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Allen Nagel, owner of The Smoke-N-Head Shop, is seen through a display case filled with glass pipes Wednesday morning in the Twin Falls establishment. The reflection of a beer advertisement from a kiosk that would have been used to sell alcohol obscures Nagel's face. The kiosk sits empty because the business was denied an alcohol license by the county.

Merchant fired up over alcohol license denial

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

The short message — "For Tobacco Use Only" — stamped on nearly every wall and countertop in Allen Nagel's store aims to deter customers from thinking his glass products can be used with illegal drugs.

But some people — primarily, the government — apparently missed the message. In fact, they might have thought they could be used with beer.

Twin Falls County commissioners recently denied Nagel's request for an alcohol license for The Smoke-N-Head Shop at 347 Washington St. N. The request — already approved by the state — was later tabled by the Twin Falls City Council, which must also sign off on requests to serve alcohol.

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Watch an interview with the owner of The Smoke-N-Head Shop. MagicValley.com



The commissioners' concern stems from whether the items at Nagel's store, which opened within the last month, are appropriate for Twin Falls. He sells cigarettes and cigars, as well as various flavored tobacco, international leaves and various herbs and plants, including *salvia divinorum*.

But the glassware — such as pipes and other

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ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME

Groups hold Thanksgiving meal for addicts, homeless

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

For many Americans celebrating Thanksgiving, having a beer or glass of wine — even eggnog is available by now — is as common at the dinner table as eating turkey and watching football.

But in a dimly-lit room in downtown Twin Falls, the only indulging done will be in the form of sliced ham and mashed potatoes.

"I like the turkey, the gravy, the cranberry sauce — and the compassion," said Paula, who's been sober for 3 1/2 years.

For more than a dozen years, groups with Alcoholics Anonymous and other informal fellowships that help addicts have hosted a Thanksgiving Day meal. Located at the Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, the meal is open to those who attend meetings in Twin Falls, including narcotics and gamblers anonymous, as well as family members and the homeless.

To preserve the anonymity of those in programs, last names for people interviewed were not disclosed.

Five meals organized by churches and other local groups during the holiday season are common across the United States. But for recovering alcoholics in particular, this season is reportedly a hard time.

Local gatherings like the one at the hall allow people dealing with cravings to enjoy the holidays in the company of like-minded souls and friends — and without temptation.

This meal is organized by truckers, many of

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Big Thanksgiving dinners for sober ex-addicts in a dimly-lit room for Thanksgiving dinner Thursday afternoon at the Magic Valley Fellowship Hall.

Milking for dairy money

Millions are being spent to study M.V. CAFOS

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County farmer Dave Roper knows manure. His company, MVP Environmental Systems, spreads effluent on farm fields for area livestock operations.

But he doesn't know everything. So in 2006, Roper applied for a \$395,000 federal grant to study manure application methods and to measure harmful-gas concentrations above the fields.

Roper's grant is a drop in a lagoon-size pool of money for similar projects that materialized in just the past few years. The government and private sector are pumping millions of dollars into manure-related research projects, many of which will study whether livestock operations threaten public health and the environment.

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Twin Falls County farmer Dave Roper poses with equipment bought with a \$395,000 federal grant to study manure application in his ranchland plots. The government and private industry are spending millions to research the effects of confined-animal feeding operations on health and the environment.

Conservationists worry that private land in national parks will be developed

By Susan Gallagher
Associated Press writer

HELENA, Mont. — The managers of the Zia National Park in northern New Mexico are worried about the possibility of private land within the park's boundaries being developed. The managers wanted Zia to be a "wilderness" area, but the land is owned by private individuals and some of the owners are planning to build homes or other structures on the land.

from further development because of its world-class view of the park's awesome, 3,000-foot red rock cliffs. But the park didn't have the money to buy the land. California's state officials purchased the land, promised to build homes on the site and use it for old-timers on the site and use it for the park's boundaries came under question.

Superintendent Jack Whitworth. Within the \$4-billion-acre national park system are some 54 million acres of private parcels, an amount nearly as big as New York state. The parcels include wetlands popular for birdwatching at Acadia National Park in Maine, the site of a Civil War hospital at Gettysburg.



Zia National Park is 17th and 10 acres of privately owned land within the park's boundaries in a California couple who purchased the land, expanded an old tavern on the site and use it for residential retreats.

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TODAY'S FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

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Today: Mostly dry and cool with more sun and clouds. High: 37. Low: 19.
Tonight: Crisp with patchy clouds or fog. Lows: 20s.
Tomorrow: Sunny and not as chilly. Highs: low 40s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Jazz guitarist Michael Frow, joined by area jazzers Adam Crofts (bass), Brent Jensen (sax) and (tentatively) Jeff Fox (bass) and Keaton Wilson (piano), 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Pandora's restaurant (formerly Muggers' in the Old Towne area), bjensen@csi.edu or 420-7066.

FAIRS AND BAZAARS

The Christmas in the Country 10th annual craft fair, includes variety of handmade items, toiletries, baked goods, door prizes and refreshments, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Elba Community Building, 1195 E. 2000 S., Elba, 636-5551.

12th Annual Carling and Sharing Christmas Festival, 3 to 10 p.m., featuring the Gala Celebration, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Rupert Civic Center, 505 Seventh St., buyers welcome, 436-8135.

Bel Cantos Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair by Andmor Productions, includes food, raffle and Bel Cantos choir performance, noon to 8 p.m., Burley High School, \$2 per person (or free through local merchants), proceeds to the choir, 670-0660.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Gooding ISDB gym, Jerome Rec Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Center and Blaine County Campus Gym; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475.
Celebrate Recovery, 6 p.m., Cafe Agape, Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 259 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls, 737-4667.

Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hot-line: 1-866-592-3198.

HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

The 17th Annual Christmas in the Nighttime Sky festivities, includes free chili and Idaho potato dinner, visit with Santa, live Nativity scene, entertainment by The Lighthouse Praise Band, and fireworks display choreographed with Christmas music on KEZJ FM 95.7, 5:30 to 7 p.m. (fireworks after 7:30 p.m.), Kimberly Nurseries, 2862 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, admission: one new, quality unwrapped toy (per family) for ages newborn to 16, proceeds to KWMT Christmas for Kids Program, shuttles available, 733-2717 or sheryn@kimberlynurseries.com.
Christmas City USA annual chili feed, 5 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. Santa travels on the lights with fireworks to follow, Rupert Square, \$1.50 for rolls and 50 cents for hot chocolate and coffee, proceeds for Christmas decoration needs, 436-4554.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Icy Worlds/Saving the Night/Live Sky Tour," 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.; "Season of Light," 7 p.m.; and "Steamrolling" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center, CSI, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

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

MORNING BRIEFING AROUND THE WORLD

ARUBA

Father of Natalee Holloway to search for evidence off Aruba

ORANJESTAD — The father of missing American teenager Natalee Holloway will relaunch a search for evidence of her remains in waters off Aruba, he said Thursday after police re-arrested three suspects in her 2005 disappearance.

While authorities searched the sea to depths of 330 feet, Dave Holloway told The Associated Press that he believes his 18-year-old daughter was thrown into deeper waters — a belief based on talks with a police official and a private forensic expert.

Holloway said a private boat owner is providing divers, sonar equipment and the ability to map the ocean floor.

"It's like this: we've searched all the land areas... It's common knowledge on the island that if someone were to dispose of the body, it would be out in the ocean," he said by telephone.

Holloway said he would alert police on the Dutch Caribbean island if anything is found.

Authorities announced Wednesday they had found "new incriminating evidence" and re-arrested three men — Dutch student Joran van der Sloot and brothers Satish and Deepak Kalpoe of Suriname — on suspicion of involvement in voluntary manslaughter and causing serious bodily harm that resulted in Holloway's death.

EGYPT

Egypt, Palestinians try to sell skeptical Arabs on peace conference

SHARM EL-SHEIKH — Egypt, Jordan and the Palestinians sought Thursday to persuade skeptical Arab nations to attend a U.S.-sponsored Mideast peace conference, insisting it could open the door to a Palestinian state in the next year. Saudi Arabia and Syria remain the most important holdouts.

Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak held a mini-summit with the leaders of Jordan and the Palestinians in this Red Sea resort, bringing together the strongest Arab supporters of next week's conference in Annapolis, Md.

So far, Saudi Arabia and Syria have appeared unconvincing because the conference will bring significant peace commitments from Israel. The Saudis want a firm timetable for negotiations on the important issues of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, while the Syrians are pressing for Annapolis to address the Israeli-held Golan Heights.

Late Thursday, foreign ministers and two ambassadors from countries on the Arab League's peace initiative committee began informal meetings in Cairo. The talks are expected to culminate in a unified Arab stand on the Annapolis conference that would be endorsed Friday at an official League meeting.

Egypt's minister Thursday announced Cairo could make a major breakthrough.

ILLINOIS

Attorney Former officer has letter of a sighting of missing wife

CHICAGO — A former police sergeant named as a suspect in his wife's disappearance has received an unsigned letter describing a sighting of her in Chicago. The wife elsewhere in Illinois, his attorney said Thursday.

Drew Peterson received the letter Wednesday but didn't open it until Thursday, attorney Joel Brodsky said.

YONAS SERCELGN, right, rehearses a dance routine with the Miami Heat Golden Oldies in Pembroke Place, Fla., Oct. 23. Born out of a Jazzercise program, the Golden Oldies are the NBA's first senior dance team.



Yonae Sercelgn, right, rehearses a dance routine with the Miami Heat Golden Oldies in Pembroke Place, Fla., Oct. 23. Born out of a Jazzercise program, the Golden Oldies are the NBA's first senior dance team. See story below

Peterson immediately called the Illinois State Police and his attorneys, he said. Brodsky said Peterson hopes the letter, which describes a sighting of a possibly pregnant Stacy Peterson in Peoria, will lead authorities to his wife.

Pamela Bosco, a close friend of Stacy Peterson's family, scoffed at the idea. She said the family has received "tons of letters," signed and unsigned, from psychics and others claiming to know the missing woman's whereabouts.

"We got a letter saying she was seen in Florida," Bosco said. "She's traveling an awful lot, isn't she?"

The writer of the letter, dated Nov. 19, said Stacy Peterson wasn't alone when spotted in a Peoria supermarket and might have been trying to be noticed. She appeared to have "a little pudgy," the letter writer wrote, asking if she was pregnant.

Brodsky declined to release the letter itself.

