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## Steel pleads guilty in dance club killing

By Cass Friedman  
Times-News writer

A Twin Falls man Monday pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the November 2006 shooting death of Luis Varlos Ramirez, outside Phat Eddy's dance club in Historic Downtown.

Fifth District Judge Randy Stoker indicated he would accept a plea agreement that will send James Steel, 24, to prison for 30 years, with 12 years before he is eligible for parole.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant

Loebis agreed to not seek charges stemming from another incident earlier that night at Kruezer's nightclub, where witnesses say Steel displayed a handgun. Steel proceeded from Kruezer's to Phat Eddy's, where 20 minutes later he shot 21-year-old Ramirez at close range with a 9 mm semiautomatic pistol outside the bar at 213 Fifth Ave. S.



Steel

Steel, described as heavily intoxicated, accosted Ramirez and apparently shot him without provocation.

Loebis also agreed to not seek charges related to drugs that police said they discovered inside Steel's car.

The plea came on what would have been the first day of trial. The jury was selected Thursday.

No sentencing date has been scheduled.

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"Both of those bills are pretty close to passage. Whether the funds will be in there for CSI, we can't guarantee that, although we are ... optimistic."

— Sid Smith, spokesman for Sen. Larry Craig

## As Congress breaks, CSI funding awaits

By Andrea Gates  
Times-News writer

The College of Southern Idaho could receive about \$730,000 from the federal government for student safety and technical-program initiatives under legislation pending in Washington, D.C.

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho and Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, announced twice this month that they had "secured funding" for Idaho hospitals, education, economic development and transportation endeavors.

But shortly after their first announcement on Nov. 1,

which earmarked \$250,000 to CSI for technical training degrees and programs, President Bush vetoed the bill containing the CSI appropriation.

Bush thought the bill's spending levels were too large, said Craig's spokesman Sid Smith. So now the bill is back in the court of Congress, where a leaner version could be chiseled out.

"It certainly doesn't mean the bill, or the funding is dead," Smith said.

What dollars and cents will come to CSI is unclear, but

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## Back from the blaze



Bryce Alexander, left, Kato Lednisky and Casey Bryant, all Bureau of Land Management firefighters from the Twin Falls District, recently returned from battling blazes in California.

## BLM firefighters describe California wildfires

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

Kato Lednisky, an Idaho wildfire firefighter, isn't shaken by much.

"Flames a dozen feet high? No problem.

Dodging burning timber in the darkness? Just another day at the office.

But ducking 70 mph winds? Talking down frantic homeowners whose abodes burn all around you?

"Well, that's a different story, say Lednisky and other Bureau of Land Management firefighters who returned last week from

California, where they helped battle a string of catastrophic blazes that claimed thousands of homes.

These firefighters, who crisscross the burning West most summers, are used to working rangeland fires, in which the only vehicle they may see for days is their own yellow truck. Standing in the charred skeletal remains of a subdivision is not a typical

wildfire experience.

"It was pretty difficult seeing house next to house just leveled," Lednisky, a nine-year veteran firefighter, said Monday "and dealing with the public was not something we were used to," he said.

California fire managers warned the Idahoans when they arrived in China that homeowners could be hostile. But that wasn't the case, at least for the six Idahoans from the BLM's Twin Falls District who made the trip.

Shortly after their arrival — and the warning — they maneuvered their rig down a

residential street near Escondido, where the Witch Fire had destroyed many homes. A truck pulled up behind them and followed.

"Oh, here we go," said Bryce Alexander, expecting a confrontation.

The truck pulled alongside the BLM rig, and suddenly a man leapt out and onto their hood.

"He just stuck his arm in our window and started shaking hands," Alexander said. "He wanted to say thanks. He said, 'you guys come all the way from Idaho

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## Former CSI player Tony Harris found dead in Brazil

By Stan Lehman  
Associated Press writer

SAO PAULO, Brazil — The body of former College of Southern Idaho basketball player Tony Harris was found in a dense thicket in central Brazil, police said Monday, two weeks after he was reported missing.

Police spokesman Norton Luiz said by telephone that police found Harris Sunday after an anonymous tip.

Harris was playing for Universo, a professional team based in Brasilia, the country's capital.

Harris, who would have turned 37 Sunday, played for Universo from 1990-91 and 1991-92 seasons, helping the Golden Eagles to a 66-7 record and two appearances in the NJCAA Division I National Championships. He also played on the 1994 Washington State team that made it to the East Regional

of the NCAA tournament.

The body was "slumped against a tree in an Army training ground and with the shoelace of one of his sneakers wrapped around his neck," Luiz said. "We believe he may have committed suicide because it appears the body fell from one of the tree's branches, although we are not ruling out homicide."

He said Harris died about five days before he was found near the small town of Formosa.

Luiz said Harris' father-in-law and a family friend had arrived in Goiânia, capital of Goias state, to identify the body, which should be flown to the United States for burial.

Harris was reported missing Nov. 4, three days after his debut as a shooting guard for the Brazilian team, said Jorge Bastos, a Universo director.

"According to some of the other players, Harris appeared to be nervous and overly-anxious about something," Bastos said by telephone. "But he never said what was bothering him."

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## Abandoned horses on the rise, pose dilemma for ranchers

LA GRANDE, Ore. (AP) — Ranchers in the old West saw their horse herds depleted by rustlers. Today people are abandoning unwanted domestic horses on ranches and public lands.

"High hay prices and the closure of the nation's last domestic horse processing facility in Illinois may be partly to blame.

"At least nine horses have been turned loose on Wannie MacKenzie's ranch north of Jordan Valley in the past 18 to 24 months and the Malheur County cattlemen is bracing for more old and hungry horses as cash-strapped owners in Idaho's Treasure Valley run out of winter hay.

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— Wannie MacKenzie, an Oregon rancher

"It's a huge problem," MacKenzie said. "What am I gonna do with them? I don't want 300 head of horses on my ranch."

"We are hearing stories from all over of people abandoning horses," at livestock fairs, said Gary Conway, spokesman for the The Associated American Quarter Horse Association.

Cavel International in DeKalb, Ill., the nation's last horse slaughter facility, closed in September and

two in Texas did so earlier last year.

The plants had exported horse meat to Europe and elsewhere for human consumption. Their closures were halted by animal rights advocates but their absence leaves horse owners with fewer options for dealing with animals they no longer want, Conway said.

Closure of the plants has resulted in a 400 percent increase in shipments of U.S. horses to Mexican slaughterhouses this year, said

Sally Baker, spokeswoman for the 9,000-member Association of Equine Practitioners in Lexington, Ky.

Malheur County Undersheriff Brian Wolfe tries to identify owners and charge them with animal abandonment or animal abuse but 90 percent of the horses are not branded.

Killing and processing horses for meat, which happened 80,000 to 100,000 times a year across the nation, according to government figures, or euthanasia are options but not without complications.

After euthanasia, most horses are buried or burned.

A horse carcass can't be aban-

doned after a vet puts the animal down because the drugs are dangerous to scavengers, said La Grande veterinarian Christopher J. Melloni.

Oregon brand Inspector Rodger Huffman of La Grande said even a horse that dies of natural causes cannot be left within a quarter-mile of running water or within half a mile of a dwelling for more than 15 hours without being buried or incinerated.

In remote areas, horse owners sometimes just shoot the animals, something MacKenzie said he can't bring himself to do.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS Today Tonight Wednesday

Gradual clearing and drying. Partially clear and cold. A crisp and sunny day. High 38 Low 20 37/21

MINI-CASSIA Today: A fluffy breeze adding to the chill already present. High in upper 30s. Tonight: Partially clear and cold. Lows near 20. Tomorrow: A sunny and chilly day. Highs low to middle 30s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Minico High School's Spartan Dance Force annual dance show, 7 p.m., in the auditorium, \$3 in advance or \$5 at the door, (prizes awarded), 260-1336.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 225 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700. Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley, 788-5500. Buhl School Board, 6:30 p.m., district office, 920 Main, 543-6436. Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave., 878-2224. Castleford School Board, 7 p.m., school library, 500 W. Main, 537-6511. Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189. Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030. Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m. council chambers, 300 Main, 326-5000.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9 to 10 a.m. at Filer Elementary and Hagerman High School Gym; and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (temporary location: LDS church on Main), no cost, 732-6475.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, 11 a.m. to noon, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

Silversneakers Fitness Program, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Human-invented or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2002 Filer Ave. E., 736-7237 or 735-1101.

Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C St., Rupert, 426-0987.

Free Diabetes Support group meeting, with Public Health nurse Jackie Kennedy speaking on "Communicating with Your Health Care Provider", 7 p.m., South Central Public Health District building (north entrance), west end of the CSI campus, 737-5946.

Road 2 Recovery, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Building of New Beginnings, 1044 E. Main St., Burley, 670-2578.

Celebrate Recovery, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557 or 324-7237.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Icy Worlds/Saving the Night/Live Sky Tour", 7 p.m., Hermett Center for Arts and Science, CSI, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 733-6655.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Brown by email at sbrown@magicvalley.com, by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, PO.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

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Handmade holiday The best of the '07 crop of local crafts. WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME

Out with the lights This year's Festival of Trees is coming soon, and ornaments and strings of twinkly lights will follow. THURSDAY IN TNT

MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE WORLD

WASHINGTON

N. Iraq most violent as attacks decline overall

Despite a decline in violence in Iraq, northern Iraq has become more violent than other regions as al-Qaida and other militants move there to avoid coalition operations elsewhere, the region's top U.S. commander said Monday. Army Maj. Gen. Mark P. Hertling said al-Qaida cells still operate in all the key cities in the north.

"What you're seeing is the enemy shifting," Hertling told Pentagon reporters in a video conference from outside Tikrit in northern Iraq. Hertling said militants have been pushing east to his area from Anbar by the so-called Awakening movement, in which local tribes have allied with the coalition against al-Qaida. Others have been pushed north to his area from the Baghdad region, where this year's U.S. troops escalation has made more operations possible.

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defeat U.S. imperialism together, saying the fall of the dollar is a prelude to the end of Washington's global dominance.

Hugo Chavez's visit to Mahmoud Ahmadinejad in Tehran followed a failed weekend attempt by the firebrand to push the Organization of Petroleum Exporting States away from trading in the slumping greenback.

Their proposal at an OPEC summit was overruled by other cartel members led by Saudi Arabia, a strong U.S. ally. But the cartel agreed to have OPEC finance ministers discuss the idea, and the two allies' move showed their potential for stirring up problems for the U.S.

The alliance between Chavez and Ahmadinejad has blossomed with several exchanged visits — Monday's was Chavez's fourth time in Tehran in two years.

"Here are two brother countries, united like a single fist," Chavez said upon his arrival in Tehran, according to Venezuela's state-run Bolivarian News Agency.

TEXAS

Giuliani promotes 'virtual' fence to keep illegal immigrants out

MISSION — Republican presidential candidate Rudy Giuliani pushed the idea of a "virtual" rather than a real fence along much of the U.S.-Mexico border on Monday, an issue that's controversial among lawmakers in the valley where many people oppose construction of a physical fence to stop illegal immigration.

The former New York mayor said that while a physical fence is needed in some places, most of the border should be policed with high-tech monitoring. He toured the border along the southernmost tip of Texas with state and local officials.

"And frankly, the virtual fence is more valuable because it alerts you to people approaching the border, it alerts you to people coming over the border," Giuliani said, the Rio Grande in the background.

Giuliani said his approach could end illegal immigration within three years.

GEORGIA

Sex scandal rocks Georgia megachurch

DECATUR — The 80-year-old leader of a suburban Atlanta megachurch is at the center of a sex scandal of biblical dimensions: He slept with his brother's wife and fathered a child by her.

Members of Archbishop Earl Paulig's family food at the pulpit of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit at Chapel Hill Harvesters' Church: a few Sundays ago and revealed the secret: exposed by a recent, court-ordered paternity test.

The living proof of that lie



D.E. Paulig, senior pastor of the Cathedral at Chapel Hill, stands with his wife, Brandi, in their home in Marietta, Ga., Nov. 9. DNA tests reveal that Bishop Earl Paulig, the church's founder, is actually the pastor's biological father. Story below.

is 34-year-old D.E. Paulig, who for years was known publicly as Earl Paulig's nephew.

"I am so very sorry for the collateral damage it's caused our family and the families hurt by the removing of the veil that hid our humanity and our sinfulness," said D.E. Paulig, who received the mantle of head pastor a year and a half ago.

than a decade. The California Supreme Court's seven justices spend about 20 percent of their time and resources on death-penalty cases, Alarcon said. He argued that it would be wiser to spread review across the 105 justices seated in the state's six appellate districts, subject to review by the state high court.

CALIFORNIA

Court seeks help with death-penalty cases

The California Supreme Court on Monday called for a constitutional amendment to address the state's broken death-penalty system, which is so backlogged that few prisoners a month would have to be executed for the next 11 years to clear out the existing death row.

The proposed amendment, announced by Chief Justice Ron George, would permit the court to transfer death-penalty review to the state's appeals courts. The high court has had exclusive oversight of capital case appeals since California became a state in 1850.

The proposal follows a similar call from a veteran federal appeals court judge, Arthur L. Alarcon. In a law review article, joined a small but growing chorus of critics who say that delays in carrying out death-penalty sentences have rendered capital punishment in the state largely an illusion.

California's death row, with 667 inmates, is the nation's largest. While more than 50 condemned prisoners have died of old age, suicide or prison violence in the past three decades, only 13 have been executed since capital punishment was reinstated in 1978.

The average wait for execution here is 17.2 years, twice the national figure. And the backlog is likely to grow, considering the trend: Thirty people have been on death row for more than 25 years, 119 for more than 20 years and 408 for more

IDAHO

Feds: Several to plead guilty in global drug ring investigation

BOISE — Ten people indicted in a multimillion-dollar, international drug trafficking investigation are expected to plead guilty in U.S. District Court here over the next few weeks.

The case spans more than three decades and involves hundreds of thousands of pounds of marijuana and other drugs smuggled into the country and distributed across the nation, federal prosecutors say.

Kent Allen Jones, Dale Eugene Barker, Mark Daniel Kitzman, Gerald Francis McDonald, Harold Carl Ballenger, Mark M. Alders, Robert David Long, Damon John Marsh, Mark William Purley and Forest G. McDonald are all expected to enter guilty pleas to either drug or money laundering charges or both, Assistant U.S. Attorney Monte Sides said Monday.

Another defendant, Dennis Hammons, is currently being transported by U.S. marshals to Idaho from the East Coast to face drug charges.

Three more defendants — Gregory Frank Sperow, Lawrence Edward Weitzman and Jerod Lee Keyser — are scheduled to stand trial next year in the case, Attorney Sides said Monday.

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IRAN

Chavez, Ahmadinejad promise to work against United States

TEHRAN — The presidents of Venezuela and Iran boasted Monday that they will

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# CSI

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college officials remain optimistic.  
Another CSI appropriation was announced by Craig and Simpson on Nov. 14. It would give CSI \$400,000 for a student safety initiative involving road construction and college entryway improvements. That measure has passed the House and Senate and is in conference committee. It could arrive on Bush's desk soon, Smith said.  
"Both of those bills are pre-

ty close to passage," Smith said. "Whether the funds will be in there for CSI, we can't guarantee that, although we are in a good situation... We're optimistic."  
It could be weeks before Congress makes any final determination on the issue, since members are on recess this week and next, Smith said. Requests were made last spring from CSI for the federal funding.  
"We don't have any money yet," said Curtis Eaton, CSI

Foundation executive director and advisor to the president — a point he called "critical."  
CSI has twice won federal funding in the past three years, Eaton said.  
The two current federal bills would appropriate almost \$27.8 million to 38 Idaho projects, including the two CSI initiatives, according to a congressional news release.  
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# Study: Reading is a vanishing pasttime

**The Washington Post**  
WASHINGTON — Americans are reading less and their reading proficiency is declining at troubling rates, according to a report issued by the National Endowment for the Arts Monday. The trend is particularly strong among older teens and young adults, and it is not reversed, the NEA report suggests. It will have a profound negative effect on the nation's economic

and civic future.  
"This is really alarming data," said NEA Chairman Dana Gioia. "Largely, we still have an opportunity to address it, but if we wait 10, 20 years, I think it may be too late."  
Titled "To Read or Not to Read," the report draws on large-scale studies done by government agencies and by non-government organizations.  
"The story the numbers tell,

Gioia said, can be summed up in about four sentences: "We are doing a better job of teaching kids to read in elementary school. But once they enter adolescence, they fall victim to a general culture which does not encourage or reinforce reading. Because these people then read less, they read less well. Because they read less well, they do more poorly in school, in the job market and in civic life."

