give-and-take between buyers and sellers, and the three-day event has evolved into one of the largest events in southern Idaho.

For Twin Falls' Josh Hale, who's been on the slopes for nine years, a new snowboard might come every three years. The other years his siblings will do the shopping.

"It seems like the family rotates," said Roy Hale.

The swap began Friday night, and about 200 people showed up, organizers said. The ski club receives 17 percent of the money raised, while the rest goes back toward individuals and businesses who donated their equipment. Claude's Sports in Twin Falls and Idaho Water Sports in Burley participated.

Jeff and Nicole Jensen traveled from Burley so their daughters could get new equipment as they begin their third season.

Jeff Jensen, who had never been to the swap before, said that it simply makes more sense visiting the ski swap, as opposed to retail stores.

"I just don't see the logic in new stuff every year," he said. "They're going to grow out of it anyway."

Burb Denney of Kimberly browsed a rack of skis, but admitted that buying was her liking. But she likely didn't go home empty-handed. She praised the ski bags, boot bags and goggles, and said the overall selection and low prices often beat out retail stores.

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Two-year-old Bryce Sailors looks excited about his new skis Saturday morning at the CSI Ski Club's 38th annual Ski Swap. His mother, Dayka Sailors, was buying him all the gear he will need for his first season on the ski slopes. The swap runs through today at the Eldon Evans Expo Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

## Wendell kids salute vets, tour helicopter

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

No matter who or where you are, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have likely touched you in some way.

For the students at Wendell Elementary School, seeing an Apache helicopter up close helped to bring the events taking place around the world closer to home.

"I have an uncle in the war in Iraq," said fourth-grader Hunter Laudert. "It's scary, because he's risking his life over there."

Laudert is just one of many students who have written to soldiers abroad. He said having corresponded with the troops when he was in the second grade made it easier for him to believe that his uncle would make it home safely. "It was cool to write to them because we actually got letters back," he said. "When we did there was always a little sand in it."

As pen pals with the 183rd Army National Guard, students were able to form a friendship with the soldiers. And on Friday, soldiers got the chance to show students, by the community, their appreciation. They did this by meeting with students and showing them an Apache helicopter.

"Getting letters was great. Kids are so appreciative," said Command Sgt. Maj. Kenneth Downing, noting that the students' letters touched the lives of many soldiers. "These kids wrote letters every month. It is so great that they are being taught to be patriotic, and we wanted to show appreciation to the students, to the school and the community."

Second-grade Teacher Terri Fisher, who has spear-

headed student-soldier correspondence at the school, said she was shocked when the soldiers arrived. After the guard returned to Idaho in February, she said, Downing offered to bring the helicopter from Boise to the school.

"I asked him, 'Are you serious,' and he said he was," Fisher explained. "The kids have been really excited, especially this morning."

After students toured the Apache with the helicopter's crew, they attended an assembly in the gymnasium, where Wendell Cub Scout Pack 95 presented the flag, sang the Star Spangled Banner and gave special recognition to all veterans.

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Chief Warrant Officer II Skane McKenna of the 183rd Army National Guard, left, talks to students about an Apache helicopter at Wendell Elementary School on Friday. Students had written to members of the unit during the soldiers' 16-month deployment in Afghanistan. The soldiers brought the helicopter to the school to show their appreciation.

# Sen. Kelly presses for bill to halt 'revolving door'

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

A state senator from Boise will introduce at the 2008 Idaho Legislature a "revolving-door" bill to prevent government officials from jumping immediately into the private sector as lobbyists. Senate Minority Caucus Chair D. Dale DeBevoise said he is preparing legislation that would require state government officials and their staff members to wait one year before going to work as a lobbyist, and seek concessions from former colleagues. The law would include state

lawmakers and state-wide elected officials, such as the governor or superintendent of public instruction, and their staffs.

The issue resurfaced last week when Jeff Malinen, the chief of staff to Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and one of the state's most influential Republicans, became a lobbyist for Idaho, the holding company for Idaho Power Co.

Idaho does not have a revolving-door law. More than 30 states have at least a "cooling-off" period of several months. "Montana's," for instance, requires officials to wait two years. Earlier this

year, Congress approved legislation that mandates a two-year break before former senators and high-ranking executive branch workers can lobby Congress; members in the House must wait one year.

Kelly has been visiting with several Idaho Rotary clubs, including Twin Falls on Tuesday, to discuss her proposal. There are 372 registered lobbyists in Idaho.

But the legislation might gain steam after several notable lawmakers turned to the private sector during the past 18 months.

"Kelly who is an attorney, has sponsored ethics reform bills in the past. Last year, a similar revolving-door bill never got a hearing. Another bill that would require elected officials and candidates to disclose personal financial statements — a common law in states — never made it out of committee."

"It's just because there are a lot of people who like the status quo," she said Wednesday. "But the legislation might gain steam after several notable lawmakers turned to the private sector during the past 18 months. Almost a dozen former law-

## Missing the mark

Uranium levels bedevil Jackpot water system

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Behind the coming and goings of folks looking for fun in the city of Jackpot, which is known for its handful of casinos south of Twin Falls on the Idaho-Neveda border, is a city struggling with a water system that isn't up to standard.

Even if the unincorporated town wasn't growing, its water infrastructure would still need several million dollars of upgrades.

According to a preliminary engineering report presented to the Jackpot Advisory Board in June by the Reno, Nev., firm Ecologic, Jackpot has several problems with its water system.

"There's a number of things of differing priority that Jackpot needs to do. One item is one of their wells has a slightly elevated level of uranium that is federally allowed," said Blair Koch, the senior engineer for Ecologic. "The standard, as determined by the (Environmental Protection Agency), is 30 parts per billion. One well is closer to 40 ppb."

According to EPA regulations, uranium is a low-level radioactive element that can cause certain types of cancer. "The uranium is in well No. 2. By mixing it with well No. 3 Jackpot can meet drinking water standards," Kruth said.

Other issues include the need for more water storage and pressure, and possibly the installation of a chlorination system.

Jackpot uses non-chlorinated water, which can be a good thing and a bad thing," Kruth said. "On the one hand, they aren't treating it and some people like that. But on the other hand, if contamination does get in the water then there isn't the chlorination present to treat it. One day EPA may make it mandatory for all water systems to have a disinfection system in place."

The report also calls for the installation of water meters to help conserve water. Since Jackpot isn't an incorporated city, the local advisory board can only make recommendations to Elko County on how to proceed, said Advisory Board Chairman Gene Frank.

"We know (improvements) are needed and coming, but we don't know when," Frank said. "We are waiting to hear from the county on how this will proceed."

Elko County Public Works Director Lynn Forsberg said that improvements to the water system are projected to cost about \$3.5 million. The first thing needed is a new well," Forsberg said. "The town needs more capacity."

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Eldred Bodily

JEROME — Eldred Bodily, 80, of Jerome and formerly of Hansen, passed away Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007, in Twin Falls.

He was born Nov. 15, 1926, in Fairview, Idaho, the eighth of 11 children to George Clarence Bodily and Florence Lois (Orcutt) Bodily. Eldred was a lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served as a missionary in the Northern States Mission. Soon after returning home, he married his sweetheart, Helen Allen, on Aug. 5, 1949, in the Logan, Utah, LDS Temple. They made their home in Hansen, where they raised their family. He spent 38 years farming for Bryan Harris Jr., and they formed a lifelong friendship. He was the best irrigator in Magic Valley.

Eldred was a talented woodworker and could practically make anything using a coping saw or a pocket knife. He really enjoyed life and was involved in many activities, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing, camping and horseback riding. He was also "Santa Claus" to the Magic Valley for 30 years. His family is proud to call him

husband, Dad and Grandpa. Eldred is survived by his loving wife of almost 58 1/2 years, Helen Bodily; of

Jerome; and their children, Grant Bodily of Pocatello, Gary (Deborah) Bodily of Meridian, Diane (Rick) Todd of Buhl, Terry Bodily and Jerry Bodily both of Jerome. He is also survived by two brothers, Sylvan Bodily and Orson (Marlene) Bodily; one sister, Waldene McDermott; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and many extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Alan Ray Bodily; and two grandsons, Ryan G. Bodily and Sean Calder Bodily.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, in the Jerome LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 825 E. Ave. B in Jerome. Officiating will be Bishop Gary Luther. Burial will be Wednesday, Nov. 14, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, where family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m., and again one hour prior to the service Thursday at the church. Interment will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.



Guillermo 'Willie' Colunga

TWIN FALLS — Guillermo "Willie" Colunga, 73, of Twin Falls, died Nov. 9, 2007, in Twin Falls.

He was born June 22, 1934, in San Antonio, Texas, the son of Andres Colunga and Jesusa Colunga. Willie was raised in San Antonio and attended schools there. He served his country in the United States Army. Following an honorable discharge, he married Elvira Sanchez. Willie spent most of his working life as restaurateur. He loved to shoot pool and play golf and enjoyed spectator sports.

Willie is survived by his children, Andrew (Anita) Colunga of Oceanside, Calif., Farmington, N.M., Belinda (Emilio Silva) Colunga of Shoshone and Danny

(Diana) Gonzalez of San Antonio, Texas. He is also survived by three sisters and one brother, Maria C. Martinez, Elvira Hernandez, Gilbert Colunga and Beatrice Elzondo; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many extended family members and friends. Willie is also survived by his special companion and caregiver, Ella Mae Corley.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Elvira; his granddaughter, Crystal; three brothers and one sister. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome. A visitation will be held this evening, Sunday, Nov. 11, also at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, where family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m., and again one hour prior to the service Monday. Interment will follow in the Shoshone Cemetery.



Wanda Ruth Goodman Thieme

BOISE — Wanda Ruth Goodman Thieme, 76, died peacefully at her home in Boise on Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007.

Wanda was born on the afternoon of Oct. 15, 1931, in Eden, Ore., at the eighth of nine children of George

Falls, Ada (Dorothy) Parke of Malta and Glenly (Philip) Shane of Lander, Wyo.; brothers, Wilford "Ace" Goodman of Fruitland, Utah, and Lew (Bonnie) Goodman of Jerome; sister-in-law, Betty Goodman of Malta; many grandchildren; great-grandchildren; seeds of cousins, nieces and nephews; and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Willard "Dutch" and Bert; and sister, Colla.

The funeral will be at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the American Diabetes Foundation or the American Cancer Society. Wanda's family wishes to thank Life's Doors Hospice for their kind and professional care of their mother.



Gabriel Thomas Martinez-Soltero

JEROME — Gabriel Thomas Martinez-Soltero, 41, passed away Nov. 7, 2007, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Gabriel was born Nov. 22, 1999, the third of five children of Gabriel Espinosa and Yolanda Brenda Martinez-Soltero, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was in the third grade at Fortzinn Elementary and his favorite classes were reading and gym class. He loved to watch WWE (World Wrestling Entertainment). His favorite movies were John Cent, Triple H, My Mysterio, Hardy's and Shawn Michaels. When he wasn't watching WWE, he was playing WWE with his brothers. He also loved his Sony PlayStation, watching Sponge Bob, Suite Life of Zach & Cody and Drake & Josh. Gabriel liked hip-hop music, and his

favorite artists were Chamillionaire, Toby Love and RKM Kru. He had an energetic smile and was mostly happy, which gained him a lot of friends. Kids wanted to sit by him. His nick-name was papas because he liked french fries when he was a little boy. Gabriel cared for many people. He is greatly loved and will be missed.

He is survived by his parents, Yolanda and Gabriel; two sisters, Stephanie and Selena; two brothers, David and Miguel, all of Jerome; and grandparents, Carol, Gloria and Ernesto Valdivia. He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, James and Betty McCue.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, with a viewing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home. A memorial fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank in lieu of flowers.



Hugh Samuel Smith

JEROME — Hugh Samuel Smith was born Feb. 5, 1922, in Bear, Idaho, a small community north of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He died Nov. 6, 2007, of natural causes. He was the second son of Jesse and Mary Smith.

"Bub," as Hugh was known and his friends grew up in the Placer Basin mining area. He attended school at a one-room schoolhouse at Bear, and at the age of 17 was helping his father in the family livelihood of raising, mining and planting at the Little Giant Mine in Placer Basin. His father broke horses for the U.S. Army and provided freight-packing services to mines and ranches in the Placer Basin area. As Hugh grew older, he worked for several railroads, including the Union Pacific and the Santa Fe, and later worked the larger steam locomotives of the time. He then went to work for Morrison-Knudsen on the Hawaiian Island of Oahu, helping to construct fuel facilities for the Navy. He was present when Pearl Harbor was attacked on Dec. 7, 1941, and Bub frequently noted that it was nearly a month before he was allowed to cable home that he was safe. Upon returning home to the mainland, he was inducted into Battery "C" of the 249th Battalion, Coast Artillery Corps. He was stationed on the west coast for most of the war. He was later transferred to the field artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he was discharged on Nov. 3, 1944.

and worked at a sawmill in Bear, Idaho. By 1947, he had taken up the profession of drilling and worked on the dams in the Hell Creek area through the early 1950s. During the later 1950s, he drilled in Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado and Idaho. In the early 1960s, he worked on the Dvorshak Dam in northern Idaho and drilled in Alaska. During his career, he worked for Diamond Drill Contracting Company of Spokane, Rocky Mountain Geo-Chemical Co. and McPherson Drilling Co. through the 1970s. Bub incorporated his own business, Hugh S. Smith Drilling, on Dec. 1, 1980.

Bub was also a member of the Eagles, Elks and Masonic Lodges. Hugh married Sylvia Gladys Smith on Dec. 13, 1959. His beloved wife, Gladys, died July 9, 1993.

Hugh was preceded in death by his parents; and brothers, Frank Smith and Raymond Lindgren; and one sister, Jean Bowman, who survived by two sisters, Ruth McGinnis of Oxbow, Ore., and Shirley Edmondson of Halfway, Ore.; his stepson, Charles Sims of Lewistown, Mont.; and Roy Turner of Castletro, Idaho, who he treated as a stepson and close friend. He is also survived by numerous nephews and nieces. A graveside service will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at the Jerome Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

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Ray Hunter

HEYBURN — Ray Howell Hunter, a 78-year-old resident of Heyburn, died Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2007, in Twin Falls.

He was born April 15, 1929, in Pocatello, Idaho, the son of Eldon Pratt and Helen Marr. He was a member of the Heyburn, Idaho, United Methodist Church.

Ray was raised and educated in Pocatello. He entered the U.S. Navy in 1947 and was released in 1954. He married Joy Hewlett in 1955, and they later divorced. He then married Patricia Martin on Nov. 22, 1956, in Austin, Nev. Ray and his wife were very active and involved with the Helping Hands Freedom Trail. He enjoyed hunting and spent a lot of time in the hills of Oakley. Ray loved his family very much.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia "Pat" Hunter; seven children, Shawna (Lorin)

Parks and Larry Hunter of Utah, Helen (Jeff) McClure and Eldon (Lorlei) Hunter of Burert, Perry Hunter and Elmo (Cindy) Hunter, also of Utah, and Caroline (Mike) Murphy of Idaho Falls; 22 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son; three brothers; one sister; and several great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Bishop Todd Wheeler officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Muscular Dystrophy, Alzheimer's or to the Helping Hands Freedom Trail.



Our family and friends gathered on Oct 9th To share and celebrate the life of Dave Anderson Thank you to our friends, relatives, and everyone who visited, brought food, called, or took part in the completion of Dave's "Honey-do List." Cherri Anderson & Family

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**Philip W. McRoberts**

Philip W. McRoberts, a son of the Magic Valley and lifelong salesman who charmed customers from the dealership lots of Twin Falls to the corn fields of Colorado, died Monday, Nov. 5, 2007. He was 72.



Phil was born and raised in Kimberly, the child of Bill and Arlene McRoberts. He was the kind, stubborn brother of six siblings and the loving, big-hearted father of three daughters and a son. He graduated from Kimberly High School, where he was a key player on his 1952 State championship basketball team. He then attended the University of Idaho, where he was a cheerleader and an enthusiastic member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army. A traveling salesman for much of his life, Phil logged infinite miles on the highways and country roads of the Rocky Mountain West, selling irrigation equipment. Some of his children's fondest memories are of accompanying him on those long road trips, Johnny Cash and Patsy Lynn pouring from the eight-track stereo of three silver impala. (There was that and the memory of him removing a couple false teeth, musing his sparse grey hair, jutting out his lower jaw and giving a zombic impersonation - he always sent his children running away with shrieks of glee.) The impala was just one of the many cars he managed to change the way other people change clothes, trading in one for the other, most reflecting his weakness for automotive "fiats" that would make Ralph Nader proud. Perhaps it was that love of cars, and of conversation, that led him to selling cars for the Latham family for many years. He always sold with great grace for both Bob Sr. and Bob Jr., who gave him countless second chances when his life got complicated. He was a proud, if inconsistent mem-

ber of Alcoholics Anonymous, a fixture at meetings for the past few years, offering unflinching, mental counsel and life lessons to his AA brethren. As one AA friend put it simply: "He helped people who needed help."

An avid golfer, Phil also was a fixture of amateur golf in Idaho, noteworthy for his upright putters that were nearly as tall as he. One of his proudest moments was an avid golfer, Phil also was a fixture of amateur golf in Idaho, noteworthy for his upright putters that were nearly as tall as he. One of his proudest moments was

putting stinky the McCall Amateur, featuring the colorful, big-swinging Joe Malay. Not long after, Phil followed his dream of trying to play professional golf. He sold his home, bought a trailer and competed his way deep into the qualifying rounds for the Senior Tour. He then attended the U.S. Open to his quest, but his children were always proud of him for trying.

In his later years, Phil's passion centered on his beloved dogs, Coatie, a miniature schnauzer, and Putter, an adorable mix who Phil insisted was a purebred Lhasa apso. You could set your clock by his morning and evening walks with them around the grounds of O'Leary Junior High. They would return to their home at the Oregon Trail Campground, which Phil owned and drove to for his warm sense of community.

He is survived by three daughters, Molly Barry, Marry Dickson and Kate Hurt; one son, Flynn McRoberts; 24 grandchildren; three sisters, Linda McRoberts, Carmine, Stephanie Locke and Julie Mitchell; three brothers, Eric Hove, Kent Hove and Michael Hove; two cousins, Stan and Skip Pierce; and, of course, his two canine kids. No immediate funeral will be held. His family and friends will gather next spring for a memorial service. Donations in his name would be appreciated to either the Furrance Society, 139 Sixth Ave. W., or to the Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park."

**Hallie Fisher**

AFTON, Wyo. — Hallie Fisher, 96, passed away Sunday, Nov. 4, 2007, at the Star Valley Wyoming Care Center in Afton, Wyo.

Hallie was born in Rock Port, Mo., in 1911, to Clara and Lloyd Millon. They moved to the Hansen, Idaho, area in 1915. She attended school in Hansen and Kimberly. After two years attending school at Gooding College, she taught school at Hansen for three years prior to getting married. Hallie married Mallory Fisher in 1933, and they ultimately moved to their home farm in 1934. They lived on this farm for 53 years until Mallory passed away in 1987. They had one son born in 1934. While on the farm, Hallie raised roses and had a large vegetable garden.

Hallie sold her home and moved to Thayne, Wyo., to live with her son and be near her grandson and great-grandchildren.

Hallie is survived by her son, William; daughter-in-law, Judy; two grandsons, and four great-grandchildren.

Burial was private alongside her husband of 54 years. A family memorial is being held in Thayne, Wyo. Condolences may be sent to RO, Box 1307, Thayne, WY 83127. Memorials may be made to the Methodist Church memorial fund or to the Shriner's Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City.

**Jack L. Tubbs**

JEROME — Jack L. Tubbs, 89, of Jerome, passed away Nov. 6, 2007, at Hospice Visions House in Jerome.

Jack was born June 26, 1918, at home in Jerome, Idaho, to John D. and Mae (Brandage) Tubbs. Jack attended school in Jerome and two years in McArthur, Calif., graduating from Jerome High School in 1937. He was inducted into the Army in April 1942, becoming a medic at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland until December 1945. After returning home, he worked for Halbert Grocery and then worked for the U.S. Postal Service until he retired in 1978. Jack was a member of the St. Jerome's Catholic Church and, in the past, a member of the Holy Name Society. He married Theresa Ehrhmantraut on Oct. 2, 1947.

He was preceded in death by his sister and her husband, Ruth and Harold Gregg.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa; sons, Dennis and Steve (Shauna); grandchildren, Jani (Chance) James, Shaun (Chandra) Tubbs, Denver and Matt Barfuss; and great-grandchildren, Steel, River and Chance Jr., James and Corbin Tubbs.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, and a funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, both services at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Burial will follow at the Jerome-Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to Hospice Visions Home in Jerome. Funeral arrangements are under the care and direction of Howe-Hobertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

**Clyde N. Lewis**

Clyde Newton Lewis was born Oct. 19, 1913, to Charles and Daisy Lewis in Pocatello, Idaho. He is one of seven sons and one daughter. He passed away peacefully Friday, Nov. 2, 2007.

Per his request, there will be no service. He was cremated at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Clyde went to work at 16 years old for the Union Pacific Railroad and was in the Idaho National Guard until his job transferred him to California. He enlisted with the U.S. Navy during World War II, and served in the South Pacific and the Sea Bees. He returned to

California and Union Pacific Railroad, where he met the love of his life, Dorothy. They married in 1950 and later moved to Twin Falls, where they owned the Dunes Motel. They adopted and raised two daughters, Robin and Cindy, who gave them four grandsons, Justin, James, Jensen and Ryan. He taught us all how to fish and play cards.

Clyde was an exalted ruler and a lifetime member of the Elks Lodge. He volunteered for his annual food drive and enjoyed playing Santa Claus at Christmas. He never met a stranger. Daddy, you're in our hearts forever.

**SERVICES**

Ramon Ensuna of San Jose, Calif., service at 11 a.m. today at the Chapel of the Hills, Los Gatos Mortuary in Los Gatos, Calif.

Franklin Lloyd Linnell of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Beulah Maxine (Slatter) Miller of Eagle, service at 11 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls (Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise and White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

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Eppers of Burley, visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Ruppert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., graveside service immediately following at the Ruppert Cemetery.

Jack H. Waddell of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Marlene Anderson Schulz, formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Today's Auctions are on page E-4.