FRANCE

French rail workers vote to end strike

PARIS — A transport strike that has crippled France for nine days in open defiance of President Nicolas Sarkozy's reform agenda was in its last gasp Thursday as rail workers around the country voted "yes" to return to the job.

The collapse of the strikes a day after the start of negotiations suggested defeat for labor unions — and could clear the way for the president's ambitious program to reform France.

In 42 of 45 morning meetings, rail workers voted to return to work Friday, a tendency that continued in the afternoon, union officials said. The development was good news for travelers who have been forced to cancel trips and invent new ways to get to work. Parisians stung by a subway strike have walked or used bikes and scooters to cross town.

Prime Minister Francois Fillon called on rail workers to restart traffic "completely and without delay." He thanked the French for their patience and unions for their "responsible attitude."

FLORIDA

Miami Heat senior dancers shimmy in their golden years

MIAMI — Yonae Sercelgn throws her hands in the air as she bounces across the floor in rehearsal, strutting and thrusting to blaring rap music in unison

people and wounding 12, emergency and police officials said.

Investigators said they considered terrorism the likely cause. The incident took place in the North Ossetia region which is plagued by violence from feuding criminal groups, remnants of Chechen separatist fighters and other militant groups that target government and police. But authorities did not point to any specific group that is suspected.

The bus traveling from the southern city of Pyatigorsk was near a police post on the administrative border of North Ossetia when the fire broke out, said Oleg Ugnivenko, a spokesman for the regional Emergency Situation Ministry. The explosion happened shortly after.

The RIA-Novosti news agency, citing an unnamed law enforcement official, said the blast may have been caused by an explosive device in the road.

However, a duty officer for the North Ossetia Interior Ministry told The Associated Press that the device had been located on the bus, possibly while it was parked near a police post awaiting a sweep by officers. The officer asked not to be named since he was not authorized to speak to the media.

One child was among the five killed and 12 people were hospitalized with burns and shrapnel wounds. A total of 19 people, including two drivers, were on the bus.

CHINA

Paris Hilton tries out Shanghai style

SHANGHAI — American socialite Paris Hilton checked out Shanghai fashionistas, cuddled stuffed pandas and sauntered along the famous Bund waterfront on Thursday.

While visiting China's most stylish city, Hilton said in a new interview that she was in a new conference at the Hyatt on the waterfront, one of the newest landmarks in a city teeming with new skyscrapers.

The celebrity heiress, author, singer, perfume designer and reality TV star was spending two days touring China's commercial capital for the Friday night gala awards for Chinese style and fashion trendsetters.

A visit to the city's jam-packed Yu Yuan Garden gave her an authentic taste of Shanghai's juicy steam buns and flower tea and the crowding common in the city of more than 20 million.

Hilton, unfazed by the throngs of onlookers, carried on with her shopping, pausing to hug an elderly lady and to pose in several dresses by Chinese designer Lu Kun, one of the city's hottest new fashion stars.

RUSSIA

5 killed in bus blast in southern Russia

ROSTOV-ON-DON — A passenger bus caught fire and exploded in Russia's troubled North Caucasus Thursday, killing at least five

N. IRELAND

Salmon farm wiped out by billions of jellyfish

DUBLIN — The only salmon farm in Northern Ireland has lost its entire population of more than 100 million fish in some 20 million, to a spectacular jellyfish attack, its owners said Wednesday.

The Northern Salmon Co. Ltd. said billions of jellyfish — in a dense pack of about 10 square miles and deep — overwhelmed the fish last week in two net pens about a mile off the coast of the Glens of Antrim, north of Belfast.

Managing director John Russell said the company's dozen workers tried to rescue the salmon, but their three boats struggled for hours to push the fish through the mass of jellyfish. All the fish were dead or dying from stings and stress by the time the boats reached the pens, he said.

Russell, who previously worked at Scotland salmon farms and took the Northern Ireland job just three days before the attack, said he had never seen anything like it in 30 years in the business. "It was unprecedented, absolutely amazing. The sea was red with these jellyfish and there was nothing we could do about it, absolutely nothing," he said.

The species of jellyfish responsible, Pelagia noctiluca — a popularly known as the mauve stinger — is noted for its purplish night-glow glow and its propensity for terrorizing swimmers in the western Mediterranean Sea. Until the past decade, the mauve stinger has rarely been spotted so far north in British or Irish waters, and scientists cite this as evidence of global warming.

— The Associated Press

Snowpack Levels advertisement with a bar chart showing snowpack levels by region and a small text box about a computer competition.

WHAT'S NEW ONLINE advertisement for a smoke shop that is denied alcohol license, including a photo of a person and a video interview.

ILLINOIS Attorney Former officer has letter of a sighting of missing wife advertisement.

Times-News advertisement listing phone numbers for various departments and services.

CAFOS

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The intensified research efforts mirror growing public concerns about the industry. In Gooding County this summer, nearly 200 residents attended a meeting regarding new dairy laws. When dairies are discussed in Jerome County, commissioners sometimes gather in a large courtroom to accommodate crowds.

At those meetings, public officials have said they don't have enough information to adequately regulate the industry, and some residents say they don't feel safe living near dairies. Nearly everyone wants more information.

Not all research studies could help, as the valley struggles to balance a \$1.4 billion industry with public and environmental health.

There are quite a bit of efforts that have been started," said Mark Weatherstone, a spokesman for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the federal agency under the U.S. Department of Agriculture that issued the grant for Roger's ongoing study.

The only thing that we or any of the other so-called environmentalists want — what anyone wants — is for people to make good decisions based on sound science."

— Alma Hasse, head of Idaho Concerned Area Residents for the Environment

He's right, and some of the projects are costing millions. The state has proposed building a dairy research center in Magic Valley at a cost of \$10 million to taxpayers. The University of Idaho will contribute \$10 million, and another \$5 million will come from the Idaho Dairymen's Association, an industry group.

The IDA is also funding an ongoing study that measures air quality at a valley dairy, said Bob Naerebout, IDA's executive director.

Perhaps the epicenter of dairy research happens at Whitesides Dairy near Rupert. The facility completed a pilot program last year, funded by a private Washington-based company, that developed a technique to turn solid waste

from anaerobic digesters — machines that transform cow manure into valuable methane gas — into a peat moss-like substance that can be sold to nurseries, landscape companies, soil blenders and homeowners.

The dairy installed the \$1 million digester, Magic Valley's first commercial unit, two years earlier with funding from Idaho-based Intrepid Technology and Resources. Intrepid, a biofuels company, wanted to know if digesters could make enough methane to sell to power companies.

Both projects were successful, and proved most of the manure that concerned residents and politicians could be disposed of in an environmentally friendly way. But with upfront costs at nearly

\$1,000 per head of cattle; the digesters aren't economical for most dairies.

Private studies aside, some residents question the value of state-funded research projects, especially because numerous CAFOS studies have been completed in other states.

"There's a lot of research on the ground that's already been done," said Alma Hasse, head of Idaho Concerned Area Residents for the Environment. "The research is already out there, and it shows these facilities cause major problems."

But politicians, especially in Jerome County, have balked at these studies, saying what's true in Iowa or North Carolina isn't necessarily true in Idaho.

In the end, Hasse said, everyone wants the same thing. "The only thing that we or any of the other so-called environmentalists want — what anyone wants — is for people to make good decisions based on sound science."

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Parks

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National Military Park in Pennsylvania and Indian cultural sites at Big Bend National Park in Texas.

Many of these parcels have been held for generations by people who owned the land before Congress created the parks.

The Park Service has identified about a third of the private land for acquisition. But in fiscal year 2007, the agency was allocated \$24.6 million for buying the property. That is little more than 1 percent of the \$2.4 billion or so the Park Service says would be needed to purchase all the land it wants.

"We ought to be finishing what we started, and we're not doing it," said Paul Pritchard, founder of the National Park Trust, a private organization.

The National Park Service has on its wish list 11,613 parcels encompassing 1.8 million acres. The \$24.6 million allocated is down from a 10-year high of nearly \$139 million in 1999.

National Park Service spokesman Jeff Olson said the Bush administration has focused more on managing the land it already controls than on acquiring more.

"The dollars have steadily fallen off because we are in deficit, because we are funding a two-front war, because there are a host of other spending priorities that compete," said Alan Front, vice president for the Trust for Public Land.

But he warned that unless the Park Service acquires the private land within the park's boundaries, "there is a real and pressing threat that inappropriate development will mar the landscape that people are flocking to for respite and retreat."

Chuck Cushman of the American Land Rights Association, formed in 1978 to represent owners of property within parks, said it is just as well the Park Service is short of money.

Whidlers, as the property owners inside the parks are known, "live in fear that a change in administration, a new Congress — all of a sudden they're going to have land acquisition agents at their door, trying to force them out," Cushman said.

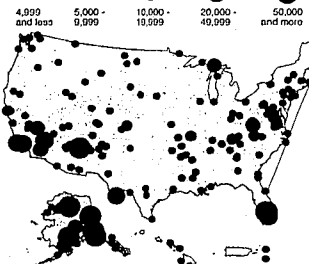
He said many of the landowners are the third and fourth generations to live there, adding that his own cabin in Yosemite National Park is "the one constant my kids have always had" even though the family moved often.

At Zion, Hank and Mariangela Landau bought

Parks target acres of private land

Within the 84-million-acre national park system are more than 5 million acres of private land. The Park Service has identified about a third of this — 1.8 million acres — for acquisition.

Acres recommended for purchase by National Parks Service



SOURCE: National Parks Conservation Association

the 10 acres covered by the Park Service in 2005. The land is a 2½-hour drive from Las Vegas, near a site where some of the 1972 Robert Redford movie "Hombre" was filmed.

Landau said he and his wife tried to be environmentally sensitive in remodeling the dilapidated tavern constructed some 40 years ago — a one-story building with light-gray siding — and establishing their retreat. The Center for the True North. Its features include solar power and low-impact lighting.

At Glacier National Park in Montana, where deer, elk,

moose and wolves roam, Warren Heylman of Spokane, Wash., built a cabin this year on land his grandparents homesteaded before President Taft signed the 1910 bill making Glacier the nation's 10th park. The 130-acre tract had been at the top of Glacier's acquisition list for years.

"We think development of that land is inappropriate," said Bruce Hayden, a Park Service official at Glacier. "You can draw your own conclusions about what's best for the American public versus what's best for this family."