# Crews

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to protect my house?"  
"You could tell those people really liked firefighters," said Casey Bryant, another BLM blazer battler.  
Other thankful residents, whose homes were spared, delivered Pepsi and water to crews, who stamped out embers and shuffled through debris.

The Idahoans were also surprised by the seemingly heartless and random nature of the fires. In some neighborhoods all homes would burn, but one. But in another neighborhood just down the block, a single house in the center of suburbia could fall victim to an ember carried from miles away by the Santa Ana winds.  
"The locals, they call it the

devil winds," Lednitsky said. The firefighters said some of the devastation could have been prevented had homeowners had appropriate brush near their residences. And they worry that as Idaho's population continues to skyrocket, fighting fires house to house instead of grazing allotment in allures to could be in Idaho's future.

"You could really see why some of the houses didn't make it," Alexander said.  
The California fires, which burned hundreds of thousands of acres and leveled about 3,000 homes, have largely been contained.

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# Harris

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Fred Trenkle, who coached Harris during his time in Twin Falls, said he learned of Harris' disappearance last Friday. The former CSI head coach recalled Harris' immense desire to succeed.  
"He was just the ultimate competitor," Trenkle said. "A very nice, quiet kid. He left behind the same person he came as. He went in with no glamour and he went out with no glamour."  
After college, Harris played in Asia and South America, including a prior stint in Brazil.  
He recently worked as a

counselor at Echo Glen, a juvenile rehabilitation facility in Seattle. But that job ended when he was not hired permanently in February, the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* reported.  
The player's wife told the *Seattle Times* that her husband sounded anxious in his first call to her from Brazil.  
Lori Harris, who is expecting all homes' first child in December, said that the last time Harris played in Brazil, "he didn't leave on good terms... He heard that his old coach said some things that were not nice, (things) that could put him at risk."

husband couldn't leave this time because the team held his passport. He planned to stay with a friend while waiting for a replacement.  
The team would not confirm that it had the passport.  
One of the last people believed to have seen Harris alive was the taxi driver who said he drove Harris from Coalinga to the northeastern city of Salvador, the Goiás State Police said in a statement posted on its Web site.  
The driver said Harris disappeared when they stopped in allures to refuel, leaving behind a laptop and his clothes. The Web site said

Harris apparently planned to take a bus from Salvador to visit a friend in Natal.  
Lori Harris said she last heard from her husband about two weeks ago, when he was on the way to the friend's house.  
He used a taxi driver's cell phone on his last call to his wife. He told her he loved her and would talk to her later, she told the *Seattle Times*.

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# Horses

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But even trucking horses to Mexico and Canada may end. Congress is considering legislation to prohibit killing and processing horses for human consumption or transporting them across international boundaries for that purpose.  
Derek Fink, press secretary for Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-Ky., slaughter was more humane than what is happening to them now, he said.  
The debate "has definitely been framed within an urban vs. rural mind-set," Baker said. She said urbanites often regard horses as "companion animals." Rural households are more likely to think of horses as working animals and be less concerned about sending them to slaughter.  
Government-run horse processing plants in Mexico

"A horse is a pet in America; it is like a dog or cat."  
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appear to do a humane job, Baker said, but she worries about transporting them there. Horses trucked through Mexico and Canada are not under federal jurisdiction monitoring humane treatment, she said.  
But some workers in Mexico kill horses with knives, she said.  
"There is no perfect answer to this problem," Conway said. "The horse processing thing certainly is not a solution for a lot of people. But it is for a lot of others."

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EDITORIAL

# Are feds planting seeds of trouble in Murphy Complex?

Should the federal Department of the Interior be spending more than \$10.5 million to reseed broad swaths of Twin Falls and Owyhee counties scorched by last summer's Murphy Complex fire?

Republican state Rep. Bert Brackett isn't so sure. "In a perfect world, native (plants) would be great," the Three Creek-area rancher said. "But natives can't compete with cheatgrass."

Brackett quibbles with the feds' decision to reseed the high desert with a mix consisting of 80 percent native plants.

"At the end of the day, if this fire rehab effort is 100 percent successful, we'll be no more fire-resistant than we were before," he said.

The Bureau of Land Management is confronted by a Hobson's choice in restoring the Murphy Complex. It has to reseed because the Rhode Island-size fire destroyed grassland used by cattle and wildlife habitat that supports sensitive species such as sage grouse.

And by using seed from mostly native plants, officials hope to thwart the return of cheatgrass and other invasive weeds that populate the region. Those weeds fuel wildfires.

**Our view: We're not sure the Bureau of Land Management's sowing of 1.2 million pounds of mostly native plant seed in the high desert burned by last summer's Murphy Complex is the right call.**

But federal land managers know well that cheatgrass tends to conquer all.

Native to Europe, southwest Asia and Northern Africa, cheatgrass — drooping brome is its official name — was introduced in New York and Pennsylvania about the time of the Civil War and by 1928 had spread west. The weed is prolific, thrives in poor soil and under harsh climatic conditions, and quickly spreads on rangelands, pastures, prairies, fields, waste areas, eroded sites and roadsides. Reviled by ranchers, cheatgrass crowds out native perennial grasses by being more tolerant of grazing and trampling by livestock while providing less nutrition.

And it re-establishes quickly after wildfires.

The BLM's goal in the Murphy Complex is to get seed out into the burned area before cheatgrass can move in, Brackett, and most other ranchers, don't think that's possible.

They may be right. Because of rain in October, the burned-off high desert southwest of Twin Falls is already greening up.

But whatever decision the BLM had made about reseeding, the cheatgrass will return in greater or lesser amounts. It remains to be seen if the Murphy Complex zone will become another wildfire waiting to happen.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Nurses are needed in schools

The editorial, "School is for teachers, not nursing sick kids" dated 11/15/07, assumes all kids with health problems are sick kids. There are children with chronic health problems that have been to the doctor and still need nursing care. Some kids have nursing procedures required during school hours after going to the doctor.

The district will spend more in lawsuits than it is not careful. One district had so many lawsuits that it felt that the nursing salary was saving money. Nurses in other districts work for a teacher's salary. If accidents and medications are not responded to correctly, a lawsuit is ready to happen. In one school, a child shared his Ritalin with other students because there was not proper supervision.

We have an obligation to the children to have a safe, healthy place where they can learn. Children need food and good health to

learn. Should we cut out cafeteria services and not give them lunch?

The laws says that no matter the health problem, the child needs to be allowed to come to school. We are obligated under those laws to provide health care during school. If parents teach health procedures, they are practicing nursing without a license.

Nurses can save the district money, for example, by preventing asthma attacks by teaching staff to use a peak flow meter.

The staff needs more than an action plan. It needs a nurse to teach health procedures prescribed and assess and advise on medications and medical problems. Nurses are needed at special education meetings to make up medical IEP plans. A nurse has more firsthand knowledge than the doctor.

In my 10 years as a school nurse, I found many unsafe conditions. One child could have had further paralysis after a fall.

CAROL LYNN NIELSEN, BSN, RN  
Kimberly



## OTHER VIEWS

# Posturing and driver's licenses

The Washington Post

Listen to the fumbblings and bumbblings of Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama, two otherwise canny and articulate senators, and you can hear a pair of candidates who probably know that granting driver's licenses to illegal immigrants is smart public policy but maybe not such smart politics. Both Mr. Obama, who supports the idea, and Ms. Clinton, who now says she does not, have come in for derision by seeming to straddle an issue that is becoming a surrogate for the broader, unresolved problem of illegal immigration.

Eight states already grant licenses to undocumented residents, from Washington and Utah in the West to Maine and Maryland in the East. All adopted the stance for clear and convincing reasons of public safety and in many cases at least partly at the behest of law enforcement officials. None has come to tragedy because of it.

At least 12 million illegal immigrants live in America, and many of them, probably millions, are already driving regularly or periodically. They drive to jobs, to schools, to hospitals, to

shopping malls and to grocery stores. By making licenses available to them, states are not enabling them to drive more; they are encouraging them to get the insurance and training that will allow them to drive safely. Deny them licenses, and be prepared to pay the consequences.

A report prepared for the AA Foundation for Traffic Safety gives a sobering assessment of those consequences. The report, based on data collected in the 1990s, says that unlicensed drivers are almost five times more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than drivers with valid licenses and that 20 percent of all fatal accidents involve at least one driver without a valid license. Such drivers are also more likely to operate vehicles under the influence of alcohol.

With the Democratic front-runners have equivocated, New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who signed legislation allowing illegal immigrants to be licensed four years ago, was lauded about his reasons. Speaking at the Democratic forum held Thursday in Las Vegas, Mr. Richardson, who may feel that he has less to lose by his honesty than the

equivocating Democratic front-runners, put the matter succinctly: "When we started with this program, 33 percent of all New Mexicans were uninsured. Today it's 11 percent. Traffic fatalities have gone down. It's a matter of public safety."

That was also the logic that led Gov. Elliot Spitzer of New York to announce in September that driver's licenses would be issued without regard to immigration status. He withdrew the plan last week following a firestorm of political protest, not least from the state's Democratic congressional delegation. It was notable that many of those who urged the governor to reverse course did so not because they thought the policy was foolish but because they worried about an electoral backlash.

Polls show that a majority of Americans believe issuing driver's licenses to illegal immigrants is a bad idea. Many fear that it will tempt more immigrants to enter this country illegally. That's the hokum; people who sneak into the country or overstay their visas do so for jobs, not licenses.

A more serious concern is the granting of licenses to illegal immigrants may give

them what they would otherwise lack and that the licenses could be used to gain access to commercial flights. That could be addressed by making driver's licenses valid only for driving, not as all-purpose identity documents, and by creating for other purposes a separate national ID card, with stringent biometric and other safeguards — such as European and other countries already have. Doing so would mean rethinking the federal Real ID Act, which requires states to adopt heavily vetted driver's licenses that would serve as all-purpose IDs. But with many states already balking at Real ID's onerous provisions, a rethink is in order anyway.

Rhetoric and reality already diverge on many aspects of the debate over illegal immigrants. Now driver's licenses are providing easy fodder for elected officials to prove their toughness and intolerance on the issue. By doing so, they ignore the everyday reality of safety on the nation's roads ways. Illegal immigrants will continue to drive regardless of posturing by politicians. The important question is whether they will do so safely.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Many supporting border patrol not bigots, racists

Concerning the recent articles on illegal immigration in the Magic Valley area:

We want to thank the Immigration Service for the work it does to enforce the border laws of this country. "Illegal immigration" is the key phrase in this circumstance. The border patrol and immigration agents have our support.

We are writing for ourselves only, but we know of others who support enforcing our immigration laws and echo our thoughts. Some are reluctant to publicly support border protection efforts out of fear. They fear being labeled as racists and bigots when they aren't. We know because we've kept silent while thinking, "Wait a minute. If immigrants illegally enter this country, live and work here, obey the laws, report income and pay state and federal taxes — welcome. If people enter illegally and take the attitude that this country and its citizens are obliged to meet their demands and give them unquestioned sanctuary, accusing those who differ or object of bigotry — forget it."

### Write to us

The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. Letters may be brought to our Twin Falls office mailed to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403; faxed to (208) 734-5538; or e-mailed to letters@magicvalley.com.

In order to relieve our initial discomfort. And yet, most of us are not completely successful at doing so. Psychologists refer to the discomfort that comes from this failure to reconcile two conflicting thoughts as "cognitive dissonance."

Cognitive dissonance can, and commonly does, occur on a societal level as well, the consequences of which can be extremely damaging.

We are currently faced with two interrelated examples of societal cognitive dissonance: the resolutions of which may well determine the outcome of the human race — the first being global warming; the second, a poorly conceived solution to global warming, nuclear energy. It is very difficult, nearly impossible it seems, to contemplate the possible destruction of human life.

### Global warming and nuclear energy: Both are dangerous

We have feared being accused of racism when we aren't bigoted. Maybe it's time for those who want our borders protected and law enforced to speak out and write and gather us for profiling. It isn't profiling for police officers to patrol areas with known high drug use or prostitution activity in order to apprehend drug dealers and users, prostitutes and their customers. That's not profiling; that's common sense. If a bank robber is described as being a Caucasian female, it isn't profiling to question Caucasian females in the vicinity of the robbery; it's common sense.

We hope immigration officials continue their efforts. They have our support.

JON IDSO  
JANE IDSO  
Twin Falls

and yet, that is what global warming is demanding of us. It has been far easier to simply deny its existence.

However, truth is persistent. Now that many people have tentatively accepted global warming as fact, a second counter belief has crept in: people who seek the initial denial. "While I concede there is global warming, I reject the notion it is related to human behavior."

Simultaneously, the nuclear power industry is taking advantage of our fears of possible extinction by launching a well-funded cognitive campaign promoting nuclear power as a "green" solution to global warming. In doing so, they are exploiting another example of cognitive dissonance, our collective unwillingness to contemplate the almost inconceivable danger of radioactive and toxic waste produced by nuclear power plants. The industry avoids discussion of the absence of safe waste storage solutions, and most of us still find the dilemma too disturbing to contemplate.

Yes, we are amazing creatures.

JIM SYLVA  
Hansen

BANGLADESH

Horror stories from survivors as search for dead continues

BARGUNA — Azahar Ali huddled with his family, reading from the Quran, as the cyclone roared in. First the power went out, then screeching winds blew out the windows and ripped off the roof. The sea rushed in, washing him and his family away.

The 80-year-old awoke in a rice paddy to find his son, daughter-in-law, three grandchildren and three other relatives dead, among the more than 3,100 people killed by Cyclone Sidr.

"I have lost everything," he said Monday while recounting the terror of the worst cyclone in more than a decade to hit this low-lying South Asian nation of 150 million people.

Details of the devastation and the stories of the survivors began to emerge as rescuers reached areas cut off four days earlier when the storm washed out roads and downed telephone lines.

At least 3,113 people were known dead and more than 1,000 were missing, said Lt. Col. Main Ullah Chowdhury, an army spokesman. The Red Crescent Society, the Islamic cousin of the Red Cross, warned the death toll could rise to 10,000 once rescuers reach outlying islands.

Mike Kiernan, spokesman for the charity Save the Children, said the final toll could be between 5,000 and 10,000 deaths, but added that "we won't know for certain for days or weeks."

He said hundreds of thousands of people managed to escape physical harm, but many lost their homes and crops.

"Just the fact that people were able to survive this does not mean they will survive the second wave of death that comes from eating and drinking this from lack of clean water, food, basic medicines and shelter," Kiernan said.

IRAQ

Two Americans held after private security convoy opens fire

BAGHDAD — Iraqi soldiers detained two American security guards along with several other foreigners traveling in a private security convoy that they opened fire Monday in Baghdad, wounding one woman, an Iraqi military spokesman said.

U.S. military and embassy officials had no immediate information about the report, which follows a series of recent shootings in which foreign security guards have allegedly killed Iraqis. Last month, the Iraqi Cabinet sent parliament a bill to lift immunity for foreign private security companies that has been in effect since the U.S. occupation began in 2003.

Brig. Gen. Qasim al-Moussawi said the convoy was driving on the wrong side of the road in the central Baghdad neighborhood of Kadhadh when the shooting took place about midday.

Those arrested included two American guards, along with 21 people from Sri Lanka, nine from Nepal and 10 Iraqis, the Baghdad military spokesman said.

"We have given orders to our security forces to immediately intervene in case they were violated by security companies. The members of this security company wounded an innocent woman and they tried to escape the scene," al-Moussawi told The Associated Press in a telephone interview.



Cyclone victims grieve in Patargata village, 125 miles south of Dhaka, Bangladesh, Monday. The cyclone that swept across the Bangladesh coast "killed more than 3,100 people, authorities said Monday, as survivors buried their loved ones and waited for aid to arrive.

PAKISTAN Stacked high court OKs Musharraf's re-election

ISLAMABAD — Pakistan's Supreme Court, newly stacked with allies of president Pervez Musharraf, dismissed most of the challenges to his re-election Monday, but opposition leaders rejected the ruling as engineered and illegitimate, the latest controversy in the country's ongoing political crisis.

Deliberating for just under three hours, the judges, many of them hand-picked by Musharraf, struck down the five main challenges to his re-election. The sixth and final petition will be heard Thursday, though that case was also expected to be dismissed.

Pakistani opposition parties had asserted that Musharraf was ineligible to seek re-election last month while also serving as chief of the army. The Supreme Court was scheduled to hear challenges in the case when Musharraf filed several justices and proclaimed emergency rule on Nov. 3.

After the court clears all of the challenges to his re-election, Musharraf has promised to resign as head of the country's military and become a civilian president.