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**Jerome Democrats to meet Tuesday**

JEROME — The Jerome County Democratic Central Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Emergency Medical Technician building on East Main.

Discussion will focus on plans for the coming year's elections. All Democrats are encouraged to attend.

Information: 324-2022.

# Change in Book of Mormon about Indians causes stir

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) — A change in the introduction to the central text of the Mormon faith is seen by some observers as having serious implications about the church's beliefs about American Indians.

Many members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints believe American Indians, known as Lamanites, are direct descendants of two ancient tribes of Israel living in the Americas.

A 1961 introduction in the Book of Mormon says they "are the principal descendants."

But a 2006 edition published by Doubleday reads: "After thousands of years all were destroyed except the Lamanites, and they are among the ancestors of the American Indians."

The distinction between "are" and "are among" may seem slight. But some observers say it justifies claims that the book was church founder Joseph Smith's creation, not a historical record.

It also looks like a concession to DNA research that concludes the earliest settlers to colonize the Americas came from Asia via the Bering Strait and lack a genetic connection to the Americas.

"DNA has revealed very clearly how closely related American Indians are to their Siberian ancestors," said Simon Southern, a molecular biologist in Australia and DNA researcher who is an excommunicated Mormon. "The Lamanites are invisible, not principal ancestors."

The Book of Mormon is said to have been translated by Smith from a set of gold plates revealed to him by an angel in New York state in the 1820s.

LDS scholars dispute the idea that DNA eliminates the possible veracity of the Lamanites.

Mormon researcher and DNA expert John Butler said a demographic analysis of the Book of Mormon leaves room for population growth and genetic mixing.

Events related in the Book of Mormon likely took place in a limited region, leaving plenty of room for other Native American peoples to have existed," he said.

"The Mormon church's Web site states: 'Nothing in the Book of Mormon precludes migration into the Americas by peoples of Asiatic origin. The scientific issues relating to DNA, however, are numerous and complex.'"

Doubleday said church leaders asked for the change. Church spokesman Mark Tuttle said new language "takes into account details of Book of Mormon demography which are not known" and "will be included in the next edition of the Book of

Mormon printed by the church." Details about the change, first reported Thursday by

The Salt Lake Tribune, have caused a stir on Web sites among current and former church members.

But others say it's much ado about nothing. John Sorenson, Brigham Young University professor emeritus of anthropology, said the word change doesn't change the Book of Mormon's impact.

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Utah troopers intercept California drug shipment, arrest 19

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Feel free to use these interesting turkey facts to impress your friends, amaze your family, and save some money (trust us, you'll need it for Christmas). And of course, have a safe, happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Utah troopers intercept California drug shipment, arrest 19

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Authorities confiscated 213 pounds of cocaine and \$11,000 in cash.

The Utah Highway Patrol says it was expecting the shipment, which originated in California and was bound for states as far east as New York.

The four-day dragnet seized 213 pounds of marijuana, 55 pounds of cocaine and \$11,000 in cash.

Troopers arrested 19 people while making hundreds of stops for traffic violations. All the drivers were headed for Colorado, Oklahoma, Ohio, South Carolina and New York.

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# Rescuers race to save birds tarred by San Francisco Bay oil spill

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Wildlife rescue teams are racing to save hundreds of seabirds whose feathers have been tarred with black ship-

ping fuel from the San Francisco Bay's worst oil spill in nearly two decades. About 58,000 gallons of heavy bunker fuel leaked into

the bay Wednesday after a massive container ship hit a tower of the Bay Bridge. Tides carried the oil under the Golden Gate Bridge and into

the Pacific Ocean, closing more than a dozen beaches, canceling weekend outdoor events and threatening birds and marine life.

Oil skimmers and shoreline cleanup crews continue to mop up the damage — a job that is expected to last weeks or possibly months. On

Friday, about 17,500 gallons of oily liquid had been sucked up.

But authorities said most of the spilled oil will never be captured and eventually will dissolve into the water. Concentrated globules could remain for months and cause problems for sealskins.

State wildlife officials said they have received hundreds of reports of oiled birds found on Bay Area beaches. So far, 34 live birds have been recovered and sent to a rehabilitation center in Solano County; 28 were found dead.

Most of the injured birds are surf scoters, a duck-like species that lives on the water's surface and dives for fish. When oil gets on their feathers, it disrupts their waterproofing system and ability to stay warm, forcing them to shiver where they are at risk of starvation.

"Oil and feathers don't mix," said Yvonne Adlassi, a wildlife biologist with the state Department of Fish and Game. "We're in a time crunch. The birds can only stay oiled for so long before they can no longer be rehabilitated."

On Friday, about 15 rescue teams were collecting injured birds, and officials planned to start enlisting and training volunteers to help over the weekend.

Fish and Game officials said the spill could impact the water's surface, and they had not seen any evidence that fish have been harmed — though they are concerned that the spill could affect bay herring that spawn at this time of year.

Fishermen are worried that the spill could impact the much anticipated Dungeness crab season that begins Nov. 15. Bay Area fishermen planned to meet Saturday to discuss delaying the commercial season, said Larry Collins, who heads the San Francisco Crab Boat Owners Association.

Once the crabs are harvested from the ocean floor, sea water is circulated in boat tanks to keep them alive, and the fishermen are concerned the spilled fuel could contaminate the crustaceans. The oil was blamed for the deaths of some crabs kept in tanks of circulating bay water at Fisherman's Wharf, Collins said.

"If the crabs get contaminated and someone gets sick, then you've lost your market," said Collins, who believes the season should be postponed until the spill is cleaned up. "This is a big mess."

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a state of emergency Friday after meeting with state, federal and local officials overseeing the cleanup. The proclamation makes additional state personnel, funding and equipment available.

"This has done tremendous damage to the environment, to wildlife and to the birds," the governor said. "We have to clean up as quickly as possible."

Meanwhile, criticism mounted regarding the U.S. Coast Guard's response to the spill that has fouled miles of California coastline.

The attorney for the pilot who was guiding the vessel away from the Port of Oakland when it hit the bridge said the pilot notified authorities immediately, and soon after alerted them that there was a sheen of oil on the water.

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# Ski swap

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Denny, whose family owned Magic Mountain ski resort, shops at the swap each year. She's skied since she was 6 years old and is a former instructor.

"Skiing is me," she said with a smile.

Water and climate experts have said southern Idaho can expect about average winter temperatures and above-average precipitation. Last winter year, little precipitation fell in January and March — traditionally wet months — and the snow that did fall melted off a month earlier than normal.

"Being a skier, you've always got to think positively," said Denny.

Officials said attendance and revenue figures were unavailable until the event was over. But they said atten-

dance was up from a year ago and allowing credit cards has attracted more people.

Part of the success rests in how people will often purchase items and return a year or two later, said Nick Peterson, the ski club's adviser who has overseen the ski swap for about 10 years. Those shoppers might sell the items back or hold onto them — but either way, they're interested in finding another bargain.

"You know how kids are, they keep growing," he said.

The event continues today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Unsold items can be picked up from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Idaho Youth Ranch.

Jane S. Hopkins can be reached at 733-3204 or jhopkins@magicvalley.com.

# Jackpot

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Forsberg said that these improvements will allow for a little residential growth, but the project is mainly to improve on what's already in place.

"We need to catch up with what we've got," Forsberg said. "Perhaps the added capacity would allow for another small housing development, but it would be enough for much growth."

At this point, officials don't have a timeline on when the improvements will get under way, nor do they know how project financing will affect user rates.

Forsberg said the county is working on a grant application through the Nevada Board for Financing Water Projects in hopes of receiving grant funding and low interest loans for the project.

For Triad Resorts, which is moving forward with building plans for the Spanish Bit Resort and Casino, a resort with a condo-hotel development, indoor water park, event center and more located on 113 acres southwest of town, the water system is just one aspect of growth planning needed to be completed by the city.

"Everything is going great," said Triad Resorts managing member Patrick Hayward.

"We're in the process of putting up a billboard near Hollister, a coming soon sign."

Hayward said that the advisory is working on revising the Jackpot Master Plan so that zoning changes can be implemented legally in the area.

"This will update the plan for our property and other properties along Highway 93," Hayward said. "It's a good thing Tommy Burton (advisory board member and co-owner of Barton's Club 93 casino in Jackpot) found that it needed to be done before we could move forward properly."

Howard said he hopes the details of paying for the infrastructure improvements that are needed to accommodate Spanish Bit will be worked out with Elko County soon.

Blair Kachig can be reached at 316-2607 or blairkachig@gmail.com.

# SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

**Volunteers** — Aspen Grove Hospice is looking for a volunteer to serve as bereavement coordinator. Volunteers also are needed to assist in the hospice office and to visit with patients. Information: 733-2234 or Sue at 731-5211.

**American Red Cross** — The American Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help with the community blood drive by greeting donors and scheduling appointments. Information: Debi, 484-0139.

**Volunteers** — South Central Community Action Partnership is in need of volunteers for the holiday season to assist in food pantry, pick up donated food (mileage reimbursed with correct documentation) and sort donated food items. Information: Leanne or Sandra, 733-9351.

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# DEATH NOTICES

**Walter J. Parke**  
GOODING — Walter J. Parke, 50, of Gooding, died Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, in Carnas County. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, in Twin Falls. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., with visitation one hour before the service. An obituary will appear in the Nov. 19 edition (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

**Holly M. Bossert**  
BOISE — Holly Melissa Bossert, 31, of Boise and formerly of Rupert, died Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the Paul Congregational Church, 121 N. 2nd W., with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and noon to 12:45 p.m. Wednesday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

**Gladys Luper**  
JEROME — Gladys Luper, 89, of Jerome, died Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome. Arrangements will be announced by Hovee-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

**Theodore Fujiki**  
RUPERT — Theodor, Ted" Fujiki, 85 of Rupert, died

**Howard Bruns**  
RUPERT — Howard Bruns, 99, of Rupert, died Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., with visitation one hour before the service. An obituary will appear in the Nov. 19 edition (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

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TWIN FALLS

## Decorations galore Burley woman finds joy in changing home décor for seasons, holidays

By Treva Tegan  
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Some people have an eye for flash and flare. Others have an eye for color and coordination. Cindy Young of Burley has the latter.

While growing up, as other children played ball outside, she could be found in her playhouse fastidiously decorating each corner down to the last detail.

"Decorating has always been a passion for me," Young says, recalling the dillies and flowers she would use to fix up her playhouse as a child.

Now her house is quite a bit bigger than that little playhouse, but it is no less cared for. Her passion has evolved into a talent. A vase with spring flowers, mixed with just the right shade of autumn leaves, no longer reflects spring, but blends perfectly with the harvest themed décor.

The décor in her home changes with the seasons, but it is never cluttered. The day after Thanksgiving her home will begin its transformation to a Christmas theme, and



The fireplace mantel of Cindy Young's home shows one of her favorite harvest displays. Her attention to detail and eye for color helps her bring together objects to form a picture-perfect display.

like the autumn leaves outside, the fall theme will quickly disappear.

"I don't try to do it all at once," Young says. "I take my time and do a little at a time, changing and rearranging

until I have it just right."

Young has been collecting decorative items for the past 40 years. Her family helps her collection along, often purchasing decorations as gifts for various occasions.

Young says she does it to keep busy.

"I get a lot of joy out of it," she says. As she straightens a figurine, she adds, "I just can't sit still 'till it's done right."

### A SALUTE TO VETERANS



The Mielodoka County Senior Center presented 'A Salute to Veterans' program Friday at the center in Rupert. Artwork from students at Acaquela Elementary School honoring veterans was displayed around the center. The 'Half Notes' singing group from St. Nicholas School presented the musical part of the program. The children sang a variety of patriotic songs including the 'Star Spangled Banner' and 'Grand Old Flag.' Veterans honored included Steve Antonio, James Barnes, David Bean, Cletus Babel, Richard Fenton, Ed Frelberger, Oppe Haux, James Henschel, Gary Hleb, Edward Hillard, Ruben Ketterling, Betty Tracy, Bob Stepp, George Uncke, Dorje Lowder, Allen Piper, Ralph Phillips, Jarald Ross, Lamar Smith, Franklin Subr, Dell Thrall and Frank Trevino.

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The "Lights for Life" ceremony will include music by Danielle Coltrin and Johnson Anderson, and will include guest speakers Jay Black and Dr. Mark Dowdle.

In return for a tax-deductible donation, an ornamental "light" will be placed on the tree that will be seen at Cassia Regional Medical Center. The tree was donated by Evergreen Nursery and the lights and ornaments by Wal-Mart.

To make a contribution to light the tree, send or bring a donation to Internountain Homecare, Cassia Regional Medical Center, 1501 Hilland Ave., Suite B, Burley, ID 83318.

For more information: Marjole Becke, 678-4444.

#### Popular book character visits Burley library

The Burley Public Library will kick off Family Read Week, Nov. 15-18, with a visit by Mouse from the popular book, "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie."

Mouse will be at the library, 1300 Miller Ave., at 7 a.m. Tuesday. There is no cost to attend, and everyone is invited. Besides a visit by Mouse, the event will include stories, activities, games and treats. Space is limited; early registration at the library.

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# 6 U.S. deaths in Afghanistan mark deadliest year since 2001

## Ambush raises toll

By Jason Straziwo  
Associated Press writer

KABUL — Militants ambushed and killed six U.S. troops walking in the mountains of eastern Afghanistan — the most lethal attack of the year. The deaths made 2007 the deadliest for the U.S. military here since the 2001 invasion, matching the record U.S. toll in Iraq.

Both conflicts have seen an increase in troop levels this year

that has put more soldiers in harm's way, including those killed Friday while returning from a meeting with village elders in Nuristan province. Militants wielding rocket-propelled grenades killed the six Americans and three Afghan soldiers. Eight U.S. troops were wounded.

"They were attacked from several enemy positions at the same time," Lt. Col. David Accetta, a spokesman for NATO's International Security

Assistance Force and the U.S. military, said Saturday. "It was a complex ambush."

The six deaths brings the number of U.S. troops killed in Afghanistan this year to at least 101, according to an Associated Press count, surpassing the 93 troops killed in 2005. About 87 died last year. The toll echoes the situation in Iraq, where U.S. military deaths this year surpassed 650, also a record.

Launched in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror

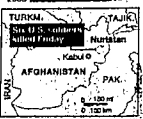
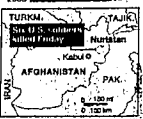
attacks, the war in Afghanistan quickly ousted al-Qaida chief Osama bin Laden and his Taliban protectors and appeared to have been a swift military victory.

But insurgent attacks — advanced ambushes and suicide and roadside bombs — have risen sharply the last two years, and analysts say the counterinsurgency battle U.S. and NATO forces now face will take a decade or more to win. Critics of the Bush adminis-

tration say the Pentagon turned its attention away from Afghanistan during the buildup to the invasion in Iraq, leaving the military with too few resources here to back up that initial victory with an adequate security presence.

Though attacks in Iraq have dropped in recent months, U.S. troops there have also faced a rising number of suicide and roadside bombs since the 2003 invasion, known as asymmetric attacks in military circles.

The attack by militants on U.S. troops that killed six made 2007 the deadliest year in Afghanistan since the 2001 invasion, according to an Associated Press count. U.S. soldier deaths in Afghanistan, through Nov. 10



## 18 killed in clashes with al-Qaida

By Sinan Salaheddin  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — At least 18 people were killed in clashes between al-Qaida fighters and former insurgents who turned against the terror network, Iraqi police and a former insurgent leader said Saturday.

Most members of the Islamic Army, a major Sunni Arab insurgent group that includes former members of Saddam Hussein's Baath Party, joined U.S. forces battling al-Qaida in Iraq earlier this year, though some of the group's leaders deny any contact with American troops.

A top Islamic Army leader, known as Abu Ibrahim, told The Associated Press that his fighters ambushed al-Qaida members near Samarra on Friday, killing 18 people and seizing 16 prisoners.

An Iraqi police officer in the area corroborated Abu Ibrahim's account, and said the hostages would not be transferred to Iraqi police. Instead, he said he believed the Islamic Army would offer a prisoner swap for some of its members held by al-Qaida. The officer spoke on condition of anonymity because of the situation's sensitivity.

"We found out that al-Qaida intended to attack us, so we ambushed them at 3 p.m. on Friday," Abu Ibrahim said. "We have killed 18 people, including some Arab foreigners, and we have detained 16 others. We also seized weapons and eight vehicles," he said.

Abu Ibrahim would not say how many, if any, Islamic Army members were killed.

The clashes raged for nearly four hours Friday about 9 miles southeast of Samarra, the insurgent commander said. Police said they knew about the battle, but were unable to reach the site because it was too violent. It is an area known to have a heavy al-Qaida in Iraq presence.

Abu Ibrahim contacted Iraqi police in Samarra and told them his plans to attack al-Qaida, according to the officer and Abu Ibrahim himself.

He asked that Iraqi authorities inform the American military about his plans, and requested that no U.S. troops interfere, they said. He worried that U.S. helicopters might mistakenly fire on his fighters, rather than on the al-Qaida members, since they had no uniforms and were indistinguishable from the militants, they said.

The U.S. military had no immediate comment on the matter.

Meanwhile, roadside bombs killed at least seven Iraqis early Saturday, police said, and the American military issued a statement saying a U.S. soldier was killed in Diyala province.

The soldier, assigned to Multi-National Division-North, died from injuries suffered in an explosion on Friday, the statement said. Three more soldiers were wounded in the blast, and evacuated to a U.S. combat hospital, it said.

At least 3,861 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an AP count. The figure includes eight civilians working for the military.

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## Carey earns title rematch with Salmon River

By David Bashore  
Times-News writer

**POCATELLO** — Dietrich stood with third-and-goal at the Carey 10-yard line early in the second quarter, already up 8-0 and poised to score again after the Panther's second lost fumble in the young game. The game completely changed with an awkward bend of an ankle.

Carey senior running back Blake Whitby (2) looks for a running lane around Dietrich defenders during the Panthers' 50-8 Class 1A Division II semifinal win over the Blas Devils at Holt Arena in Pocatello.

an unfortunate twist of fate that may well have saved Carey's season. Dietrich quarterback Anthony Pitman scrambled for the end zone on that fateful third down play, only to come up short. During the tackle, his ankle got caught in the Holt Arena turf and wrenched on his way down. Pitman lay on the ground in agony for several minutes, a severe ankle injury dealing Dietrich a fatal blow even though the Blas Devils were ahead and knocking on the door.

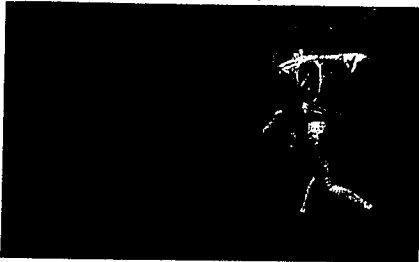
Without its talisman, Dietrich faltered on the fourth down attempt, and Carey went 90 yards to tie the game and never looked back as the Panthers cruised to a 52-0 win in

the Class 1A Division II semifinal game on Saturday.

Pitman returned for a few plays after the injury but was clearly not the same player, and he left the arena for the hospital on a stretcher at halftime.

"It was bad for two reasons: There's the (psychological) part, and the fact that we lost one heck of a football player," said Dietrich head coach Ed Simmons, Jr. "Anthony was the spark plug for us and when he went out, we just couldn't replace him. The kids never quit, and I guess we can be proud of going the whole way with (Carey).

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## Easy does it

### Tharp leads No. 19 Broncos in 52-0 romp of USU

By Doug Alden  
Associated Press writer

**LOGAN, Utah** — No. 19 Boise State got the no-doubt-about-it victory it needed to make a late run up the BCS standings.

The Broncos pounded Utah State 52-0 Saturday for their eighth straight win on a near-perfect day for Taylor Tharp.

The Boise State quarterback completed 26 of 29 passes for 283 yards and two touchdowns.

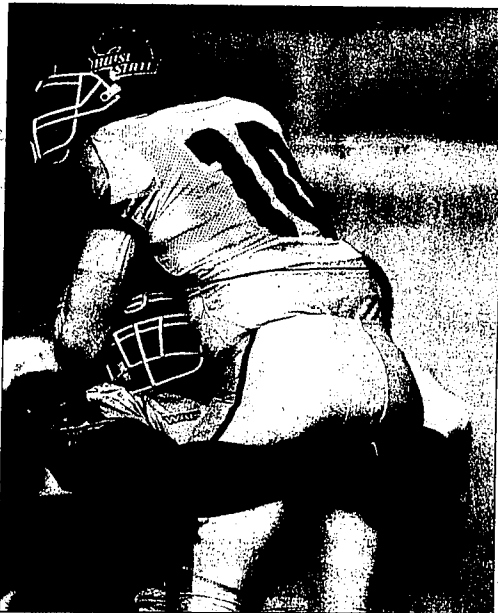
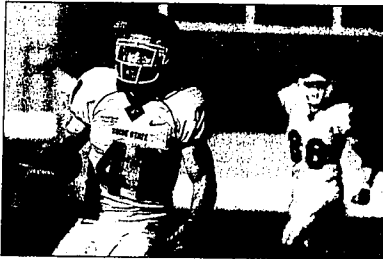
It wasn't a bad day for Tharp's teammates, either.

Ian Johnson ran for 110 yards and one of five players to score a touchdown for Boise State (9-1, 6-0 Western Athletic Conference), which has scored 80 straight points over the last two games since its opponents last scored.

The Broncos couldn't afford a sloppy victory against Utah State (0-10, 0-6) if they want to hold any hope a second straight appearance in the Bowl Championship Series. A loss to Washington in the second week of the season is the only strike against Boise State so far, but even if the Broncos win out a BCS bid might be tough to come by this season.

"Whatever comes to us in the end will be whatever we deserve," Johnson said. "If you go out seeking to impress

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ABOVE: Boise State quarterback Taylor Tharp (10) celebrates with left cornerback Jeff Crowder after Tharp threw a 38-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter against Utah State Saturday in Logan, Utah. TOP: Boise State running back Ian Johnson (41) crosses the goal line for a touchdown as teammate Shawn Blaser celebrates.

## Illinois topples No. 1 Ohio State

By Rusty Miller  
Associated Press writer

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** — Top-ranked Ohio State's national title hopes teetered on a timeout, the ball inches from a first down for Illinois.