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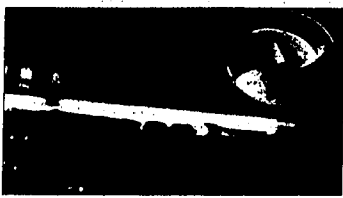
Items used for smoking — is what caught the county's attention. "We didn't think it fit well with the community and we have the right to do that," said Commissioner Terry Kramer. "It's the alternative kind of products that have been used in some of the illegal drug stuff."

But the decision stems curiosity since the license dealt strictly with alcohol and will not make the business go away. Instead, the government has simply inflamed Nagel's anger. He pressed a criminal background check from the state, he said he's offering legal smoking products. And city and county police authorities said Nagel's complying with the law.

"What does me selling beer have anything to do with me selling glass pipes? They're not smoking the beer out of them," said Nagel. "It's my way for them to push me around because they can."

The decision, however, bears historical significance. Commission Chairman Tom Mikesell said it was the first alcohol license denied by the county since his 2002 election. Twin Falls City Manager Tom Courtney couldn't recall a license being denied by the city in his more-than 25 years.

Kramer, who has not visited the store, said the commissioners are making a "statement," regardless of whether there's alcohol, and are listening to complaining neighbors. The previous



A snuffed-out cigarette butt sits on top of a case full of colorful glass pipes at The Smoke-N-Head Shop in Twin Falls. Owner Allen Nagel has signs on the walls and stickers on glass cases notifying customers that the pipes are for tobacco use only. Several hand-written signs on regular white paper ask customers to refrain from using 'drug' references or they will be thrown out of the establishment.

business was a tattoo parlor. "The alcohol is a separate issue but it's a controlling mechanism that we can use to control this business in that area," said Kramer. "Alcohol will bring more people in, will bring more clients in, it will give them more opportunities to participate in this neighborhood the way that I don't think the neighborhood wants."

Since the decision was made on what Nagel sells, he defended the products. He said he caters to an emerging market, including those who prefer not smoking with woodch pipes.

"If there's not a demand for it then why am I selling it?" asked Nagel, who said he doesn't take illegal drugs. "If the community doesn't want it, then why are they in my store buying it?" Nagel owns two tattoo

out some people.

"The main thing that concerns me is they've already pointed blame at me and say I am selling drug paraphernalia and that's what upsets me the most," said Nagel. "It's not drug paraphernalia until it's used as such."

But he said most of his sales come from the tobacco products. "There are probably going to be some people who are going to use it illegally. But does that mean you have to punish everyone?"

Meanwhile, it's unlikely the city of Twin Falls will revisit the issue. An e-mail from City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich to Courtney included an excerpt from the following state law: "no incorporated municipality shall issue a license to any retailer until such retailer shall have first obtained a county license from the board of county commissioners. So, unless the commissioners discuss it again, the City Council won't put it on the agenda again."

"In this case, we don't have a choice because the county

has to consider the license before we can consider the license," said Courtney. Appealing the county's decision remains a possibility. The commissioners said they didn't know the appeal process for alcohol licenses but a starting point is for Nagel to ask to be placed on the county's agenda.

Nagel, who said the matter's being handled by his attorney, said he won't move his business elsewhere. In

Halley, voters recently passed three pro-marijuana ballot initiatives.

"This is my home. It's been my home for 15 years," he said. "By me moving, that's admitting some kind of guilt. I am not guilty of doing anything wrong. I am offering the public an alternative to drugs."

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whom are used to spending holidays alone on the road.

"They all don't come home just for Thanksgiving," said Jim V, the temporary manager of the hall who helped put the meal together. "But everybody wants to have something going."

Many who attend come from other parts of the state, families, or they just don't have any family in the area, said John, who's been sober for 12 years and has family in California.

"For some people, we don't want to go back. You walk in there and they say, 'Here, have a drink. One won't hurt you,'" said V. "They just don't understand."

More than two dozen people showed up Thursday afternoon. The potluck meal had several turkeys, ham, stuffing, almost six different kinds of potato dishes. To wash it down, there was coffee, soda pop and milk.

"Anything but alcohol," John pointed out.

Meetings are held for alcoholics and others with addictions every day throughout town. At the hall, a meeting is held daily at noon. Organizers said the meal would draw the homeless, and maybe even some categorized as "wet," meaning they just finished a drink outside before coming in.

But, in the world of addiction, that's fine. All that's needed is the desire to quit.

"We just try and do the best thing that we can do," said Jim V, who's been sober for 18 years and loves the turkey. "If you have the honesty and the wherewithal you have a chance. But if you come in here chugging and giving you

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As Americans get heavier, exhibit highlights John F. Kennedy's push for fitness

By Rodrigo Noguei
Associated Press writer

BOSTON — When it came to encouraging fitness, few did more to get Americans off the couch than John F. Kennedy.

And he did it not by decree, but by example: from his days on Harvard's sailing team and the Kennedy family football games to defining physical fitness as a key principle of his administration even before his inauguration.

As the nation grows fatter four decades after his assassination, Kennedy's call for physical activity is being revisited in an exhibit of photographs, personal effects and sports memorabilia at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

"Without a doubt, we need it now more than we ever did," junior high school teacher Brenda Levy, of Pasadena, Texas, said of Kennedy's message as she examined his sports awards and watched his speeches encouraging Americans to get moving.

Kennedy's push eventually changed the focus of school physical education programs from sport skills to fitness and sparked a national fitness awareness.

When Kennedy challenged U.S. Marines to finish a 50-mile hike in 20 hours, so many civilians took up the dare that the White House had to warn the public that the grueling task could be hazardous for many people.

Kennedy was inspired by a conviction that youth fitness is a measure of the vitality of a nation, and he worried that many young people in the military were failing their fitness tests, said curator Frank Rigg.

In an article he wrote for Sports Illustrated, under the headline "The Soft American," Kennedy challenged Americans to take an active lifestyle seriously.

"The age of leisure and abundance can destroy vigor and muscle tone as effortlessly as it can gain time," Kennedy wrote. "A single look at the packed parking lot of the average high school will tell us what has happened to the traditional hike to school that helped to

build young bodies." Once in office, he pushed to strengthen the President's Council on Physical Fitness and hired legendary Oklahoma University football coach Bud Wilkinson to lead it. Kennedy was the most influential president when it came to physical fitness, said sports historian Jack Berryman.

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The sweetest wedding: Couple married in doughnut shop

NORTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. (AP) — It was at the Honey Dew Donut shop that Cymal LaRose and her honey said, "I do."

LaRose and Joseph David Smith exchanged wedding vows Wednesday at the North Kingstown shop where they had met.

Marjorie Harrison, the baker, made the food. Faruq Mohamed, the shop's owner, greeted customers with a simple question: "Coffee or the wedding?" A former probate judge conducted the ceremony. The shop's regulars served as the witnesses.

"I had the privilege of knowing Joe and Cymal before they met," Mohamed said. "I watched as they fell in love."

LaRose, 49, a caregiver for Coventry Home Care, has been coming to the shop for years. Smith, 58, who works at Kingstown Mobile Home Park, started coming when his piece worked behind the counter.

"I saw this good-looking guy standing up there," LaRose said. "He was a country-looking guy, the type I look for, the Grizzly Adams type. But they didn't really fall in love until they helped Mohamed with an elderly few weeks ago. Two days later, Smith asked her to marry him. They picked out rings last week."

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EDITORIAL

Counties try to reform Election Day slackers

Turnout in most Idaho elections is abysmal. It's an Idaho shame. And nobody knows that better than the 44 county clerks.

So in conjunction with the Idaho Association of Counties, they've come up with two ideas that might actually get more people to vote. They plan to pitch the proposals to the Legislature when it convenes in January.

The first would permit voters to cast absentee ballots permanently — that is, for the rest of their lives.

That would mean absentee voters wouldn't have to apply for a ballot for each election.

As it stands, counties process absentee ballots up to four times a year on dates when elections can be held. The change could save time and money, shorten lines at some polling stations, streamline the process, and above all, lead to increased voter turnout.

The proposed process couldn't be simpler for absentee voters. The ballot comes in the mail and they can vote, no matter where they are.

It's a no-excuses approach in a state where the popularity of voting in local, school board, bond-issue and primary elections tanks right up there with a root canal.

The clerks also plan to lobby lawmakers for their vote-by-mail idea in non-candidate elections. Under the plan, voters could mail in ballots in bond issue, votes, tax districts and recall elections, but not primaries or general elections.

In last winter's legislative session, a more comprehensive vote-by-mail bill was approved by a House committee, but it never made to vote of the full House.

The legislation was patterned after Oregon's vote-by-mail system, which has worked with few hitches for thirty years.

Thirty-eight percent of registered voters in Oregon cast ballots in that state's 2006 primary election. In Idaho, it was 26 percent.

Seventy-four percent of Oregon voters completed ballots in the general election last year. In Idaho, it was 60 percent.

What we need to do is increase voter turnout in our primary and general elections, because, quite frankly, our voter turnout is in the tank as far as primaries are concerned," IAC Executive Director Dan Chadwick said.

That should concern all Idahoans — both those who regularly vote and those who don't. As it stands, a minority of registered voters decides most elections in the state.

Vote-by-mail and permanent absentee ballots would make voting easy in Idaho. Maybe easy enough that folks would actually do it.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We must speak up for those who have no voice

After reading the numerous articles regarding the ICE raids in Twin Falls, I am truly disappointed that more people have not spoken up in support of our immigrant population.

The racial profiling and arrest of many undocumented and documented persons is unfortunate, especially in a community that I once called "home." Many of our undocumented families are here to make a better life for themselves and their families.

Keep in mind that it is this population that performs the back-breaking labor in our fields by picking the fruits and vegetables that we eat; many of

us would never do this type of menial labor. They also make the beds in the hotels in which we sleep and fix the roads which we drive upon and yet we treat them as if they were criminals.

This is a country that is made of immigrants and each of us has had the opportunity to reach the "American dream." Why not provide the same opportunity to those who are earning an honest day's work and pay into a tax and Social Security system that they can never tap into unless they are legal residents or citizens?

We should not judge what we do not know, and we should support and be a voice for those who do not have one!
VALENCIA LOPEZ
Aurora, Colo.

Clinton's no treasury secretary

Most of the time, Barack Obama seems like he's boss. On Monday in Fort Dodge, Iowa, he delivered an unscribed job that was a beauty.



MAUREEN DOWD

At a news conference, the Illinois senator was asked about Hillary Clinton's attack on his qualifications. Making an economic speech in Knoxville, Iowa, earlier that day, the New York senator had touted her own know-how, saying that "there is one job for every citizen, job training for — that is the job of our next president." Her aides confirmed that she had been referring to Obama.