On Monday, the president also said he was asking the country's electoral commission to call parliamentary elections for Jan. 9. Opposition leaders have said the elections would be deeply flawed and unfair if conducted during emergency rule. Hundreds of political leaders remain jailed, and independent TV new stations have been blacked out.

GEORGIA

Heart disease deaths down in older adults

ATLANTA — For decades, heart disease death rates have been falling. But a new study shows a troubling turn — more women under 45 are dying of heart disease due to clogged arteries, and the death rate for men that age has leveled off.

Heart experts aren't sure what went wrong, but they think increasing rates of obesity and other risk factors are to blame.

The rates will have to be monitored to see if this is the beginning of a real trend. But if the data holds, the new study may be an early glimpse of the impact of escalating obesity and diabetes on U.S. deaths, said Wayne Rosamond, a University of North Carolina epidemiology professor and expert on heart disease statistics. "This could

be a harbinger of things to come," Rosamond said.

To be sure, the overall trend is still positive. From 1999 through 2002, the death rate from blocked heart arteries was cut in half for men and women over 35. Improvements in treatment and preventive measures, including cholesterol-lowering medications, led the credit.

But what is going on with younger adults is startling, said Dr. Anthony DeMarla, editor of the Journal of the American College of Cardiology, which is publishing the study and released it Monday.

"We have a pretty scary view of how things are going in the war against cardiovascular disease," DeMarla said. "I view this paper as a wake-up call that says there is a very important segment of our population that needs some attention."

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, killing almost 700,000 Americans each year.

Nearly 500,000 of those deaths are attributed to coronary heart disease, in which fat and plaque clog the arteries feeding blood to the heart, sometimes called hardening of the arteries.

Heart attacks are a common result. "But a combination of factors including genetics, obesity and high cholesterol are sometimes fatal for younger adults."

In 2002, about 25,000 men and 8,000 women ages 35 to 54 died of coronary heart disease. The study was done by researchers at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Britain's University of Liverpool.

WASHINGTON

FBI: Hate crimes rise nearly 8% in 2006

WASHINGTON — Hate crime incidents rose nearly 8 percent last year, the FBI reported Monday, as civil rights advocates increasingly take to the streets to protest what they call official indifference to intimidation and attacks against blacks and other minorities.

Police across the nation reported 7,722 criminal incidents in 2006 targeting victims or property as a result of bias against a race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnic or national origin or physical or mental disability. That was up 7.8 percent from 7,163 incidents reported in 2005.

More than half the incidents were motivated by racial prejudice, but the report did not even pick up all the racially motivated incidents last year. Although the noose incidents and beatings among students at Jena, La., high school occurred in the last half of 2006, they were not included in the report. Only 12,600 of the nation's more than 17,000 local, county, state and federal police agencies participated in the hate crime reporting program in 2006 and neither Jena nor LaSalle Parish, in which the town is located, were among the agencies reporting.

Nevertheless, the Jena incidents and a subsequent rash of noose and other racial incidents around the country, have spawned civil rights demonstrations that culminated last week at Justice Department headquarters here. The department said it investigated the Jena incident but decided not to prosecute because the federal government does not typically bring hate crime charges against juveniles.

Terrorism adviser leaves White House

WASHINGTON — President Bush's chief terrorism adviser announced Monday morning that she is stepping down, becoming the latest in a series of high-level exits from the White House as the Bush presidency heads toward its final year.

Frances Fragos Townsend, the president's homeland security and counterterrorism adviser, managed the White House response to all manner of natural disasters and extremist threats over the last 4 1/2 years.

"We are safer today because of her leadership," Bush said in a statement released by the White House.

Townsend has been a key player in Bush's circle, earning the president's trust despite initial suspicion among Republicans because of her background in the Clinton Justice Department. A former mob prosecutor in New York, she impressed White House colleagues with a hard-nosed style that allowed her to talk tough with Arab royals and skidvay with Navy SEALs.

She helped oversee the U.S. response to the London terrorist bombings, the recent California wildfires and the upgrade of air transportation security procedures. She also oversaw a broad reorganization of the government's intelligence apparatus and directed the first White House review of its anti-terrorism campaign since the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The White House gave no reason for Townsend's departure, but she has followed many other prominent Bush aides out the door, including deputy chief of staff Karl Rove, counselor Dan Bartlett, political director Sara M. Taylor,

counsel Harriet E. Miers, deputy national security adviser J.D. Crouch II and Meghan O'Sullivan and strategic initiatives director Peter H. Wehner.

Experts urge Americans to curb taste for salt

WASHINGTON — The perfect Thanksgiving dinner is stressful. Something else is far more likely to raise your blood pressure: salt hidden in all those goodies.

It's not blame the chef. Much of that salt was hidden from him or her, too.

Americans eat nearly two teaspoons of salt daily, more than double what they need for good health and it's not because of the table salt shaker. Three-fourths of that sodium comes inside common processed foods like stuffing mixes, gravy, and yes, pumpkin pie.

Even raw turkey, which is naturally low in sodium, sometimes is injected with salt water before it reaches the store, a lot more salt than a home cook might sprinkle on. You have to read the brands fine print to tell.

No public health specialists are pressuring the Food and Drug Administration to require food makers to cut the sodium. In a hearing set for next week, they will call the government intervention crucial to fighting heart disease.

"There's just a growing scientific consensus that current levels of salt in the diet are one of the biggest health threats to the public," says Michael Jacobson of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer advocacy group that filed the FDA petition triggering the meeting.

— compiled from wire services

Advertisement for Shaw Flooring Center. It features the text 'shawfloors.com', 'Pre Holiday Savings!', and 'Wholesale Carpets'. There is a small image of a person in a hard hat. The ad lists services like 'CARPET', 'CERAMICS', and 'LAMINATES' and provides a phone number '733-0118'.

Advertisement for BUHLER AGENCY. It says 'Retirement ready or not, will you be ready?' and 'For wealth strategy information and coaching - Call 733-5923'. It also lists 'FINANCIAL PLANNING SERVICES OFFERED THROUGH SIGMA PLANNING CORPORATION' and 'A REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISOR'.

Advertisement for Thanksgiving Dinner. It lists 'Baked Ham, Roast Turkey, Stuffed Pork Loin, Peas & Eat Shrimp, with all the trimmings plus desserts... \$19.99'. It also advertises 'Live Music Fridays and Saturdays' at 'MonYana STEAK HOUSE' with phone number '734-7476'.

Advertisement for Watch & Win Sweepstakes. It says 'Grand Prize of \$100,000 Sweepstakes' and 'CONGRATULATIONS to Past Winners'. It lists names like 'Earl Stodding \$3,500', 'Linda Waldron \$500', and 'Alma H... \$1,000'. There is a 'DAILY PRIZES' graphic showing '\$1000' and '\$500'.

Advertisement for Celebrate Valley Southern Idaho. It features a vertical list of services: 'Engagements!', 'Weddings!', 'Anniversaries!', 'Birthdays!', 'Celebrations!', 'Scouting!', and 'Quinceaneras!'. Each service has a small photo icon. At the bottom, it says 'Log on to magickvalley.com/celebrate to share your family events and special happenings with the rest of the world.' and 'Display your story and photos in an easy to view location.' The logo 'Times-News magickvalley.com' is at the bottom.

Advertisement for 'Need Holiday Cash? Come see us.' It offers 'Personal Loans from \$150 to \$600' with 'Low Monthly Payments' and 'Tax Services Available'. It lists four locations: 1426 Overland Ave., 684 Blue Lakes Blvd., 221 S Lincoln, Sta. C, and 1055 Blue Lakes. Each location has a phone number and address details.

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## Alfalfa root rot widespread in 5 northeastern states

Fungus not yet in Idaho, but officials are on the lookout

By William Mates  
Associated Press writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — A fungus that attacks alfalfa, leaving rotting brown lesions, has been detected in farm fields in New York and four other Northeastern states, scientists said.

Officials from the University of Idaho extension office say the disease has not reached Idaho, however, agricultural officials have been advised to be on the lookout for signs of the disease.

Transportation officials in Idaho and other states not affected by the disease are expected to increase enforcement of interstate transport of

alfalfa in order to prevent any spreading of the disease.

The so-called "brown root rot" was detected in eight of 10 fields sampled in New York, six of seven fields in Vermont and five of six fields in New Hampshire, Cornell University researchers reported in the October 2007 issue of the Journal of Plant Disease.

The samplings were conducted in 2005. Since then, the disease has also been found in Pennsylvania and Maine, the scientists said.

"It appears widespread. These were arbitrarily chosen fields spread out across each state," said Gary Bergstrom, a professor of plant pathology at Cornell.

"Not only was it found in a high percentage of plants in many fields, most lesions had advanced to the internal tissues of roots and crowns," Bergstrom said in

a phone interview. There are no effective treatments or controls for brown root rot, he said.

Feed stock is an important crop for dairy farmers. There are approximately 700,000 acres of alfalfa and alfalfa mixes grown across New York state, according to the Northern New York Agricultural Development Program.

"The numbers are alarming," said Peter Gregg, a spokesman for the New York Farm Bureau, a 30,000-member statewide advocacy group for farmers and agriculture.

"The past couple of years it has grabbed our attention and suddenly it's become a big problem. To the extent Cornell is reporting it, we did not realize it was that bad,"

Gregg said.

Last year, the Farm Bureau persuaded state lawmakers to spend \$300,000 for research on the fungus, which can also infect vegetables and Christmas trees, he said.

"It's a fungal disease that has a lot of mystery to it. We are encouraging more research to find ways to eradicate it from New York fields," Gregg said.

Neither the Farm Bureau nor the state Agriculture and Markets Department have kept track of the number of

infected acres in New York.

"We aren't hearing about any significant crop losses, but we are finding that disease is quite prevalent," said Jessica Clitendren, an agriculture department spokeswoman.

Brown root rot started out as a problem in Alaska and in the prairie provinces of western Canada — Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the Yukon Territory. In eastern Canada, it has been reported only in Nova Scotia.

The disease was first observed in the contiguous United States in 1996 in Wyoming and then in Idaho, Montana, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The fungus first appeared in New York in 2004 in Clinton County, Bergstrom said.

The disease's lesions first appear as reddish-brown to dark brown areas of external discoloration, eventually progressing into the roots, said Michael Wunsch, a Cornell graduate student in plant pathology and the report's lead author and the report's lead author.

The fungus prefers cooler soils, between 30 and 60 degrees. Infection and decay occur primarily in the late fall through early spring, infected plants grow normally in the spring but die in mid-May to mid-June.

Bergstrom said the widespread detection of brown root rot in the testing indicates most fields already have the pathogen. He said the best thing farmers can do at this point is to buy stronger, disease-resistant alfalfa in the future.

"One it's in the soil, it's not realistic to think about eradicating it," Bergstrom said.

The Times-News contributed to this report.

## Still ready to roll

Higher fuel prices not likely to deter travelers this Thanksgiving

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Despite fuel prices being 70 cents higher than they were are year ago, more Americans plan to travel for Thanksgiving.

According to a survey of 2,200 adults released by AAA, more than 38.7 million Americans will travel 50 miles or more from home this holiday, a modest 1.5 percent increase from last year's 38.1 million travelers.

In Idaho, it is estimated that about the same number of travelers will hit the road this Thanksgiving.

Dave Hammon, of Twin Falls, who planned to drive his wife and three children to Ogden, Utah for Thanksgiving, said he wasn't too concerned about higher fuel prices.

"Obviously, the price of gas is higher than it was last year," he said. "But, honestly, what isn't more expensive than it was a year ago."

Idaho's average price for regular gasoline is \$3.10 as of Monday, up 27 cents in the past month and 71 cents higher than a year ago. The U.S. average price is \$3.11, up 35 cents in the past month, and 88 cents higher than a year ago.

"It's interesting that even with gas prices 70 cents higher this year compared to last, Americans still plan to travel. It's not surprising that Thanksgiving destinations," said AAA Idaho Director of Public and Government Affairs Dave Carlson. "Even so, this year's travel projections are consistent with historical data that show high prices do not generally keep people from traveling by car, especially when family is involved."

He said travelers will get a break in other areas of their travel budget this



Cars can be seen heading north out of Twin Falls across the Perrine Bridge Monday afternoon in Twin Falls. Despite high gas prices, many will still travel during the Thanksgiving weekend.

holiday. Following steep increases last year, hotels, airfares and car rental prices are all either flat or showing a drop in price.

Lizzy Shawan, of Pendleton, Ore., who was in Twin Falls on Monday visiting family before traveling to Idaho Falls for Thanksgiving, said that higher gas prices forced her to cut back on spending for things such as food and lodge — no matter how low the prices might be.

"I used to make a vacation out of the trip by doing a little shopping along the way (to Idaho Falls), but that's out of the question now," she said. "The pretty sure I will spend about \$100 more this year on gas than I did last year."

Carlson said he thinks most travelers will look for ways to save money because of higher gas prices.

"This year's travel projections are consistent with historical data that show high prices do not generally keep people from traveling by car."

— Dave Carlson, AAA Idaho director of public and government affairs

Altogether, AAA expects 38.7 million Americans will travel during the holiday. Most of them, 31.2 million — about 80 percent — will do so by motor vehicle, a 1.5 percent increase from the 30.8 million who drove a year ago.

Another 4.7 million Americans — 12.1 percent of holiday travelers — will fly, up 2.2 percent from a year ago. A projected 2.8 million travelers will go by train, bus, or other mode of transportation.

The West leads all regions with the greatest percentage of families with children who will travel this year at 79.8 percent.

AAA Idaho estimates that 151,500 Idahoans will be passengers or drivers in motor vehicles traveling 50 miles or more this holiday period, nearly identical to a year ago.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Homebuyer classes to be offered at CSI

The next two sessions of Family Home, which uses a variety of local experts and realtors, educates first-time homebuyers about home shopping, realtor selection, insurance, down payment, closing costs, and other aspects of getting into their first home, will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 27 and 28 in room 276 of the Taylor building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Those who complete the two-evening course may qualify for reduced mortgage insurance premiums, down payment and closing cost assistance, and other special lender programs. The cost for both classes is \$10 per person, which includes the manual. Pre-registration is required. For information or to sign up, contact Johnson at (208) 732-6287 or at jpljohnson@csi.edu.

### CSI to offer free classes on business practices

The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho will host a Best Practices seminar from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29. Topics will include book-keeping, compliance, legal entities, Lean Business 101, and other discussions. Lunch will be provided for all participants.

There is no cost to attend, but organizers ask that all attendees pre-register to provide a list of who is coming. For more information, contact Sherry Rust at the Idaho Small Business Development Center at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

— from staff reports

## Controversy surrounds FCC, media-ownership restrictions

By Jim Puzzeffera  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The first time federal regulators tried to change the rules on how many media outlets companies could own, the effort bombed like a bad movie. The sequel appears to be headed for the same fate.

The Federal Communications Commission's examination of media-ownership restrictions, moving along slowly and smoothly just a few weeks ago, suddenly has

devolved into a mess similar to the one that doomed proposed rule changes in 2003. Activist groups have risen up in protest, and members of Congress are complaining about the agency's flawed and rushed effort to help media giants at the expense of average Americans.

With the fate of Tribune Co.'s \$2.5 billion bid to go private possibly hanging in the balance, the media-ownership debate became mired in controversy after FCC Chairman Kevin Martin, a Republican, unexpectedly

pushed to wrap up the complicated process by year's end.

Last week, he unveiled a proposal to partially lift a ban on owning a newspaper and TV station in the same city. It was immediately lambasted by media companies for not going far enough and by public-interest groups and Democrats on the commission for going too far — and too fast.

"Congress and the thousands of American citizens we have talked to want a thoughtful and deliberate

rulemaking, not an alarming rush to judgment... designed to make sure that the chairman can deliver a generous gift for big media before the holidays," Democratic commissioners Michael J. Copps and Jonathan S. Adelstein said in a sharply worded statement. "For the rest of us: a lump of coal."

Four years ago, the FCC's partisan 3-2 vote to loosen media-ownership restrictions sparked a huge public outcry. Outraged lawmakers quickly scaled back one of the major rule changes. A

federal court halted the rest for not being properly justified and sent them back to the FCC to be rewritten.

Martin, a commissioner at the time, appeared to have learned from that debacle, conducted by his predecessor, Michael Powell. Martin cautiously launched the FCC's reconsideration of the rules last year and carried early praise from opponents of media consolidation for committing to hold a half-dozen public hearings around the United States. Powell had held only one.

### What to expect today in business

• Commerce Department reports on housing starts for October.

### What to expect tomorrow in business

• Labor Department reports on weekly jobless claims.  
• Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reports on mortgage rates.

## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	23.34	▼ .43	Dell Inc.	26.62	▼ .29	Idacorp	34.10	▲ .23
Lithia Mo.	16.18	▼ .32	Micron	8.84	▼ .31	Supervalu	40.29	▲ .32

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Live cattle	95.18	▼ .13	Dec. Oil	94.64	▲ .8
Dec. gold	778	▼ 9			(Light sweet crude by barrel)



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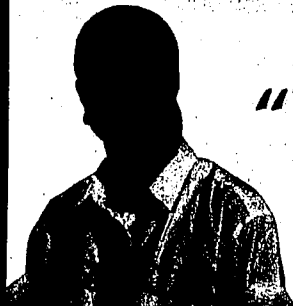
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## A-Rod wins third AL MVP award

By Ronaki Blum  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez has millions of dollars in his investment accounts, three AL MVP awards for his trophy case — and zero World Series rings for his fingers.

"There's definitely a huge hole in the resume. And I mean, it's my third MVP and I'm here to say that I would trade all three for one world championship. I wouldn't think twice about it," Rodriguez said.

Of course, a World Series will have to wait. But for now, he has the satisfac-

tion of his latest MVP won Monday in a romp over Detroit's Magglio Ordonez.

While A-Rod wouldn't address why he opted out of his old Yankees contract or the reasons for his decision to reverse course and return to New York, he did slip this into a 30-minute conference call: "Yankees general manager Brian Cashman asked him after the 2006 season, after he was dropped to eighth in the batting order in the playoff finale against Detroit, whether

he'd prefer a trade.

"I had many, many opportunities," Rodriguez said. "There was a lot of interest from a lot of other teams and I felt I didn't want to go anywhere."

Cashman later confirmed that he approached A-Rod after the 2006 playoff elimination and asked the star third baseman whether he wanted to be traded. Despite four seasons in New York that filled more tabloid headlines than most players got in a lifetime, Rodriguez wants to stay if and when he breaks Barry Bonds' career home run

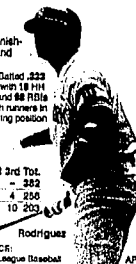
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### Amazing A-Rod

Alex Rodriguez ran away with his third American League MVP Award Monday, finishing ahead of Detroit's Magglio Ordonez and Angelle Vladimir Guerrero in the voting.

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## MAGIC VALLEY PREP MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

### 2007 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY - MATT JONES - DECLU



**S**teady. Incremental. Improvement. That's what made Matt Jones a Class 3A boys cross country state champion. It's also what clearly qualifies him to be the *Times-News* Boys Cross Country Athlete of the Year.

A four-year state qualifier, Jones never settled or plateaued. Each trip to state, he placed higher, going from 55th to 20th to fifth and finally first.

Fitfully, he saved his best race for his last. Jones ran a time of 16 minutes, 45.21 seconds at the state meet Oct. 26 in Idaho Falls, winning the boys 3A race by a full 30 seconds. His coach, David Cole, called it the best race of Jones' career.

The week before state, Jones joined his twin sister Macey in winning Class 3A District IV titles. Matt ran a course record of 17:03 at the meet. He blew that time away a few days later.

Soft-spoken by nature, Jones didn't make much of his win at state. He simply said he can't hard. But running hard and working hard are two of his trademarks. He aspired to be a champion. That drove him daily and his work ethic helped see the goal through to completion.

Each fall, each practice, each race, Jones strided towards a title.

In the end, he got it. In the end, he made his dream a reality. And that's something most folks only dream of.

— Mike Christensen, *Times-News* writer

### 2007 GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY - AMANDA WARD - TWIN FALLS

**I**t's hard to imagine another freshman making quicker strides than Twin Falls' Amanda Ward. Both literally and figuratively.

Not only did Ward end the season as the girls' fastest female runner and top individual time finisher, she also displayed jaw-dropping in-season improvement.

In her first high school race, the O'Leary Junior High freshman clocked a time of 20 minutes, 53 seconds at the frame/Twin Falls Invitational.

Steady, her times lowered. Within a month, she won the Division I title at the 33rd Annual Bob Bryan Invitational in Boise with a time of 19:01. That put her second among all in-state females at the meet. Four weeks later, she won the District IV-VI meet.

Ward had two goals for the Class 5A state meet: Break a tie of '18 and change" and finish in the top five.

She accomplished both.

But her third-place finish in 18:13.55 was the tip of the iceberg. With three high school seasons ahead of her, Ward could win up as a repeat state champion. If she continues the type of rapid progress she developed as a freshman, that result is almost a certainty.

From 2:05:58 on Aug. 24, at a 18:13 on Oct. 21, Ward's stride improved by nearly three full minutes.

Some perspective for the rest of us: That's the time equivalent of skipping an entire commercial break with your DVR.

— Mike Christensen, *Times-News* writer



## CSI finds its crystal ball at nationals

**H**ere's a question of philosophy: Are clouds and silver linings mutually exclusive?

Maybe it's my nature to be the optimist, but I've already found the silver lining in the College of Southern Idaho's 10th-place finish at the NCAA Division I Volleyball Championships. To me, there seems to be enough silver to warrant the purchase of a pickaxe and a helmet.



I'm just having trouble locating the cloud.

After all, in came this freshman-loaded team that finished second in the scenic West Adeline Conference that saw its team start to come of age on the stage of the national tournament. This team fell short of its collective hopes, but grew exponentially in the process.

Oh, and if you think I'm still referring to CSI here, think again.

That was the 2006 Salt Lake Community College Bruins team that finished 11th. This year, the Bruins finished third, coming within points of a berth in the national title game.

In every essence, to watch the 2007 Bruins at the national tournament was to see what 2008 could hold for the Golden Eagles.

The Bruins had a ball-deflating spiker in Cinthia Silva. CSI has Alyssa Wistrick.

SILCC had a kill-stuffing blocker in Talita Santos. The Golden Eagles have Savannah Silcock, a player who was nearly the surprise breakout performer of the national tournament.

The Bruins had an unheralded freshman who became a force as a sophomore in Samantha Richard. The Golden Eagles have options here. Plenty of options.

What if 2007 Bruins had that CSI head coach Heidi Cartisser's 2008 roster looked to be lacking was All-America-caliber setter Michaela Hanakova. But during a season nearly devoid of surprises for the Golden Eagles, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the Mid-America Center held a twist worthy of any Hollywood screenplay.

And now, the Golden Eagles have Jelena Savic.

All logic says that if any CSI player would be named the top setter of the national tournament, she would be Pidge Pinax, the program's all-time assisted leader. But when Pinax faltered against Blinn College, Savic shined.

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## Vandal fumble ignited Broncos' 34-point stampede

**By Grant Jaki**  
*Times-News correspondent*

BOISE — A competitive contest was unfolding in the 37th Governor's Cup. Heavy underdog Idaho mugged just 24-14. The sell-out crowd was a bit subdued, and a sense of uneasiness filled the air as fans mingled at halftime. The Vandals took the opening kickoff and put together three plays that covered 61 yards.

Freshman running back Deonise Jackson ran for 14 yards on two carries and took a Nathan Endete throwback pass to the Broncos' 13-yard line. On the verge of a 24-21 game, the fourth play of the series quieted the charged-up Vandal

nation and ignited the Bronco. Endete's handoff to Brian Flowers was misjudged, the pigskin wobbled on the field and backup lineman Ryan Winslow's fumble started the fumble that would start a 34-point Bronco stampede.

"We had a nice drive going and as soon as that ball came out of our hands — that changed the entire momentum of the ball game," said

Vandal head coach Robb Akery. At that point, with 13:29 remaining in the third quarter, the No. 17 Broncos took over.

"We got our tails whacked in the second half and (Boise State) played their tails off," said Akery. "My hats off to them, they're a damn good football team."

Jackson said the turnover "stopped the momentum for us and just boosted theirs through the roof. After that, they just kept going."

The good news for Idaho is that there is one game left and that will hopefully make a short, sharp life of the Vandals' worst defeat of the season: Idaho's 11-10, 0-7 Western Athletic Conference loss 1-10 Utah

State, (1-6 WAC) on Saturday, Boise State (10-1, 7-0) heads to Hawaii to play the Warriors (10-0, 7-0) for the WAC championship on Friday.

While Boise State's game is clearly the WAC's marquee matchup this week, both the Vandals also have plenty to play for.

"We want to send our seniors off the right way, you know. We're back up at the Dome. It's the last weekend for a home game, so it should be good," said team captain and senior linebacker David Vobora. "A victory over the Aggies would give Idaho its first win over a Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A)

# Williams, Jazz hand Nets another defeat



Utah Jazz center Mehmet Okur, left, of Turkey, runs into New Jersey Nets forward Sean Williams while during the first half Monday in Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE CITY — Deron Williams rebounded from two subpar games to score 20 points and lead the Utah Jazz to a 102-75 win over the reeling New Jersey Nets on Monday night.

Williams made 8 of 11 shots and had six assists and Carlos Boozer scored 17 points to help the Jazz improve to 5-1 at home. Mehmet Okur and Ronnie Brewer added 14 points each for Utah.

Richard Jefferson scored 22 points and Bosjan Nachbar had 16 for the Nets, who lost their sixth straight game after starting the season 4-1.

The Jazz suffered their first back-to-back losses to Cleveland and Indiana last week and Williams made just seven of 25 shots. But the third-point guard sparked the Jazz to a quick lead and they coasted much of

the way.

Vince Carter, the Nets most reliable scorer, has missed the past five games with a sprained right ankle. His timetable to return is uncertain though he did join the team on the four-game Western Conference road trip. New Jersey has lost four games by 22 or more points this season.

**MAGIC 95, HORNETS 88**

NEW ORLEANS — Dwight Howard had 24 points and 15 rebounds and Rashard Lewis scored 19 to lift Orlando a second straight impressive victory.

Coming one night after Orlando handed the Boston Celtics their first loss of the season, the Magic's fifth-straight victory snapped the Hornets' five-game winning streak.

It was a loss for New Orleans on multiple levels. Already playing

without Chris Paul, who missed his second game with a sprained right ankle, the Hornets lost Dwight Chandler in a second quarter when the starting center hyperextended his right knee. Hornets officials said Chandler was day to day pending further evaluation.

Peja Stojakovic scored 21 to lead New Orleans, which fell to 9-3 after its best start in franchise history.

**BOCATS 101, TRAIL BLAZERS 92**

CAROLINA, N.C. — Gerald Wallace scored 27 points for the third consecutive game, and Charlotte improved to 6-4, the best record through 10 games in the team's four-year history.

Raymond Felton had 21 points and 10 assists and Jason Richardson scored 24 points for Charlotte. Wallace hit 10-of-19 shots, including a key dunk, steal and layup in the Bobcats' decisive

run, midway through the fourth quarter to drop the Trail Blazers to 0-7 on the season.

Arrett Jackson scored 18 points. Brandon Roy had 17 and Marcell Webster 15 for Portland.

**GRIZZLIES 125, SUPERSONICS 108**

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Stromile Swift scored a season-high 24 points, and Mike Miller added 21 points and seven assists for Memphis, which stopped a three-game skid.

Damon Stoudamire had 16 points and seven assists and Hakim Warrick added 16 for the Grizzlies. Pau Gasol had 14 points, seven rebounds, five assists and seven blocks, one short of his career-high rebounds.

Delonte West led Seattle with 17 points. Chris Wilcox added 16, and Jeff Green had 11 points and 14 rebounds.

— The Associated Press

## Wirth spurs Gooding to win over Glens Ferry

Gooding sophomore Brittany Wirth registered a double-double scoring 21 points and pulling down 13 rebounds to lead the host Senators over the Pilots 56-37 in nonconference play.

"We played really hard tonight," said Gooding coach Smokey Legaretta. "Brittany (Wirth) is getting better every time out. Once she figures out how to play the game, watch out."

Glens Ferry senior post Ashley Gramkow also scored 21 points.

Gooding (2-2) entertains Shoshone tonight. Glens Ferry hosts Cole Valley Nov. 27.

scored a game-high 18 points. Senior Chauncey Axelson knocked in 12 and senior Shumbray Pendley added 11 for the Pirates.

Wendell (1-2) is on the road at Buhl tonight. Hagerman (2-0) next travels to Richfield on Nov. 28.

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# Big plays help Broncos top Titans

DENVER (AP) — Eighty yards here, 62 there, another 48 somewhere else. Next thing they knew, the Denver Broncos found themselves in a spot they only could have dreamed of a few weeks ago — tied for first place in the AFC West.

Jay Cutler threw touchdown passes of 41 and 48 yards and little-known Glenn Martinez and Andre Hall added to Denver's slew of big scoring plays Monday night in a 34-20 victory over the Tennessee Titans.

Vince Young threw for a career high — 300 yards — for the second straight week, but this one also resulted in a loss for the Titans (6-4), who played catchup against Denver the same way they did in

a 20-13 loss to Jacksonville last week.

Martinez, a second-year receiver signed off the practice squad in September, returned a punt 100 yards to give Denver a 14-0 lead in the first.

Hall, a first-year player with eight carries this week, turned his ninth into a 62-yard score to help the Broncos regain control of the game after they watched a 17-point lead slip to seven.

The Broncos improved to 5-5, good enough to tie the San Diego for the league in the woeeful West.

But suddenly the Broncos, who have 44-7 and 41-3 losses on their wildly disparate scorecard this year, are playing like real contenders. They piled up 359

yards against the Titans, who were missing Albert Haynesworth on the defensive line but nonetheless came in with the second-most sacks in the league.

Not that the Broncos are perfect, or anywhere near New England level.

Martinez also muffed a punt that led to a Tennessee touchdown late in the third quarter to make the score 27-17.

But the Broncos' defense, led by All-Pro Shaunhan, could not a split second before Rob Bironis tried a 56-yarder before halftime.

Bironis' kick sailed about 20 yards wide of the goalpost, but given another chance, he nailed it to trim Tennessee's deficit to 20-10.

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# Former heavyweight champ Tyson sentenced to jail, probation

MESA, Ariz. — Mike Tyson could have received more than four years in prison. He left the courtroom having to serve all of one day in an open-air jail.

The former heavyweight champion was sentenced Monday for cocaine possession and driving under the influence.

"I take responsibility for my actions," Tyson told the judge. He left the courthouse flanked by supporters. In a cigar and drove away in the back of a black Mercedes.

The 41-year-old boxer will serve his day in jail Tuesday for DUI. He received three years of probation for the cocaine charge and also will have to pay a fine, submit to drug testing and serve 360 hours of community service.

He will be incarcerated in Tent City, Maricopa County's infamous jail near a dog pound and trash dump. Sheriff Joe Arpaio said Tyson will wear the standard-issue pink underwear and black-and-white striped uniform. He'll stay in an unoccupied tier, apart from Tent City's 1,500 other inmates. Tyson visited juvenile inmates in Tent City in 1999, telling them to stay out of trouble.

"Apparently he didn't listen to his own advice," Arpaio said.

Prosecutors had argued that Tyson should be behind bars, given his violent criminal past. But Superior Court Judge Helene Abrams was impressed with how the boxer has tried to atone following his Dec. 29 arrest in which his car almost hit a sheriff's deputy's vehicle.

"You worked to address your addiction and

self-destructive behavior," Abrams said before sentencing him.

"Tyson had numerous supporters in court, including former wife Monica Turner and people who worked at a California drug treatment clinic where he was treated, lawyer said.

## COLLEGE HOOPS

### UNC says No. 1; Florida Top 25

The two-time defending national champion came into this season having lost the top six players from the team that repeated. It took the new group of Gators just two weeks to move into The Associated Press college basketball poll.

The top of the poll remained the same Monday, but there was plenty of change at the bottom.

North Carolina kept the No. 1 spot, although its lead over UCLA did shrink, and the top nine teams were the same as last week.

Syracuse, Virginia, Clemson and Florida all moved into the rankings for the first time this season, replacing Arizona, Arkansas, Stanford and North Carolina State after a week of some early upsets.

Florida (4-0) won its opening four games by an average of 29.2 points with the biggest name of the group being Rutgers, which the Gators beat 68-63 on Saturday.

"To me, any of that stuff is maybe some writers or some people saying you know, 'They're

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**Defending national champions and until somebody beats them, they should be ranked."** Florida coach Billy Donovan said.

## Louisville's Padgett out 10 weeks

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Louisville center David Padgett will miss at least 10 weeks with a fractured right knee, coach Rick Pitino said.

Padgett injured the knee late in the first half of a Dec. 6 Louisville's 84-53 win over Jackson State on Sunday.

Padgett is a fifth-year senior. If he could not return this season, his college career would be over unless the NCAA granted a sixth year of eligibility due to medical hardship.