Illini coach Ron Zook changed his mind, decided to go for it on fourth down and that was the beginning of the end for the Buckeyes' hopes of rededicating themselves in this season's national championship game.

Juce Williams provided the big plays on the ground and MORE through the ill. spurring COLLEGE the Illini to a FOOTBALL stunning 20- COVERAGE 21 victory on PAGE D4 Saturday and

th r o w i n g open the national title race for a bunch of teams that needed the Buckeyes to lose. "I know 'shock the world' is overused," Illini linebacker J Loman said. "It is pretty shocking to most people, but not to the guys in the locker room."

Marcus Thomas' interception gave Illinois the ball with 8:09 left at its own 24. And Ohio State would never get it back.

The Illini lined up to punt on a fourth-and-inches at their own 34 with 6:53 left while grasping a 20-21 lead, but Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel called timeout and Zook reconsidered after being prodded by his quarterback.

"I said, 'Coach, you don't think we can get a half an inch?'" Williams said amid the uproar of the postgame celebration. "He looked at me and got on the headset to (offensive coordinator Mike) Locksley. He (Zook) said, 'If you don't get it, I'll hurt you.' Zook remembered it differently.

"Juice said, 'I'll get you an inch,'" Zook said. "I said, 'You'd better.' Williams sneaked for the first down and twice more the



Illinois wide receiver Marcus Williams celebrates after Illinois defeated No. 1 Ohio State 28-21 Saturday in Columbus, Ohio.

converted third-and-long on quarterback draws to burn the clock.

Tressel said of the timeout, "I'd like to have that one back."

It was the first time Illinois (8-3, 5-2 Big Ten) had beaten a No. 1 since 1956, and the first time it had done it away from home. The defeat also ended a conference and school streak of 20 Big Ten wins in a row by Ohio State (10-1, 6-1).

"It's (my) last time in the Horseshoe and it's the last game I'll remember for the rest of my life," Ohio State offensive tackle Kirk Barton said.

Williams, criticized at times because of his errant passing, tossed four touchdown passes. He finished 12-of-22 passing for 140 yards and carried 16 times for 70 yards.

"The Buckeyes, who were in first place in the BCS standings and two victories away from a second consecutive trip to the national title game, became the second No. 1 to lose this season. Only Kansas and Hawaii remained unbeaten in major college football, but both played later Saturday night.

All those who doubted the Buckeyes because of what they saw in a week schedule must feel vindicated.

## Bruins soundly beat another 4A SIC foe

By Diane Philbin  
Times-News writer

After two basketball games in less than 24 hours, the Twin Falls Bruins picked up their second win in as many games after defeating the Class 4A Nampa Bulldogs 52-39 on Saturday afternoon at Baum Gymnasium.

The Bruins appeared slightly sluggish and a step short the first half and held only a seven-point lead over the Southern Idaho Conference opponent at the break. 27-20. Twin Falls coach Nancy Jones said the team "needed to have a hunger for the second half."

With floor leader and junior

guard Dovan Matkin on the bench with a knot on the head suffered in the first quarter in what was an extremely physical game played by both teams, the rest of the team got the message and picked it up.

"The other girls found a way to score, without Devan on the floor," said Jones.

By the end of the third quarter, Twin Falls had extended their lead. Please see BRUINS, Page D2

Twin Falls senior forward Amber Peterson (10) hits the ball in the key against a Nampa defender at Baum Gymnasium on Saturday.



## Wildcats earn victory in rusty opening game

By Bradley Gair  
Times-News writer

**FILER** — They barely broke 25 points by halftime, but eventually both the Filer Wildcats and the Wood River Wolverines broke in the sneakers Saturday for their first girls basketball game of the season. In this one, the Wildcats continually improved their play through the 32 minutes to win 51-28.

"We look good and feel good," first-year Filer coach Sarah Wilkin said. "We just got to get the kinks out."

Each team had its share of botched layups and airballs through the first half, but Filer worked the kinks out and increased its point production

through the second half with 36 points, quite the difference from their 15 first-half points.

"We need to work on the press breaker, but our offense ran well," Filer senior guard Hayley Ramsayer said. Ramsayer and all scorers with 16 points. Lacie Heinke, Kindee Wilson and Jill Haney followed with seven. Haney left the game midway through the fourth quarter after taking a hard fall on a jump ball. She got up from the pile favoring her right arm, but was well enough to remain on the bench. An area in which Filer did not do as well was turnovers as a falter was forced turnovers as the Wolverines lost possession more than a dozen times

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GOLF ROUNDUP

# Creamer opens up 6-stroke advantage

**MOBILE, Ala.** — For someone who thinks she needs to hit the ball farther, Paula Creamer has sure distanced herself from the pack in the Tournament of Champions. Seeking her second victory of the year and fourth in three LPGA Tour seasons, Creamer shot a 4-under 68 on Saturday to increase her lead to six strokes in the event. For tournament winners from 2004-07 and active Hall of Famers. Five strokes ahead after opening rounds of 67 and 65 at Magnolia Grove, Creamer's second straight bogey-free day pushed her to 16-under 200.



Paula Creamer waits to tee off on the No. 4 hole during the third round of play of the LPGA Tournament of Champions golf tournament Saturday in Mobile, Ala.

"I didn't hit the ball as well today as I did the other days," Creamer said. "I was kind of pulling some shots here and there. ... It's difficult when you go out there and you have such a big lead and everyone is gunning for you."

U.S. Solheim Cup teammate Pat Hurst (68) was 10 under, and Jin Joo Hong (70) followed at 9 under. Suzann Pettersen, coming off consecutive victories in South Korea under and Thailand last week, to join Annika Sorenstam (70) and Birdie Kim (66) at 8 under.

"Today was my best day," Pettersen said. "Yesterday, because of the shots, I wasn't as mentally exhausted. Everything was so quick, and I couldn't feel my body. So I tried to swing really slow. That is what I did this morning. That's what I've done all day. It feels much better now. I have to go low tomorrow."

Sorenstam is trying to win for the first time since September 2005. "It seems like Paula is playing some great golf," Sorenstam said. "I left some shots out there. I'm actually disappointed with my round today. I felt like I should have been a bit better. But again it's consistent. I'm shooting under par, so I got to take something positive out of it. But I'm far from happy."

Creamer, the Open winner in February, birdied the par-4 10th for the third straight day, chipping in after missing the green from 105 yards.

lian hit 9-irons to 2 and 11 feet to set up birdies on Nos. 5 and 12, and also birdied the 15th after hitting a 7-iron to 8 feet.

**Mickelson leads HSBC Champions by 2 strokes**  
SHANGHAI, China — Phil Mickelson is getting the hang of this travel thing very quickly.

A 35-foot birdie putt on the 15th hole and a tap-in birdie on No. 18 gave Mickelson a 4-under 68 and a two-stroke lead over Ross Fisher going into today's final round of the HSBC Champions tournament.

Known for his reluctance to play outside of the U.S., Mickelson is set to cash in on Asia's richest tournament, a \$5 million purse with \$833,300 for the winner.

On his first trip to China — and his first to Asia — Mickelson has drawn the biggest galleries, been unfailingly polite and filled the Tiger Woods void. Woods played the HSBC event last year, failed to win and is not back this time.

Mickelson is looking to return home with only his second international victory. Fisher also shot 68 on Saturday for a 12-under 204. Paul Casey carded a 66 to trail Mickelson by three.

— The Associated Press

**NFC showdown**

Dallas looks to go two games up in the NFC East on division rival Giants, winners of six in a row.

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**St. Louis at New Orleans (8-8) (4-4)**  
Not a good spot for the other wide receiver team. Saints have won four in a row after starting 0-4 and look like best team in NFC South right now.

**Cleveland at Pittsburgh (5-3) (6-2)**  
A lot of people agreed Steelers would be too team to beat in AFC North. They just didn't expect main challenger would be the Browns.

**Detroit at Arizona (6-2) (3-5)**  
Lions overlooked 00 24 in losses at Philadelphia and Washington, making teams at best. Cardinals have been disappointing so far this season.

**Dallas at N.Y. Giants (7-1) (9-2)**  
Giants have won six in a row, allowing just 79 points. Behind Tony Stewart and Terrell Owens, Dallas is second in NFL in offense and scoring.

**NFL WEEK 10**

**Atlanta at Carolina (4-4) (4-4)**  
Panthers took on the road for first time last week in Tennessee. Falcons were happy to get a win last week, beating the Jets for their second victory.

**Minnisota at Green Bay (3-5) (7-1)**  
Packers scored 17 straight points for a 33-22 victory in Kansas City last week. Adrian Peterson ran for NFL-record 296 yards in Vikings' win.

**Denver at Kansas City (3-5) (4-4)**  
Top three teams separated by one game in a weak AFC West. Chiefs are tied with the Chargers for the lead and Broncos are only a game back.

**Buffalo at Miami (4-4) (0-8)**  
With wins in four of their last five games, the Bills find themselves in the mix of the AFC playoff race. Dolphins still looking for their first win.

**Philadelphia at Washington (3-5) (5-3)**  
Redskins playing steadily in their last five games. Eagles are again injured and perhaps distracted by Andy Reid's off-field problems.

**Cincinnati at Baltimore (2-6) (4-4)**  
Bengals is showing some 32 points a game, led with wireless Miami for worst in NFL. Ravens embarrassed Monday night in Pittsburgh.

**San Francisco at Seattle (2-6) (4-4)**  
Hires keep spending money in offseason and keep Seahawks usually win at home, lose on the road and money to stay ahead of drama pack and win NFC West.

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**Chicago at Oakland (3-5) (2-8)**  
Bears seem hopelessly out of AFC North race. Going after that elusive third win. Would put Steelers on ahead of last season's total.

**Indianapolis at San Diego (4-1) (4-4)**  
Indy is still at the top of the stack, even after a 24-20 loss to Falcons. Chargers appeared headed in right direction before stumble in Minnesota.

# Cowboys make a Giant impression

**Dallas favored at Meadowlands**  
By Dave Goldberg  
Associated Press writer

Getting lines are a perception, and the perception of the Dallas Cowboys is very good these days. That's obvious from the fact that they are 1-point favorites at the Meadowlands on Sunday against the Giants, who have won six in a row and are a game behind them in the NFC East.

It's probably justified against a team whose last five victories have been over opponents with a current combined of 13-36 record. On the other hand, past New York teams have often failed to win games against teams they're supposed to beat.

"We all know that we had a good run of six games, but this is the real test for us against one of the best teams in the division, in the league," veteran receiver Amar'o Roper said. "If we want to be considered in that upper echelon in the league, this is a team we are going to have to beat to show that."

This will probably have little resemblance to the first meeting on the first Sunday night of the season. Dallas won that game 45-35, then the Giants went on to allow 35 points in a loss to Green Bay the next week. In the six wins since, they've allowed 79 points, or one point less than in the first two. New York also leads the league in sacks, getting 12 in one game against the Eagles and Donovan McNabb. They won't get 12 in this one, nor will Jason Witten, the Cowboys' tight end, go romping wide open down the middle, as he did in the first meeting when he

had six catches for 116 yards. The Cowboys were very pleased with themselves after routing the Eagles last Sunday night.

"Obviously, they've gotten better since Week 1 and so have we," Terrell Owens said of the Giants after that game. "So we can kind of solidify ourselves and separate ourselves."

Based on T.O.'s cockiness ...  
GIANTS 23-21

**Indianapolis (minus 3½) at San Diego**  
It might be letdown time for the Colts. The Chargers already let down against Adrian Peterson. But ...  
COLTS, 28-24

**Cleveland (plus 9½) at Pittsburgh**  
Another game with a division lead on the line, although the Browns are an unlikely challenger. The Steelers have outscored their opponents 122-25 in four home games. The Browns may score 26, but 122 is a little out of reach.  
STEELERS, 36-26

**San Francisco (plus 10) at Seattle (Monday night)**  
The 49ers spent a lot of money in the off-season without improving very much. Or at all.  
SEAHAWKS, 27-16

**Jackonville (off) at Tennessee**  
The "off" is for the status of Jaguars QBs David Garrard and Quinn Gray. Doesn't matter.  
TITANS, 16-10

**Minnesota (plus 6½) at Green Bay**  
Even with Adrian Peterson, the Vikings are too one dimensional for the Packers.  
PACKERS, 27-11

**Detroit (plus 1½) at Arizona**  
The Lions started as the favorite until the waning folks realized they're pretty good at home often bad on the road. But they seem to have shaken off the bad part.  
LIONS, 21-16

**St. Louis (plus 13½) at New Orleans**  
On 0-9 for the Rams.  
SAINTS, 31-3

**Buffalo (minus 3) at Miami**  
And for the Dolphins. Unless the Bills are looking ahead to the Patriots, something they're not good enough to do.  
BILLS, 19-2

**Atlanta (plus 4½) at Carolina**  
The Panthers finally lost on the road. Now they can win at home.  
PANTHERS, 24-15

**Denver (off) at Kansas City**  
Whether Broncos QB Jay Cutler plays or not ...  
CHIEFS, 22-10

**Philadelphia (plus 3) at Washington**  
Neither team is playing well right now.  
REDSKINS, 16-14

**Cincinnati (plus 4½) at Baltimore**  
Neither team (each) is playing well right now.  
RAVENS, 24-20

**Chicago (minus 3) at Oakland**  
One week, the Raiders will surpass last season's victory total. Not yet.  
BEARS, 17-7

**LAST WEEK: 8-6 (spread); 10-4 (straight up)**  
SEASON: 67-58 (spread); 86-44 (straight up)

# NFL telling officials to eject players for helmet-to-helmet hits

**NEW YORK** — The NFL has told its officiating crews to start ejecting players for flagrant helmet-to-helmet hits.

The new policy was outlined Saturday in a memo from supervisor of officials Mike Pereira, which was obtained by The Associated Press. It followed two fines last weekend for what the officiating department had determined were hits against players in defenseless positions.

One fine was against Washington Redskins safety LaRon Landry, who will forfeit a game check of \$16,764 for a helmet-to-helmet hit on New York Jets quarterback Kellen Clemens. The other was against Philadelphia defensive tackle LeJuan Ramsey, who was fined his game check of \$21,176 for spearing Dallas' Julius Jones.

Two weeks ago, San Diego cornerback Drayton Florence was fined \$15,000 for a helmet-to-helmet hit that gave Houston quarterback Matt Schaub a concussion.

"Officials will be reminded this week to pay strict attention to these rules and disqualify the fouling player if the action is judged to be flagrant," Pereira wrote in the memo sent to the 32 NFL teams. "Actions that involve flagrant helmet to helmet contact are the likely acts that will include disqualification. Our commissioner and this office remain very focused on the safety of our players."

**QB-challenged Panthers sign Olson to roster**  
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Concerned over the status of

Vinny Testaverde, the Carolina Panthers promoted quarterback Drew Olson to the 53-man roster to possibly serve as the backup in today's game against Atlanta.

If Testaverde, who has a sore right Achilles tendon, can't play against the Falcons, undrafted rookie Matt Moore would start. With David Carr (concussion) ruled out of the game, Olson would be the Panthers' only other option.

— The Associated Press

**Harrison won't play against San Diego**  
INDIANAPOLIS — Colts receiver Marvin Harrison's bruised left knee will keep him out of the team's game in San Diego on Sunday night.

Harrison didn't make the trip to San Diego on Saturday. He participated in limited practice work this week and was previously listed as questionable for the game.

Rookie receiver Anthony Gonzalez (dislocated left thumb) and offensive tackle Dan Federkirk (concussion) also did not make the trip to San Diego.

The Colts also waived defensive back T.J. Rushing.

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Today: Scattered morning showers, otherwise mostly cloudy, mostly dry and breezy. Highs middle 40s. Tonight: Mostly cloudy skies and chilly temperatures. Lows in the middle to upper 20s. Tomorrow: Partly to mostly sunny skies and near normal temperatures. Highs upper 40s, lows lower 20s.

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BOISE Scattered morning showers with this afternoon being cool and partly to mostly cloudy. Cool and mostly sunny for Monday. Turning cooler with developing showers on Tuesday and Wednesday.

NORTHERN UTAH Light rain and snow showers are possible for much of today. Tonight will become mostly dry, and Monday will be cool, dry and breezy.



Weather key: L: Light rain; S: Snow; H: Heavy snow; M: Moderate rain; B: Breezy; W: Windy; C: Chilly; D: Drizzle; O: Overcast; P: Partly cloudy; M: Mostly cloudy; N: No precipitation.

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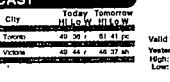
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



FRONT AND WEATHER KEY



Friendship intact for Gordon, Johnson

AVONDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Searching for an escape from their race to the Nextel Cup title, teammates Jimmie Johnson and Jeff Gordon headed to Mexico for a little rest and relaxation.

Both championship contenders planned to use their short — and separate — vacations to recharge before heading to Phoenix 500 Raceway and resume their title chase.

Racing, and the tense battle between two good friends, was the farthest thing from their minds. They never expected to run into each other, but did when Gordon spotted Johnson having lunch.

'We're sitting at a beach bar, relaxing and having a fun lunch and in the door walk in Jeff Gordon and Jimmie Johnson, who was coming off of last Sunday's win at Texas. "We're like 'We're all the way down here and what are the chances of running into each other in this little tiny beach bar?' It was quite funny," Gordon said the conversation was light.

'It wasn't like we sat down and reminiscenced about his win in Texas," Gordon joked. "I congratulated him again, said 'Hello' and talked." Then they went their separate ways, coming together again in Phoenix for what could be a critical race in their title hunts.

Johnson, the defending Nextel Cup champion, takes a 30-point lead over Gordon in today's race and starts sixth. Gordon, the four-time series champion, starts third. Neither driver is outstanding in the desert, with Gordon's win here in April his first in 17 career starts. Johnson was a career-best second in this race last year.

Busch wins Busch race

AVONDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Kyle Busch's run of bad luck officially ended Saturday at Phoenix International Raceway.

Busch followed his Friday night Truck Series win with a victory Saturday in the Busch Series, giving him a chance Sunday in the Nextel Cup event to become the first driver to sweep all three of NASCAR's national series at the same track on the same weekend.

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## Pakistan's Musharraf flouts US with no consequences, but may lose power

By Anne Geagan  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Pakistan's military leader is betting that having flouted strong U.S. warnings not to declare a state of emergency he can now hold off his patron's plans for a quick return to constitutional rule and go on banking billions in American anti-terrorism aid.

### News Analysis

President Gen. Pervez Musharraf is probably right for now. But the stronger triumph may be short-lived. Some of Musharraf's backers in Washington quietly agree with his political opponents at home that he cannot hold power for long.

A week after imposing the equivalent of martial law, Musharraf remains in control of nuclear-armed Pakistan. His U.S. allies watched in distaste as protesters were bloodied and political rival Benazir Bhutto was confined to her home.

A shrewd leader who has maneuvered out of tough spots before, Musharraf may find a way to tamp down internal resistance, offer the West sufficient democratic concessions and stay on. That would be a relief to many in the Bush administration who see few good alternatives to a continued bargain with a leader pledged to fight extremism and keep nuclear weapons under effective lock.

If Musharraf has miscalculated, he may be swamped by the mounting political opposition at home or sidelined by his own cronies in the military leadership. Pakistan's army is widely considered the country's real power base, and Musharraf's fate probably has as much or more to do with the generals' calculations as it does with voters in any election.

U.S. spokesmen and President Bush himself have



Opposition leader Benazir Bhutto, center, and her supporters try to push their way through a police barbed wire barricade outside her home in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Friday.

delivered only mild public rebukes to the army leader who hopes that the man who came to power in a bloodless coup in 1999 can find a political compromise.

The Bush administration hopes tensions and street protests subside, avoiding massive unrest in a nation on the fulcrum of the U.S. effort to fight terrorism and extremism in the Muslim world. U.S. officials do not rule out a revival of a U.S. and British proposal for Musharraf to share power with Bhutto, a former prime minister who returned to Pakistan after Musharraf's Saturday declaration.

Sensitive to the perception that the United States is dancing to one man's tune, the Bush administration has started referring broadly to "the Pakistani leadership" and contacting other senior

military leaders. The back-channel contacts include some who may have pull with Musharraf or even pose an alternative to his rule.

"We join the people of Pakistan in their continued concern about the state of emergency and curtailment of basic freedoms," White House spokesman Gordon Johndroe said Friday. "We urge Pakistan's authorities quickly to return to constitutional order and democratic norms."

Johndroe said the wording was "absolutely not" an indication that the United States is giving up hope that Musharraf will heed the U.S. advice.

"Our position is clear to him and to everyone in Pakistan," Johndroe said. "But I would also say there are a lot more people involved on the ground than

just one person, and the point is that all of those people need to work together. There needs to be a dialogue among all the various political parties, and that is the best way to end this situation."

Other U.S. officials have pointed approvingly at Gen. Ashfaq Kayani, Musharraf's designated successor as army chief.

U.S. relief, Musharraf has pledged to hold elections early next year. There's no guarantee he will do so, nor that he will follow through on a list of other U.S. demands including that he give up his post as head of the army and govern as a civilian.

Bush had a blunt talk with Musharraf on Wednesday, but officials including Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice have indicated it is unlikely that the

U.S. will make any significant cuts in the mostly military aid that flows to Pakistan. The total since 2001 — when Musharraf aligned with the U.S. after the Sept. 11 attacks; nearly \$10 billion with another \$845 million requested for this fiscal year.

Musharraf relies on the money in part to improve his own standing, but the basis of his aid — his alliance with the United States — threatens his power as well and is broadly unpopular in Pakistan.

"I think it's possible that in the very near term he stays, but if you look out over the next six months I think it becomes very hard to see how he's going to do it," said Craig Cohen of Washington's Center for Strategic and International Studies, who co-wrote a study of U.S. aid to Pakistan this year.

## FEMA press sec'y directed fake news briefing, inquiry finds

By Spencer S. Hsu  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — An internal investigation into a fake news conference staged by the Federal Emergency Management Agency during last month's California wildfires found that the agency's press secretary directed aides to pose as reporters, secretly coached them during the briefing and ended the event after a final, scripted question was asked, according to a senior FEMA official.

The inquiry was completed Monday, left several unanswered questions. It could not corroborate accounts that the agency's No. 2 official, Harshey E. Johnson Jr., was told before he led the Oct. 23 briefing that FEMA staff members would pose questions.