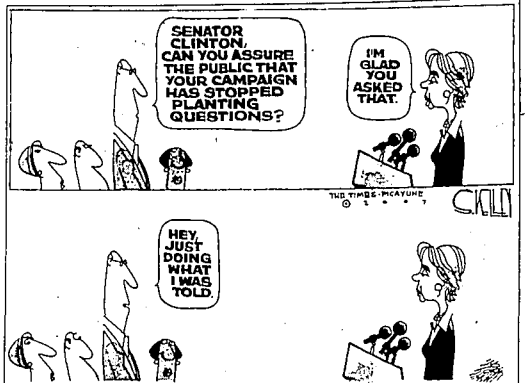
Pressed to respond, Obama offered a single feathered with amused disdain: "My understanding was that she wasn't treasury secretary in the Clinton administration, so I do know exactly what experience she's claiming."

Everybody laughing, including Obama.

It took him nine months, but he finally found the perfect word to make a trenchant point.

Her Democratic rivals had meekly gone along, accepting her self-portrait as a former co-president who gets to take credit for everything important that Bill Clinton did in the '90s. But she was not elected or appointed to a position that needed Senate confirmation. And the part of the Clinton administration that worked best — the economy, stupid — was run by Robert Rubin. Hillary did not show good judgment in her sense of influence — the legal field, health care and running oppo-campaigns against Bill's galpal.

She went on some first-lady jaunts and made a good speech at a U.N. women's conference in Beijing. But she was certainly not, as her top Iowa supporter, former Gov. Tom Vilsack claimed Tuesday



on MSNBC, "the face of the administration in foreign affairs."

She was a top adviser who had a Nixonian bent for secrecy and a knack for hard-core politicking. But if running a great war room qualified you for president, Carville and Stephanopoulos would be leading the pack.

Obama's one-liner evoked something that rubs some people the wrong way about Hillary. Getting ahead through connections is common in life. But Hillary cloaks her nepotism in feminism.

"She hasn't accomplished anything on her own since getting invited to Yale Law," wrote Joan Di Cola, a Boston lawyer, in a letter to *The Wall Street Journal* this week. Adding: "She isn't Dianne Feinstein, who spent years as mayor of San Francisco before becoming a senator, or Nancy Pelosi, who became

Madam Speaker on the strength of her political abilities. All Hillary is, Mrs. Clinton. She became a partner at the Rose Law Firm because of that, senator of New York because of that, and (they can help us) she could become president because of that."

The Clinton campaign in Iowa is in a panic. Obama has been closing the gap with

women and her ginning up of gender has lost her male votes. Speaking around Iowa this week, Obama made the point that his exotic upbringing, family in Kenya and years as an outsider allow him to see the world with more understanding, and helped form his judgment about resisting the Iraq war.

"I spent four years living overseas when I was a child living in Southeast Asia," said Clinton's candidate.

Foreign policy is all about judgment. Bush is not so enamored of Obama's foreign policy judgment. He gave a plug to Hillary on ABC News on Tuesday night, calling her a "formidable candidate."

Asked by Charles Gibson about Obama's offer to meet without preconditions with leaders of Cuba, Venezuela and North Korea, W. declared it "old foreign policy."

Laum Bush also gave Hillary a sixty — and a dozen — plus when she told the anchor that living in the White House and meeting people everywhere would be "very helpful" to a first lady trading up.

Though he did not mention the quick "color me" trip Hillary took with some Senate colleagues to Iraq and Afghanistan before she started running, Obama might have been thinking of when he met and named Kabuki congressional junkies:

"You get picked up at the airport by a state convoy and a security detail. They drive you over to the ambassador's house and you get lunch. Then you go take a tour of some factory or some school. Children do a native dance."

Hillary returned, knowing that her chief rival's foreign policy resume is as slender as his physique, once more conjuring a childish Obama. She brazenly borrowed Republican talking points, even though she accused John Edwards of "throwing mud" that was "right out of the Republican playbook."

"With all due respect," she told a crowd in Iowa. "I don't think living in a foreign country between the ages of 6 and 10 is foreign policy experience."

But is living in the White House between the ages of 45 and 53 foreign policy experience?

Maureen Dowd is a columnist for the *New York Times*.

President Bush has learned to watch the camel

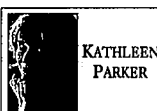
George W. Bush has long accepted that he won't live long enough to witness his legacy, though he still hopes to capture Osama bin Laden before leaving office in just one year.

These were among his thoughts during an in-flight interview on Monday following a Thanksgiving address in Virginia. Bush looked relaxed in a blue jacket, and frequently gazed out the window as he reflected on his years in office, the war and this season of gratitude.

For his part, the president said he's grateful for men and women who volunteer to fight the war against radicals and extremists and help others "realize the blessings of liberty."

"I'm amazed at our citizens who understand the risks, understand the hardships, who volunteer to do this," he said.

To his critics, this may seem like denial and stubbornness — "the Decider"



KATHLEEN PARKER

sticks to script even when circumstances change. But, as they can help us, he's trying to make the next president's job easier by making the tough decisions now.

His greatest critics are, of course, those who want to take his place in the Oval Office. Bush won't entertain hypotheticals about who that might be but says he's trying to make the next president's job easier by making the tough decisions now.

"That's why it's very important for me to remind the American people that we've got to support these military commanders, support their decisions... I think anybody who's president will understand the strategic consequences of failure in Iraq."

He also said that anyone who believes we're not in a war against extremists and radicals will "learn different by the time they get in there and hear the intelligence I hear."

Bush's confidence in a successor's wisdom, regard-

less of party, may be tied to his own convictions and his characteristic tendency to project his values onto others.

No sentient American needs to be reminded of the president's core belief in the Almighty's gift of freedom to all people.

But what does that mean in a practical sense? What does George W. Bush see when he looks out the window? A big picture and a time in a distant future.

I suggested to him that he has acquired a sense of time shared by our enemies. Radical Islamists have watched that Americans have watched, but that true believers have time. To successfully defeat such an enemy, one needs to think as an enemy does, to see time from the perspective of real stars rather than rising political ones.

not the only chapter, not the last chapter, but the first chapter.

"And I've told our people, we're going to write it... so that the next president will have a clear task of dealing with the threats. And that's why it's so important that we get the FISA (Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act) issue right, and that's Bush's so important to get the detainees issue right because presidents are going to need the information that comes from those programs in order to defend the homeland."

I asked the president if he found comfort in the possibility that, assuming democracy ultimately flourishes in the Middle East, History will vindicate him.

No, he said. Bush finds comfort in knowing that he didn't betray principle for popularity, that "I didn't sacrifice my soul for politics."

Finally, I asked about bin Laden. Bush said getting bin Laden is still important, but warned that his death won't end "extremist ideologies" or the al-Qaida threat. Only free societies will.

This is surely true. The question is whether Americans have the patience for such a long journey.
Time will tell.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Idaho should be red, white and blue, not just red

I saw Bush on TV. The sound was muted, so I caught the caption, "Bush pardons..." I thought, "I hope he's pardoning border patrol agents who grabbed the remote to un-mute the sound and was dumbfounded to realize he was pardoning 'turkeys.'"

I understand this is the Thanksgiving season and it's tradition for the president to free a couple of our feathered friends, but it struck me how wrong things have become in this country under this administration.

I was filled with disdain for this smug man with such powers to stand before this great nation and give freedom to two wild creatures like his God or something while this country's brave law enforcement officers are sitting in prison during a time of the year we should be giving thanks that we have agents that we like to protect us from the scum that they tried to prevent from crossing our borders.

How can this president give pardon to two birds and let these men sit in jail?

Is it just me or has this country become so backward that this type of injustice is so common place that it's become the norm? Why are we allowing this man to still lead this country? Why are we continuing to let him degrade the pride this country once had? And most of all, why are we still letting him sacrifice our children and spend trillions of our tax dollars fighting this illegal war? Is it just me that thinks this way?

I know I live in the red state of Idaho, but for crying out loud, people! Get off your sanctimonious red behinds and become red, white and blue Americans. Let's reunite this country with one voice, the American voice, not the party voice, and bring reality back to America!
JAMES W. CIMINO
 Kimberly

Try to see the person, not their skin color

Racial profiling is illegal. So is immigrating to another country without going through the proper documentation procedures. I understand that most undocumented people in America are Mexican and, as undocumented people, are breaking a law. That does not, however, make it any more legal for Border Patrol to target and harass a group of people simply because of their ethnic origin or the color of their skin. The laws of our country are there for a reason and, as such, should not be broken, especially by law enforcement officials, even in the interest of tracking down lawbreakers.

What truly concerns me, though, is not the law enforcement agencies but some members of the white community's attitude toward Hispanics. In a time when American hate crime is up 8 percent, I worry that some people's response to the current immigration issue has less to do with legality and more to do with xenophobia. To these people, I would like to convey that most undocumented people are not crazy, drunk, gun-toting gang members but rather good, honest, hard-working, family-oriented people.

Furthermore, there are many legal Twin Falls citizens who happen to be of Hispanic descent. There are Mexican-American nurses and teachers, and they are just as much American citizens as you or me or anyone else who has pale skin. They are legal members of our community and deserve to be treated as such.

So to some members of the white community of Twin Falls, all I ask is that the next time you see someone with darker skin than yours, whether they are legal or illegal, whether they are Hispanic or African American, just stop a second. Stop and try to be a moment to see the fellow human being behind the dark skin. Just try it.
DAN CANNON, ENGLE
 Twin Falls

Growth of wolf population will wipe out deer and elk

Calling all sportsmen, livestock growers, hunters and concerned citizens: Wolf meeting, 7 p.m. Dec. 4, Turf Club.

You are invited to attend a meeting to discuss options available to all Idaho citizens to deal with the Canadian gray wolf issue that is depressing our ungulate wildlife population

and causing significant hardship to livestock growers. The Canadian gray wolf introduction program is an example of a well-intentioned government program that has gone devastatingly wrong.

Ten years ago, this non-native wolf species was introduced into our balanced wildlife ecosystem. Over the years, it is proving to be rapidly upsetting the balance of nature in our

Idaho wilderness as it has no natural predators. The gray wolf is reproducing at alarming rates and is rapidly wiping out our ungulate wildlife population. It is a merciless killer whose natural choice is attack and kill the young and defenseless and the cow elk while giving birth, resulting in calf count ratios that have fallen below sustainable levels throughout Idaho and Montana.