## MAGIC VALLEY

### Dickerson sinks hole-in-one

TWIN FALLS — Bob Dickerson made his first-ever hole-in-one on 115-yard No. 10 hole at Canyon Springs Golf Course on Nov. 8. The shot was made using a pitching wedge and was witnessed by Phil McCaslin, Gary Hill and Loren Whitney.

# CSI sets Coca-Cola Classic luncheon

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho basketball programs will hold a luncheon for the annual Coca-Cola Classic tournament on Saturday, Dec. 22, in Room 277 of the Taylor building. Coaches from each of the participating teams will be on hand to discuss their programs.

Anyone interested in attending is encouraged to RSVP to Ginger Nuyken at 732-6486.

## Gooding boys hold jamboree

GOODING — The Gooding boys basketball jamboree will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Gooding High School, Gooding, Richfield and Twin Falls junior varsity squads will compete. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. No IHSAA cards will be accepted.

## JRD holds youth hoops sign-ups

JEROME — Jerome Recreation District will offer basketball sign-ups for boys and girls grades 1-6 from through Dec. 14. The cost is \$17 for those in the district and \$27 for those out of district. Registration may be done by phone at 732-6583 or at Dec. 14, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, or 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 324-3389.



B.C. By Johnny Hart



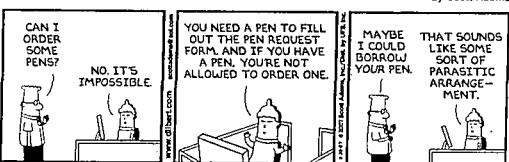
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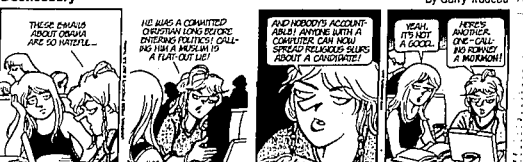
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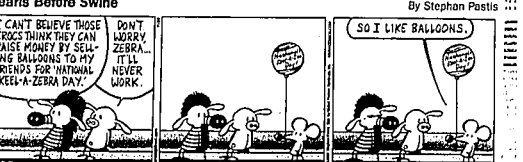
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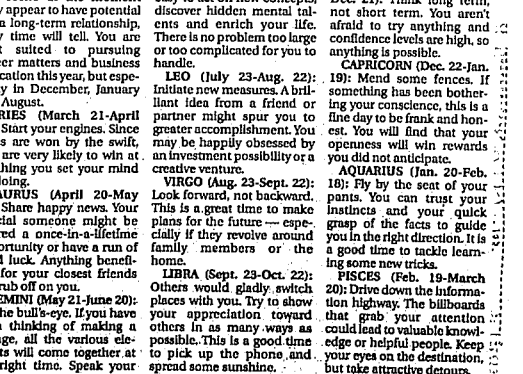
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Strange Brew By John Deering

# Time to spread sunshine, Libra

**BIRTHDAY** If NOV. 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You believe in having peaches and cream and all the frills and whistles. These delicious delicacies may make you feel good, but have little permanent substance. Although a new romantic interest who is on the scene at the moment may appear to have potential for a long-term relationship, only time will tell. You are best suited to pursuing career matters and business education this year, but especially in December, January and August.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Start your engines. Since races are won by the swift, you are very likely to win at anything you set your mind on doing.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Share happy news. Your special someone might be offered a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity or have a run of good luck. Anything beneficial for your closest friends will rub off on you.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Hit the bull's-eye. If you have been thinking of making a change, all the various elements will come together at the right time. Speak your

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mind and you will strike the appropriate note.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Put your thinking cap on. It is easy to act on new concepts, discover hidden mental talents and enrich your life. There is no problem too large or too complicated for you to handle.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Indirect measures. A brilliant idea from a friend or partner might spur you to greater accomplishment. You may be happily obsessed by an investment possibility or a creative venture.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Look forward, not backward. This is a great time to make plans for the future — especially if they revolve around family members or the home.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Places with you. Try to show your appreciation toward others in as many ways as possible. This is a good time to pick up the phone and, spread some sunshine.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Craft solutions to financial problems. You can use your ingenuity to overcome negativity and set a firm foundation for the future. A bright opportunity won't be there tomorrow.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Think long term, not short term. You aren't afraid to try anything and confidence levels are high, so anything is possible.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Mend some fences. If something has been bothering your conscience, this is a fine day to be frank and honest. You will find that your openness will win rewards you did not anticipate.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Fly by the seat of your pants. You can trust your instincts and your quick grasp of the facts to guide you in the right direction. It is a good time to tackle learning some new tricks.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Drive down the information highway. The billboards that grab your attention can lead to valuable knowledge or helpful people. Keep your eyes on the destination, but take attractive detours.

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

WHAT'S WRONG, BEETLE?  
I'VE GOT THE BLAHS  
WHAT CAUSED THAT?  
HIS BLAH BLAH BLAHS...

**Blondie** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

I DON'T THINK PEOPLE HAVE ANY RESPECT FOR A PERSON'S PRIVACY THESE DAYS  
WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT, DEARY?  
IT'S SOMETHING I OVERHEARD THE EMPLOYEES WHISPERING ABOUT AT THE WATER COOLER TODAY

**The Barn Loser** By Art Sansom & Chip

AND THAT IS THE STORY OF THE PILGRIMS' FIRST THANKSGIVING!  
ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, CLASS 7?  
CONSIDERING THE INDIANS' PERSPECTIVE, WE COULD CALL IT THE FIRST THANKSTAKING!

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

I THOUGHT YOU WERE TAKING OOOIE FOR A WALK  
I AM  
I HAVE A THREES-MILE LEASH

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

CAN YOU FRESH UP A LITTLE?  
TELL THEM IF THEY JUST GO AWAY WE WON'T HARM THEM

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Browne

WHAT ARE YOU WATCHING?  
"MR. HANDYMAN" ON THE HOME DECORATING CHANNEL.  
AND THAT COMPLETED OUR PATIO PROJECT  
DOES THAT GUY EVER TAKE A NAP?  
NEXT HE'LL BUILD THE GREEN PORCH

**Classic Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS?  
A WRISTWATCH? YOU DON'T HAVE ANY WRISTS.  
YOU'D HAVE TO HAVE A WRISTWATCH!  
HA HA HA HA!!  
BIRDS HAVE NO SENSE OF HUMOR

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

I'D LIKE THIS PRESCRIPTION FILLED  
CERTAINLY  
I'LL PICK IT UP TOMORROW  
I'D GET IT RIGHT AWAY IF I WERE YOU

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketchum

MEMBER KNOWS FOR SURE WHY PRESIDENTS BECAME EXTINCT?  
PROBABLY BECAUSE THEY WERE A HUNDRED YEARS OLD

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** By Bill Keane

SOME OLDER PEOPLE SEEM TO REPEAT THEMSELVES.  
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"You're not that old, Billy. You're only seven!"

# Mother must shelter both her daughter and her dad

DEAR ABBY: As a clinician specializing in geriatric mental health, I was concerned about your response to "Ambivalent in California" (Sept. 10). She asked whether to sever ties with her 85-year-old father after he molested his young granddaughter. Your advice to pursue treatment was on target, but the guilt trip you placed on Ambivalent for wanting to maintain a relationship with her father was cruel.



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

Given that his behavior did not manifest until an advanced age, was almost certainly due to age-related changes consistent with emerging dementia. She will need to make sure that proper care is provided for her father and should be instrumental in accessing services and placement options that will guarantee he cannot victimize anyone else. (Elder services and her family physician can suggest appropriate referrals.)

DEAR ABBY: My grandfather was a dear man, a gentleman with whom I spent a great deal of time when growing up. We waded trout streams together, weeded gardens together, and he taught me to play cribbage. The warm memories go on and on.

She will also need to nurture and care for her daughter. Hopefully, with the assistance of a skilled professional, Grandpa's probable pathology can be delicately explained. It may help her healing process if she knows the cause of the behavior was dementia.

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Of course, it's important to protect the teenager from further harm, as she has already suffered enough. Fortunately, this can be accomplished without rejecting a weakened and

But as an elderly man, nature caused him to take a turn. Mom telephoned us girls (now mothers ourselves) and wanted us to bring our daughters to visit. I was shocked at the idea that Grandpa had become a "dirty old man." But his kindness and gentleness were gone, as were his smile and the twinkle in his eye. He would have been horrified to realize what he had become.

for some reason, can become unaware of their boundaries. And sometimes they become someone other than the person they were years ago. Please do not condemn them.

—BEEN THERE IN MICHIGAN

DEAR ABBY: My dad had dementia for a number of years before his death at 98. Dad, who had always been a prude about sex, began making inappropriate comments. It was caused by dementia. I wish I had been more understanding and patient with him.

I understand Ambivalent's love for her father and not wanting to cut him out of her life. She must explain to her daughter that her father is unable to think normally and clearly and visit him alone in his final years.

—STILL MISSING MY DAD

DEAR ABBY: My family experienced a similar situation. Although Dad never molested anyone, he did experience a loss of his teenage niece. He was diagnosed with dementia, and as a precaution, we no longer left him alone with our children. I am glad we got him help before he needed it. And I urge other families in this situation to find support groups. You are not alone. We lost Dad two years ago and miss him terribly.

YOUNGEST DAUGHTER IN INDIANA

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 20, the 324th day of 2007. There are 41 days left in the year.

### Today's highlight:

On Nov. 20, 1947, Britain's queen, Princess Elizabeth, married Philip Mountbatten, Duke of Edinburgh, at Westminster Abbey.

### On this date:

- In 1789, New Jersey became the first state to ratify the Bill of Rights.
- In 1910, revolution broke out in the Azores led by Francisco I. Madero.
- In 1925, Robert F. Kennedy was born in Brookline, Mass.
- In 1929, the radio program "The Rise of the Goldbergs" debuted on the NBC Blue Network.
- In 1943, during World War II, U.S. Marines began landing on Tarawa and Makin atolls in the Gilbert Islands, encountering fierce resistance from Japanese forces but emerging victorious three days later.
- In 1945, 24 Nazi leaders went on trial before an international war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg, Germany.
- In 1958, the United Nations issued its "Declaration of the Rights of the Child."
- In 1967, the census clock at the Commerce Department ticked past 200 million.
- In 1975, after nearly four decades of absolute rule, Spain's Gen. Francisco Franco died, two weeks before his 83rd birthday.
- In 1992, his seriously damaged Windsor Castle, the favorite weekend home of Queen Elizabeth II.
- Ten years ago: Proudly by Russia, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein agreed to allow U.S. arms monitors back into his country, ending a three-week crisis and raised fears of military confrontation with the United States.
- Five years ago: On the eve of a NATO summit in the Czech Republic, President Bush, recalling Europe's grim history of "excusing aggression," challenged several

allies to stand firm against Saddam Hussein. A German doctor conducted Britain's first public autopsy in more than 170 years, an event denounced by the British Medical Association's Head of Ethics as "degrading and disrespectful."

One year ago: After a firestorm of criticism, News Corp. said it had canceled the O.J. Simpson book and TV special "If I Did It," in which Simpson was to speak hypothetically about how he would have committed the 1994 slayings of his ex-wife and her friend. (The book was later brought out by a different publisher.) Six inmates were removed from a US Airways flight at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport after passengers said they were acting suspiciously. Four students died in a school bus crash in Huntsville, Ala. Ryan Howard of the Philadelphia Phillies was voted the National League's MVP. Movie director Robert Altman died in Los Angeles at age 81.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS



Actress Evelyn Keyes is 91. Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., is 90. Economist Bert Y. Sprinkel is 84. Actress-comedian Kaye Ballard is 82. Actress Mary McCormack is 80. TV personality Richard Dawson is 75. Comedian Dick Smothers is 69. Singer Norman Greenbaum is 65. Senator Joseph Biden, D-Dele., is 65. Actress Verena Hamel is 64. Broadcast journalist Judy Woodruff is 61.

Actor Samuel E. Wright is 61. Singer Joe Walsh is 60. Actor Richard Masur is 59. Actress Bo Derek is 51. Reggae musician Jim Brown (UB40) is 50. Actress Sean Young is 46. Pianist Jim Brickman is 46. Rock musician Todd Nance (Widespread Panic) is 45. Actress Ming-Na is 44. Rapper Mike D (The Beastie Boys) is 42. Rapper Sen Dog (Cypress Hill) is 42. Actress Callie Thorne is 38. Actress Sabrina Lloyd is 37. Actress Marisa Ryan is 33. Country singer Dierks Bentley is 32. Actress Laura Harris is 31. Country singer Josh Turner is 30. Actress Nadine Velazquez is 29.

## THOUGHT

"No man remains quite what he was when he recognizes himself."

—Thomas Mann, German author (1875-1955)

## Vegas tour company's vans run on vegetable oil

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A Las Vegas tour company is using leftover oil from restaurant fuel a fleet of vans, showing that recycling can work even in a city known for excess.

Escape Adventures is an 18-year-old company that offers bicycle trips into Red Rock Canyon outside Las Vegas and the North Rim of

the Grand Canyon. What makes Escape trips different from other day-trip tours or limousine cruises is that owner Jared Fisher spends about four to six hours a week driving to restaurants a few miles away from the office to collect the trash bins. "It is kind of nice to escape the office," Fisher said. "I can

read a book while I'm pumping grease."

Start this year he has collected about 3,000 gallons. That amounts to more than \$9,000 in savings — almost enough to pay for the cost of modifications to make six diesel vehicles in the fleet capable of running on vegetable oil.







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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE**  
Loan No. 4985485277 IS. No. ID-07-0787 9-DL. On 10/26/2006, at 10:00:00 AM (recognition local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: daily at 10:00:00 AM At the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee on behalf of Washington Mutual Bank will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: Parcel No. 1: Lot 4 of U.E. White Subdivision No. 2, Twin Falls County, Idaho according to the official plat thereof, recorded in book 3 of Plats, page 45, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Parcel No. 2: A portion of the vacated Half North within U.E. White Subdivision No. 2 in the SW/4 of SW/4 of Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 17 East of the Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Lot 4, thence at 90 degrees 00' 00" East, N.0°00'00" E., 125.30 feet, parallel with 25.0 foot West of the West Boundary of said Lot 4, to the North Boundary of said Subdivision, thence S. 89° 30' 00" E. 25.0 foot to the Northwest corner of said Lot 4, thence S. 01° 00' 00" W. 125.30 feet along the West Boundary of said Lot 4 to the Southwest corner of said Lot 4 and the Point of Beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 965 BEVERLY CIR TWIN FALLS ID, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DARCY M. FARRINGTON, AS SELLER AND GRANTEE, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, P.A. is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC. is named as Trustee, recorded in 1998-062625 in book - page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Granter is obligated to comply with section 45-1506(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 10/19/2007. The monthly installments principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$684.81, due per month for the months of 1/1/2007 through 10/3/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$71,657.11 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.00000 percent per annum from 12/1/2006. All delinquent installments principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) together with interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the interest of the beneficiary and to cause the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the Trustee property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's property interest shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. By Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. 2141 E. Avenue San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Dana Linder, Assistant Vice President. For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7650 or Login to: [www.fidelitytrust.com](http://www.fidelitytrust.com). If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP 9/27544

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-07-5227  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
In the Matter of the Estate of, EVAN KAY ELLIOTT, aka EVAN ELLIOTT, Deceased.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the firm of Coleman, Fitzhugh & Robertson, 156 2nd Avenue West, P.O. Box 522, Twin Falls, Idaho, 83303-0525, and filed with the Court on or before the 15th day of November, 2007.  
C/Carol J. Palmer  
Personal Representative

PUBLISH: November 20, 22 and 27, 2007

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FOUND** Cat on Ala Dr in front of 11114. Call to identify. Call 733-2812.

**FOUND** Tool Box on 2nd Ave W. Twin Falls on 11/14. Call to identify. 208-423-6337

**LOST** Chocolate Lab on Molon Valley Rd, 1/2 mile north of Sali. Reward, 500-0108

**LOST** Dog, Black and white Springer Spaniel female, Last seen 11/12 Springfield area. Reward \$41-0261

**LOST** Jack Russell Terrier, female, neutered, approx. 2 years old, all white, all teeth broken off. He is in the back yard and is and is macro chipped. Call in the area of 254 S. 400 W. Jerome. Call 208-544-9823.