Nor did the inquiry fully explain the event's rushed timing. FEMA announced the news conference at its Southwest Washington headquarters about 15 minutes before it was to begin at 1 p.m., making it unlikely that reporters could attend. None did, and real reporters listening on a telephone conference line were barred from asking questions.

FEMA officials hurriedly went ahead with the event, and Johnson, who was live on some cable news channels, responded as far better than his reaction to Hurricane Katrina in August 2005.

The review "found nothing that suggests FEMA had premeditated intent to deceive the media or to publicize," said FEMA's acting director of external affairs, Bruce Knucke, who conducted the inquiry. "As an aside, the content of the press event was accurate," Knucke said Wednesday night. "It is obvious that there was a significant lack of leadership within FEMA's external affairs."

In an interview, FEMA Administrator IT David Paulsson said the agency's press secretary, Andrea Walker, resigned at his request, effective Dec. 7. Walker is the second top FEMA communications aide and a former aide to FEMA's director of external affairs at the time, John "Pat" Phillips, to serve as his office's director of public affairs.

Paulsson said he did not expect additional disciplinary action but would reorganize and retain the agency's 90-member external affairs staff.

He said he never career people. They should have stepped up, and said something, they really should have. But their bosses said 'Do this,' and they did it — some reluctantly. I think there's no excuse for that," Paulsson said. He called the impact on FEMA's credibility "devastating."

A senior FEMA official declined the investigation's findings but spoke on the condition of anonymity and, citing information about personnel.

According to the review, Phillips was told around 11:50 a.m. to hold a briefing, that afternoon and instructed Walker minutes later to do so at 1 p.m., but that there is no clear explanation for why that time was chosen. It was 12:43 p.m. before aides worked out details and notified reporters.

## To mark 150 years, history will go on tour

By Linda Wheeler  
Special to The Washington Post

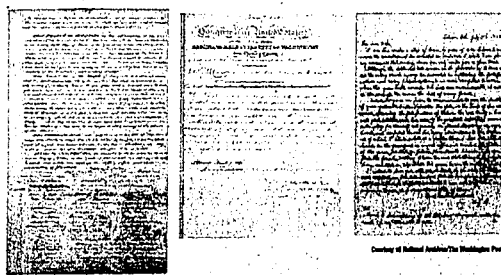
The National Archives will join states, counties, cities and towns to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War with a major new traveling exhibit titled "Discovering the Civil War" that will include original war-related documents.

The Archives is the repository for all official government documents and a treasure chest of unseen Civil War documents.

The announcement was made last month to several local Civil War roundtables, whose members were shown some of the documents that will be exhibited first in Washington, beginning in late 2009. The Archives is framing the exhibit by including original documents to the war — John Brown's attack on the federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry — and for several years after it ended.

However, the intention is not to tell the comprehensive and definitive history of the war but to share with the public a Civil War that is still being explored. Nor will the exhibit attempt to answer the controversies that swirl around the war but rather it will seek to help visitors understand that historians and others hold multiple points of view about the war, according to the Archives.

Marvin Pinkert, executive director of the Center, for the



The National Archives will join states, counties, cities and towns to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War with a major new traveling exhibit titled "Discovering the Civil War." Original war-related documents to be displayed will include, from left, the Virginia Ordinance of Secession, the ratified 13th Amendment and a Union-confiscated letter from a surgeon in the 10th Missouri Infantry to "My Dear Wife."

National Archives' experience, said the 6,000-square-foot exhibit will include Virginia's Secession Act — the document sent to Washington to notify the government of the state's break with the union — and a letter sent to the emperor of China, thanking him for barring Confederate ships from his ports.

Also included in the exhibit will be two 13th Amendments; the earlier one is sometimes called the "Mississippi amendment." On March 2, 1861, Congress passed a constitutional amendment that would forbid any attempt to subse-

quently amend the Constitution to empower the federal government to abolish the institution of slavery. It was never ratified. The second 13th Amendment, abolishing slavery, was passed by Congress on Jan. 31, 1865 — before the war had ended — and was ratified Dec. 6, 1865.

"We are looking for a geographic distribution of the exhibit in major cities with a large potential audience," Pinkert said. "The fee will be \$250,000, but there is much more needed than that money. We have to be assured, the institution can handle original documents with the right light and

humidity control and security arrangements."

He said museums cannot charge for the exhibit but are expected to cover additional costs through audio tour rentals and an increase in the number of general admission sales.

"We have had discussions about how to reach the smaller museums and make them a part of the exhibit," he said. "We'd love to be able to loan a part of the exhibit on specific topics such as emancipation or reconstruction to say, a civil rights museum. The entire exhibit is a collection of parts, and each part has value."

### Civil War events

• Gettysburg, Pa., Nov. 17. On East Cemetery Hill at the Hancock equestrian statue, the annual U.S. Hancock Society tribute to Union Maj. Gen. W.S. Hancock, with society historian Bryce Stocking speaking on "Hancock, the Candidate" and a bagpipe solo. Free. 610-630-0912 or www.wshancockssociety.org.

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# Cotton subsidies in '07 farm bill prompt global trade concerns

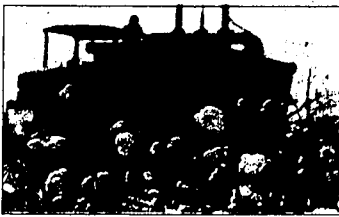
By Saracoe Burke  
Associated Press writer

**FIREBAUGH, Calif.** — Growing cotton has rarely been a more risky proposition than it is now, which is precisely why cotton farmer Frank Williams is planning to sow his fields with wheat.

From Williams' California fields to the Texas plains, farmers are plowing under cotton — once the king of U.S. agriculture — to seed crops that make more money. Cotton also has lost ground for another reason that became apparent this week as the Senate debated the 2007 farm bill: the United States' cotton subsidy program is enmeshed in a global trade battle.

Last month, the World Trade Organization ruled subsidies handed out to American cotton farmers broke international trade laws, opening the door for foreign countries to levy billions of dollars in penalties against the U.S.

The current bill on the Senate floor leaves these pro-



A cotton harvester is seen behind a group of cotton bales in October 2004 in Tranquility, Calif.

grams virtually intact, despite the threat of further legal complaints and concerns that international sanctions ultimately could cause layoffs and patchy unemployment. Monday, the Bush administration threatened to veto the multibillion-dollar farm package wholesale, saying the Senate bill would impair negotiations with the WTO.

For Williams, that risk, coupled with predicted water shortages, is too much to

bear. "We can probably do just as well growing grain with just the same amount of water or less," said Williams, 56, who will uproot all the downy upland cotton he grows in Firebaugh, along the Central Valley's western edge, leaving in only an organic variety. "It's just not worth it."

This year, cotton acreage nationwide dropped by about 29 percent, hitting a 22-year low at 10.8 million acres, according to the U.S.

Department of Agriculture. Acreage dropped by about 23 percent in Texas, the national leader, and by 19 percent in California, which ranks fourth in domestic production.

The sharpest declines were in the Southeast and Mississippi Delta regions, where drought has parched fields that grew the crop since before the Civil War.

In Central California, where farmers rely on irrigation pumps to water their furrows, a recent court ruling limiting water pumping to protect a threatened fish species could cut water supplies by as much as two-thirds next planting season.

"There's a lot of worry in the California cotton industry generally, and any assault like this comes at a very difficult time," said Jack King, national public affairs manager for the California Farm Bureau Federation.

As textile mills moved offshore over the last decade to set up shop where labor costs are cheaper, the market for U.S. cotton also shifted

abroad. Producers now ship 70 percent of their bales to foreign markets, often to mills and spinners in India, Pakistan and China.

That means domestic subsidy programs are increasing-

ly prone to international scrutiny. In 2003, bitter arguments over U.S. farm support programs, including cotton subsidies, contributed to the collapse of world trade talks in Cancun, Mexico.

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## Nampa detective uses art to combat crime

By Kendall Murrant  
Idaho Press-Tribune

**NAMPA (AP)** — Lifelike images cover the cubicle of Matt Tucker, a child abuse and sex crimes detective for the Canyon County Sheriff's Office.

Over his computer hangs a picture of a carsworn man with bright eyebrows. To the right, an incredibly detailed image of an elephant.

But these are not photographs. They are Tucker originals.

"The detective didn't discover his gift until his last year of high school."

"I needed a humanities credit to graduate, and a drawing class was the only thing that fit my schedule," Tucker recalled.

His first portrait was of a man named Ivan, Thomas, who then lived in a Caldwell assisted living home. The black-and-white pencil drawing is extremely lifelike and detailed, and looks nothing like a first attempt.

"I gave it to my mom so I wouldn't sell it," Tucker said.

From that class on, Tucker knew art would be a lifelong passion. But earning a living through his art was more than a challenge.

After a brief stint at The College of Idaho, Tucker joined the Air Force for six years, then worked in construction. Though he continued to draw, artistic money was slim.

"By that time, I had a family to support," the detective said. "I had basic, everyday needs, like supporting a family and paying for a house. I

wouldn't give up my family for anything, and I wasn't going to make them eat Top Ramen and mac and cheese while I tried to get discovered."

Through a family connection, Tucker took an interest in becoming a law officer, a position which he has held for the past seven years.

In 2001, he was given an opportunity to apply his artistic talent in the workplace.

"Somebody that knew (about my artwork) suggested that I put in for composite sketch training," Tucker said. Four classes and two certifications later, Tucker earned a national seal of approval to draw the faces of police suspects, and could even testify about them in court.

Although Tucker has artistic ability and know-how that he brings to the sketches, he doesn't consider them art. "Really, anybody could do a composite sketch. I'm not creating a piece of artwork; this is forensics," Tucker said.

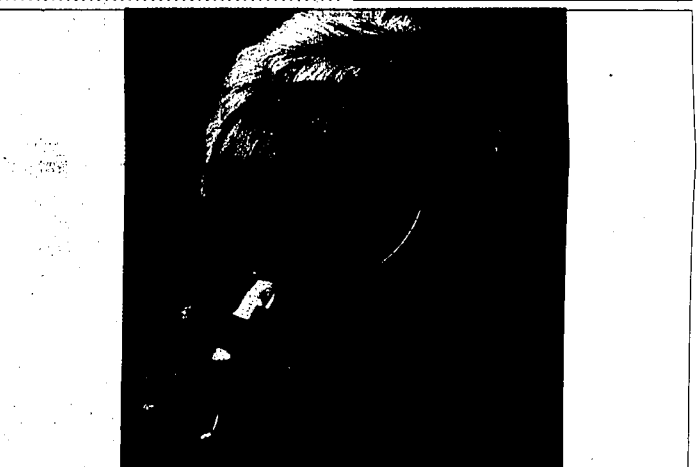
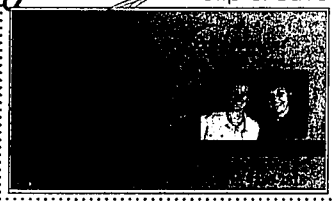
As opposed to his personal illustrations, Tucker said composite sketches are meant simply to recreate a victim's interpretation of a suspect.

"Only the victim knows what the suspect looks like. I can't argue with them about what the person does or doesn't look like," Tucker said. "It's important not to have my artistic pride get in the way."

As an artist, "I can add in shading on the temples, around the (throat) because of my experience and studying the bone structure," Tucker said.

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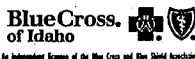


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# Officials say biologist probably died of plague

By Jacques Ellwood  
Associated Press writer

PHOENIX — A wildlife biologist at Grand Canyon National Park most likely died from the plague contracted while performing an autopsy on a mountain lion that later tested positive for the disease, officials said Friday.

The death of 37-year-old Eric York last week triggered a health scare that led to 49 people who had contact with him being given antibiotics as a precaution. None have shown symptoms of the sometimes-fatal disease.

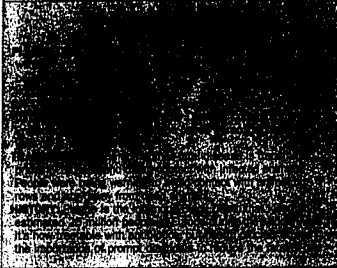
York, who worked in the park's cougar collaring program, became ill on Oct. 30 and called in sick for a couple of days before being found dead in his home on Nov. 2. Testing after his death was positive for the plague.

The biologist had skinned the lion and was exposed to its internal organs during the autopsy, he put on a mask three days before developing symptoms, said David Wong, an epidemiologist for the U.S. Public Health Service.

The cougar, which had died from the plague, was believed to have remained in back-country areas where park visitors wouldn't normally go, officials said.

York, whose family lives in Massachusetts, had worked in the Grand Canyon for two years. He had worked previously for state parks in California and had traveled to Nepal, Chile and Pakistan to work with protected animals.

The National Park Service is



Eric York, 37, is seen in this undated photo provided by the Grand Canyon National Park. A wildlife biologist at Grand Canyon National Park, York most likely died from the plague contracted while performing an autopsy on a mountain lion that tested positive for the disease, officials said Friday.

planning to review its safety guidelines for wildlife biologists and make possible recommendations for improvements.

Park Superintendent Steve Martin said authorities were examining whether the guidelines were followed in York's case.

Health officials in Arizona warned in September that the plague appeared to be on the rise and that more cases were likely after an Apache County woman was infected with the disease.

That case, the first human infection reported in Arizona since 2000, followed the discovery of an outbreak of the disease in prairie dogs in the Redstuff in August.

Arizona health officials have been wary about a plague outbreak because of greater activity in New Mexico and other nearby states in the past year. In New Mexico, the plague caused the death of a

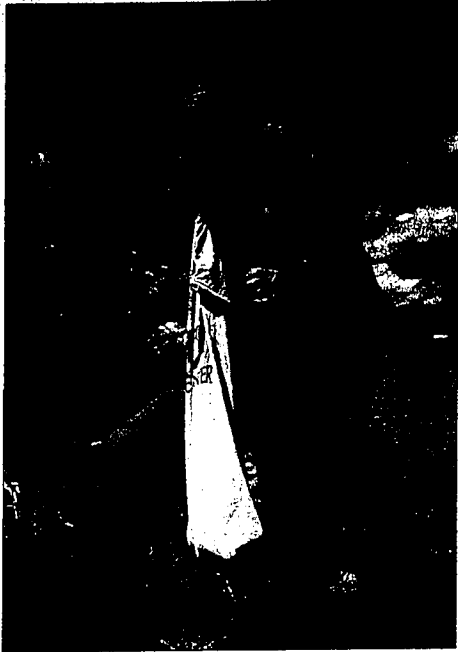
3-year-old boy in June. The disease is endemic to the Southwest.

An average of 13 plague cases are reported in the United States each year. Fourteen percent of cases are fatal, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

While Arizona health officials say the disease appears to be on the rise in the state, CDC spokeswoman Lora Russel said plague cases haven't increased this year on a national level.

Plague is transmitted primarily by fleas and direct contact with infected animals. When the disease causes pneumonia, it can be transmitted from an infected person to a non-infected person by airborne cough droplets.

People were being warned to avoid contact with animal burrows and stay away from dead animals.



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AP photo

## For Boise rocket society, the sky was the limit

By Tim Woodward  
Idaho Statesman

BOISE — High on a hill overlooking the city of his youth, Gary Bennett searched for a weathered concrete pad and remnants of a model rocket from Flash Gordon and the Boise Rocket Research Society.

"I have to credit my grandmother and the Flash Gordon comics. It kind of was a kid for my interest in space," he said. "When my grandmother told me that stars were suns, my universe expanded. And Flash Gordon was able to travel to the stars. We needed better propulsion to do that, and I figured that would be the rocket society's contribution. As if a bunch of teenagers from a town of 35,000 would be the ones to invent it."

Former member L.J. Davis recalls the society as "an all-male organization of adolescent geeks."

Society members, however, went on to distinguish themselves in scientific and technical careers. Bennett earned a doctoral degree in nuclear physics. He helped develop power systems for the Voyager. Galileo and other spacecraft managed advanced power and propulsion systems for NASA.

His and his cronies' halcyon days of amateur rocketeering in Boise of the 1950s, complete with basement explosions, rockets run amok and scenes straight out of "October Sky" were their launching pad to life. The concrete pad he was

unsuccessfully looking for was on a ridge then known as Ham Hill. Ham radio operators went there for good reception. It also was an ideal place for viewing the night sky, which was why the teenage members of the fledgling rocket society chose it as their "Operation Moonwatch" site. Bennett and other society members poured its 80-foot concrete pad to serve as a base for satellite viewing.

The year was 1957. The space race with the Soviet Union was in its infancy, and Americans were captivated by anything having to do with space. It was an age of primitive rockets, sci-fi movies and epidemic flying-saucer sightings.

Operation Moonwatch was a Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory program in which ordinary citizens were trained to watch for satellites and help track their orbits. Though none had actually been launched yet, the very idea of satellites was of intense interest to science junkies such as the 26 young men who comprised the rocket society.

"We were supposed to look through binoculars and call out when a satellite went through the cross hairs formed by a vertical pole we'd put up with a cross piece on it," Bennett said. "Then we'd telegram the Smithsonian with the information. We didn't have cell phones then, but we knew they were coming from reading Dick Tracy."

The satellite program

was established to watch for was Vanguard I, the first American satellite. No one saw the competition coming.

"We got a wake-up call when the Russians beat us into space by sending up Sputnik."

Bennett and three other members of the society met that night and listened to Sputnik's droning beep on a console radio. They ended up spending more time tracking Soviet satellites than American ones.

But it was rockets, not satellites, that took most of their time and kept their parents awake nights. Their most successful flight rose about 1,000 feet above the desert between Boise and Mountain Home. Its descent was briefly terrifying.

"It launched so rapidly that we lost track of it immediately," former society member Bill Nutt recalled. "When we came out from behind our launch barricade — I think it was a pickup truck — we heard it coming down. We'd shot it virtually straight up. It was coming right back down at us at a

very high rate of speed and no one could see it!"

Some serious scrambling kept the rocket from hitting anyone, which was fortunate because it hurtled to Earth so forcefully and buried itself so deeply that it was never found.

Now a part-time consultant with a doctorate in theoretical nuclear physics, Nutt worryingly said that experiment's "obvious success" encouraged the group to build a larger version of the same rocket.

"But this time, instead of an instantaneous burst of power, it sort of sprayed and dribbled fire like some fireworks display," he said. "It did this for about five seconds, then blew up."

To the understandable alarm of a stunned herder, the rocket's nose came to rest in a band of sheep.

"We left with the picture in mind of the shepherd minding his sheep in a quiet, isolated part of the desert, looking up to see a flaming, smoking front half of a rocket come over a nearby hill and crash," Nutt said. "It was sort of satisfying from a sci-fi viewpoint."

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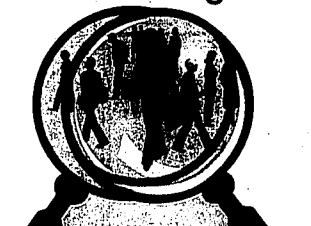
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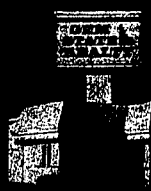
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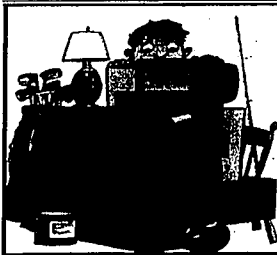
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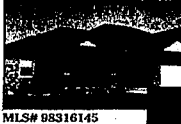
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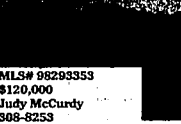
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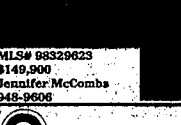
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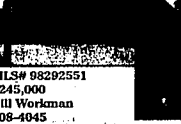
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 5. Border Collie cross, black and white male, young adult, 5 Point Trailer Court Blue Lakas & Kimberly Road.  
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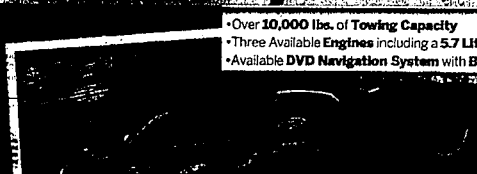
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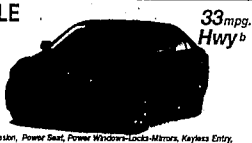
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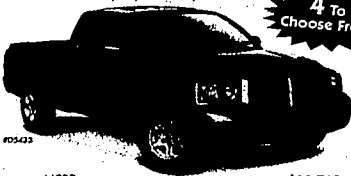
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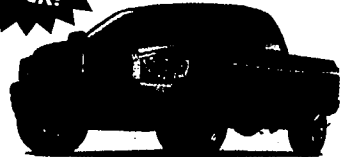
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## Special Edition: Your wedding guide

# BRIDE ON A BUDGET

**By Melissa Davlin**  
Times-News writer

The happiest day of your life doesn't have to put you in debt.

With the average wedding costing over \$20,000, it's no wonder many brides and grooms are looking for alternatives to lavish celebrations. But with a little creativity, newlyweds can enjoy a fabulous wedding without worrying about the cost.

To get you started, we've shopped around for a few deals from Twin Falls vendors.

Thinking outside the tulle-and-taffeta box can save hundreds of dollars.

Consider renting a dress instead of buying one, or look at white dresses outside of the wedding industry.

Several evening gowns and bridesmaid dresses can be ordered in white or ivory and are just as tasteful and stylish as their frilly bridal counterparts.

Also, don't forget to look at discounted and discontinued wedding gowns.

"There was a bride in this morning who was able to find one off the (discount) rack for \$100," said Judy Cummins of Hart's Tux and Gowns in Twin Falls.

Exercise your DIY skills and make your own centerpieces.

Elaborate floral arrangements can cost hundreds of dollars, but simple decorations can be just as striking and can be created with materials from local craft stores for a fraction of the cost.

Stick to your budget. John Boyer of Boyer Jewelry in Twin Falls said couples shouldn't be afraid to approach vendors with a fixed price in mind.

"If you're on a budget, we'll work with you," he said.

Most importantly, remember that guests aren't coming for the flower arrangements and Jordan almonds. They're coming to share in your happiness.

And that doesn't cost a dime.

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Linda Nebeker from Hart's Tux and Gowns discusses wedding trends on [mag/oval-loy.com](http://mag/oval-loy.com).