Which ever side of the alse that you stand on this issue, it should be obvious that if the growth of this wolf is left unchecked that the ungulate population, the deer and elk that we all love to witness and is a vital part of our wilderness experience, will cease to exist. They will soon become the endangered species. The original target numbers set by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife in the early '90s was to have 120 wolves or 10 breeding

pair. Current numbers in Idaho alone are surpassing 1,300 wolves or 130 breeding pair. They continue to multiply at alarming rates and drastic measures must be taken immediately to curtail this continued exponential growth.

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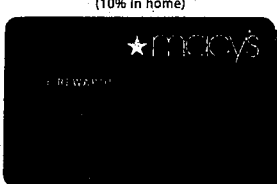
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CSI women make home debut at Wolverton Challenge

No. 2 Golden Eagles men also in action

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

As far as beginnings are concerned, they don't get much more auspicious. At 4-1 on the season, it's only loss coming by a mere seven points to perennial championship contender Central Arizona College, the No. 10 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team took to the road with all the familiarity of a well-driven semi truck during the opening weeks of the season. With wins over defending national champion Odessa

2007 Wolverton Challenge

At CSI gymnasium, Twin Falls

Today
Yavapai College vs. Salt Lake CC women, 2 p.m.
Salt Lake CC vs. North Dakota State men, 4 p.m.
CSI vs. Treasure Valley CC women, 6 p.m.
CSI vs. Chemeketa CC women, 8 p.m.

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Salt Lake CC vs. Treasure Valley CC women, 2 p.m.
Chemeketa CC vs. Salt Lake CC men, 4 p.m.
CSI vs. Yavapai College women, 6 p.m.
CSI vs. North Dakota State men, 8 p.m.



College and 2005-06 champion Monroe College already under their belt, the Golden Eagles will make their regu-

lar-season home debut tonight against the Chukars of Oregon's Treasure Valley Community College.

"The kids are excited. I know that and I'm excited to be here. And I hope we play well," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said. "I hope we can come out and do more of the good things that we've done out on the road."

While the Golden Eagles are glad to return home for the weekend's Wolverton Challenge, only part of the annual tournament's name may ring true. Wolverton Homes will surely be represented, but it's the challenge part the 0-1 Chukars may have trouble providing the Golden Eagles. The two teams haven't met since the 2002-03 season, but TVCC will have to bring its best against a CSI program that

has historically fared well against Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAAC) competition.

Sophomore guard Ashlie MacFarlane, a former Fruitland High School standout, will look to lead her team after averaging 10.7 points per game last year, while former Jerome High player Krista Kulm is expected to be a major contributor for the Chukars during her sophomore season.

The Chukars will have to find some way to slow down the two-headed monster that CSI has in posts Maddy Plunkett and Anita Burdick. Combined, the two are averaging 26.4 points and 13.4

rebounds per game in CSI's newfound inside-out attack.

"They're not going to have nearly the size that we do on the inside and we'll try to not make them pay for not having big kids, but use that to our advantage," Rogers said.

The 1-2 Yavapai College Roughriders of Prescott, Ariz., will be the CSI women's second-day opponent. Head coach Brad Clifford's team has so far been led by 5-foot-8 sophomore guard Tehani Goldsmith's 13 points and 4.7 rebounds per contest.

Yavapai and CSI haven't met since the 2001-02 season.

The 6-0 CSI men will continue their 13-game home

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Favre, Packers punish Lions on Thanksgiving

The Associated Press

DETROIT — Brett Favre fumbled on his first play of the game. It was about the only mistake he made.

Favre set a Green Bay record with 20 consecutive completions and finished with a season-high 381 yards and three touchdowns in the Packers' 37-26 victory over the Detroit Lions on Thursday.

The three-time MVP fumbled after his first snap, tripping over a teammate, before putting together another sensational performance that made the 38-year-old quarterback look as if he's back in his prime.

His seventh 300-yard game of the season matched a team mark he set in 1995.

Green Bay (10-1) matched its best 11-game record since 1929 and the NFC North leaders have a four-game lead with five games left in the regular season.

The slumping Lions (6-5) have lost three straight and might struggle to finish 5-9 in a season that started with

much hope and is suddenly looking familiar, coming off six straight double-digit loss seasons.

Favre completed 31 of 41 passes, and his stretch of 20 straight spanned the first and second halves to surpass the team record of 18 set by Lynn Dickey in 1983 and matched by Don Majkowski in 1999.

The victory was Favre's 148th in the regular season, tying John Elway's NFL record. Favre also extended his longest record with his 63rd three-TD game.

Greg Jennings caught two TD passes and Donald Driver had 10 receptions for 147 yards. Ryan Grant ran for 101 yards and a score, giving Green Bay balance of offense, as he has recently.

Klitzke was 19-of-40 for 224 yards with a TD and an interception. Calvin Johnson had 83 yards receiving and a score. Jones ran for 83 yards and a TD.

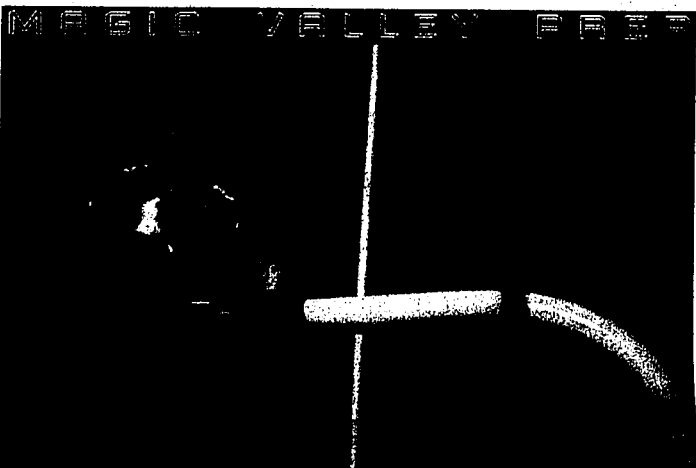
Too often, the Lions had to settle for field goals and Jason Hanson made each of his four attempts.

Detroit drove to the Packers' 23 yard and their 32 on its first three drives, but came away with just two field goals.

The Lions finally played a game on Thanksgiving that meant something, but ended up losing for the fourth straight time in the holiday to match their worst skid in four decades.

Desperate for a win to cling to playoff hopes, Detroit started the game with a 12-play drive and ran six of its first seven snaps with three different running backs.

But a pass into the Green Bay 1 was negated when center Dominic Raiola was penalized for a blatant chop block, leading to Hanson's 47-yard field goal.



MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

11-MAN FOOTBALL - SKYLAR 'POKE' MORGAN - MINICO

No slowing Poke: Minico's Morgan was a huge part of the Spartans' gamebreaking offense

Poke won't show all of this season. To the contrary, Minico High running back Skylar "Poke" Morgan ran right through the competition and a few school records during the Spartans' near-perfect season. For his mad dashes across gridlrons from Boise to Pocatello, Morgan is the 2007 Times-News 11-Man Football Most Valuable Player.

Here are some of Morgan's junior-season highlights:

- 2,152 all-purpose yards (338 return yards, 309 reception yards, 1,505 rushing yards)
- touchdowns (21 rushing, 6 receiving)
- Broke Dale Saylor's season rushing record (1,139 yards in 2005) with 188 carries for 1,505 yards

- Broke Dale Saylor's season record for rushing touchdowns (19 in 2005) with 21
- Broke Dale Saylor's single-game rushing record (258 yards vs. Wood River, Sept. 3, 2004) with 335 yards vs. Jerome on Sept. 12

- Tied the game scoring record (four TDs vs. Jerome, Sept. 12) with Mike Albert (four TDs vs. Burley, Sept. 13, 1974) and Matt Tracy (four TDs vs. Wood River, Oct. 20, 2006)

- Not to mention, Morgan's also on track to break two more Minico records: the school's career marks for career rushing and career touchdowns.

- Teams had to respect the pass with Dane Broadhead under center, and though the senior quarterback could break tackles and run with the best

of them, Morgan provided an even stronger ground presence, a complement to Broadhead's passing prowess. According to Broadhead, Morgan's performance this season was a complete turnaround from last year.

"His biggest thing is his work ethic," Broadhead said of his teammate. "He came in last year under-sized, and this year he was able to break tackles that he wouldn't have broken last year. I'd contribute that to hard work in the weight room."

"Poke" will be back for another season in the red and gold, likely running harder and faster, making up ground lost this season as the Spartans keep working toward a Class 4A championship.

—Bradley Gutre, Times-News writer



Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre celebrates a three-yard touchdown pass to Ronald Martin against the Detroit Lions in Detroit, Thursday.

NO. 17 BOISE STATE AT NO. 14 HAWAII

'The biggest WAC game ever'

By Jaymes Song
Associated Press Writer

HONOLULU — Hawaii's do list, with the Western Athletic Conference title, go 12-0, secure a BCS berth and knock off a big-name program. Sound familiar?

The 14th-ranked Warriors are trying to repeat Boise State's magic from last season. But to do so, they need to first get past the 17th-ranked Broncos on Friday night.

On the line for Hawaii (10-0, 7-0) is its perfect season. BCS hopes, first outright WAC title and some respect. "Obviously, we're playing for a lot," said second-teamer QB quarterback Colt Brennan, who will start for



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the Warriors after recovering from a concussion sustained two weeks ago. "It almost seems like the situation is bigger than us. All we can do is focus on the game itself, and hopefully get that victory."

Since joining the WAC in 2001, Boise State (10-1, 7-0) has dominated the conference — and Hawaii. The Broncos are seeking a sev-

enth straight victory over the Warriors and their sixth consecutive WAC title. Boise State also hasn't given up hope of making it to the big stage for a second consecutive year.

"This is, as we say every week, our bowl game right now," Broke Dale Saylor, who is averaging 104.9 rushing yards a game and has scored 15 TDs.

Hawaii is 15th in the BCS standings and needs to finish 12th or higher to secure a spot in a BCS bowl. Boise State is 19th.

The WAC heavyweights are two of the winningest teams in college football. Boise State has won 23 of its last 24 games, while Hawaii has won

20 of its last 21 games, including 11 straight.

"It is the biggest game in WAC history," WAC commissioner Karl Benson said. "It has all the buzz and all the hype that we were expecting, it to have."

The game is expected to be a shootout with Hawaii leading the nation with an average of 48 points. Boise State is third with 44.2 points.

"For us to compete, it's probably going to have to be a high-scoring game," Broncos coach Chris Petersen said. "They've had teams to match in terms of points but we're going to have to get some things done on offense."