**FOUND** camera, black, in mountains up north white, turning. Call 308-7043 to identify.

**107 Lost and Found**

LOST dog, male Borzoi brown white striped ears and black eyes, 1 year old. Last seen east of Burley 11/10. Reward \$100. Call 208-260-0142

**LOST** Remington Rifle and SKS Case. Lost at Jerome gun range Sat Nov. 17/07. Call 208-731-1633.

**LOST** Yorkie, Tan, red, black, female, 12 yrs old. Family misses her. Reward! 734-8880 or 734-4096

**LOST** Yorkie Terrier, male, brown & tan, missing since 11/11 from Jerome, Reward! 539-3313 or 208-1488

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10 wheeler and semi Drivers needed. Full-time year round work. Call 208-324-7140

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Frame wanted. At least 2 years exp. mandatory. Must have own transportation. Slaven S. Miller Construction 308-5435

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE**  
T.S. No. ID-07-103394. Loan No.: 7868605 On 9/29/2006 at 10:00:00 AM (recognition local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: daily at 10:00:00 AM At the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee on behalf of HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-01, for the registered owners of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, 2006-01, as Backed Pass-Through, in which the Trustee acts as public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 2 in block 1 of Bowden Terrace Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the plat thereof, recorded in book 11 of maps 51, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 788 Gem Drive, Kimberly, ID 83341 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DARCY M. FARRINGTON, an unmarried woman, as Grantor/Trustor, in which New Century Mortgage Corporation, is named as Beneficiary and Twin Falls Title as Trustee and recorded 5/27/2006, as Instrument No. 2006-011318 in book - page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Granter are named to comply with section 45-1506(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 5/25/2005. The monthly installments of principal interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$100.75, due per month for the months of 4/1/2007 through 10/1/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$19,807.83 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 6.50000 percent per annum from 1/1/2007. All delinquent installments principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) together with interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the interest of the beneficiary and to cause the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the Trustee property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 10/30/2007 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 E. Avenue San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Dana Linder, Assistant Vice President. For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7650 or Login to: [www.fidelitytrust.com](http://www.fidelitytrust.com). If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP 9/27544

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# Classified Deadlines

For line ads  
Tues. - Sat. - 1 p.m.  
the day before.  
For Sun. & Mon.  
2 p.m. Friday.

**24/7 Classified Ad Placement**  
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**NEWSPAPER Times-News**  
[magicvalley.com](http://magicvalley.com)

**COPY EDITOR**  
The Twin Falls Times-News a growing 7-day morning newspaper in southern Idaho needs a full-time copy editor/page design/graphic/master. The copy desk produces daily feature and news pages as well as independent special sections. Responsibilities include: editing copy for AP style, grammar, spelling, logic and content on deadline; designing interesting and innovative news and feature pages; writing headlines that are accurate, informative and active; collaborating with others in the newsroom on projects and special sections.

About half of this job will involve creating graphics for the newspaper, including locator maps, illustrations, bar graphs and cutouts. The ideal candidate will be able to easily translate others' ideas as well as create their own. Applicants must be fluent in QuarkPress, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator, PC, Windows XP and MS Outlook. Daily newspaper experience preferred.

Twin Falls is the heart of a fast-growing region of more than 250,000 that includes Sun Valley. Idaho's world-famous outdoors makes it a great place to live. Lee Enterprises helps make the Times-News a great place to work: We offer competitive pay and excellent benefits, including medical, dental, vision, 401(k) retirement, an employee stock purchase plan, half-price gym memberships, paid holidays and vacation. We're an equal opportunity employer and a drug-free workplace.

See us online at [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com), and read about our parent company at [www.lee.net](http://www.lee.net).

Send a cover letter outlining your vision for making a good newspaper great, along with your resume, references and work samples to: Megan Ott, News Editor, The Times-News, P.O. Box 648, Twin Falls ID 83303; or motto@magicvalley.com.

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EASY # 94

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page C-7.

### 206 Drivers

**CLASSIFIEDS**  
It pays to read the fine print! Call The Times-News to place your ad 208-733-0931 ext. 2

### 208 Farm

**Classified Private Party Ads**  
Requires pre-payment prior to publication. Major credit/debit cards, and cash accepted.  
733-0931 ext. 2 Times-News

**FARM**  
Machinery Mechanics needed with tractor & hay equipment exp. Call 208-324-7149

### 209 General

**AGRICULTURE**  
Spray Rig Operator Class A CDL req. Career minded individual preferred. Salary, hourly option. Call 208-306-8671.

### 210 General

**AGRICULTURE**  
Automotive Parts Puller needed. Must have own tools. Some exp. necessary. M-F, 45-50 hr/week. Pay DOE.  
Apply in person at 1154 Ardison Ave W or call 208-733-3743 to setup an interview

### 211 Brokers

Rangan Logistics is looking for qualified and experienced Brokers. Applicants must have a good customer and carrier following, must possess a positive attitude to be detail oriented and show good communication skills. Rangan offers a easy going atmosphere, team work, benefits, 401k, vacation, sick pay, and holiday pay. Wages are based on experience and customer following.  
Please call (208) 733-2611 or apply at 1415 Burley Avenue Buhl, Idaho.

### 212 Medical

**IDAHO HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE**  
Are you looking for a rewarding place to work? Idaho Home Health & Hospice is that place!  
Now hiring for the following positions:  
• Full-time Staffing Coordinator  
• Part-time LPN to work nights  
• Part-time C.N.A.'s  
• PRN RN's to help with weekend call.  
Idaho Home Health & Hospice offers 100% paid premiums for medical and dental, GREAT Part-time benefit package, continuing education and GREAT Incentive programs to all staff. Come be a part of a caring environment!  
Apply at 828 Eastland Drive or e-mail resumes to [heather@idahohomehealth.com](mailto:heather@idahohomehealth.com).  
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### 209 General

**COOK**  
Cook Supervisor. Immediate opening at the Twin Falls Idaho Correctional Facilities. Institutional cooking & hands-on night experience. Competitive wages & benefits. Must have background check & drug screen. Call Ma. McMillan 208-736-4114 or fax resume to 208-735-4385. Email resume to hr11@abmanagement.com, Attn 625 EOE

### 209 Firefighters

**Firefighters**  
Mirodoka County Fire Protection District, Heyburn Fire & Rescue Station, East End Fire Station & Northside Fire & Rescue Station. Applications are being taken for each station. If you are a dedicated individual and want to help your community, pick up an application from the appropriate Battalion Chief. These are paid volunteer stations. Applicants will be required to have background checks and board approval. Only candidates who meet the individual need to apply. Heyburn Chief Dark Despain at 493-6558 East End, Chief Alan Brady at 312-4178 Northside, chief Joe Keart 421-1119

### 209 General

See Classifieds business and Service Directory to assist you in your home repairs. 733-0031.

### 212 Medical

**DISCOVERY**  
Want Holiday Cash?  
Day & Swing Shift Positions Available!

No Sales Involvement! Base Pay Up To \$11.00 an hour!  
• All Paid Training!  
• Flexible Scheduling - You Pick the Days You Want to Work!  
• Shift Start Times Coordinate with School Schedules!  
• Bonuses offered on monthly basis!  
• Fun, Positive work environment  
• Great for first time job or career!  
Please apply at 840 Meadows Dr #1 Twin Falls or please call (208) 733-6911. Walking distance from CSI!

### 212 Medical

**GENERAL**  
Sentas needed for holiday season at Magic Valley Mall Santa photo booth. Call right away for details. Alan at 208-410-0402.

### 209 General

**COLLECTIONS**  
Full-time bilingual Collector. Must have computer/marketing skills. Experience preferred but not req. Call 208-733-2129 for appointment

### 212 Medical

**PhoneBase Research**  
PhoneBase Research currently has immediate openings in our interviewing department. This position involves conducting public opinion polls over the telephone. PhoneBase Research offers:  
• Flexible evening, day and weekend hours.  
• Up to \$11 an hour  
• Casual working environment  
• Monthly interviewer incentives  
• Absolutely no sales or soliciting  
To apply stop by our office at 845 Meadows Dr. Ste #2 in Twin Falls or call us at 208-736-2851.

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**Buy family physicians**  
Full-time RN/ LPN/MA. Computer skills a plus. No residency req. to PMB 8817 C/O South Idaho Press 200 East Main Street Burley, ID 83318

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**RESTAURANT**  
Hiring for Line Cooks The Green Cafe 2221 Addison Ave E.

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**MEDICAL**  
Do you have compensation for people facing their end-of-life journey? If so, we need you to share your gift, while earning extra income. LPN positions available. 4, 8 or 12 hour shifts. \$16/day. \$15.50/overings. \$15.75/night. Reliable transportation a must. Flexible hours available. Caregivers needed for Home Care Options in Buhl & Jerome. Apply at: Visalia Office or call 208-735-0121. EOE

**MEDICAL**  
PT or FT CNA/NA needed. Must be Med Certified or able to pass test. DeBano Place Suite 545 Nevada St. Gooding, Idaho 208-420-2599 Drug Free Workplace

**COMPUTERS**  
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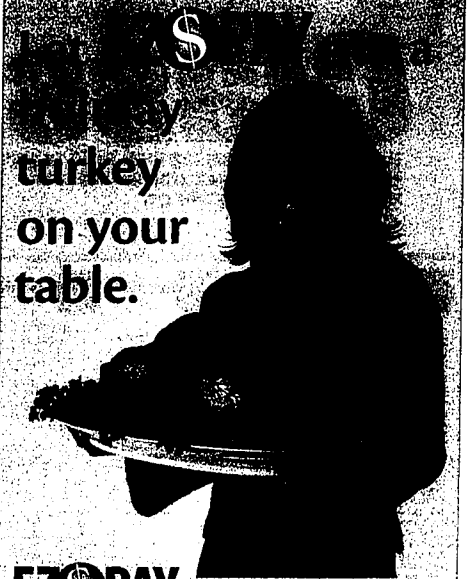
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Work from home. Exc. Income. Idaho's largest & most prestigious health & wellness co. Call Ken 208-420-6554

### 216 Trades

**GENERAL**  
Parts Counter Person for Heyburn heavy duty truck shop. 2 yrs exp. in Class 7 & 8 truck parts. Must be able to lift min. of 50 lbs. Men-Fit shift with some weekends as needed. Salary DOE. Great benefits. Apply at 1081 O St or fax resume to 208-478-0595. Attn Darrell  
Bo. Son, Bo. Howard. Use the Classifieds 733-0931 ext. 2



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Plus, we'll throw in a \$15 gift certificate to Smith's - good for a turkey and more - and a month of your subscription for FREE!

Call 733-0931, extension 1, today. Save yourself time, save on your paper, and save on your holiday meal.



Georden: "I do the routes so I can earn money for my video games."  
Gary: "I do the routes so I can take my family on vacation."

Newspaper routes are now available. Call today for more details.

- Georden & Gary**  
Dad & Son Team, Twin Falls Carriers
- TWIN FALLS:**
- Hamon Park Dr., Madrona St., 4th Ave.E.
  - Starfire Dr., Fire Bird Cr., Monaco St.
  - Fremont St., Lynwood Dr., Walnut St.
  - Delmar Dr., Atkinson Dr., Shemy Ln.
  - Northern Pine Dr., Anny Dr., Cody Cr.
  - Aztec, El Camino, Alpine, Park
  - Addison, Hamson, Polk, Tyler
  - Anny Dr., Ashley Dr., Bradley St., Caitlyn Ave.
  - Park View Dr., Parkway Cir., Parkway
  - Evergreen, Holly, Julie
  - Bitterroot, Elm, Targee
  - Adams St., Caswell Ave., Jefferson St., Madison St.
  - Blake St. N., Borah Ave., Dubois Ave., Filer Ave.
- Northern Pine, Parkway, Twin Parks**
- MOTOR ROUTE AVAILABLE**
- FILER:**
- Town Routes Available
- BURLEY:**
- Substitutes Wanted \$250-\$500
- GOODING:**
- 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th
  - 11th, 12th, 13th, Pine Spruce
  - 14th, 21st, Idaho, Main

**\$ Earn some extra Cash for the Holidays! \$**  
Call now for more information about routes in your area.

- Twin Falls... 735-3346
- Burley, Rupert, Paul... 678-2201
- Kimberly, Jerome, Buhl... 735-3347
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**The Wood River Journal**  
Marketing Representative

Everyone is saying it, The Wood River Journal is their newspaper of choice in the Wood River Valley and our audience growth in advertising and readership reflect this fact. The Wood River Journal is looking for two highly professional outside sales representatives for Blaine County. Ideal candidates will have 2-3 years of outside sales experience in Blaine County - preferably in media sales. Candidates will need to have existing personal and/or business relationships with numerous area business leaders. We are not looking for someone who can "sell ice to an Eskimo". Instead, we are looking for professional sales representatives who want to sincerely help area businesses to grow their business through the usage of the strengths of the Journal. We are looking for representatives that can directly develop new business and expand relationships with existing clients. Candidates must be self-motivated, of the highest character and integrity, have reliable transportation, be able to work with minimal supervision, capable of working flexible hours which includes an occasional meeting after 5PM. We offer a commission schedule that is not capped and is considerably higher than the average annual wage in the Valley. We offer paid vacation your first year, 401K, medical, dental, vision, life insurance, employer stock purchase program, and paid holidays. A four-year college degree is preferred with previous newspaper sales experience and graphic design experience a plus. The Journal is a drug-free work environment. Candidates should send their resume, references and cover letter to publish@woodriverjournal.com, fax to 208-738-0083 or mail to Marketing Representative c/o The Wood River Journal, PO Box 888, Hailley, ID 83333. EOE





711 Custom Farm Services

CUSTOM PLOWING Call 208-654-2669 or 208-654-2520 leave message

712 Miscellaneous AG GRAVEL, top soil

SUOAR Best Shards (100), Twin Falls area Call 208-420-5666 or 208-423-5720

SUOAR Beetles 2275 per share, Twin Falls District Call 208-324-8022

713 Farms/Pasture Rentals FEEDLOT for feeding in the Wendell/Rooding area

716 AG Business and Service Directory

BOGS FOR SALE Grows All Natural No Antibiotics Delivery Available 208-312-2122

Trying to find a good business opportunity? Check out the classifieds for the largest selection available in your area today. 733-0931

801 Antiques and Collectibles

ANTIQUE Round oak pedestal table with four chairs, \$250 Evenings 420-6387

QUALITY ANTIQUES Oak bed & highboy dresser, large bed, Eastlake marble top table, Victorian parlor outfit, hand made glass ball & glass piano stool, cranberry mantle lustors, cranberry glass, silver tea set. Call for description & prices Mike 308-4207

BIRTHDAY PHOTOS Have you forgotten to pick up your birthday photos? We have some photos we are sure you don't want us to lose. They can be picked up at The Times-News Classified Dept.

802 Appliances CONVECTION OVEN Replaces. Roast the holiday turkey on the rot. Now priced \$175. Sell \$145. 734-5765

803 Bazaars and Crafts

804 Appliances PORTABLE GAS SYSTEM Garnin Street Pilot G320, windproof & slash mount, very good cond. \$2200/offer, 736-1931

805 Electronics SPA 2002 Tiger River Summit, 3.0 liter, new, 676X6, \$2200. Call 208-732-5905

806 Hot Tub & Pools SPA 2002 Tiger River Summit, 3.0 liter, new, 676X6, \$2200. Call 208-732-5905

807 Miscellaneous Twin Falls 24th Annual Christmas County Bazaar at the Knoll Community Garage Highway 74

Handmade Gifts & Christmas Decorations by Local Artists Give Address 2475 E. 5600 N. Twin Falls, ID 83421 For Info: Mary Davidson 208-543-6702 Free Admission

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804 Appliances

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806 Hot Tub & Pools

807 Miscellaneous

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828 Antique Couch with carved wood, beautiful, \$600. Must see! Call 733-1710 days or 733-2534 evenings.