**LEFT:** Chloe Rowland, 2, dances at a Twin Falls wedding in October. It's possible to have great memories — but not debt — linger after your happy day.

**BELOW:** This simple centerpiece — constructed from a candle, hurricane glass, decorative marbles and silk flowers that cost about \$10 at Michaels — takes less than five minutes to assemble.

### RESTAURANT RECEPTION FOR 30

Unimpressed by the pomp and circumstance surrounding most weddings? Forget the showy ceremony, grab your groom and exchange rings from Zales at the courthouse.

Invite your closest friends and family — with invitations from Zurchers — to an intimate dinner that evening at The Garden. The \$150 to rent the banquet room goes toward the cost of food. Fancy up the room with a couple of floral centerpieces from Absolutely Flowers.

Instead of buying a wedding dress, choose a nice new outfit at Macy's for \$100. You'll still look glamorous and, unlike most bridal gowns, you'll be able to wear it again.

centerpieces	\$300
dinner	\$330
drinks	\$300
rings	\$400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,758</b>

### CANYON CELEBRATION FOR 100

Want a big bash with all your friends and family, but don't want a big bill to match? Take advantage of Twin Falls' beautiful scenery by getting married in Centennial Waterfront Park.

No need to hire a florist for this party. Grab a bouquet from a grocery store on the way to the ceremony. Save money on decorations, and let guests enjoy the canyon's natural beauty. The casual atmosphere calls for casual clothes. Check out the Alfred Angelo Destiny collection at

Christie's Dress Shoppe for some short, stylish gowns that are appropriate for an outdoor party and extremely affordable. You'll look great, and relaxed, in photographs by Enterprise Photos. Exchange simple wedding bands from Zales.

After the ceremony, fire up the grill — from Barry Equipment and Rental — for a barbecue reception. Sweet talk some friends into grilling up Costco Wholesale hamburgers and hot dogs, and enjoy the rest of your casual day.

chair rental	\$80
flowers	\$15
hamburgers	\$38
hats	\$40
salads	\$53
sofa	\$42
paper products	\$35
photographer	\$508

### DIY PARTY FOR 50

Rent Buhl's Eighth Street Center for the day and use it for both the ceremony and reception. Chairs and tables are included, making it a fantastic deal for only \$500.

Get a discount dress and a rental tux from Hart's Tux and Gowns. Stop by Boyer Jewelry for a simple wedding band for him and consider a custom pair of earrings instead of a ring for her. snag a photo bargain from Deb's Dynamic Images, and limit your flowers to a bouquet and two centerpieces from Fox Floral.

Save some money on decorations, favors and invitations and do them yourself with supplies from Michaels and OfficeMax. Instead of hiring a DJ, burn your own playlist onto a CD and use the Eighth Street Center's audio system for your ceremony and reception music. Have a dessert reception with treats from The Cookie Basket instead of an expensive sit-down meal.

photography	\$300
tux rental	\$50
dessert	\$500
venue	\$500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,050</b>

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## What women want: Engagement rings with personality

By Samantha Orlichel  
Associated Press writer

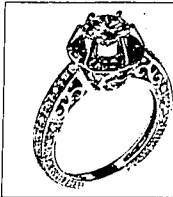
NEW YORK — Once upon a time, when a man proposed, he gave a woman a shiny solitaire diamond engagement ring. It was the standard. It's probably what her friends had and she was eager to join the club.

Fast forward to 2007: It's now the norm for a woman to influence what her engagement ring will look like — if not to pick it out herself, says Mary Moses Kinney, director of the Independent Jewelers Organization.

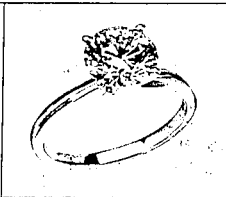
The result is bigger stones, nontraditional settings and some rings that forgo the diamond altogether.

"Size matters," says Millie Martini Bratten, editorial director of the Conde Nast Bridal Group. "People love a big sparkly ring, especially coming from the person they love most in the world."

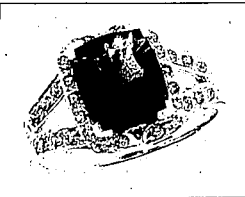
Moses Kinney thinks the larger rocks are being driven by two things: Women aren't shy about asking for what they want, and, because couples are getting together a bit older, they typically have



An 'Athens' ring, a vintage-style semi-mount with 18-karat pink and white gold filigree scroll band.



A 'Forever 10' solitaire diamond engagement ring. While solitaires were once the standard, it's now the norm for a woman to influence what her engagement ring will look like.



A 'Majesty' ring, a 14-karat white gold concave-cut cushion amethyst ring with diamond accents.

more money to spend.

The older bride also has had more time to carve out her personal style. "Women want personality in their ring. They want to make an emotional statement with the ring. They want it to reflect who they are," says Moses Kinney.

The groom, Bratten says, is left to his own devices, would probably still go for a classic solitaire because that's what he thinks an engagement

ring looks like. But he's rarely left to his own devices.

Usually, she says, "He will take his fiancée to the store and let her point out shapes she likes — the shape is the priority — and settings. She'll drop hints whether she likes gold, platinum or white gold."

The Diamond Trading Co., the sales and marketing arm of De Beers, recently interviewed 10,000 U.S. couples on their purchasing behavior

for diamond gifts: Only 19 percent fit the conventional image of a man presenting a woman with a surprise diamond. Thirty percent of diamond purchases were by women called "assertives" — those unafraid of making their views known early. Many went so far as to buy the item, wrap it and hand their partner the receipt.

If a man is a little more old-fashioned and does want the engagement ring to be a sur-

prise, he still rarely goes into a jewelry store without doing his homework.

He may have noticed what kind of ring his girlfriend's mother has or if his intended has commented about a friend's ring, says Bratten, also editor in chief of Brides magazine.

At the very least, he probably has done a little price research to try to get the most sparkle for his buck. He also might ask other brides-

to-be about their rings.

"We do get on occasion groups on our site asking other brides for ideas about the ring. The other brides completely get into it. They'll ask, 'What's she like?' What does her other jewelry look like?" What's the lifestyle? reports Theresa DiMasi, editor in chief of Brides.com.

It's really in everyone's best interest to make sure the bride gets a ring she loves, DiMasi says. "She wears it for many, many years. It's not like the dress that you wear for one day."

Over the years, brides have moved away from yellow gold, both for engagement and wedding bands, in favor of platinum, which they consider more wardrobe-friendly, DiMasi observes. Men, she says, still tend to want gold.

The price of platinum, however, has shot up because of increased demand, and couples are again interested in gold — yellow, white and rose-tinted.

"Rose gold is pretty, new and trendy," according to Brides' Bratten. "It looks good on many skin tones."

# Trend toward adventurous weddings includes ones on landmark London Ferris wheel

By Beth Gardner  
For The Associated Press

LONDON — Wendy Glover was joking when she suggested to her avid-of-heights fiancé, Simon, that they say their vows on the London Eye, the landmark Ferris wheel across the River Thames from the Houses of Parliament.

"Straightaway, I said, yeah, that would be a fantastic idea, as long as I could go on it first to make sure I was OK," Simon Glover said.

They're one of about 250 couples who have married on the Eye, a modern London icon since it opened as part of the city's millennium celebrations. The local registrar's office provides an officiant, who begins the ceremony as soon as the couple and guests — up to 25 people — step into their transparent, enclosed capsule for the 30-minute ride around.

At the top, 420 feet above London, the two are pronounced husband and wife. There's time for champagne and a little celebrating before the return to solid ground.

An unusual venue is an increasingly popular way to add spice to a wedding. Modern nuptials have been performed on mountaintops and glaciers, on skis, underwater (in scuba gear), on sandbars, while skydiving or on safari.

For Americans, celebrations far from home are the biggest wedding trend of the past two decades, said Cathy Honey, editor of the Web site The Knot.com. Europe is increasingly popular, she said, boosted by celebrity weddings like Madonna's 2000 affair in the Scottish Highlands, and Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes' extravaganza near Rome last year.

The Caribbean is the biggest destination for American couples looking to say "I do" overseas, followed by Italy, Honey said. Britain is also popular, particularly for traditional ceremonies in scenic countryside locales like the Cotswolds.

"Couples are desperate for ways to make their wedding that little bit different, to have it have a personality," she said. "Getting married in

Wendy and Simon Glover, after their wedding at the London Eye observation wheel in 2006.



a far-off location or up in the sky is just that — something very memorable. It's a personal stamp and it will get you talked about."

The Glovers said that because they're not religious, they knew a church wedding wasn't for them. And since they were living in Cairo until a month before their big day, in May 2006, they wanted someplace that would help them organize the event, which the Eye does.

"We're not particularly conventional people," said Wendy Glover, 28, who works for a communications company.

"Getting married in a hotel, or a registry office, it just wasn't for us. Once we'd

seen (the London Eye), it kind of grew in our imagination and it became a fantastic idea."

Some guests were a little nervous boarding the Eye's capsule, which was festooned with flowers. But because each pod is enclosed and moves slowly, there's little sensation of height — just amazing views, with Big Ben across the river, St. Paul's Cathedral and the tower of the Tate Modern museum a little farther down, and, on a really clear day, even Windsor Castle, about 20 miles away.

"For Londoners and people who have taken London into their hearts, it's quite breathtaking," said Liz Edwards, a spokeswoman



Superintendent Registrar Richard Edwards, right, performs the marriage of Wendy and Simon Glover, left, aboard a capsule on the London Eye observation wheel in London in May 2006. Sister of the bride and maid of honor Natalie Tomany is also pictured.

for the Eye, which is run by British Airways.

Eye staff can prepare one of the capsules for a wedding in only a minute or two, cleaning it out hurriedly when visitors from the previous go-round step off, and then draping flowers, usually white, along the inside railings.

Visitors waiting in line for a ride invariably cheer the bride and groom as they make their way to the wheel.

"I was worried about maybe feeling a little bit strange walking through a very busy public area in my full outfit, but because we all walked together it didn't feel strange at all. It was actually a special part of the day," said Wendy Glover.

An Eye wedding costs

1,700 pounds — about \$3,370 — on a weekday, or 2,000 pounds — about \$3,960 — on weekends.

British law requires seven days of residency for those wanting to marry, so Americans hoping to wed on the Eye may have to plan an extended stay, or a separate visit ahead of their wedding. They must also obtain a special visa.

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## Ceremony's over, time to change gowns?

By Janet Frankston Lorin  
Associated Press writer

**NEW YORK** — Melania Trump did it. So did rock star Avril Lavigne, with designs by Vera Wang.

Now, some regular women are following suit, deciding that one dress isn't enough for their wedding day. They want princess-like ball gowns as well as sexier sheaths for the party that they can dance in.

For her April wedding in Palm Beach, Fla., Kathy Reilly wore a sweet, flowing gown for an afternoon ceremony and a sleek number for the party that evening. "It's an overwhelming choice to try to narrow it down to one," said Reilly, 42, a consultant to luxury brands who lives in Manhattan.

On the other hand, "It's certainly a big deal to purchase two dresses and get them altered and pressed. It's a big economic consideration."

Maybe not for Trump, whose Vera Wang and Christian Dior dresses were featured in Vogue, or Lavigne, who wore an ivory strapless tissue organza gown with wrapped bodice and applique lace beaded skirt, and then an ivory strapless draped Chantilly lace dress.

Still, brides say they like the idea of a second dress for comfort, to display another side of their personality and, of course, for show. The trend could have a big impact on the wedding industry, always looking to



Kathy Reilly in her wedding gown at Saint Ann Catholic Church prior to her April 28 wedding in West Palm Beach, Fla.

create new revenue streams.

And it's not only those aiming for the fashion stratosphere who opt for two dresses.

Some brides want to wear vintage gowns worn by their mothers or grandmothers, then emerge in their own dress later. Others seek to blend different cultures, changing from a traditional white gown, say, into

Chinese or Indian bridal attire.

Mark Ingram, who runs the Bridal Atelier on Manhattan's East Side, said he began noticing women buying a second wedding dress about two years ago.

"As the primary dress is becoming a little bit more elaborate, they wanted to change into something slinkier or shorter or sexier,



Kathy Reilly in her evening gown prior to the reception at The Breakers resort.

that they could really party in," she said.

He said the first dress may conform to a parent's or fiancé's wishes.

"The second dress is more of a statement of who they are, as a young independent woman getting married."

Reilly wore a \$7,000 backless silk taffeta designed by Amsale for her ceremony. With thin straps, a fitted

bodice and a bubble skirt, it was more bride-like and appropriate for a church, she said.

Later that evening for the reception at the Breakers, an oceanfront resort, she changed into a white sheath, more "slinky, Hollywood and red carpet-y," she said. Its price tag was about \$3,000.

"It just flowed so naturally and it was just a great dance-

"The second dress is more of a statement of who they are, as a young independent woman getting married."

— Mark Ingram, who runs the Bridal Atelier on Manhattan's East Side

ing, party dress," said Reilly. "I could not have gone solely for the second one. It was probably a little too sexy for the church and probably not high-impact enough."

For her ceremony, Stacy Deemar stepped into the same gown that her grandmother, mother and sister wore at their weddings. Then she changed into a more bubbly dress later. She even explained the reason for the change in the program for her 2002 wedding in Chicago.

"People thought I was nuts, but it was important to me," said Deemar, 35, a drama teacher and actress.

"I didn't want to ruin it dancing and having dirt scrape on the bottom," she said of the heirloom dress, a hoop-skirt satin with freshwater pearls and 6-foot train that had faded from white to ivory but otherwise held up since her grandmother first wore it in 1941. Her grandmother paid \$66.75 for it, which included \$5 for alterations.

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# Special Edition: Your wedding guide

## ENGAGEMENTS

### STASTNY-STELLING

Brent and Sue Stastny of Murtaugh announce the engagement of their daughter, Kindra Rae Stastny, to Alexander Edward Stelling, son of Edward and Sally Stelling of Melbourne, Australia, and Ron and Shirley Head of Perth, Australia.

Stastny graduated from the College of Southern Idaho nursing program. She works at the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Stelling served a mission in Perth, Australia, and works in Salt Lake City.



Kindra Stastny and Alexander Stelling

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will follow at 6:30 p.m. at The White House in Twin Falls.

### GANOE-HANSEN

Scott and Janice Gano of Paul announce the engagement of their daughter, Kaitlyn Ashley Gano, to Blake Austin Hansen, son of Bruce and Elaine Hansen of Paul. Gano is a graduate of American Heritage Academy and attends the College of Southern Idaho.

Hansen is a graduate of Minico High School and attends CSI. He works for Rodney Hansen Farms Inc.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception



Kaitlyn Gano and Blake Hansen will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, at the Randall Harris residence in Burley. The couple will reside in Paul.

## ANNIVERSARIES



THE MECHAMS

Eldon and Glenda Mecham of Heyburn were honored recently for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Eldon D. Mecham and Glenda Fenstermaker were married Nov. 1, 1957, in Paul. He worked for Triangle Young's Dairy in retail and management and later in his



Eldon and Glenda Mecham

own business in retail chips and snacks. She has been a homemaker and a home health caregiver. They have three children, Jackie (Daren) Werner of Eden, Peggy (John) Todd of Twin Falls and Scott of Heyburn. The couple has 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



THE FOWLES

Gary and Karen Fowles of Malin were honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary, a year later. They were married Sept. 17, 1956, at the Logan LDS Temple in Logan, Utah. They have lived in Malin all of their married life. He was a lineman at Raft River Electric until 1975 when he was disabled, due to multiple sclerosis. She has been an insurance agent



Gary and Karen Fowles

with Farm Bureau for the past 25 years and was active with the Pomerelle Ski Patrol for 25 years. They are active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The event is hosted by their children, Kerrie (Michael) Dschaak, Melanie (Kerry) Bowen, Kyle (Sonya) Fowles and Joseph (Karen) Fowles. The couple has 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



THE WILCOXES

Howard and Opal Wilcox of Twin Falls celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 1.

Howard H. Wilcox and Opal Louise Rudolph were married Nov. 1, 1947, in Burley.

He worked in the Heyburn and Burley areas. He went to work for OK Tires in Rupert in 1957, and he opened and managed the Big O Tire Store



Howard and Opal Wilcox

in Twin Falls in 1963. He also worked at Cenex at Curry Crossing before retiring. She was a bookkeeper while managing the household and later worked for JC Penney's fabric department.

They have three children, Michael H. Wilcox, Connie Wilcox Stout and Kurtis Allen Wilcox. The couple has eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

## Honoring two moms:

Bride fashions a new gown from those worn by adoptive, birth mothers

By Sheila Makrooney Edrüd For The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Emily Koski still remembers her mother's sweet smell and the pink Asian print of the robe she wore in the kitchen while Emily and her brother got ready for school each morning.

She has a harder time remembering what it felt like to hold her mother's hand or sit on her lap. She was just 8 when her mother, Barbara Hofstede, died of breast cancer.

Two years later, Emily's father, former Minneapolis mayor Al Hofstede, proposed to Emma Hill, a schoolteacher and former nun. Emma moved from Chicago to Minneapolis to marry him and help raise the children. She formally adopted Emily and her brother, Al Jr.

"I find it quite amazing — this self-sacrificing deed that she did," says Emily. "She picked up all the pieces."

So when Emily, now 28, got married a year ago, she was acutely aware of the presence of both of the women she's called "Mom." She walked down the aisle with her parents, wearing a gown fashioned from Emma's wedding dress and the liner and veil from Barbara's.

"They're both a part of me," says Emily. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to do something like this to honor your mothers, to thank them for everything that they've done. You can say thank you and write a card, but to take pieces of their past and make them part of our present and future — you could never take that away."

As a witness at Emma and Al's wedding, Emily had insisted on wearing a black and white dress with an all-the-rage-of-1988 poufifier skirt.

"Emily was excited to have a mother to help her pick out her dress and get her makeup done, and I was really too new here and in love to start getting the nuances of what it was really like to have your father marry someone new," Emma says.

When Emily and Mike Koski started planning their own wedding, they incorporated elements of Al and Emma's. Both couples were married at St. Olaf church by Al's brother, John Hofstede, and walked to local restaurants for a reception.

But when Emily started shopping for a wedding dress, the off-the-rack gowns didn't feel right — especially after she described one to a friend and found out the friend had picked the same dress for her own wedding.

So she went home and tried on Emma's wedding dress. The 1920s, flapper style didn't suit her, but she was enamored of the beadwork.

She also found Barbara's dress in storage at a friend's house, thrown into a box unwashed. Feeling the weight of the full-length veil and 70-oz. polyester, she couldn't quite envision herself walking down the aisle in a dress that made her feel like an angel.

Maybe, she thought, there was a way to combine the unique elements of both gowns.

She took a closer look at the beadwork on Emma's dress, and she loved Barbara's veil with a gentle cleanser. Then she called designer Joy Telken.

Telken's own mother had died of breast cancer. "Emily's story kind of fit



ABOVE: Emily Koski provided this photo of her father, Al Hofstede, and her birth mother, Barbara, on their wedding day, Jan. 23, 1976. After months of collaborating, the beadwork from Koski's adoptive mother Emma's dress became the bodice of a strapless silk gown worn over Barbara's liner. Barbara's veil hung to the floor. RIGHT: Emily Koski examines her birth mother Barbara's wedding dress at the JoyHelle showroom in Minneapolis in 2006.



Designer Joy Telken fits Emily Koski for her wedding dress at the JoyHelle showroom in Minneapolis in May 2006.

of her wedding. "There's dirt on the bottom and a chocolate stain from the chocolate fountain," she says. "It reminds me of how much fun I had."

Mike Koski agrees. "She wasn't afraid to have a good time in it. She was dancing on the bar in that dress and drinking red wine."

Two days after the wedding, the couple took a bouquet from the wedding to Barbara's grave site.

"The actual wedding day is a rush, so when I got to the grave the next day, I think my whole childhood flashed before me," Emily says. "A bit of me was letting go again. And there was the wonderful realization that I was beginning new chapters with such a loving person — with my mom looking after us ... How proud she would have been ..."

She remembered how a few years after her mother's funeral, she had lain down next to the grave, pounding the ground and sobbing. "This time, she cried again, but in thanks."

to the reception. "I know she's there," Emily remembers thinking. "I know she's helping out." When they reached the restaurant, it stormed again.

The gown now lies in the box Emily put it in the night



Emma Hofstede, Emily Koski's adoptive mother, looks on as designer Joy Telken fits Emily for her wedding dress in 2006.

## SINUSITIS or ALLERGIES

Because the symptoms of sinusitis mimic those of colds, you may not realize you need to see a Sinus Specialist. If you have sinusitis, review these signs and symptoms. If you suffer from three or more symptoms, Sinus Center-Idaho can help.

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



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## ENGAGEMENT

### CRIDER-EDWARDS

Matt and Lara Crider of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Kalee Crider, to Chris Edwards, son of Terry and Julie Edwards of Jerome.

Kalee is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School and will graduate in December 2008 from Boise State University with a bachelor's degree in French secondary education.

Edwards is a 2004 high school graduate and attends BSU studying electrical engineering and computer science.



Kalee Crider and Chris Edwards

The wedding is planned for June 2008 in Twin Falls.

## WEDDINGS

### HUNSAKER-CLARK

Cherry Lei Hunsaker and Spencer Wilkin Clark were married Oct. 5 at the Washington D.C. LDS Temple in Kensington, Md.

The bride is the daughter of Dee and Julie Hunsaker of Rupert. The groom is the son of David and Caryn Clark of Montgomery Village, Md.

An open house was held Nov. 10 at the Hunsaker home in Rupert.

The bride graduated in May from American University in Washington, D.C., with a master's degree in public anthropology. The groom graduated



with a bachelor's degree in political science from Northeastern University in Boston. He works for the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C., where the couple resides.

### STRAUBHAAR-ALLRED

Hollie Straubhaar and Joel Allred were married Nov. 10 at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. The bride is the daughter of Steven and Debbie Straubhaar of Twin Falls. The groom is the son of David and Ivy Allred of Payson, Utah.



Joel and Hollie Allred

To submit an announcement, e-mail it to ramona@magvalley.com. With questions, call Ramona Jones at 735-3262.