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Boise State running back Ian Johnson scores the game's first touchdown against Idaho on Saturday, Nov. 17 game at Brewee Stadium in Boise.



Trojans top Arizona State

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Almost seven weeks after an unimagineable upset, USC is back in the Rose Bowl. John David Booty threw for 375 yards and matched a career high with four touchdown passes as the 11th-ranked Trojans blitzed No. 7 Arizona State 44-24 on Thursday night, reviving their bid for an unprecedented sixth straight Pac-10 title.

That seemed unlikely after then-No. 2 USC, a 41-point favorite, lost 24-23 to Stanford on Oct. 6 in one of college football's biggest upsets. But now, the talented Trojan and Collins are back.

Southern California (9-2, 6-2 Pac-10) will win the Pac-10 outright if it beats UCLA on Dec. 1 and Oregon loses to UCLA or Oregon State.

The Trojans made no help in dismantling the Sun Devils (9-2, 6-2). USC's defense overwhelmed Arizona State, sacking quarterback Rudy Carpenter six times. Defensive end Lawrence Jackson had four sacks, most in a game by a Trojan player since 1989.

Southern California broke open a 17-all game with 10 points in the final 5 minutes of the first half, then pulled away from the Sun Devils with 17 more points in the third quarter.

Boony hit Joe McKnight for a 7-yard touchdown midway through the quarter, then connected with Fred Davis for a 34-yard score on fourth-and-2 to give USC a 44-17 lead entering the fourth.

ASU has staged some stirring rallies this season but the Sun Devils had no chance against USC's defense, which allows 16 points per game — sixth in the nation. ASU rushed 27 times for zero yards through three quarters.

It was USC's eighth straight win over Arizona State. Arizona State trailed 17-7 midway through the first quarter. It was the sixth time the Sun Devils have faced a double-digit deficit in the opening quarter, and the only time they didn't rally to win in a Nov. 3 loss at Oregon.

The Trojans opened the game with a seven-play, 51-yard touchdown drive, scoring on a 4-yard pass from Booty to Vidal Hazelton. Booty was 6-for-6 for 45 yards on the opening drive and he completed his first seven passes of the game.

ASU answered with a 98-yard kickoff return by Rudy Burgess to tie it 7-all. It



Southern California fullback Stanley Harvill (31) celebrates with wide receiver Vidal Hazelton (7) after Harvill scored a touchdown against Arizona State in the first quarter of Thursday's game in Tempe, Ariz.

was only the second kickoff return for a touchdown by a Sun Devils player at home in the last 21 years.

The Trojans scored the next 10 points, but then the Sun Devils woke up.

ASU cut it to 17-14 on a 4-yard pass from Carpenter to Michael Jones. The key play in the drive came when USC's Sedrick Ellis was assessed a personal foul after celebrating a sack at midfield. Instead of facing third-and-20 at the 50,

ASU had third-and-5 at the 35, and it converted a fourth-and-inches to keep the drive alive.

Thomas Weber's 25-yard field goal tied it at 17-17 in the second quarter, but David Buchler hit a 20-yarder to put USC ahead 20-17 with 5 minutes to go in the half.

The Trojans took a 27-17 halftime lead on a 1-yard sneak by Booty with 9 seconds left in the half.

Miami's Dixon is overcoming a life full of toil, torment

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Every Monday at 9:30 a.m., the phone rings in Miami coach Randy Shannon's office. The father of defensive tackle Antonio Dixon is on the other end, calling for yet another status report.

"How's he doing?" Shannon might not hear an easier question all week.

Someone who inexplicably wasn't taught to read until 10th grade is now earning some B's at a top-notch private university. He's a key member of the football team. A long battle with weight is getting under control. An adolescence marred by homelessness and poverty and dysfunction is in the past, and his future is bright.

So with that, Shannon is ready to answer.

"Oh, man, Antonio's doing great," Shannon says, before breaking into specifics of that week's game. "He was out there, he flew around and he had great time."

In Jesup, Ga., 450 miles away, federal prisoner 86807-071 is thrilled.

For most of his childhood, Dixon didn't know who Frazier Hawkins was. Didn't know he was a fine football player. Didn't know he was a well-respected high school wrestling coach in Miami.

Now, though, they actually have a father-son relationship — or, at least, the type that can be had when a father is to remain in prison through October 2013. Dixon and Hawkins speak regularly these days, and the son's suc-

cess in football helps the father get through the depressing lifestyle that accompanies prison.

"I'm very proud of him. He could have been another way, made wrong choices, done wrong things," Hawkins said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "But Tony, for some reason, is a very talented guy. He's come a long way."

That's for certain. On the field, Dixon has become a force. His 6-foot-3, 323-pound body is a barrier even hard-charging runners cannot break through, and if it wasn't for a lower-leg injury that interrupted his season, some Miami coaches believe he could have been a candidate for a few post-season honors.

But overcoming off-the-field challenges — the ones in real life — is what makes Dixon prouder.

Dixon signed with Miami after the 2003 high school season, but wound up going to Milford Prep in New York — taking a Greyhound bus back and forth because no one had money for plane tickets.

He finally joined the Hurricanes in time for the 2005 campaign, started a couple games last season, and will likely enter next year, as one of the leaders of Miami's defense. From there, the NFL could await.

"Knowing he's doing well, that makes me feel great. It's really does," Hawkins said. "Coach Shannon is his coach. But I'm a coach, too. I'm his coach on the phone."

Texas A&M facing another crossroads

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Five years later, Texas A&M is back where it started.

In 2002, the Aggies were 6-5 heading into their season finale with Texas, and disgruntled fans were calling for a coaching change. By then, A&M had slipped from elite to ordinary, the "Wrecking Crew" defense had become a remnant of the past and its once-steady supply of in-state recruits had started leaking elsewhere.

The Longhorns beat the Aggies 50-20 and three days later, R.C. Slocum was fired. Texas finished 10-2, won the Big 12 South and played in the Cotton Bowl.

The bitter rivalry meet for the 14th time Friday and the scene is much the same, right down to the records.

Dennis Franchione succeeded Slocum, but he has failed to lead the Aggies back to prominence, with hardly a defining victory to show for his efforts. With Franchione's departure, Slocum added to his ho-hum record, he's likely coaching his last game for A&M, even if the Aggies (6-5, 3-4 Big 12) beat the 13th-ranked Longhorns (9-2, 5-2).

Franchione, 31-20 at A&M, has dodged questions about his future since his personal assistant was caught e-mailing inside information about the program to boosters who paid \$1,200 a year to get it. The anti-Franchione sentiment from fans has only intensified as the Aggies have lost four of their past five games.

The school has reportedly started negotiating a buyout of Franchione's \$2 million-per-year contract that runs through 2012. A&M officials have denied those reports.

Franchione says he's kept himself insulated from the firestorm seemingly swirling around him.

"I get here early, and I spend all of my time working on game plans with the coaches," Franchione said. "I go to practice, I spend my time with the team. As I eat dinner, I watch the practice tape."

"Other than my personal family, that is my entire focus. It has been for almost all the time. And certainly, this year. That's the only thing that I control, and that's what's most important."

Franchione probably saved his job by beating Texas 12-7 last season, A&M's first win in Austin since 1994. The Aggies drove 89 yards for the deciding touchdown in the closing minutes to snap a six-game losing streak in the series.

There's been even less margin for error on the field this season for the Aggies, who have faced the added burden of answering countless questions about the uncertainty surrounding Franchione.

But the Aggies say playing in games like last year's win over Texas make it worthwhile.

"Those moments you have like that one, when you got in the huddle and those guys were laying it all on the line for each other, that's something you hold on to forever," said quarterback Stephen McGee, who ran for the winning touchdown last year.

Once again, the Longhorns are playing for much more than sentiment. Texas can win the South Division with a victory over A&M and an Oklahoma loss to Oklahoma State on Saturday. The Horns can also secure their seventh consecutive 10-win season.

And there's that whole revenge thing — the loss to A&M last year cost Texas a berth in the Big 12 title game.

"We have a bad taste in our mouth," quarterback Colt McCoy said. "We lost the opportunity to be able to play for the Big 12 championship and who knows what happens after that. I think it's Big for us to go down there to finish this season."

The Longhorns have averaged 42 points during a five-game winning streak that started after a loss to their other rival, Oklahoma. In that span, McCoy has averaged 264 passing yards per game and thrown 10 touchdowns.

"I think Colt is, if not the best, one of the best QBs in the country right now," Petersen said. "The guy's a phenomenal player."

The Warriors are coming off a 28-26 victory at Nevada without Brennan, who suffered a concussion Nov. 10 against Fresno State. Brennan said he's at 100 percent for Friday.

His favorite targets are Ryan Gice-Mullen and Davone Bess, who have combined for 168 receptions for 2,142 yards and 20 TDs this season.

Taylor Tharp leads the passing game for Boise State and is looking sharper every week. The senior has completed 60 percent of his passes in the past three games, throwing for 824 yards and nine TDs with one interception.

Walkiki. The strength, or softness, of the Warriors' schedule has prevented them from making a serious move up the polls and BCS standings. It has also drawn scrutiny and debate.

"The only time we'll be able to silence the critics is if we were to go to a BCS bowl and play a big-time school and we win," Brennan said.

"Until then, we're still going to have people who hate it: It's just something we have to deal with."

Brennan, who has thrown for 3,237 yards and 28 TDs, needs just one scoring pass to break former BYU standout Ty Detmer's NCAA career mark of 121. Brennan also is tied with Detmer for most touchdowns responsible for with 135.

Brennan already owns or shares 24 NCAA records.

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But one reason sticks out above all others: recruiting.

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Washington players celebrate after beating California Saturday, Nov. 17 in Seattle. Washington won 37-23 and is preparing to face cross-state rival Washington State in the Apple Cup.

Recruiting at heart of Washington's woes

SEATTLE (AP) — Corey Williams' net intended on being remembered for one play, one catch where he slipped in between a pair of defenders and won an Apple Cup.

Williams came to Washington expecting late December trips to warm or tropical locations, being lavished with gifts from overly happy bowl officials in their loud jackets.

That catch to win the 2003 Apple Cup was to be a precursor for years of success.

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Boise State put itself in position to win a sixth consecutive WAC crown by dismantling Idaho last week 50-14. The victory was the team's ninth in a row, the longest losing at Washington.

Hawaii closes the regular season at home against Washington next week.

Last year, Boise State handed Hawaii its lone WAC loss, 41-34, during the Cougars' remarkable season capped by a stunning win over Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl.