PINE BUFFET W/ironing board, bank \$240. Walnut Dinet Heritage dining set w/ chairs, \$125. Twin Falls, antique frame, \$50. 736-0008

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4	2	9	6	8	7	3	5	1
5	3	1	4	9	2	6	7	8
6	7	8	5	1	3	9	2	4
1	5	3	7	6	8	4	9	2
7	6	4	1	2	9	5	8	3
8	9	2	3	5	4	7	1	6
9	4	7	2	3	1	8	6	5
3	1	6	8	7	5	2	4	9
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**NORTH** 11-20-A  
♦ J 10 3 2  
♥ 7  
♦ Q J 10  
♠ A K 7 6 4

**WEST** ♦ 9 7 6 4  
♥ 4  
♦ A K 7 3  
♠ J 9 5 8

**EAST** ♦ K Q 8 5  
♥ Q J 6 2  
♦ 8 5 4  
♠ Q 10

**SOUTH** ♦ A  
♥ A K 10 9 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♠ 3 2

Vulnerable: Both  
Dealer: East

The bidding:  
South West North East  
Pass Pass Pass Pass

4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond king

**BID WITH THE ACES** 11-20-13

South holds: ♦ 9 7 6 4  
♥ 4  
♦ A K 7 3  
♠ J 9 8 5

South West North East  
Pass 3♥ Pass Pass

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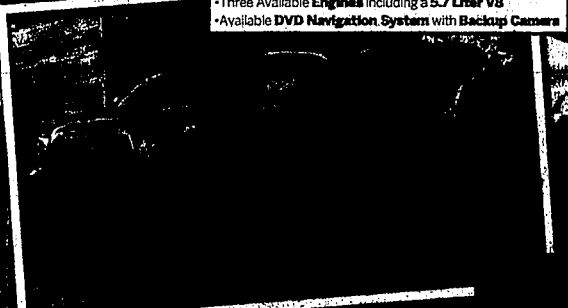
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## Warts and all Squash provide a variety of pleasures

By Adrian Higgins  
The Washington Post

The idea of something being both warty and pretty may be strange until you consider the diminutive, decorative winter squash now spilling from the cornucopia that is autumn.

Perhaps it's their cute shapes or their model-like scale compared with 30-pound field pumpkins; whatever it is, these objects have a mesmerizing charm about them, like sea shells or polished stones.

Study them closely and you see weird color combinations, such as the hues of the bicolor spoon variety, where nature, the artist, has painted the bulbous base green and the top a yellow-orange. There is a clear boundary between the two at a point where even the stripe changes color. A line that starts a dark green abruptly turns orange.

Then there are the warts. In some the odd bump that renders the gourd into a beady-eyed frog. Wartier ones look like toads. They are beautifully grotesque and invite the tactile pleasure of holding them in your palm.

Amy Goldsman, a gourd authority who wrote "The Compleat Squash" (Artisan, 2004), writes: "Show me a squash with warts and boils, and I'll show you a way to my heart."

But not always to her stomach. Decorative table squash, consisting of gourds by the cognomen, have scant flesh that is bitter and inedible, for the most part. Use them for crafts (some resemble birds and other creatures; others can be fashioned into snowmen), or just put them on the dining table or the windowsill and enjoy their wonderful weirdness and seasonality.

While I adore the bicolor spoons, others may favor the crown of thorns type, which are like a diminutive pattypan but with the scalloped edges turned up. They are bizarre, but not as much as the autumn wing types, which have flared appendages worthy of supersonic flight.

Others resemble eggs. In Goldsman's book (with sumptuous photographic portraits by Victor Schragen), the variety Nest Eggs convincingly is a bird's nest. In the current seed catalog of Johnny's Selected Seeds, gardeners are invited to try a Goblin Eggs mix, in which some of the orbs are solid green or gold and others have both colors starkly paired in each fruit. This is no more than the plant pigments of chlorophyll and carotenoid lighting it out for dominance on the rind. Miraculous and jolly, nonetheless.

Another variety is named Orange Ball for its resemblance to citrus, but there the similarity ends. In flavor, writes Goldsman, the variety is bitter, seedy and "like sawdust."

Fortunately, there are many highly edible varieties, and they too are so varied and diverse you can make a display out of them, even if the scale demands an outdoor one.

Figuring out which squash taste best is a game in itself. Look at the picture from Longwood below. In the top right corner, the buff-colored crookneck, called meat pumpkin, provides delicious meat for pies and soups. In the top center, the

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A wide variety of gourds are shown at Longwood Gardens in Pennsylvania, marking the diversity and beauty of the pumpkin family. Do try to taste at home.

# DEADLY SPEED



A car travels south outside of Twin Falls on Friday. Rural traffic, which used to be primarily agriculture-related, now includes more drivers rushing to town jobs.

## Residential growth in tractor territory sets stage for fatal crashes

By Melissa Davlin  
Times-News writer

Taking a drive in the country isn't so leisurely anymore.

Jenny Williams knows. She has lived on a rural road outside of Twin Falls for 20 years. The whole time, she has had to monitor her children playing in the yard and lock up her pets at night to protect them from cars speeding past her home.

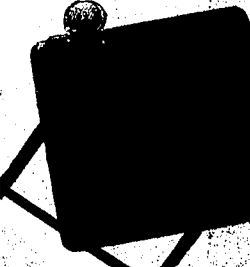
"We pretty much gave up on cats," Williams said.

With speed limits on Twin Falls County roads reaching up to 50 mph — and many drivers taking liberties with those limits — families who live in the country are on guard to avoid accidents.

According to the Idaho Transportation Department, 74 percent of the state's fatal collisions occurred on rural roads in 2006. Eleven of those fatal wrecks occurred in Twin Falls County, but none in the city of Twin Falls in 2006.

Crashes at higher impact speeds are more likely to result in fatalities, the department said on its Web site.

Sgt. Jeff Haskell of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office agreed. "In a city setting, someone can roll through a stop sign and have a collision," he wrote in a statement. "The



"There's really only so much we can do. A lot of the problem stems from people really not obeying signs anymore."

— Dave Jones, road supervisor for the Twin Falls Highway District

result of that collision is usually minor damage to the cars, and minor injuries to the occupants. When you get into a rural setting, the speeds increase. The same stop sign violation that caused a fender bender in the city could likely cause a fatality crash on rural roads."

Dave Jones, road supervisor for the Twin Falls Highway District, said that while the county can make roadside signs larger and install rumble strips, rural drivers need to take more responsibility for their actions.

"There's really only so much we can do. A lot of the problem stems from people really not obeying signs anymore," he said, citing speeding as the biggest problem.

Population growth in the Magic Valley doesn't help. Rural traffic used to be primarily agriculture-related, which tends to be slower. With the growth, however, more "bedroom community" types, are using country roads, Jones said.

"They're rushing to work or roads that once were the domain of tractors and farm trucks, talking on the phone, preoccupied with work and driving with the sun in their eyes — the perfect conditions for a crash."

The growth also prompts more construction to handle the increased traffic flow.

"Part of that problem is a long-term construction project broods familiarity," Jones said. "When they're used to seeing the orange cones, drivers think nothing of speeding and disregarding traffic laws. Until, of course, they cause an accident."

The danger hits close to home for Jones. Fifteen years ago, a car speeding through a construction zone hit one of his workers, putting him out of work for months.

The wrecklessness also frustrates Williams, who has seen drivers speed past school buses while children are boarding and stop signs are extended. The threat makes her worry about her 11-year-old daughter, Anna.

"We do wish to make sure that we see her get on the bus safely," she said.

Besides monitoring their children, Jones recommends residents in rural areas avoid obstructing their view of the road with landscaping.

"When they go to pull out of their driveway, they can't see what's coming," he said.

To prevent accidents in construction zones, the highway district has implemented strict rules for drivers and workers. Flaggers are placed on both ends of the zone to slow traffic, and workers must attend safety meetings.

Residents can also request radar trailers, which record traffic data, from the highway department. That data is used to determine whether an area's speed limits need to be changed.

Most importantly, drivers need to slow down and pay attention — even if it seems they're surrounded only by empty fields.

"The time it takes to stop for a stop sign could be 15 seconds," Haskell said. "Fifteen seconds is not a lot of time to obey the law and keep everyone on the road safe."

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## Now gardens bare their secrets to buyers

By Mary Ellen Gayler  
The Washington Post

Gardens may not be at their best this time of year, but that shouldn't deter home hunters from giving them serious attention.

This is a great time to evaluate a home's landscaping, said Sharon Bradley, a landscape architect in Laurel, Md. Without the distraction of all those daffodils, in fact, home hunters might be more likely to notice serious flaws, and they can quickly get a sense of how a property will feel most of the year, long after the rhododendrons have settled down. "Textures are what show best this time of year," she said. Ornamental grasses, sedums and evergreens will be especially of interest.

The more subdued seasons do pose challenges, but with a careful eye, some research and a little imagination, a prospective home buyer can make educated projections of a property's year-round appeal.

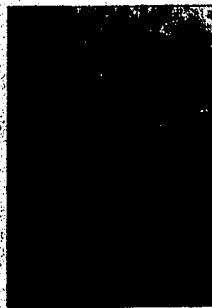
Some plants, such as bulbs, will be completely hidden now. Others you will have to identify by their foliage. If you can't do that yourself, bring along help, either in the form of a gardening savvy friend or a hired hand, such as a landscape architect. Research the plants you find. Internet searches, a reference book or a visit to a gardening center can give you a general idea of how your plants will look the rest of the year.

High patterns can be tricky to judge in autumn and winter. A window that picks up full sun in January, for example, might

receive only dappled light when the canopy of deciduous trees returns. Sun spots are ways to filter how much light a spot gets during the summer and spring. For example, you might wonder whether a dogwood gets enough sun to fully flower in the spring. You can't see the flowers in the fall, said Jay Gishman, a landscape architect based in Annapolis, Md., but you can see the fruit. Dogwood trees there were plenty of flowers six months earlier.

It's also easier at the end of the growing season to tell which plants are hardiest — especially after extreme weather. "Any plants that have survived this summer are tough," Bradley said.

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Late fall to winter is a great time to evaluate a home's landscaping. Careful work means large trees appear to show and flaws without red branches in winter.

# Fall is a good time to transplant azaleas

By Scott Aker  
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I have five small azaleas in my front bed that offer little curb appeal except when they bloom. I'd like to replace them with something showier. Can the azaleas be moved to another part of the yard, and when should this be done?

Would they grow in a large urn or container?

A. You can certainly transplant the azaleas. Their fibrous root system makes them more adaptable to transplanting than most other shrubs. You can either move them now or wait until early spring. I find that fall is a better time given the press of garden-

ing chores in March and April.

The object is to dig a broad root ball. Since most of the roots are in the top foot of soil, there is no need to dig a deep root ball. Slide the root ball onto a tarp and drag the plant to its new location. If you are moving small plants, you may be able to lift them.

Azaleas are not a good choice for urns. With all sides exposed to the elements, the soil in the urn will be much colder than the soil in the ground. The azalea's roots are likely to be injured as a result.

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

# Compete for the holiday Cookie Champ title

Times-News

This December, someone will earn the title of southern Idaho's Cookie Champ.

It could be you. That is, if you can bake the pair of cookies that most impresses the judge panel of cookie connoisseurs.

To compete for the title, sign up by calling Davlin at 735-3234 or e-mailing her at melissa.davlin@tcn.net. She'll

give you the time and location for our Dec. 3 cookie-tasting panel.

We'll ask contestants to bring two types of homemade cookies to wow our judges that evening: a half-dozen of their best chocolate chip cookie, and a half-dozen of a cookie recipe of their choice.

The deadline to sign up: Nov. 28. The taste of victory: sweet, sweet, sweet.

# Nutsedge a tricky weed to try to control

By Scott Aker  
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I read that you are not supposed to pull nutsedge, as it will continue to grow. How can I control it?

A. Nutsedge is one of the most difficult weeds to control. It thrives in heavy soil that is poorly drained. You can eliminate it with persistent pulling, if you are willing to keep at it and work to

remove the little corn that lies at the base of each shoot.

If you don't have time to dig up each little plantlet as it appears, you can use an herbicide labeled for control of yellow nutsedge. Most of these are designed for use in lawns and contain triclopyr, an herbicide that also kills all broadleaf weeds. Obviously, this cannot be used in situations where

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nutsedge is growing with perennials, ground covers and shrubs. In such an area, you may have to remove the plants you want to keep, storing them in a spare bed

over the winter. Cover the ground with a thick layer of newspaper or a sheet of black plastic for several months to get rid of the nutsedge before replanting.

# Sow poppy seeds now

The Washington Post

Iceland or corn poppies can be sown directly into sunny garden beds to display next May and June. Seeds need good soil contact

for germination. Hoe beds to cultivate soil and knock back weed seedlings, scatter the poppy seeds and cover the seeded area with a quarter-inch layer of compost or topsoil, not hardwood mulch.

# Gardens

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A property's appearance in the fall is also a good test of the previous owner's commitment to the year-round planning and maintenance that a reactive landscaping requires. "A really good gardener would have had time of year," Graham said.

Graham added prospective buyers can tell if a lawn is really healthy now, for example. "Lawns are more apparent than they might be in early spring.

Other things to examine are the grading, the stability of architectural features, and the health of trees on the property, all of which can be disguised when the plants are in their springtime glory.

Study the drainage patterns, Bradley said. Look for erosion, bare spots, low spots and puddles. Is water moving away from the foundation of the house or toward it?

Look closely at any retaining walls for signs that they might be undermined. Even bare oaks and maples can reveal clues to their health. You'll want to look for deep scars or fissures, as well as signs of recent construction or excavation around the roots, Bradley said. Excavation can do deep damage that doesn't fully reveal itself until a couple of years later. If you have any doubts about the health of a particular tree, call in an arborist for a professional evaluation. "You don't want to buy a house and get hit with \$10,000 worth of tree-removal fees," Bradley said.

You also don't want to decide on a house based on a tree's presence, only to lose

# Squash

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buff-colored squash sandwiched between two green gourds is butternut, common but reliably flavorful. At bottom center, the ribbed, blue-gray orb is an Australian variety named farrahdale, Goldman rates a higher table quality for three other similar Australian varieties: Tramble, Crown and Queensland Blue.

Be wary of the store-bought acorn squash. Light-

skinned varieties, with the exception of Farrahdale, can be inferior in flavor. And the regular dark-green type sold in stores is a strain that looks ripe before it is, making it suited to shipping. But the flesh has not fully developed its starches and sugars.

The best way to have fresh, properly ripened squash, and varieties you know will taste good and look good, is to grow your own. This requires

a sunny location, an enriched bed and a desire to nurture the vines through the summer, but the payoff is worth it.

Seed sources for growing your own decorative and edible squashes: 2008 catalogues and mail orders may not be available until January. Johnny's Selected Seeds, www.johnnys-seeds.com, 877-564-6637; Sand Hill Preservation

Center, www.sandhillpreservation.com; Great Pumpkin Patch, www.thegreatpumpkinpatch.biz, 217-543-2394; Park Seed Co., www.parkseed.com, 800-213-0076.

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## Immigrant groups share the load Fear of raids holes up workers; group forms to help those who have had family deported

**By Cass Friedman**  
Times-News writer

When Norberto Arteaga goes shopping for groceries he brings home double.

The Kimberly man keeps some of the food for himself. The rest he gives to an undocumented family member who, since immigration raids picked up two weeks ago, has been too afraid to spend much time in public.

"I have family who stay at home," Arteaga said. "They go out as little as possible. They just stay home."

"That scene resonates with

hundreds of other legal immigrant families who've undertaken the service of furnishing immediate necessities for their illegal loved ones. At a meeting Monday evening that practice was instituted into policy when seven people volunteered to run errands for undocumented immigrants, who are too afraid to leave their homes.

The group agreed it's something positive they can do. The meetings facilitators said they were not behind a rally that occurred Sunday afternoon in front of WinCo Foods. The rally protested an unknown num-

ber of detentions carried out by immigration enforcement agents at that store.

"They have the right to express their views," said Mike Read, spokesman for WinCo. "All we did was ask them to move to the public sidewalks, which they did after a minute."

Read declined to say if the protests, accompanied by numbers of Hispanics who say they are too afraid to shop at WinCo, is hurting business. He said the store's policy is to not discuss changes in customer base.

Read said runners that his store staff cooperated, if

"We need to be active, but active in a positive way," —Gerardo Munoz, president of a committee to spearhead the organized response to the sweeps

not assisted, with immigration raids is "a little perplexing."

"To the best of our knowledge they are absolutely untrue," he said. "The store manager wasn't even there when it happened. None of our employees observed much of anything."

At Monday's meeting, audience members suggested Hispanics take their

switching stores, they (agents) will switch too."

A second subcommittee was formed to economically and emotionally support Hispanics who have had a family member recently deported, especially women and children.

Jack Van Walkenburgh, an American Civil Liberties Union attorney from Boise, spoke briefly and observed the meeting. So did Leo Morales of Idaho Community Action Network.

"We need to be active, but active in a positive way," Munoz said.

## Clow to announce new initiative today

**By Jared S. Hopkins**  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls Mayor Lance Clow will announce today a multi-year proposal aimed at improving the city's development policies and revitalization of downtown.

"The Mayor's 2010 Initiative" is composed of 20 propositions that will incorporate various study results the city has received over the years, as well as input from the community and city officials. The idea is to have each proposition well underway by the end of 2010.

Clow, who is president of the Association of Idaho Cities, said that he wants to improve the development of Twin Falls and not be limited to downtown — in broad and active ways rather than through a piecemeal approach that has been the tradition.

"I'm the mayor, but it's like I'm a citizen and saying, 'I want to do this' because someone's got to do it," he said Monday.