# When you're finally ready, making a heavenly date

"He doesn't respect my work," B.K. says to me about a man whose name she can't, actually, remember. Referenced by a friend, he called B.K. to ask her out on a blind date. She was not available all weekend, she told him, because she had a project due on Monday and needed to work.

"And he was like, 'Oh, you have to eat sometime,'" B.K. reports. "And, 'You sure you don't want to take a break for dinner?'"

"I'm putting my chin forward waiting for the part where he doesn't respect her work. It turns out that the story is already over.

"Can you believe that?" she says. "Why would I go out with someone who does not respect my work?"

Hoo-boy. I go to the cabinet, take out two winglasses, fill each with a seltzer, add a slurp of merlot. "Sit down, sister," I say.

I try to guide her, as a friend does, on a tour

through her... cognitive slippage. "He doesn't know what the heck your job even is!" I say. "This has nothing to do with your work. He wanted to take you out to dinner. He wanted to meet you. What is your problem?"

"Well, you don't have to yell at me," B.K. says. "You're blaming some stranger for your inability to say yes to a date." I say. "She puts back the wine in one gulp. 'You don't have to yell at me,'" she says.

"Yes," I say. "Yes, I do."

"It's tough love time. When was the last time B.K. went out on a date? I can't even remember. Why is she hiding? I put these questions to her, but she keeps going back to Mister-Name-She-Cant-Remember.

"I'm not sure I liked his phone manner," she says. "And I never have luck with Jewish men. And he just rubbed me the wrong way that he didn't respect my work."



PERSONAL FILE  
Jeanne Marie Laskas

"Oh, brother, I put my fingers in my ears and shout, 'Lal Lal Lal' until she shuts up." "There is something else going on," I say.

She surrenders, nods. She says she doesn't understand why this feels like such a big deal, or why she feels so scared.

"So go out with the guy and find out," I suggest.

"I'm sick of talking about this," she says. "Can't we just watch TV?"

I surrender, click on "Dancing With the Stars." Five days later, I get a phone call from B.K. "OK, I went out with him last night," she says blantly. "His name is David."

"Oh, my God!" I say. "Oh, my God! Oh, my God!"

"It wasn't like that," she says.

"OK, on a scale of 1 to 10, how much did you like him?"

"I'm gonna say 5," she says, adding that his enthusiasm for her was about equal. "But that's not the point, either. This was a much, much bigger deal than either you or I anticipated."

I ask her to please walk me through the evening. She tells she ordered pork off the bat what kind of few I am," she says. He ordered the sex buss. He started filling her in on his background, his kids, his two divorces.

"He complained a bit about one of the wives, but not overly. He was respectful, not whiny at all." Then, she says, he asked if she wanted to say anything about her own romantic history.

She wondered what to tell him and found herself,

without warning, beginning a sentence this way: "For the past two years, I've been kind of busy with..." She caught herself. She nearly choked. She was about to attempt a leap across a seemingly impossible abyss that had, up to that point, not been named or even identified. Her eyes got wide. Should she finish the sentence? Should she deflect and start over?

"And I thought that the hell," she tells me. "And I said, 'For the past two years, I've been busy battling breast cancer.'"

"I feel the weight of the sky fall on me. Duh. I had not put this together: B.K. has not been on a date since her cancer diagnosis. The cancer had taken her completely out of the game. And now she's past it. And now it seems, she's ready to return to the playing field. "I never knew I'd have the courage to tell a guy about it," she says.

"Wow," I say.

"Yep," she says. "I had no idea until that moment. I seriously thought I was going to be sick," she says. "I had no idea how scared I was to tell a guy I had had cancer."

I ask her how David reacted to her story.

"He didn't react like I was damaged goods," she says. "He seemed genuinely curious, compassionate, and just went on treating me like a normal person."

"She says that reaction, that normalizing, was like a breath of a new kind of air. "You think he'll call?" I ask.

"I have no idea," she says. "None of that matters."

She says this stranger, who came out of nowhere, transported her from a person who could never tell to a person who now can.

"He was kind of like an angel," she says. "Don't you think?"

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

### Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W, Twin Falls.

#### MENUS:

Monday: Chef salad  
Tuesday: Cube steak  
Wednesday: Beef and noodles

Thursday: Enchiladas  
Friday: Spaghetti

#### ACTIVITIES:

Today: Magic Valley Bridge  
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Monday: bridge  
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday  
Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon  
Exercise class; 1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Elks Card Club, 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Medicare "D"  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Exercise class, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m.  
Lunch bingo

### Flier Senior Haven

222 Main St., Flier.

#### MENUS:

Tuesday: Baked ham  
Wednesday: Chili  
Thursday: Turkey dinner  
ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly.

#### ACTIVITIES:

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

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

### Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding.

Monday: Sweet-and-sour chicken pork  
Tuesday: Chicken vegetable soup  
Wednesday: Chicken strips  
Thursday: Roast beef  
Friday: Soup and sandwich

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.  
Wild one, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Pinochle at Shoshone, 1:30 p.m.  
Hand and foot, 6 p.m.  
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Music with the Fiddlers  
Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.  
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.  
Saturday: Potluck dinner and dance with the Haaks

### Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome.

Monday: Biscuits and gravy  
Tuesday: Spaghetti  
Wednesday: Beef stroganoff  
Thursday: Meatloaf  
Friday: Turkey dinner

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.  
Massage, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Snack bar, 6 p.m.  
Bridge, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
John and Dick entertaining  
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.  
Pinochle, 7 p.m.  
Magic Valley Square Dance Club, 7 p.m.  
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Friday: Fish

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Blood draws, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

### Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley.

Tuesday: Baked ham  
Wednesday: French dip sandwich  
Friday: Turkey dinner

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Center closed  
Tuesday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.  
Foot care, 10 a.m.  
Energy assistance sessions by appointment  
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Red Hat meeting, 11 a.m.  
Yoga, 5:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Table tennis, 8:30 a.m.

### Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden.

Tuesday: Turkey dinner  
Thursday: Salmon party  
ACTIVITIES:  
Tuesday: Board meeting  
Wednesday: Bake day  
Bingo, 7 p.m.

### Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield.

Monday: Lasagna  
Thursday: Beef stew

### Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone.

Tuesday: Sweet-and-sour chicken

Wednesday: BLT sandwiches  
Friday: Turkey dinner

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

### Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Buxley.

Monday: Spaghetti  
Tuesday: Ham salad sandwich  
Wednesday: Birthday and anniversary dinner  
Thursday: Franks and kraut  
Friday: Hot beef sandwich

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Pool  
Tuesday: Eye glass check  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Exercise  
Tuesday: Pool  
Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.  
Radio show, 9:06 a.m.  
Exercise  
Community bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool  
Community Action Energy Assistance, 9 a.m. to noon  
Hearing aid check  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Exercise  
Thursday: Pool  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Community pinochle, 6 p.m.  
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.  
Friday: Pool  
Exercise  
Pinochle, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.

### Carey Senior Center

Main Street.

Thursday: Turkey dinner

### Minkola County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert.

Monday: Chile verde  
Tuesday: Lasagna  
Wednesday: Birthday and anniversary dinner  
Thursday: Finger steaks  
Friday: Chicken or fish

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Pool, 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.  
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1020 Main St., Buhl.

Monday: Chicken noodle soup  
Tuesday: Hot pork sandwich  
Wednesday: Cook's choice  
Thursday: Birthday dinner, lasagna

ACTIVITIES:  
Today: Swiss steak dinner, 1 p.m.  
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.  
Cards and dominos, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bus runs for lunch pickup  
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

### Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry.

Monday: Potluck

Tuesday: Oven fried chicken  
Thursday: Barbecue beef sandwich

ACTIVITIES:  
Monday: Potluck, 6 p.m.



# Kids Only

## Cell phones for soldiers



**Robbie and Brittany Bergquist, of Norwell, Mass., sort donated cellphones, which they sell to help fund their effort to help soldiers stay connected to home. They have raised \$1.2 million for Cell Phones for Soldiers, and have sent more than 100,000 phone calling cards to soldiers in Iraq.**

## Teens' hours add up to free minutes for soldiers

By **Mohr E. McLaughlin**  
Special to The Washington Post

How much money is in your piggy bank? Would you give it away to someone who needed it? Brittany and Robbie Bergquist did. They turned \$21 and an idea into a million-dollar charity.

One night three years ago Brittany and Robbie were watching the news at home in Norwell, Mass. The kids, then 13 and 12, heard a story about an American soldier in Iraq who was struggling to pay his \$8,000 cellphone bill.

They were surprised that the government didn't help him. So the kids pooled their money and some extra from friends and opened a bank account of \$21 to help the soldier.

Much to their surprise, bank employees contributed \$500 to the cause. "That really jump-started our program," says Robbie, now 15.

The Bergquist teens have now raised \$1.2 million for their charity, Cell Phones for Soldiers, and have sent more than 100,000 phone calling cards to soldiers in Iraq. Government rules prohibit sending cell-phones directly.

"We're giving Americans a way to help the troops," says Robbie.

The effort started small: The kids raised money with car washes and bake sales. But after they bought an ad in a local paper, reporters began to call. The next thing they knew, camera crews from CNN, NBC, CBS and Fox were coming to their house to interview them.

It was nerve-wracking," Brittany, 16, says of the first interviews, she and her brother gave.

The two decided they needed more ways to raise money. They teamed with ReCellular, a company that recycles cellphones. Brittany and Robbie started collecting phones donated from around the country and selling them to ReCellular.

## Are you tired of that question?

**Times-News**

If you've ever been asked a question you didn't feel comfortable answering — "Why aren't you married yet?" "When will you start having kids?" "Have you gained weight?" — the *Times-News* wants to hear from you.

The holidays are fast approaching, and that's often when sweet Aunt Tilly starts posing uncomfortable queries.

We would like to gather some horror stories or amusing stories of the rudest questions you've asked or been asked. Don't worry — we're not out to embarrass, just to help others avoid embarrassment.

To share your tales, contact reporter Ariel Hanssen at ariel.hanssen@tnews.net or 735-3376.

## Fear for kids traps woman in monstrous marriage

**DEAR ABBY:** I am in an eight-year marriage that feels like a prison sentence. I have two children under the age of 5, and a husband who is mentally and emotionally unstable and has severe addiction to prescription painkillers. If I divorce him, he will have joint custody of our children. I don't want them to know who their father is because they love him, I am terrified of what he might do to them as emotionally unstable as he is. I'm convinced he is capable of murder-suicide just to get at me. He forces me to say "I love you" several times a day. I don't mean it anymore. He forces bodily contact. I sleep in a recliner in the den and put off going home from work to avoid him because I know the fight will be on when I get there because I have never cheated on him, but I'm accused of it all the time. I have no privacy. He searches my purse, phone and car for "evidence" almost nightly. He takes checks from my private account and writes them without my consent. When I get overdrafts, he acts like it's my fault. If he spends money on the kids, he resents it — and to complicate matters further, we filed for bankruptcy last year and are living in the house with my parents.

To be truthful, I'm scared to live with him by myself.

**DEAR ABBY:** Here's my question: There are two sisters. One is a grandmother, is her sister a "grand aunt" or is she a "great aunt"?

I say she's a grand-aunt. However, my wife — the grandmother's sister — says she's a great-aunt. How can that be? If that's true, then I would be a "great" grandaunt instead of a true grandaunt. Only you can straighten out this argument. Thanks!

— CHARLES R. ILL  
BATAVIA, ILL.

**DEAR CHARLES:** According to Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (11th Edition), the terms "great-aunt" and "grand-aunt" are synonymous. Either way, this would not make you a grandaunt. You are either a great-uncle or grand-uncle — the choice is yours.

**DEAR READERS:** Today is Veterans Day, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank not only our veterans, but also those men and women who are still on active duty for their service to our country.

— ABBY

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm forced to be intimate with him, and I'm dying inside in little pieces. Please advise me. I would like to be sane and have a reasonably decent life for me and my kids before it's over.

— DESPERATE MOM IN COLORADO

**DEAR DESPERATE:** You have your work cut out for you. First, talk to the police and get on record with the fact that your husband is a drug-addicted forger — something you should also tell your bank, by the way — and that you are afraid he will harm you or the children because of his instability due to his abuse of prescription medications. Then inform the physician who has been prescribing the meds. Tell your lawyer that you want to end your marriage, but that you are: (1) afraid he could harm the children, and (2) afraid he could harm the children, and you would like him to have supervised visitation with them only because of his mental instability.

Fortunately, you are living in your parents' home —



**DEAR ABBY**  
**Jeanne Phillips**

## Helping hands

Lots of kids have found ways to help U.S. service members and their families. Two examples:

- Kelai and Rachel Okan, ages 8 and 11,** began [ThankUSA](#) to raise scholarship money for military spouses and children. The McLean sisters use an online treasure hunt (at [www.thankusa.org](#)) to get donations. Last year they collected more than \$500,000.
- Hero Hugs** is the idea of **Bobby Reese**, 21, of Nileville, Pa. The program ([www.hero-hugs.org](#)) sends care packages to military members serving overseas. Bobby has volunteered more than 3,500 hours and helped send 22,000 packages valued at more than \$280,000.

Working around school activities such as Brittany's softball practices and Robbie's soccer games, they spend two to three hours a day sorting phones and labeling envelopes. There is little or no time for TV and video games.

The teens also are raising money to give cellphone minutes to military personnel at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington and the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

Last year, Brittany was invited to the White House as part of a group, America Supports You, that helps service members. She got to meet President Bush. It was "absolutely amazing," she says. "I was so nervous," but "he was really funny."

The Cell Phones for Soldiers project has taught the teens about determination and focusing on a goal.

Even the smallest idea can grow into something huge," Brittany says. "If you have an idea, put it out there — because you don't know where it will go."

## You can't please everyone, Pisces

**BIRTHDAY:** If you should be especially persuasive in the coming year, your sign is likely to charm one and all with ease. Career progress will require much dedication, but the resulting rewards should more than compensate you for your effort. Cash flow should be fairly easy and plentiful, and friends may somehow contribute to your income. At times you may need to find mutually satisfactory financial compromises in the face of disagreement. Changes on the home front should be more pleasing than not, and creative plans for home improvement can be realized. Dig to unearth your true thoughts if they seem a bit buried.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Getting along may require extra effort today and you may question whether it is worth it. Channel restless energies into vigorous activities or taking on that project you've been putting off.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** Family activities are mostly favorable today, especially if you take extra care in communications. If you're feeling a bit reticent, a few days should restore you to full involvement.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Plans can really get muddled today whether implementing existing plans or trying to make new ones. Relax, go with the flow, and postpone planning and organization for a couple of days.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Your public image may not be all that you would wish for a few days through no fault of your own. Keep your profile low and be agreeable to keep things positive.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Your charm is ramped up to "high" but don't make any promises that you can't keep and even watch out for others making assumptions you don't want to honor. Avoid an excessively cocky attitude.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** A boost in personal power today may give you the impetus to get caught up on projecting things beyond planning for some time. Just be sure to be very realistic.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Irritability could push people away today and you may need to be treated like you have cooties. Tomorrow will be a very different story, so just keep a low profile and

**make nice.**

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** As a major front-runner, you may be a welcome change today. Many things will be flowing in your life-take today to prepare for the busy week to come.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** A lucky star is watching over you these days and smoothing many potential rough spots. In addition, you should be feeling fairly energetic and youthful. Still, postpone important new starts.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** If you feel a loggishness with those around you, don't push your agenda. Everything will come more easily tomorrow and it will be considerably easier to enlist cooperation.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Choose projects that allow you to make the most of your high energy level now. Calm any nervousness with a session of vigorous exercise followed by sufficient rest.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Give yourself a break — even a chamber like you can't sleep, all nap out all the time. If your efforts seem to backfire, take it easy and save your energy for easier and more fruitful times.

## Talking with actor and musician Drake Bell

By **Gaby Carter, Adela Gokalsmith and Michael Pisark**  
Kidsday reporters, Newsday

We interviewed Drake Bell at Universal Records in Manhattan recently. He has released a CD, "It's Only Time," and he stars in "Drake & Josh" on Nickelodeon. He says his favorite Nick shows are "SpongeBob SquarePants" and "Fairly OddParents." His first acting job was a commercial for Whirlpool appliances.

**Question:** What is your favorite song on the album?  
**Answer:** Well, it is sort of a combination of songs. We have a four-partner. It is four different songs all put into one. At the end, it references all of the other songs. It starts off, "I've Fallen For You." Then, it's "Break Me Down," "Rusted Silhouette" and "End It Good." It sounds like one long song.

**Q:** When you look at your own work after you've done, do you see yourself doing a good job?  
**A:** It is always different. I say things like, "I should have done that better."

**Q:** What do you like more, singing or acting?  
**A:** Music is a little more exciting.

**Q:** What kind of music do you like to listen to?  
**A:** I grew up on older like the Beatles and the Beach Boys, Led Zepplin and the Who. Now, I like Ben Diner, Bruno Mars, and Elliott Smith.

**Q:** When you are acting on TV and then you see it, is it funnier when you see it or when you hear it?  
**A:** Sometimes, they (the scenes) are funnier because we'll ad lib or improv with each other. Sometimes, (the ad libs) are funnier than the show, but they don't make the cut.

**Q:** Are you like the character you play on the show?  
**A:** It is kind of the complete opposite in my life. He is smooth and can talk to anyone.

**Q:** Do you want to be an actor until you retire?  
**A:** Pretty much, or until I die.

**Q:** Do you ever give ideas for the show?  
**A:** Sometimes, after they've written, we will go up and talk to the writers. Does that make more than one?  
**Q:** What do you like to do when you aren't acting?  
**A:** I like to play music and sleep. All I nap out all the time. It is what I love to do to work. I don't really play sports, so I like to spend my time playing guitar or piano.



## GEM STATE TRAVELING

# Places to go, things to see in St. Maries

**County: Benewah**  
**Trivia:** St. Maries dates back more than a hundred years, when the first pioneers looking for logging opportunities traveled up the St. Joe River from Coeur d'Alene. At the junction of the St. Maries and St. Joseph rivers, Joseph Fisher decided that was a prime place for a sawmill because of good transportation and lots of timber. St. Maries quickly became a hard-working lumberjack town.

### Emerald Creek Garnet Area

Idaho and India are the only two

places in the world where the rare Star Garnet can be found, from gravel to log ball size. Visitors will take garnet-bearing gravels from a stockpile to one of the two sluices where they will wash and screen the gravels for garnets.

All of the equipment is provided. The site is open around Memorial Day through Labor Day and rangers are available to issue permits or provide advice.

This trip is recommended for the active, curious and those fearless of getting dirty. Step-on guides for groups are available with advance notice.

### Historical Hughes House

The Hughes House is a log structure constructed in 1902 in St. Maries as a men's club. It went on to become a doctor's office in 1906. In 1926 it was purchased by Father Hughes and renovated. It remained in the Hughes family until 1989, when the Centennial Committee acquired the building and turned it into a museum.

### Hobo Cedar Botanical Area

This 240-acre forest of old growth cedar, within the Maribie

Creek Trail System, was set aside as a botanical area and in 1980 was designated a National Natural Landmark. Walk along the easy, half-mile interpretive trail with a self-guided brochure or explore the trees, ferns, mosses and streams along another one-mile trail. A picnic area with tables and grills can accommodate approximately 35 people.

### Mullan Trail Park Steam Donkey

Mullan Park located in St. Maries honors Army Officer Lt. John Mullan, an engineer who surveyed

and built a wagon trail (circa 1859) between Walla Walla, Washington and Fort Benton, Mont. The three-acre park has six native species of coniferous trees found in Northern Idaho. The park also has an display turn-of-the-century logging memorabilia, along with a steam-powered three-spool Willamette donkey engine.

### Logger's Memorial Park

This memorial bears the names of over 250 St. Joe area loggers that have lost their lives in the logging industry.

# Spirits of the West

## Ghost towns around the region have their stories to tell

By Hazy Martin  
 Los Angeles Times

The ghost towns of the American West recall a desperate era. Located on high plains and open deserts where sandstorms and cold winter nights embalm any semblance of life, these towns still whisper their legends to anyone willing to stop and listen.

You'll hear the stories of the men, the women and the children who abandoned their homes, gave up their mining claims and vanished.

Today, these ghost towns offer little more than dusty whiskey bottles on warped shelves, dog-eared hymnals in church pews and framed black-and-white photos, veiled in spider webs.

### BODIE, Calif.

Bodie is a cursed ghost town. Pflifer anything from one of the old sun-bleached buildings north of Mono Lake—a nail, part of a clock or even an old bottle—and bad luck latches onto you forever.

Don't believe it? Then tell it to the visitors of this ghost town who have been returning stolen stuff with tales of heartbreak, death and serious injury that beset them once they left this Eastern Sierra settlement. One fearful visitor even returned the nail that pierced her tire as she drove through town.

Directions: From U.S. Highway 395, take California Highway 270 east. Drive 10 miles to the end of the pavement and continue three miles on a dirt road. For more information, call Bodie State Historic Park, (760) 647-6445.

### GOLDFIELD, Nev.

Whoever chained a young

woman to a radiator in the Goldfield Hotel, leaving her for dead, probably thought she would be silenced forever.

Instead, she lives on a century later in this once-flourishing mining town, in the Nevada desert.

Here, guests enjoyed French cooking, hot baths and a decorative lobby with dark mahogany walls and gold-leaf ceilings, but the young woman never knew such luxury. After all, she was a prostitute and, worse, pregnant.

Prospectors, entrepreneurs and laborers abandoned Goldfield in the 1920s when the boom went bust. As you walk through the darkened hotel with Virginia Ridgway, the head of tourism for what little remains in Goldfield, she swears she is neither crazy nor drunk when she talks about having seen a glowing man in a black hat and hearing footsteps where there should have been none in this four-story brick building.

The room where the imprisoned woman died is empty and hollow.

Directions: From Las Vegas, drive 184 miles north along U.S. Highway 95. For more information, call Ridgway at (775) 485-6365.

### SKIDOO, Calif.

Pity the hard-luck residents of Skidoo, perhaps the sorriest little mining settlement in the West.

In a short-lived, miserable history, the town had the misfortune of attracting such desperate characters as Joe "Hooch" Simpson.

In 1908, this down-on-his-luck barkeep made the mistake of gunning down the town banker for \$20; and when a lynch mob finally got



Visitors to Bodie State Historic Park in the Eastern Sierras say taking 'souvenirs' has dire consequences.