"If we wanted to win the WAC, we knew we had to beat Boise and that's where we're at," Hawaii coach John Jones said. "They do a great job executing. They're good in all phases of the game and we're going to have to play our best game

to beat them."

The Broncos realize the Warriors are much improved this year, especially on defense. Hawaii is second in the WAC in total yards scoring defense.

"It's a huge reason they are 10-0," Johnson said. "Their defense is making plays."

Brennan said the Warriors have learned how to win the close game.

"We were 10 points from being undefeated last year," Brennan said. "I think the lesson was learned... We've learned how to win and we've learned how to finish... We've come this far and it doesn't mean anything if we don't finish undefeated."

Boise State represents this season's only ranked opponent for Hawaii, which has enjoyed a schedule as soft as the ocean breezes in

Walkiki. The strength, or softness, of the Warriors' schedule has prevented them from making a serious move up the polls and BCS standings. It has also drawn scrutiny and debate.

"The only time we'll be able to silence the critics is if we were to go to a BCS bowl and play a big-time school and we win," Brennan said.

"Until then, we're still going to have people who hate it: It's just something we have to deal with."

Brennan, who has thrown for 3,237 yards and 28 TDs, needs just one scoring pass to break former BYU stand-out Ty Detmer's NCAA career mark of 121. Brennan also is tied with Detmer for most touchdowns responsible for with 135.

Brennan already owns or shares 24 NCAA records.

"I think Colt is, if not the best, one of the best QBs in the country right now," Petersen said. "The guy's a phenomenal player."

The Warriors are coming off a 28-26 victory at Nevada without Brennan, who suffered a concussion Nov. 10 against Fresno State. Brennan said he's at 100 percent for Friday.

His favorite targets are Ryan Gice-Mullen and Davone Bess, who have combined for 168 receptions for 2,142 yards and 20 TDs this season.

Taylor Tharp leads the passing game for Boise State and is looking sharper every week. The senior has completed 60 percent of his passes in the past three games, throwing for 824 yards and nine TDs with one interception.

Williams' touchdown capped the last meeting between Washington and Washington State that held any meaning beyond bragging rights and gave the programs at least some national attention.

It was also the last time either school could be considered among the Pac-10's upper echelon. The loser of Saturday's 100th meeting between the Huskies and Cougars is assured of finishing in the conference basement.



Romo, Cowboys jilt Jets

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Of all the great players and great teams the Dallas Cowboys have had, Tony Romo, Terrell Owens and the 2007 club are the first to start 10-1.

And if 10-1 Green Bay wasn't up next, the Cowboys might be able to savor such an accomplishment.

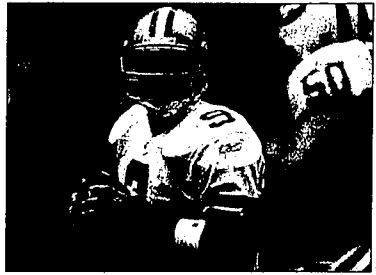
"We're grateful for it and we made history, but it doesn't end there," Owens said. "We know there's more football left this season."

Dallas kept the stakes up for the next big matchup next Thursday night with a 34-3 victory over the New York Jets on Thursday that was as lopsided as it is exciting.

Romo led the Cowboys to a touchdown on the game-opening drive, then threw for another touchdown soon after. Once Terence Newman returned an interception 50 yards for another score midway through the second quarter, the only question left was whether Romo would throw another TD to tie the club single-season record.

With 6:12 left in the game, Romo did. Hitting T.O. on a 22-yarder, adding another milestone to the Thanksgiving Day victory in which Dallas locked up its best record through 11 games in its 48-year, five-championship history.

New York (2-9) was coming off a victory over AFC power Pittsburgh, but



Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo (9) looks to pass as New York Jets linebacker Eric Barton (50) pressures during Thursday's game in Irving, Texas.

quickly reverted to the form of a team that has lost its previous six games.

Kellen Clemens was sacked on each of his first two series and the Jets didn't cross midfield until their final drive of the second quarter. Things were so bad that at the 2-minute warning, Jets coach Eric Mangini challenged the spot of a third-down play, hoping to trim a yard or two off fourth-and-3. He didn't get an inch.

Clemens was 12-for-27 for 142 yards. One of the interceptions for the right-

handed quarterback was thrown left-handed while trying to avoid a sack.

On a cold, often wet afternoon perfectly suited for running, the matchup between the running back Jones brothers never got too interesting. Dallas' Julius had 64 yards on 18 carries and another 26 yards on four receptions, while older brother Thomas of the Jets had 40 yards on 17 carries.

Marion Barber ran for 103 yards and had the Cowboys' first touchdown, a 7-yarder.

Like usual, Eagles' Feeley plans to start

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A.J. Feeley prepares for every game as if he's the starting quarterback. Only difference this week is he's practicing as one, too.

Feeley again took snaps with the Eagles' first-team offense Thursday when Donovan McNabb missed his second straight practice because of a sprained ankle and swollen thumb. Feeley'll be ready to start against the undefeated New England Patriots (10-0) on Sunday night if McNabb can't play.

In Philadelphia, the backup quarterback doesn't take any snaps during the week except with the scout team unless the starter is injured. So, Feeley is working extensively with the starting unit for the first time since the preseason. He entered during the second quarter when McNabb got hurt last week, and led the Eagles to a pair of touchdowns in a 17-7 win over Miami.

"The sense of urgency for me intensifies because it could happen sooner for me to get in there," Feeley said. "Feeley completed 13 of 19 passes for 116 yards, one touchdown and one interception against the winless Dolphins in his first action since the regular-season finale last year. He was 4-1 as a starter in the last five regular-season games in 2002, helping the Eagles finish first in the NFC after McNabb and backup Tony Stewart were injured."

A fifth-round pick by the Eagles in 2001, Feeley had a chance to play more when he was traded to Miami three years later and returned to the Eagles last season as the No. 3 quarterback behind McNabb and Jeff Garcia. One of his wins with the

Dolphins came against New England in Week 15 of the '04 season. Feeley threw a 21-yard TD pass to Derrius Thompson with 1:23 left to lift Miami to a 29-28 victory over the eventual Super Bowl champion Patriots in a Monday night game.

"I remember getting banged up a little bit," Feeley said. "It was kind of an exciting time. It was one of the highlights for me playing down there."

Patriots coach Bill Belichick remembers it well, watching Feeley lead the Dolphins back from an 11-point deficit in the final 2½ minutes.

"We have a lot of respect for him and a lot of respect for McNabb," Belichick said. "They're both outstanding quarterbacks."

The last time New England faced McNabb was in its last Super Bowl appearance three years ago. The Patriots harassed and pressured McNabb throughout the game in a 24-21 victory. McNabb threw three interceptions, got sacked four times and had zero yards rushing.

If Feeley starts, Brian Westbrook could get extra work. Westbrook had career-highs in yards rushing (146) and carries (32) against the Dolphins, and his workload increased when McNabb went down last season, too.

Coach Andy Reid insisted the game plan doesn't change when McNabb isn't play, and offensive coordinator Marty Mornhinweg is comfortable with Feeley.

The Eagles (5-3) have won two games to move within one game of a wild-card spot in the jumbled NFC. They'll have to be flawless in all areas just to have a chance against the Patriots.

"It's about being efficient, hanging onto the ball and not making turnovers and scoring when you're in the red zone," Feeley said.

Manning, Colts rout hapless Falcons

ATLANTA (AP) — Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts looked more like themselves Thursday night.

All it took was a trip to Atlanta. Manning threw three touchdown passes, Antonio Gonzalez had 105 yards receiving and the defending Super Bowl champions, after getting stunned with 10 quick points by the Falcons, rebounded for a 31-13 victory.

Indianapolis (9-2) had struggled the past three weeks, losing twice and pulling out a lackluster win over Kansas City at home. The Colts' malaise carried over the first quarter at the Georgia Dome, with the Falcons striking for Morten Anderson's 34-yard field goal and Joey Harrington's 48-yard touchdown pass to Roddy White.

But any thoughts the Falcons (3-8) had of pulling off a huge upset were quickly wiped out by Manning. He threw all three of his TD passes in the second quarter, giving 23 yards to Reggie Wayne, 8 yards to Dallas Clark



Indianapolis Colts wide receiver Reggie Wayne, right, scores on a pass from quarterback Peyton Manning as Atlanta Falcons defensive back Chris Houston defends Thursday's game in Atlanta.

and 5 yards to Ben Utecht. Gonzalez didn't get to the end zone, but he was Manning's favorite receiver. He hauled in a 36-yard pass that set up Wayne's TD and a 32-yarder that led to Clark's score.

After missing the past two games with a broken thumb, Gonzalez's return

was a boost for a Colts' offense still plagued by injuries. Perennial Pro Bowl receiver Marvin Harrison missed his fifth straight game with an ailing left knee, indirectly was missing two starting linemen, Tony Ogden and Ryan Diem.

Manning was 22-for-32 for 272 yards.

Jones upset Cowboys-Packers won't be on cable

Cowboys owner latest cable critic

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones is still urging NFL fans to pull the plug on cable, especially those who want to see next week's NFL showdown of 10-1 teams on NFL Network.

The Cowboys and Green Bay Packers both won Thanksgiving Day, a week before they play for the outright NFC lead.

The NFL Network has been in a dispute with large cable providers who don't carry the network on a basic tier. The network is available in about 35 million of the nation's more than

111 million homes with televisions. "I am frustrated that we've got literally several million fans that won't get to see that game because of the Warner won't be carrying it," Jones said in the locker room after the Cowboys' 34-3 victory over the New York Jets. "I'm not about that. I hope those fans will go to AT&T satellite or go over to a competing cable company."

Time Warner is the primary cable provider in the Dallas area.

Jones is the outspoken chairman of the league's NFL Network committee.

His comments came just three days after Comcast, the nation's largest cable company, sent a cease-and-desist letter to the NFL Network demanding the channel's representatives stop encouraging fans to leave the cable provider.

"I know I have been given a cease and desist to quit saying that, but that is a fact," Jones said. "It's frustrating to think millions of Cowboys and Packers fans won't be able to see it."

Fans in each local market will be able to see the game. NFL rules require that games televised on cable must be made available to an over-the-air provider in the home market cities.

Phil Dawson getting a kick out of Cleveland Browns' sudden success

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Carrying his 6-year-old son, Phil Dawson stepped inside Cleveland's locker room following an emotional overtime win Sunday in Baltimore expecting to see teammates showered, dressed and heading for the bus.