The announcement will be at noon today at Pandorf's, 516 Hansen St. S. The event is open to the public.

Among his proposals are

forming districts — such as ones for the Presidential Streets or South Park neighborhoods — to address infrastructure needs; building a nationally recognized memorial; and organizing a community reinvestment program.

He also wants any projects planned by the city, including those being unveiled today, to have "advocates" who can finally get under way. For example, if there is a transportation issue supported heavily by one resident, he could be tapped as the project lead.

The announcement comes at a time of highly anticipated plans to accompany the growth of Twin Falls. The city plans to Portland-based Leland Consulting Group to revitalize downtown efforts are "almost complete" for a comprehensive plan, and a new master transportation plan; and the business improvement district is overseen by the Twin Falls Commerce Chamber of Commerce.

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## Spend here, cut there



Donna Sheridan, left, a SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation resident, talks with Lara Prackhan, an activities assistant, at the facility on Monday. Rural facilities, like SunBridge, located in Teton Falls, could face cuts to funding if Congress cuts Medicare payments to skilled-nursing facilities.

## Administrators: Medicare cuts could harm rural nursing homes

**By Nita Poppino**  
Times-News writer

It's a congressional game of "hot potato."

In September, dialysis centers were worried about losing precious Medicare funds as a result of the Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act, the U.S. House's attempt at improving the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

But those centers weren't the only targets. Nursing homes also have money at stake, especially those in rural areas.

The problem, long-term care advocate Susan Feeney said, is that the 2007 Congress is operating under pay-as-they-go rules. An increase in funding in one place has to be balanced by a cut somewhere else, said Feeney, vice president of public affairs for the American Health Care Association. And Medicare payments to skilled-nursing facilities could be one of those cuts — part of as much as \$2.7 billion over five years.

The SCHIP bill may be

stalled in negotiations for now, but administrators of rural nursing homes — 66 percent of the nursing homes in Idaho — are still worried that it or an effort to delay similar cuts in physician payments, will leave them holding the potato.

"Any time there's a cut, it creates an issue," said Carol Gonzales, administrator at the Shoshone Rehab and Living Center. But, she said, the latest plan in particular "would make a tremendous impact."

The cuts, administrators said, pose a disproportionate threat to rural facilities, which would shoulder at least 25 percent of the burden. The margin — about \$12 per resident per day less than before — would cause homes to lose their .2 percent Medicare profit they receive now and remove some of the compensation for "high Medicaid costs — an average of \$13 per day less than the cost of care for one patient.

In essence, any profit from the federal programs would dry up, and administrators

skilled nursing, Feeney said, would mean someone else would take the heat — though the national health care group isn't making any recommendations as to whom. All eyes, Feeney said, are currently on a Senate Finance Committee package that could select a range of Medicare cuts to keep from cutting physicians.

Personally, Miller said, he wonders if the prescription drug benefit program — popular, but costly — or complete other departments could take the brunt of the cuts instead. He called for Idahoans to pressure the state's congressional delegates, saying nursing home residents deserve the financial help they're requesting.

"If we're balancing a whole budget where the American people have paid into something their whole life, that shouldn't be supplanted we look at for cuts."

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But he said a State Board assessment — a committee would need to weigh fiscal savings against the loss of tracking and accountability. "A lot of districts don't like

## Paying for the pump

**TF City Council votes to have developers pay for new pump stations**

**By Jared S. Hopkins**  
Times-News writer

Pressurized-irrigation got a warm hug Monday from the Twin Falls City Council.

The City Council adopted a policy requiring developers to pay to install pressurized-irrigation stations prior to the building of subdivisions, a long-expectied move, after the city and members of the building community spent months negotiating.

The change will allow new subdivisions to come

online with pressurized-irrigation service immediately, rather than waiting for the city to build stations. Currently, developers pay for creating delivery methods, such as pipes, but not pump stations and thereby force the city to temporarily provide potable water for irrigation.

The decision will apply to properties that are at least three-fourths of an acre. City Engineer Jackie Fields can grant an exemption if a developer argues that paying for a station isn't necessary.

To address current applicants, the ordinance will retroactively apply to plats that have not been submitted for final approval.

The move partially lifts a

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## Snowpack Levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% Season peak
Saltmon	90%	12%
Big Wood	87%	10%
Big Lost	85%	7%
Upper Lost	79%	22%
Henry Fork/Basin	70%	10%
Little Snake	60%	13%
Oakley	13%	1%
Salmon Falls	11%	4%

As of Nov. 19

## Filer middle school principal challenges ISAT tests

**Principal Greg Lantig wants ISATs administered in the fall to be voluntary**

Lantig said the tests tie up his school's computer lab for weeks, and the schools should have discretion in determining which students take fall ISATs.

And apparently some community members agree.

Lantig said he has amassed between 500 and 1,000 signatures since September in favor of the measure — and he's still collecting names. He plans to send them to the State Board, the governor

and local legislators.

"When we get ready to send it, another (signature) shows up," Lantig said.

Idaho students now take two sets of tests, one in the fall and another in the spring. The spring ISATs factor into federal No Child Left Behind mandates.

Lantig's school, as well as Filer and Hollister elementary schools, failed to make Adequate Yearly Progress last year, which is mandated by federal NCLB rules, and determined through ISATs. Filer High School,

however, made AYP last spring.

Lantig acknowledges that even some of his co-workers disagree with his desire to make the fall tests voluntary. But he says they do not "save money."

Alternatives to the decision are not obvious. Saving

"I would be selective, on who I tested," Lantig said.

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But some educators believe fall ISATs provide additional accountability and help track educational progress throughout the school year.

Lantig said students can still practice ISATs at home. He noted that Idaho kids start standardized testing in elementary school. He doesn't want to burn students out on the test.

"I would be selective, on who I tested," Lantig said.

A lot of districts don't like

### Marjorie Jeanne McKenna Fisher

HANSEN — Marjorie Jeanne McKenna Fisher passed away from natural causes at the Twin Falls Care Center on Nov. 15, 2007.

She was born Dec. 1, 1924, at Tuscarora, Nev., to John Henry McKenna and Mamie Cecelia Benson McKenna. She was the youngest of 16 children. In her early years, she helped out on the ranch her father worked for by herding sheep. Her parents died when she was 12 years old, and her aunt and uncle then raised her in the silver boom town of her birth. As a young adult, she lived in California working as a telephone operator. She met and married Melvin Jesse Fisher on March 4, 1946. They were married just over 60 years. Their early years were in Lakeview, Ore., and they later moved to Reno and then Lovelock, Nev. In 1966, they moved the family to Twin Falls, where she worked at a

few jobs, including the Tempo Department Store, Stryker Scaffolds and Devtronics, an electronics maker.

She is survived by her three daughters, Christine (Larry) Hersh of Yuma, Ariz., Catherine Harmon of Hensley and Janis (Stan) Hurd of Hammond, Ore.; as well as by one son, Roger Fisher of Twin Falls. She is followed by only one of her sisters, Danna, living in Pennsylvania. Also surviving here are seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin; her parents, John and Mamie McKenna; and by her 14 oldest siblings.

A family memorial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Jerome Cemetery. Cards and letters can be sent to the Fisher home at P.O. Box 63, Hansen, ID 83334.

## Dick Wilson, the fussy 'Mr. Whipple' of 'Don't squeeze the Charmin' TV commercials, dies at 91

By Jeff Wilson  
Associated Press writer



Wilson

LOS ANGELES — Dick Wilson, the actor and pitchman who played the uptight grocer begging customers "Please, don't squeeze the Charmin," died Monday. He was 91.

The man famous as TV's "Mr. Whipple" died of natural causes at the Motion Picture & Television Fund Hospital in Woodland Hills.

Wilson's daughter, Melanie Wilson, who is known for her role as a flight attendant on the ABC sitcom "Perfect Strangers."

New harr Show," and Walt Disney productions.

The first of his Charmin commercials aired in 1964 and by the time the campaign ended in 1985, the tag line and Wilson were pop culture touchstones.

"Everybody says, 'Where did they find you?' I say I was never lost. I've been an actor for 55 years," Wilson told the San Francisco Examiner in 1985.

that Wilson deserves much of the credit for the product's success in the marketplace.

He called the Mr. Whipple character "one of the most recognizable faces in the history of American advertising."

After Wilson retired, he continued to do occasional guest appearances for the brand and act on television. He declared himself not impressed with modern cinema.

"The kind of pictures they're making today, I'll stick with toilet paper," he told The Associated Press in 1985.

Procter & Gamble eventually replaced the Whipple ads with cartoon bears, but brought Wilson (as Whipple) back for an encore in 1999.

The ad showed Wilson "coming out of retirement" against the advice of his golfing and poker buddies for one more chance to sell Charmin.

"He is part of the culture," his daughter said. "He was still funny to the very end. That's his legacy."

He was born in England in 1916, the son of a vaudeville

### SERVICES

Laura Susannah Hope of Wendell and formerly of Archer, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Eckersell Memorial Chapel, 101 W. Main St. in Rigby; visitation from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. today at the mortuary.

Keith Hunt of Carey, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Carey LDS Church (Wood River Chapel in Halley).

Thelma Seavey of Oakley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Oakley LDS Stake Center; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Russussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Mae Jones Zimmers of Buhl, service at 11 a.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 Ninth Ave. N. in Buhl.

Luterio R. Rodriguez Sr. of Burley, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls LDS 2nd Ward chapel on Park Avenue (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Neva K. Shetter of Filer, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Reformed Church in Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Manuel A. Lopez of Rupert, at the church.

vigil service at 5:30 p.m. today, with visitation to follow until 8 p.m., at Russussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 902 F St. in Rupert.

Harvey Dwight McCammon of Gooding, funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Deernany Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Alta Marilyn Lent of Buhl, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Theodore "Ted" Fajkci of Rupert, memorial service at 1 p.m. Friday at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St.; visitation one hour before the service Friday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Frank R. Berra of Nampa, rosary at 7 p.m. Friday, with funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Saturday, at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 1515 Eighth St. St. in Nampa; burial at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Nampa Funeral Home, Yruegen Chapel).

### DEATH NOTICES

**Lila E. Dayley** — Lila E. Dayley, 91, of Burley, died Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007, at Highland Estates Assisted Living.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, at Russussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday

at the church.

**James K. Miller**

NAMPA — James Kenneth "Kerr" Miller, 86, of Nampa, died Thursday, Nov. 15, 2007, at a Nampa care center.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 55 S. Midland Blvd. in Nampa (Dayley Funeral Chapel in Nampa).

### AROUND THE VALLEY

#### Addison closed briefly for nursery fireworks

The Kimberly Nurseries' Annual Christmas in the Nighttime Sky event will be held on Friday from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Twin Falls Police Department will be closing Addison Avenue East from Eastland Drive to Hankins Road; access to Addison Avenue East from Carriage Lane will also be closed. The road closures will begin at 5 p.m. Friday evening and will remain closed until the event is over and the pedestrian traffic has safely dispersed. Individuals who travel through this area are encouraged to plan ahead. If attending the event, parking is available near Knapar where shuttle buses will transport participants to the event.

The Twin Falls Police Department encourages drivers to be cautious in this area due to the lack of street

lights and the large amount of pedestrian traffic.

#### U.S. 93 near bridge closed briefly today

SHOSHONE — Traffic on U.S. Highway 93 will be delayed briefly today as crews blast a small amount of rock at the highway's intersection with Golf Course Road near the Perrine Bridge, according to the Idaho Transportation Department.

A rock knob near northwest corner of the intersection will be removed to improve visibility and safety for vehicles entering U.S. 93. The road closure will take place between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and will last for about 15 minutes.

Travelers are asked to avoid the area if possible. For current driving conditions on Idaho highways, call 5-1-1 or visit 511.idaho.gov.

— From staff reports

### Tests

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adding that he would reserve fall tests for students who did poorly on previous tests.

The State Board is ready to listen.

"Everything is on the table for review," Browning said. "Hearing people's voices is absolutely critical to successful governance... When we get a petition in

here we make sure the committee gets a look at it." But the Legislature would have to change state law to make any tests optional. Browning said there's no pending legislation on fall ISATs — at least yet.

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### Pump

burden on the city of Twin Falls, which has traditionally paid for the installation of such stations. Some residential subdivisions that are ready for canal water pressurized-irrigation systems remain on more expensive portable water — a setback that officials attribute to a rush of development.

Developers supported the changes but prefer doing so cooperatively, creating regionalized systems rather than independently scattered stations. They say it would improve communication, save money and better serve the city.

Brad Willis, a local developer and the chairman of the Developer's Council, said

the change was the best option the parties involved could agree on. Other possibilities included sharing the city's water service area by several hundred acres.

The council also agreed to pay JOB Engineers \$60,000 to develop a master plan for pressurized irrigation systems. City Engineer Jackie Fields said that the current implementation process is done "via a sketch on the wall in my office."

The study will, among other things, determine the feasibility of a citywide pressurized irrigation and map out a new water-service area. The engineering firm, which has performed numerous water studies for the city, will draw on current

and past statistics.

Community Development Director Mitch Humble said that although it's unknown when the study will be complete, the ordinance passed will still benefit the city and will save money in the long-term.

"That doesn't mean we shouldn't start with what we've got," he said.

The City Council spoke favorably of the ordinance change and the ability for the city and the developers to find a solution. Mayor Lance Clough suggested a formal letter be drawn up and sent to the developers' council.

"This is a tough item, and you worked through it well and the developers need to

be commended for recognizing water is a valuable portion of the land," said Clough.

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# 1.3 Million People Make Their Living On eBay

By Frances M. Kelsey

Despite the fact that the economy is rising in the United States, employment rates are declining. One of the major reasons for the decline in employment rates is the opportunity to work with eBay and other main online auction websites. Why settle for minimum wage when it is possible to make over \$100,000 a year from the comfort of your home? Over 170 million people are signed up for eBay and around 1.3 million people are making a full-time living through online auctioning, leaving their everyday jobs.

Michael Syme, online auction expert and author of the book "Keys to Making Money with Online Auctions," is one of many people who have left the mundane aspect of a 9-to-5 desk job and has begun to make his own income at home with the help of his children. Now Syme is making around \$10,000 a month

by selling a variety of items that can be found in his home.

"People shouldn't wait until they find themselves out of a job before they find out they are not financially secure," Syme said. "They should start ensuring their own and their family's financial future immediately." Not only does eBay allow people to make money and get rid of some things that may no longer be of use, there are more benefits than cash. If a seller can make \$1,000 a month or more, they can qualify for most of the same benefits that would be made available in a regular 9-to-5 job, such as health, vision, pharmacy, and dental. Over 200,000 members of eBay qualify for these benefits and more.

Not only does using eBay at home cut back on paying for gas and having to deal with the hassle of rush hour traffic, but also consumer demands through the internet are continually growing,

allowing for a higher income rate per seller. Consolidated revenues for eBay in the year 2007 are expected to reach anywhere from \$7.05 to \$7.3 billion, a 31% improvement from the year 2006.

According to a speech given by former Senior Vice President of Products Development, Lynn Reddy, on average one car is sold every two minutes, a car part or accessory sold every three seconds, diamond jewelry every eight-three seconds, and a pair of Timberland shoes every ten minutes. These items and more, from concert tickets to stamps and coins, are sold daily by average people looking to gain an income or better their current cash flow.

"Anybody can do it if they know the right technique," Syme said. "With the right techniques it's easy to make extra income."

Syme said he does not recommend attempting to become a full-time online auctioneer with



Michael Syme, author of "Keys to Making Money with Online Auctions," is one of many people who have left their everyday jobs to make a full-time living through online auctioning.

eBay without learning the basics first.

"It's like driving a car," Syme said. "It's easy to do but if no one shows you how to drive, you could end up in an accident that costs you time and money to fix."

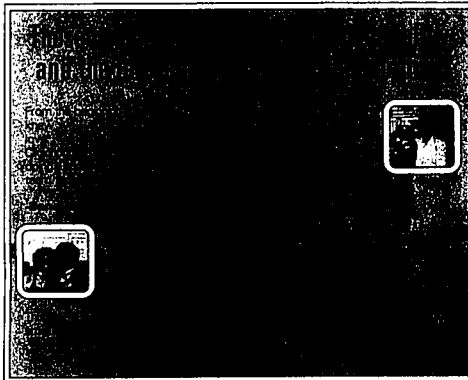
This should not be taken as discouragement to start working with online auctions. It is rather easy to get started in the process

and become acquainted with the techniques. With a little homework, access to an internet-ready computer, and some basic computer knowledge, anyone can be on their way to becoming a member of the fastest growing community in the U.S.

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