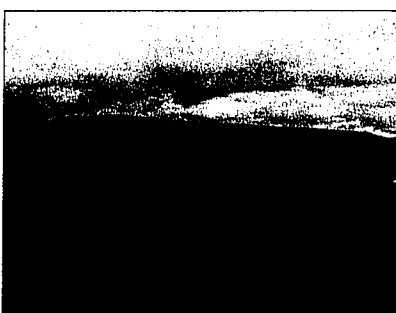
its hands on him, they couldn't wait to build a proper gallows.

They hanged him from the telegraph pole that brought news of the outside world to this benighted patch of earth.

When a reporter from the Los Angeles Times showed up to take a photograph, the good citizens of Skidoo accommodated him by digging up Hooch, brushing him off and hanging him again.

But then the town doctor, in a macabre moment, lopped off Hooch's head to test for syphilis, the possible cause of his sudden madness.

No wonder the twice-hanged, headless Hooch still wanders these empty hills in



Skidoo, Calif.: This barren patch of desert in Death Valley is the site of one of the most bizarre deaths in the old West. An angry lynch mob hanged and then buried a down-on-his-luck saloon keeper named Joe 'Hooch' Simpson after he killed the town banker in 1908. But when a Los Angeles Times reporter showed up a few days later to snap a photo, locals unearthed Hooch and strung him up again for the snapshot.

Death Valley where all that remains are a historical marker, broken bottles and hundreds of abandoned mine shafts.

Directions: From Stovepipe Wells, drive southwest along California Highway 190 for nine miles, turn left on Wildrose Canyon Road and, after nine more miles, turn left on the first major gravel road and continue for almost eight miles. For more information, call the Death Valley National Park at (760) 786-3200.

### FRISCO, Utah

George Reese, Samuel Ballie and Hans Roth are a few of the names in Frisco's weed-choked cemetery, the final resting place for many victims of the legendary violence that nearly killed this silver-mining town, toward the end of the 19th century.

The bloodshed provided job security for the undertaker, who drove the main street in an open wagon

each evening, carting away the bodies.

Times changed when the marshal, William Pearson, from neighboring Ploche showed up one day to set things right. First came a warning: Lawbreakers wouldn't be arrested; they would be shot. Then came justice. On Pearson's first night on the job, six outlaws bit the dust.

Today, only a few lopsided, splintery buildings, along with five charcoal kilns used in the silver- and lead-melting process, remain in Frisco.

Of course, there are the tombstones in the cemetery that rise from the desert near the Nevada-Utah border like bad teeth sprouting from the ground.

Directions: From Milford, Utah, drive west along Utah Highway 21 for 15 miles.

### St. ELMO, Colo.

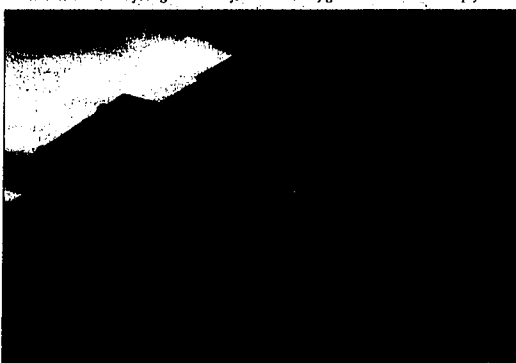
Like an ancient gargoye, Annabelle Stark watches over St. Elmo. Dead for near-

ly 50 years, she stares out of windows and wanders the empty streets of desert in

More than 2,000 residents abandoned this silver- and gold-mining town in the 1920s, but not Annabelle. Her father was a cattleman, a mining boss and a member of the town's elite. Attractive but lonely, Annabelle hung out at her pa's hotel even when the tumbleweeds and jackrabbits outnumbered visitors.

After a stint in a mental institution, Annabelle returned and died in 1960. But skiers and snowmobile riders who venture into the old settlement each winter insist they still see her paroling her beloved town in a flowing white dress, scaring off vandals and trespassers.

Directions: From Colorado Springs, take U.S. Highway 285 west to U.S. Highway 285 south. Take 285 for 21 miles, turn right on County Road 280, right on CR 270, then left on CR 132 for 12 miles. For more information, call (719) 395-6458.



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# City-owned parks, peaks, favorites for locals and tourists

By Catherine Tsai  
Associated Press writer

DENVER — Unless you live in Aspen, Vail or other swanky ski towns, the skier's life can mean hours-long, gas-guzzling trips to the mountains to get in runs alongside hot doggers for ticket prices that, at Vail, can be as much as \$85.

Some cities are changing that. They're investing in smaller, low-key peaks and parks that are less about luring big-spenders tourists and more about fostering locals' love of the sport.

If out-of-towners want to come, that's not bad either. Among Colorado resorts, Winter Park is one of the biggest. The city-owned resort offers 143 trails and 25 lifts on 3,660 acres, plus an array of jumps, rails and a half-pipe where snowriders can emulate Olympic athletes. A ski pass good for four days is \$129.

But city officials realize not everyone will trek to the mountains, even though Winter Park is only 67 miles away from Denver.

So last year, Winter Park and Denver's parks department built an urban rail yard for beginners to jump, spin and slide off snow-covered metal rails at Ruby Hill Park, situated next to railroad tracks south of downtown Denver. Soon, Ruby Hill was attracting more advanced skiers.

Best measured in square feet than acres, Ruby Hill boasted six rails, no hills, no concessions, no music blaring from outdoor speakers — and no fee. It was planted on a north-facing slope so man-made snow wouldn't melt quickly.

It always strikes me, when there's such a phenomenal natural resource in the backyard of any community, and young people, without additional efforts, are not taking advantage of it," said Denver Parks and Recreation manager Kim Bailey, a lifelong skier.

"It's like living on water and not knowing how to swim." Through many students spend hours playing basketball at city recreation centers, Bailey was concerned they weren't being exposed to winter sports.

"Isn't it our job as public servants to make that connection and at least give them a taste of what is possible, what is out there?" she said.

This year, Ruby Hill Rail Yard plans to add more rails for its "season" from late

January through February, weather permitting.

On the other side of the Continental Divide, the Colorado town of Silverton is home to the 1,655-acre, exports-only Silverton Mountain, where riders are required to bring an avalanche beacon, shovel and probe to ride unguided for \$49 a day at full price.

But Silverton also has 35 skiable acres at the family-friendly Kendall Mountain Recreation Area, which has been open off and on with the help of locals since the 1960s.

Mayor Greg Swanson said. Last year, Kendall Mountain's 950-foot tow rope was replaced with a second-hand double-chair lift obtained by a resident. Lift tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children.

Swanson said the town expects to lose money on lift operations — but hopes to benefit by complementing the elite crowd served by Silverton Mountain.

"We are increasing our marketing and hope that families who have one or two members skiing at Silverton Mountain will bring other family members to ski at the local area," he said. "We believe this is a big step toward achieving a year-round economy."

Residents in nearby Durango can ski at Telluride, Durango Mountain Resort, Silverton or Wolf Creek Ski Area. But downtown Durango has Chapman Hill, which boasts 7.5 acres with a terrain park and two rope tows. Access is \$5 for adults and \$4 for kids.

Chapman Hill mostly serves neighborhood kids taking lessons and nighttime skiers, recreation supervisor Matt Morrissey said.

In Juneau, Alaska, city-owned Eaglecrest Ski Area is more like a destination resort, with 640 acres. Yet it offers nearby skiing for a city where the only way to get in or out is by boat or by air. Middle school students get to go certain times of the season for discounted rates.

"It gives all the people in Juneau the opportunity to ski and snowboard outside their

back door," said Eaglecrest sales and marketing director Jeffa Clough. "It's probably one of the industry's best-kept secrets."

The next closest resort, Hilltop Ski Area, is about 90 minutes away — by air. About 95 percent of Eaglecrest's visitors are from the Juneau area, Clough estimated.

"Smaller mom-and-pop ski areas have a very unique role,"

said Jeff Morrison, executive director of Mt. Holiday Inc. in Traverse City, Mich.

The nonprofit, nonsmoking 45-acre hill serves everyone but also offers lift tickets,

rentals and lessons. "We're feeder areas," Morrison said. "A lot of young kids learn to ski at the smaller areas, and then move on to bigger areas as they progress."

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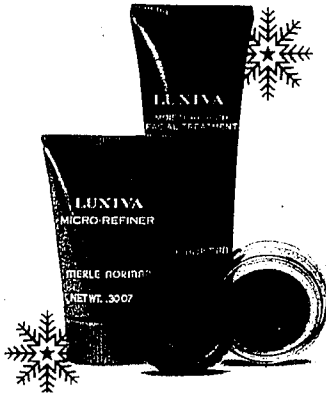
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L72185/80R-15	E 171.50	L724175/70R-17	D 230.15
L72185/80R-15	E 171.50	L724175/70R-17	D 230.15
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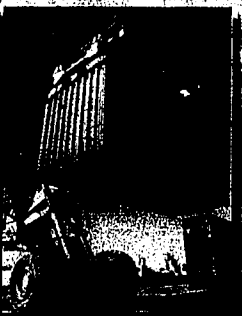
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# Setting the precedent

## South-central Idaho establishes manufacturing base

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

The economy of south-central Idaho is very different from what it was 10 years ago.

Agriculture was the dominant industry in a region, which was struggling to survive stagnant commodity prices — the price of corn, wheat and barley remained relatively unchanged since the 1930s even as production costs more than quadrupled.

Food processors such as Glanbia Foods and ConAgra helped the agricultural industry by creating a value-added product. However, the region learned a difficult lesson about economic stability when processors such as Simplot and Kraft closed down plants in south-central Idaho.

Thousands of jobs were lost over a five year period between 1995 and 2000, and it was becoming clear that the Magic Valley was moving toward an economic meltdown.

But what came out of that period of time demonstrates the power that a cooperative community has over economic challenges.

Since 2000, south-central Idaho has become one of the most aggressive economic development regions in the United States — economic development groups in the

region have won both state and national awards for their efforts to attract emerging industries to the area — and since that time groups such as Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization (SIEDO) have set their sights on manufacturing.

Now, less than 10 years later, the Magic Valley is home to several manufacturers of plastics, recreational vehicles and high-tech equipment.

### Finding the right fit

So why did economic development groups in south-central Idaho set their sights on certain businesses such as recreational vehicle manufacturers?

Regional development officials say that in order to develop a sustainable industry base, businesses and their employees must be able to coincide with the region's cultural, political and economic structure.

"What we do is assess where we are today, and then based on what we know we will target those types of industries that will fit in the region," said Jan Rogers, executive director of the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization.

"We look at things like the skill sets that a workforce will need, as well as other things like the availability of buildings where

they can operate."

In the case of Jayco Inc., which operates two manufacturing plants in Twin Falls, a building was available and a semi-skilled to non-skilled workforce was readily available.

Dave Yoder, general manager of Jayco Inc., told the Times-News during the opening of its plant expansion last month that the location in south-central Idaho was also near its market base.

Several manufacturers besides Jayco have said that the Magic Valley's location has easy access to markets in the west and south west because of access to Interstate 84, Interstate 86 and Highway 93.

As more manufacturers relocated or expanded to the area to take advantage of the location and business-friendly environment, more manufacturers began to take an interest in the area.

Less than two years after Jayco opened a manufacturing plant in Twin Falls, a second RV manufacturer, Dutchmen Manufacturing, announced that it was opening a plant in Burley.

"Once an industry takes hold in the area, we want to expand it by attracting similar businesses or their suppliers," Rogers said.

ronically, one of the most visible signs of economic development success in south-central Idaho has also become its biggest challenge.

During the spring of 2007, south-central Idaho was one of few regions in the United States that had more jobs than workers — a statistic indicating that historic unemployment lows were translating into a workforce shortage.

The workforce shortage is now one of the most challenging issues that the region is trying to overcome in order to expand existing industries while attracting new ones.

Manufacturers in the Magic Valley area say they are aware of the labor shortage, but that it has not been a significant problem.

The concern that local officials have is that any new manufacturing businesses brought into the region will likely create additional stress on the workforce shortage — making it more

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...succeeded in building a regional base for manufacturing. ...two recreational vehicles manufacturing businesses that moved to south-central Idaho are evidence of that success. ...The manufacturing industry has not only created hundreds of new jobs but it has eased the region's reliance on agriculture and food processing. ...Now the region is strengthening its newly captured manufacturing base by seeking outside suppliers and attracting new businesses from other manufacturing sectors. ...The manufacturing industry will never replace the Magic Valley's thriving agricultural industry. However, as industries change with the ebb and flow of a global economy, the diversity of the economy in the Magic Valley area will strengthen the region against an uncertain future.

difficult for existing businesses to maintain their workforce. Joshua Palmer can be reached at (208)735-3231 or at jpalmer@magicvalley.com.

### Manufacturing Industry by the numbers

**Top six employers in south-central Idaho**

Retail	12.1%
Agriculture	10.2%
Manufacturing	9.7%
Health	6.7%
Hospitality	6.2%
Construction	5.8%

**Idaho exports for 2006 by industry**

Manufacturing	\$3.02 billion	93%
Agriculture	\$122 million	4%
Minerals	\$25 million	1%
Other	\$26 million	1%

**Top 10 Idaho manufacturing sectors by revenue**

Computers & electronics	\$2.2 billion
Wood products	\$1.2 billion
Fabricated metals	\$675 million
Chemicals	\$600 million
Machinery	\$500 million
Paper	\$400 million
Plastics & rubber	\$300 million
Minerals	\$200 million
Printing	\$150 million
Food	\$100 million

**Manufacturing jobs**

Manufacturing jobs	100,000
Manufacturing jobs per 1,000 people	100
Average annual manufacturing job growth	2.5%
Average annual manufacturing job loss	1.5%

**Idaho manufacturing exports by destination**

Canada	25%
UK	15%
Japan	10%
China	8%
Germany	5%
Other	37%

# The softer side of development

## The emerging manufacturing industry in south-central Idaho is dependent on more than just dollars and cents

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

When the Bland's expressed an interest to move their business outside of California, Idaho wasn't really on their list of places to go.

"We didn't know much about Idaho until we actually came to visit," said Patsy Bland, co-owner of Magic Valley Protective Coatings in Twin Falls.

The lack of familiarity with a state, which many are only recently discovering, is exactly what economic development groups want to change.

It's what Jan Rogers, executive director of the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization (SIEDO) calls the "softer side of economic development."

"It's the other side of what we do that goes beyond what people consider a part of industry development," Rogers said. "Really, before anything (in writing) ever begins, we create a binder full of information on the people who are interested in our area."

That binder, she says, frequently turns out to be a

detailed profile on those people who decide whether or not they will move a business to south-central Idaho.

And that is only the beginning.

Every road that is driven, every business that is visited and almost everyone that the client meets has been carefully planned by SIEDO.

"In the case of MVP Coatings, they had a daughter who was a teacher, so we scheduled to have a local teacher come visit with them," Rogers said.

Although it might seem like economic development groups are trying to present clients with a limited view of the Magic Valley area, Rogers said the effort is actually viewed as a sincere effort to attract the business.

She said most clients notice that the community, as a whole and not just within certain groups, will do whatever it takes to attract their business.

And that's exactly what SIEDO has done to bring manufacturers such as MVP Coatings, Jayco and Hillco-Poly to south-central Idaho.

"Even before we went to Idaho, Jan came to us with electric bills that compared our rates in California with

what we would pay in Idaho," Bland said. "It was truly the whole package, because they looked at everything we needed including a place that was large enough for our business."

By working with Western Real Estate Group, SIEDO was able to find a building that would accommodate MVP Coatings.

But in the end, Bland said

she and her husband, Buck, decided to move to Idaho because of the lifestyle that they saw.


"Kansas was offering us a wonderful financial package to move there, but it was our family that we were concerned about," she said. "We wanted a place to live that wasn't like California, and that's exactly what Rogers showed us."

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# Makers of emerging plant-based plastics hope to carve larger market niche

By Mark Jewell  
Associated Press writer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Target offers shoppers an unusual message about its gift cards at some stores, advising that they are biodegradable. "Just make sure you spend them first," the displays conclude.

This isn't just a marketing gimmick. Plastics made from corn and other plants are carving a tiny niche from the market for conventional petroleum-based plastics and being touted as green alternatives for everything from bulk food containers to lipstick tubes and clothing fiber — as well as gift cards.

So-called "bioplastics" offer the world a way to wean itself off oil, and most biodegrade to varying degrees. But their makers' green argument is complex, and environmentalists are cautious in their support.

Manufacturing bioplastics produces carbon dioxide, which contributes to global warming. The materials are made from crops — corn, switchgrass, sugar cane, even sweet potatoes — that require land and water to grow. Some sound alarms because genetically modified organisms are used to spur the fermentation that creates them. And recycling them presents still other pitfalls.

They also can cost three times more than conventional plastics, which gives businesses pause about adopting them. Yet, until bioplastics expand beyond their current tiny fraction of the overall plastics market, the road to popularity is expected to be rough.

"It's almost a chicken-and-egg scenario," said David Cornell of the Association of Postconsumer Plastic

"The sustainability concept is taking hold broadly, including in the corporate sector. But these materials face a long road gaining acceptance."

— Betty McLaughlin  
of the Container  
Recycling Institute

Recyclers. "It might someday reach that critical mass, but it has to happen very quickly, because in the meantime it can be a nuisance for us."

Bioplastics' main benefit would be to reduce from 10 percent the share of U.S. petroleum consumption that goes into plastic. The types that are biodegradable also could help compensate for the country's slow progress in recycling — only about 6 percent of plastic made in the U.S. was recycled in 2005, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Bioplastics also lack toxins like polyvinyl chloride that have raised health concerns and led California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger this month to sign legislation banning chemicals called phthalates from toys and baby products.

"This is a promising new technology that faces some challenges," said Mike Schade of the Center for Health, Environment & Justice, a Falls Church, Va.-based nonprofit. "But we don't view them as insurmountable, if the industry is



Oliver Peoples, co-founder of MetaboliX, poses at the company's Cambridge, Mass., facility in a greenhouse growing genetically modified switchgrass, which produces an organic, biodegradable plastic.

willing to face them head-on."

The market's newest entrant is Mirel, from Cambridge-based MetaboliX Inc. It more easily biodegrades than rival materials and, unlike others, can break down in a backyard compost bin. Its first consumer application came in July when Target Corp. began using it in gift cards at 129 stores. MetaboliX is talking with potential clients about dozens more applications for Mirel, from razor blade handles to a coating for disposable coffee cups.

Agricultural processor Archer Daniels Midland Co. provides corn feedstock for

making Mirel, which requires genetically engineered bacteria to aid in fermentation.

The most widely used bioplastic, NatureWorks — a product of a subsidiary of Minnesota-based Cargill Inc. — also is corn-based and biodegradable. It is made without genetically modified bacteria. Some of the corn that goes into it is modified, raising environmental concerns on the sourcing end, but the company notes that protein from the corn is destroyed in processing. NatureWorks already is used in dozens of products, including water bottles — an



A pair of bottle caps made from Mirel, a microbe-produced, biodegradable plastic, one new, and one broken-down by 60 days in seawater, are held by Brian Igoe, MetaboliX Vice President at the company's facilities in Cambridge, Mass.

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A worker at Jayco, Inc. in Twin Falls installs a lighting fixture in a RV.

# T.F. RV manufacturer expands its home

## Expansion allows Jayco ability to manufacture various models

By Erica Littlefield  
Times-News correspondent

Rising gas prices may have affected some RV companies, but not Jayco, Inc. in Twin Falls. In fact, the company is expanding and planning to increase its production numbers.

Jayco recently built a new manufacturing facility at 510 Hankins Rd. S. in Twin Falls. The company celebrated the expansion with a ribbon cutting and open house

earlier this month. General Manager Dave Yoder believes that unlike other RV companies, things like fluctuating gas prices haven't caused a significant drop in Jayco's business. "We've watched interest rates, the stock market and gas prices," said Yoder. "We've been pleased with where we are in production numbers and in the marketplace."

Jayco, a national company

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# Plants

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application unsold to Mirel, which isn't transparent.

Other bioplastics that biodegrade to some degree include Ecoflex from German chemical company BASF AG; Mater-Bi, from Italy's Novamont S.P.A.; Cereplast, from a Hawthorne, Calif.-based company by the same name. And two major conventional plastics makers — DuPont Co. and Brazilian chemical company Braskem SA — make recyclable bioplastic that isn't biodegradable, the first from corn and the second from sugar cane.

No figures are available on overall bioplastics production, but bioplastics makers acknowledge the products occupy a tiny niche in the global plastics market, which totals \$250 billion and produces 360 billion pounds a year. By comparison, the 300 million-pound capacity of NatureWorks' Nebraska production plant is less than one-tenth of 1 percent of the market total.

For most biodegradable bioplastics, including NatureWorks, an industrial compost plant is recom-

mended — facilities that are few and far between. The products are stable in places where microbes and moisture are minimal, as on a kitchen shelf. Metabolix says Mirel will decompose in a backyard compost within two months and about twice as slowly in soil, rivers, lakes or the ocean. But very few Americans compost, and most who do try not to include even paper products, let alone unfamiliar bioplastics.

"There's a lot more to it than saying it's scientifically and technologically possible to compost these materials," said Betty McLaughlin of the Container Recycling Institute, a nonprofit encouraging greater materials recovery and recycling.

And, just as different types of petroleum-base plastic can't be mixed in recycling, bioplastics should not be mixed with any conventional plastic because even tiny quantities can irreparably contaminate some melted petroleum-based plastics that have higher melting points, Cornell said.

"The sustainability concept is taking hold broadly, including in the corporate

sector," said McLaughlin. "But these materials face a long road gaining acceptance."

A major bump on that road will be their cost. But, in another chicken-and-egg paradox, growing the market for bioplastics is key to bringing down their price, industry leaders said. NatureWorks says its production costs are just 10 to 20 percent above those of conventional plastics. Companies buying Mirel pay about \$2.50 a pound, compared with 70 cents to 90 cents for petroleum-based resin, although the price difference is expected to shrink as quantities grow and oil prices rise.

Tamara Numeroff, acting director of the American Chemical Society's Green Chemistry Institute, said being as good as the product it replaces is not good enough for any green product, "even if you've proved you can make it environmentally friendly."

"You have to show a cost advantage to what it's replacing," she said. "The idea that people just want to purchase environmentally friendly products has been

demonstrated in some markets, but not universally."

Though most consumers lack the patience to sort out all the arguments, environmental friendliness can sell. Ralph DiMatteo, 46, of Palmsville Township, Ohio, said after learning Sam's Club gift cards are made of NatureWorks plastic that he would buy them as holiday gifts.

"I don't spend a lot of time researching these kinds of things, but if something is presented to me properly to show how my effort can make a difference for the environment, I'm willing to pay a couple extra cents," DiMatteo said.

For now, Metabolix is banking on that kind of attitude, said co-founder and chief scientific officer Oliver Peoples.

"I believe that there is a segment of the population that is willing to pay to basically feel better about using plastics," Peoples said. "And if a company decided it wanted to go in that direction of charging \$2.03 for a cup of coffee rather than \$2.00, our view is that we're adding something to their brand."

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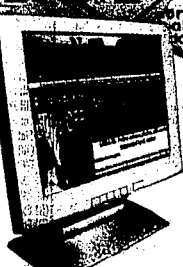
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# A brighter big picture

## How one N. Carolina town proved that manufacturing is no longer a dying economy

By Peter S. Goodman  
The Washington Post

PITTSBORO, N.C. — Until the late 1950s, the low-slung brick building in the center of this minuscule town was home to the Kayser-Roth hosiery mill. Some 400 workers tended to clattering looms, churning out panyhose.

"It was the best employer in town," said Nancy May, a former worker.

The hosiery mill is gone now, along with much of the Carolina textile industry — a casualty of the global reordering that has concentrated production in Asia and Latin America. But the old brick building is still here and still making products — albeit modest varieties that could scarcely have been imagined a half-century ago: Today, the site is occupied by a biotechnology company, Blolex Therapeutics.

Inside, 90 workers harness expensive laboratory equipment and a plant called duckweed, a bane to local ponds, to develop a drug for a serious liver ailment. Even the lowest-paid lab technician takes home far more than the seamstresses earned. If the start-up succeeds, its product will be substantially more lucrative than panyhose.

As lawmakers pursue legislation aimed at softening the blow from factory closures, and the downside of trade emerges as a talking point in the 2008 presidential campaign, it might seem that manufacturing is a dying part of the U.S. economy. But the retooling of this old brick building on Credit Street underscores how, despite its oft-pronounced demise, American manufacturing is in many regards stronger than ever.

The United States makes more manufactured goods today than at any time in history, as measured by the dollar value of production adjusted for inflation — three times as much as in the mid-1950s, the supposed heyday of American industry. Between 1977 and 2005, the value of American manufacturing swelled from \$1.3 trillion to an all-time record \$4.5 trillion, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

With less than 5 percent of the world's population, the United States is responsible for almost one-fourth of global manufacturing, a share that has changed little in decades. The United States is the largest manufacturing economy by far. Japan, the only serious rival for that title, has been losing ground. China has been growing but represents only about one-tenth of world manufacturing.

But if the big picture is brighter than many realize, American manufacturing is nevertheless undergoing fundamental change that is exerting enormous pressure on workers.

Imports are rising, now representing a third of all manufactured goods consumed in the country, up from 10 percent in the 1970s.

American exports are rising even faster than imports, but companies face intense price competition, with China, India, Brazil and dozens of other low-wage countries now part of a global marketplace for labor and materials. Manufacturers are redesigning production lines to make them more efficient; substituting machinery for people wherever possible.

So while American manufacturing is not declining, manufacturing employment has been shrinking dramatically. After peaking in 1979 at 19 million workers, the American manufacturing workforce has since dropped to 14 million, the lowest number since 1950.

A stark educational divide has emerged on the factory floor, as skills and training separate winners from losers.

In 1973, more than half of all American manufacturing workers failed to complete high school, and only 6 percent attended some college, according to the National Association of Manufacturers. By 2001, nearly half completed high school and one-fourth attended college.

North Carolina encapsulates the forces remaking American manufacturing. Between 2002 and 2005, the state lost 72,000 manufacturing jobs, about three-fourths in textiles, furniture-making and electronics, according to the North Carolina Commission on Workforce Development. At the same time, the state has become a rising powerhouse in lucrative new manufacturing sectors such as biotechnology, pharmaceuticals and sophisticated textiles.

As they grapple with change, North Carolina's workers and factory owners are helping answer a pressing question: What does the future hold for manufacturing in the United States?

"We didn't see it coming," the furniture man grimly declared.

Michael Dugan once ran Henredon Furniture Industries, which operated a plant in Spruce Pine, a former mining town in the rugged mountains in the western part of the state. There the company made hand-carved wooden bedroom furniture, once employing more than 1,000 people. Many lacked high school diplomas and some were illiterate, yet the factory provided a way for these workers to support families and to acquire modest homes and cars. It paid roughly \$14 an hour, plus health and pension benefits.

Henredon's four-poster beds retailed for about \$5,000 in the early 1990s, Dugan recalled. A few years later, similar models started showing up from the Philippines for less than \$2,000. Now they can be found for \$799, produced by workers in southern China who earn as little as 40 cents an hour.

Henredon first trimmed its workforce. Three years ago, it shut down the plant, eliminating the last 350 positions and adding to a wave of layoffs in surrounding Mitchell County, which has had roughly one-fifth of its jobs wiped out since 2000, according to the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina.

Many of the storefronts in Spruce Pine's brick downtown are empty. Restaurants and shops have closed, succumbing to a dearth of local spending power.

"The kids are moving out," said Brenda Smith, a youth pastor at a teen center. "They can't find anywhere to work about here."

For 25 years, Phillip Wilson worked at Henredon as a master carver. Now, on most days, he wakes before dawn and drives to his new job — the 5:30 a.m. shift as a prison guard at the medium-security Mountain View Correctional facility. His pay is down 15 percent, forcing him into a second job at a used-appliance store to make ends meet.

Throughout the state, and indeed the nation, laid-off factory workers are typically able to find new jobs but mostly for lower pay. A June 2002 study published by the North Carolina Justice and Community Development Center found that workers who lost manufacturing jobs in 1998 and 2000 were earning 72 percent of their previous salaries six months later.

Furniture-making is typical of the manufacturing sectors that are sinking in the United States. For many, labor represents a relatively high proportion of total costs, making them vulnerable to foreign competition. If factories cannot automate, they die.

The textile industry has been particularly aggressive in replacing people with machines. A half-century ago, a typical North Carolina textile worker operated five machines at once, each capable of running a thread through a loom at 100 times a minute. Now machines run six times as fast, and one worker oversees 100 of them.

With machines increasingly occupying the center of production, manufacturers want highly trained, literate workers at the controls. To meet the demand and help workers secure jobs, North Carolina has beefed up course offerings at its community colleges.

Three years ago, it set up Blonework, a training program based in community colleges, to feed workers into the state's growing biotech sector.

All of the skills are closely tied to the worker," said Norman Smit, Blonework's recruitment director. Smit seeks students from declining areas of manufacturing. Given intensive training and a willingness to adapt, a textile or furniture worker can become a better-paid biotech technician, he

says. As proof, he points to Regina Whitaker.

"Ten years ago, straight out of high school, Whitaker went to work at a yarn texturing plant in Yadinville, in the Piedmont region. Her mother had worked there for 30 years.

From midnight until 8 a.m., Whitaker tended to whirling machinery, alternately wishing for another job and worrying that she would actually have to find one: Her company was opening plants in China and Brazil and laying people off in Yadinville.

"I couldn't see spending my life there," Whitaker said. In January 2003, she enrolled in the first associate degree classes offered in biotechnology at Forsyth Technical Community College. Now 28, she graduated in July 2004 and was hired as a lab technician at Targacept, a biotech start-up in Winston-Salem that was spun off from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco. Where the tobacco giant had researched the use of nicotine to make people crave cigarettes, Targacept is focusing on the nicotine receptors in the brain to develop drugs for Alzheimer's disease and schizophrenia.

Whitaker said her salary is "significantly more" than the \$13.40 an hour she made at the yarn factory.

"I'm not struggling now," she said. "Before, it was paycheck to paycheck."

Glen Raven Custom Textiles was another Carolina textile operation whose future seemed in doubt. In the early 1990s, the company was still concentrated on products under siege from foreign competition —

panyhose, luggage fabric and yarn for apparel. Throughout the Carolinas, other textile companies were vanishing.

Glen Raven managed to endure and prosper by retooling on specialty industrial fabrics for outdoor furniture, boats and awnings — expensive goods that require customization, high-end machinery and technical expertise.

Economists suggest this is the future for successful U.S. manufacturers: zeroing in on high-value products that tap America's technological advantages to offset high labor costs. This strategy has fostered a boom in exports of American-made industrial engines and machinery, aerospace gear and pharmaceuticals.

North Carolina has embraced this approach, aggressively pushing biotechnology development. In the past decade, the number of biosciences firms in the state has jumped to 386 from 131, and the number of workers has more than doubled, from 20,000 to 47,000, according to the North Carolina Biotechnology Center, a government arm that promotes the industry.

At Research Triangle Park, a sprawling complex outside Raleigh-Durham, Biogen Idec has established one of the larger biomanufacturing facilities in the United States, making sophisticated pharmaceuticals.

Entry-level workers with the necessary training earn \$27,000 to \$35,000 a year. Experienced production workers can make considerably more.

For Glen Raven, the focus on high-technology production has turned its factory

floors into lonely expanses. In Norlina, N.C., a red-brick factory just down Route 1 from the town's lone traffic light, 225 people once made panyhose, pushing baskets of nylon across the floor by hand. Now, 156 workers manage computers that control arcs of robotic arms and bobbins producing yarn.

The refashioning has positioned Glen Raven to profit from what many portray as the mortal threat to the Carolina textile industry: China now buys growing volumes of the company's products. Last year, North Carolina exported \$52 million of textiles and fabrics to China, a fivefold increase from 2003.

Chinese factories increasingly use Glen Raven's fabrics to make sun umbrellas and upholstery for lounge chairs, sending many of these finished goods back across the Pacific to the United States.

The workers at these Chinese factories typically make less in a month than the price of a sun umbrella at an American retailer. Glen Raven's success allows the company to pay its American workers \$10.50 to \$22 an hour, plus benefits. Even at those wages, labor represents only 5 percent of the overall cost of turning fiber into fabric.

Put another way, the efficiency of the machines that have eliminated jobs at its plants has allowed Glen Raven to pay the remaining workers enough to afford cars, health care and homes. Some of those homes boast patios and lawns now shaded by sun umbrellas made in China using fabric woven just down the road.

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# Rail lines. State lines. Bottom lines.

Absence of some railroad services could put Idaho at a disadvantage

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

**SITIOSTONE** — In the small community of Sheshone there is a viewing platform dedicated to the railroad that cuts through the center of town.

"It marks a time when the town relied on the railroad to connect local farms to markets across the nation. Of course, that was before the railroad decided not to stop there anymore — causing the town's economy to slowly wither away."

"Decades later, business owners, lawmakers and economic development groups in south-central Idaho say little has changed regarding the railroads' power and influence over rural communities that are isolated from major markets."

"They say the Union Pacific Corporation, the state's only in-state railroad refuses to stop in Idaho to load and offload freight containers that are used to transport everything from food products to farm machinery."

"It's a problem that people such as Kelly Bangerter, director of the Magic Valley Economic Development Association, say is choking economic development in one of the fastest growing states in the nation."

"If you want to export your product, the only way you can get it to a port is by shipping it there in a freight container on the railroad," Bangerter said. "But in Idaho, the only way you can do that is by loading it onto a truck and then shipping it down to Salt Lake City where Union Pacific loads it onto a train."

"That's because Idaho is the only state west of the Mississippi without an intermodal loading terminal where freight containers are transferred from truck to train."

"The cost of shipping each container from southern Idaho to Salt Lake City costs between \$500 and \$1,500 — depending on the weight and

distance from the terminal. Bangerter said one business in south-central Idaho ships 175 containers each month to the terminal in Salt Lake City at a total cost of \$150,000 per month, or about \$7.2 million a year.

"Communities in Idaho have to live with the railroads every day because they cut right through them, but we can't get the Union Pacific to help us out by letting us load containers right here," He said. "Simply put, we are at the mercy of the Union Pacific."

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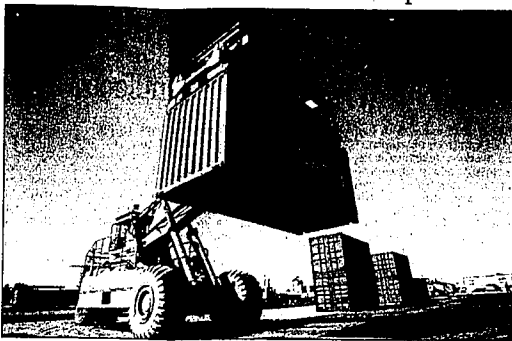
The Union Pacific says the Salt Lake City Intermodal Terminal was built specifically to accommodate Idaho's needs. The \$83-million terminal, which was completed in September 2006, was described by Union Pacific officials as a state-of-the-art facility designed to serve both Idaho and Utah, handling 250,000 freight containers annually — far more than what it currently handles.

The idea was to create a high-capacity terminal in a central location, rather than building several smaller terminals that would increase operational costs.

Railroads are the most capital intensive industry in the nation, spending more than \$2.3 billion annually to maintain existing track and facilities.

Idaho transportation officials say that's precisely why Union Pacific will not likely build a loading terminal in Idaho.

"The railroads really have to be careful about where they build intermodal terminals," said Ronald Kerr, senior transportation planner with the Idaho Transportation Department. "I'm not defending the Union Pacific, but you have to understand that we are considered a bridge state — meaning that the majority of traffic is passing through Idaho to get somewhere else — so building a terminal here is not going to



A 90-ton container handler operates Wednesday morning at APEX container facility in Twin Falls. The company transfers some 2,500 containers carrying various goods such as dairy products, canned vegetables as well as clothes and electronics.

maximize their returns."

When the rails and businesses go south

Although lawmakers and economic development groups understand that the Union Pacific is simply watch-

ing its bottom line, they say their biggest concern is that businesses in Idaho will go elsewhere in order to near loading terminal and avoid the additional shipping costs.

"This issue is a top priority of mine and I am determined to come up with a workable solution that allows growers in Idaho to pay a fair and equitable price to ship their products to market," said U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo in a written

statement. "The high cost of rail shipment in Idaho is a symptom of a much larger, nationwide set of transportation issues. Any solution to the problem must be considered at the national level and applied to all affected facilities."

Kerr said the state took the first steps toward a resolution about a year ago when Idaho joined other states in forming Intermodal Commerce Authorities.

The ICAs, which must be established by counties and have no taxing authority, work with local businesses, state officials and the railroad to increase intermodal availability.

Not surprisingly, the first ICA was organized in south-central Idaho near Burley. However, almost one year after it was organized, the authority is still unable to convince Union Pacific to allow intermodal loading despite several months of discussions.

"This is something that has been going on for years," Kerr said. "It's something that's going to take some time, and Idaho is only getting started."

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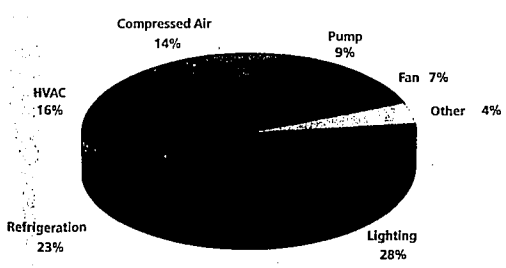
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## Break Down Of Most Common Custom Efficiency Projects



STORIES FROM SURROUNDING STATES

# Oregon ceramics maker part of sustainability effort in manufacturing

By Jeff Barnard  
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GRANTS PASS, Ore. — A lot of people talk about sustainability.

Barry Russell, CEO of a small high-end decorative tile manufacturer called Encore Ceramics, goes way past the point that he can obviously justify it for the bottom line.

All three cars owned by the company are hybrids. Russell buys carbon offsets for air and highway miles logged by the company. Solar panels on the roof produce some electricity and the rest is greened. More solar panels are going in. Leftover clay and glazes are recycled so they don't become pollution. Packaging is almost exclusively recycled paper. Motion-detector switches turn lights on and off automatically.

"Am I crazy?" says Russell. "Maybe."

Not so much crazy as ahead of the curve in a growing business ethic that is saying companies need to save energy, recycle more, produce less waste, and reduce the need for foreign oil, said James Sweeney, professor of management science and engineering at Stanford University.

"Most every company I ever worked with has its own internal set of principles that rest on them being willing to do a group of things that may be legal but they think are unethical," said Sweeney.

"What seems to be happening now, more and more, is understanding one of those ethical principles is that we need to take personal responsibility for our impacts on the environment."

When it comes to acting on that ethic, small privately held companies like Encore Ceramics have a big advantage over large publicly held ones, said Deborah Gallagher, professor of environmental policy at Duke University's Nicholas School of the Environment.

"You have stockholders and other stakeholders that are interested in the bottom line, and they only let the public corporations go so far," she said.

"If you have a private company it's a little easier. The same goes for small versus large."

However, dominant corporations have a far greater impact when they take meaningful steps to go green, such as Wal-Mart demanding its suppliers become more sus-

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— Barry Russell, CEO of a small high-end decorative tile manufacturer called Encore Ceramics

tainable, she added. She remains skeptical large corporations will go to the lengths that some small companies are going to without government mandates, or that sustainability will have much impact on the environment until more major corporations make big commitments.

One big hurdle CEOs face is accounting for the benefits of sustainable manufacturing practices, such as disposing of hazardous waste, recycling, and dependence on foreign oil.

Likewise, there are few computer tools for engineers and designers that easily calculate the embedded energy costs and recyclability of materials the way there are to figure the strength and flexibility.

But as manufacturers face the prospects of taxes on greenhouse gases, tougher disposal laws, and penalties for not using green power — all being talked about in California — companies like Encore Ceramics will be ahead of the curve, said David Dornfeld, professor of manufacturing engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. Conventional accounting practices don't reflect them.

Breakthroughs can be expected once a company commits to examining every aspect of a business through the lens of sustainability, says Jim Hartzfeld, managing director of InterfaceRAISE LLC, a sustainability consulting firm that is a spinoff of Interface Inc., an Atlanta carpet tile manufacturer dedicated to sustainability.

He advises companies that beyond cutting costs for energy and waste, embracing sustainability can improve their reputation, attract better employees, get better performance out of employees and foster innovation.

"It's a huge business opportunity to retool and re-imagine what you do," he said.

Hartzfeld credits the sustainability lens with two breakthroughs at Interface. One was making each carpet tile a little bit different from the others in a given lot, elim-

inating the need for a customer to buy extra for replacements because the dye in the next lot wouldn't match exactly. The other was a decision to develop a process to make carpet backing from recycled materials. "We invested \$12 million in a new way of making carpet tile backing that was barely penciled out as an investment at \$25 (per barrel) oil," he said. "These guys look like geniuses now."

Basically, Sweeney came 15 years ago while working at a different tile manufacturer in Santa Rosa, Calif., where an engineer friend explained the threats to future generations from global warming, pollution, and wasting natural resources.

When he examined the tile manufacturing process, he found 70 percent of the glaze went to waste, boosting production costs because it had to be trucked to a hazardous waste dump.

When Russell and his wife, company President Debbie Russell, started Encore Ceramics and brought it to Oregon, their first goal became no waste.

"That's a difficult thing to achieve — something that requires a lot of persistence," he said.

Instead of letting leftover glaze run down the drain, Encore captures it and puts it in trays on the kilns to evaporate the water, then mixes the residue into the clay used to make tiles. Leftover clay is dried, ground up, put in bags and sold as a sand substitute. Because sand is so cheap, recycled leftover clay costs Encore money.

Besides cutting their own waste, they became committed to helping provide markets for recycled materials.

"It hasn't been easy for the Russell."

"But someday, somebody will want to know how we get really good at this sustainability game, because all of a sudden we consider it to be really important worldwide for humanity," Russell said. "They will be able to look at us and say here's how this little company does it and we can plan for it."

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## Jayco

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with headquarters in Middlebury, Ind., assembles RV and travel trailers from the ground up and then ships them to dealers across the country. It opened a plant on Washington Street South in Twin Falls in November 2004, and started producing the company's Jay Flight travel trailer there. In May, it started manufacturing the Jay Flight G2 model.

When Jayco decided to expand its Twin Falls facility, it bought 176 acres on Hankins Road. According to Yoder, the company retained 70 acres, which leaves room for them to expand, and the other 106 acres will be developed into an industrial park. Yoder said he already has two companies committed to being part of it.

"It allows us to expand when we decide it's time," Yoder said. The company has built two new buildings on the land. One is an 86,000 square foot facility that houses administrative offices and is where the RVs are actually assembled. The other is a 57,000 square foot building that serves as a lamination facility and mill

room where lumber and carpeting is cut and gas lines are prepared.

Yoder said Jayco can build travel trailers up to 34 feet long in the new facility. He also said the company plans to start manufacturing three new floor plans that can only be built in the new facility.

"It gives us the opportunity to build large units, smaller units, whatever we need," Yoder said.

Jayco started construction on its new buildings in October 2006 and were able to move in on June 25. Doug Huntley, a foreman for the company, said the transition to the new building was fairly smooth overall, and that the employees are happy with the new space.

"We got right out here and jumped into it," said Huntley. "There wasn't much of a pause."

The Jayco facility on Washington will stay open and continue to produce about 11 or 12 RVs a day, however the new facility produces about eight. Yoder said the company's goal is to get both facilities to produce 15 a day by June.

He said the key to getting to those numbers is hiring more people. The company has hired 110 new employees since January, bringing the total staff to 270. Yoder said he believes the company won't have a problem filling even more positions to help boost the production numbers.

"The nice thing about it is, it allows us to hire people from Twin Falls who want full-time work and (to) train them," Yoder said. "It fits in with the community."

He said Jayco is in an ideal location geographically because it can easily ship products to dealers across the Northwest and to places like Utah, Colorado and Arizona.

Although higher gas prices can't make it expensive to transport the RVs and for customers to own them, Yoder believes Jayco's expansion will help the company continue to be successful in the RV industry.

"It's been a win-win for our dealers, our retail customers, and Jayco," he said.

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