Instead, the Browns were waiting for someone special — him.

"Next to having my son there," Dawson said Wednesday, "that was probably the highlight of my career."

Dawson, the fourth-most accurate kicker in NFL history, had been delayed in joining the Browns, and with 8:59 left.

After kicking the winning field goal in Cleveland's 33-30 win, and bouncing a controversial, never-to-be-forgotten 51-yarder through to the end zone, Dawson spent extra time on the field doing TV interviews.

He was soon joined by his oldest son, Dru, who had

never seen daddy play in person and picked the road game against the Ravens as his first. Turns out, the youngster couldn't have chosen a better one.

So when Dawson got to the locker room he figured the Browns had already completed their team prayer.

Crennel had given his postgame speech and handed out game balls to the day's stars.

"But everyone was standing there waiting," Dawson said. "We've been talking all year that we're a team, and I think that's another obvious example of how we're all together in this thing. That means a great deal."

For much of the past nine years, Dawson stood alone for the Browns.

The libable Dawson, who was born in Florida, but whose Texas drawl is heard loud when he drops the occasional "y'all" into conversation, is the lone player left from Cleveland's 1999



Cleveland Browns kicker Phil Dawson (4) celebrates after his game-winning field goal against the Baltimore Ravens during overtime on Sunday, Nov. 18 in Baltimore.

expansion team. That laughingly overmatched squad of no-names went 2-14 and ranks among the worst in league history.

As the loss and negativity mounted, Dawson often wondered if things would ever improve for the Browns. "I had my moments," he said. "But you can't do that."

We all have doubts in life, but you keep plugging away."

And that's why Sunday's thriller was so special.

It's also why the Browns made sure Dawson was among them before they huddled and celebrated as one.

"Last year or the year

before we probably wouldn't have done that," said punter Dave Zastudil, who doubles as Dawson's holder.

This season is shaping up as special for Dawson and Cleveland, which has a reasonable chance of getting back to the playoffs for just the second time since '99 because of a favorable schedule.

But more than a winning record, the Browns (6-4), who were written off before the season even kicked off, have confidence.

Since Sunday's win, Dawson has been inundated with interview requests. By now, almost everyone has seen his incredible kick, which deflected off the left upright and caromed off the goal post's support neck before bouncing back toward the field.

After a lengthy delay, Dawson's attempt, initially waved off by an official standing in the end zone, was ruled good.

Even now Dawson, who has attempted thousands of

kicks, can't account for how a football could do what it did.

"It's never come back on me," the 32-year-old said. "I've done a couple of the uprights before and they've done some weird things, but to have one bounce back into the field of play was pretty crazy."

Maybe it's the Browns' turn to be lucky. Maybe all the bad things that could possibly go wrong these last few seasons have been used up. Maybe, just maybe, this is their season to get the breaks.

Dawson, though, believes the Browns' success is due to something else.

"It's more a product of what we're doing right rather than any luck," he said. "You make your own luck in this league. You've been trying to do the little things right and it's just starting to translate into wins."

"When it's all said and done, we'll look back and see if it was a pivotal moment or not."

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Sunny, cool and dry. Highs up to 30s. Tonight: Becoming partly cloudy. Lows upper teens to near 20.

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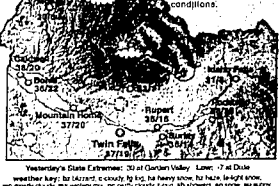
Today: Mostly dry and cool with more sun and clouds. Highs middle to upper 30s. Tonight: Crisp with patchy clouds or fog. Lows teens.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Temperatures will edge upward a little each day from now through Sunday.

BOISE For areas not dealing with fog, generally clear skies and dry weather is expected through Sunday.

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REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY 'I would hope we are all allowed to see some of the good things really are.'

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for Nov 24, 25, 26, 27.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Saturday and Sunday.

U.V. INDEX

Table showing U.V. index levels: Low, Moderate, High.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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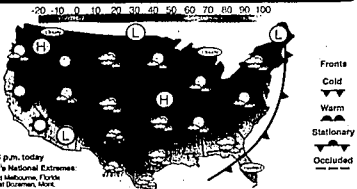
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Van Gundy, Riley ready for showdown

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Stan Van Gundy knows the Miami Heat better than almost anyone. He worked there under Pat Riley for 12 years, improved the team by 34 wins in seasons as head coach and barely missed an NBA championship appearance.

He even stayed after Riley retook the reins and won it all. But now Van Gundy is coaching the Heat's Southeast Division rival Orlando Magic, and his former mentor is in the way.

Both sides insist the decision was mutual, and Van Gundy hasn't wavered on the issue since leaving the Heat. But it was a peculiar parting — at 112-73, he is still the franchise's best winning percentage.

Those two are also close. The All-Star's rookie year was Van Gundy's first as Heat coach, and Wade says it'll be strange to face him. 'We're going to have some of the same things he used to say to us. It's going to be a challenge,' Wade said.

Riley calls his former protégé one of the NBA's best coaches, and wouldn't let him go without a fight. After his aborted flirtation with Florida coach Billy Donovan, the Magic dealt the Heat a second-round pick and the option to swap 2008 first-round selections to spring Van Gundy from the last year of his contract.

Riley said the Magic worried him anyway, and they were only getting better. Orlando swept the Heat last season, three of the four wins by 10 points or more.

Bonds' former friends set to testify

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Barry Bonds' penchant for turning longtime friends into bitter enemies might come back to hurt him in at least two significant ways at trial.

First, there's Steve Hoskins. He was once Bonds' closest friend and served as best man at the slugger's first wedding. Then, there's Kimberly Bell, the home run king's girlfriend of 10 years, who dated him even after his first wedding.

Each had a nasty falling out with the notoriously prickly slugger, and each is now expected to be a key witness for the prosecution if Bonds goes to trial for perjury and obstruction of justice.

Hoskins and Bell each claim to have firsthand knowledge of Bonds' steroid use, making them extremely valuable witnesses. Yet both also are vulnerable to attack by Bonds' lawyers because of their severed relationships with the former Giants star and their own personal problems.

'If they were standing alone, their credibility would present a big problem for the prosecution,' said Peter Keane, law professor at Golden Gate University in San Francisco. 'But the problem for Bonds is the collective amount of all this stuff the prosecution appears to have: the change in his body, the lab results. All of these things taken together make for a significant prosecution case against Bonds.'

Hoskins and Bonds were childhood friends, both growing up in San Carlos, a southern San Francisco suburb. Their fathers were friends; Bonds' dad played for several major league teams during a 14-year career, and Hoskins' dad was a star lineman for the San Francisco 49ers.

They rekindled their friendship in 1993, when Bonds signed with the Giants as a free agent after spending the early part of his career in Pittsburgh.



Former San Francisco Giants slugger Barry Bonds laughs in the dugout after taking batting practice before a game against the San Diego Padres in San Francisco, in this Sept. 25 file photo.

Bonds made Hoskins his business manager and they launched a company called Kent Collectibles to sell Bonds' memorabilia.

Things fell apart in 2003 after Bonds accused Hoskins of forging his signature on at least two contracts and selling memorabilia without Bonds' permission.

Cardoza said Hoskins followed through on a threat to tell federal prosecutors about Bonds' alleged drug use after the slugger complained to the FBI that Hoskins was stealing from him.

'Steve is going to get on the stand and tell the truth,' Cardoza said in a brief interview Tuesday. 'Barry ignited this whole thing with Steve.'

Bonds' attorney, Michael Rains, didn't return a call for comment, but he has previously accused Hoskins of turning into a government informant and vowed to portray him in court as a vengeful former business partner seeking retribution because Bonds accused him of stealing.

Cardoza denied Hoskins turned into a government snitch. 'Steve was investigated and he was cleared. He was cleared because he in fact did nothing wrong,' said Cardoza, who declined to discuss whether Hoskins ever testified before the grand jury investigating Bonds. 'My guy is not a government informant. He never made any deal with the government.'

Bell did testify before the grand jury, telling the panel in 2005 that Bonds confided in her that he used steroids.

According to Bell, the admission came after Bonds said he was jealous of the attention Mark McGwire garnered when he broke the single season home run record.

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Artist unveils plans for canyon sculpture

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

A Coeur d'Alene artist commissioned by the Magic Valley Arts Council has released structural plans for a sculpture the council views as the start of a public art push in Twin Falls.

The sculpture, selected from six others by a community vote, could be installed on the south rim of the Snake River Canyon, just east of the Perrine Bridge, by March. The piece combines a material called glass fiber reinforced concrete with grout to give the final product an appearance close to the basalt that forms the canyon, artist David Clemons said.

The finished piece, titled "The Twins," will show two female figures rising up out of the stone.

The update details how Clemons plans to build the piece and mount it on the canyon rim, and provides his proposed budget for the work. The bulk of the budget, which comes in just shy of the council-suggested \$19,000, will likely go to carving the foam that will form the basic shape of the statue, coating the foam with the concrete, and to a "profit" budget line that covers additional expenses and Clemons' payment for the piece, the artist said Wednesday.

The \$5,700 listed under the last line is less than Clemons usually charges, he said, and is more than he expects to get anyway given how material costs can rise over the space of several months. The foam may seem large, he said, but shrinks when the months of work are taken into consideration.

"It seems big sometimes, but man, it's pretty Spartan," he said.

To avoid an expensive excavation into the canyon rock, Clemons said, he plans

The making of 'The Twins'

- Sculpture's core carved from foam.
- Steel frame for reinforcement.
- Surface reinforced with steel (probably pencil rod).
- Surface steel and interior steel will be tied into fiber-glass-reinforced concrete or high-density plastic applied to the foam.
- If Clemons uses fiber-glass-reinforced concrete on the inside, it will be coated with a thin layer of grout that can be sculpted and textured. Or, if he uses a high-density plastic, the concrete will be attached to the plastic with a metal lathe and covered with grout. The grout will be stained with acid stains and sealed.

Attaching the statue

- To attach the statue to the canyon rim rock, Clemons will (illustration at right):
 - drill holes into the basalt at an angle,
 - insert hooked rebar rods,
 - fill in the surrounding area with concrete, and
 - lower the statue into the concrete and hook it to the rods.

The site will be chosen by the arts council and should be 20 to 30 feet from the rim.

The sculpture, Clemons said, should require minimal maintenance. The concrete should remain sound for decades, and the piece will be sealed with a silicone sealer that will minimize water seepage and make it easier to remove graffiti.

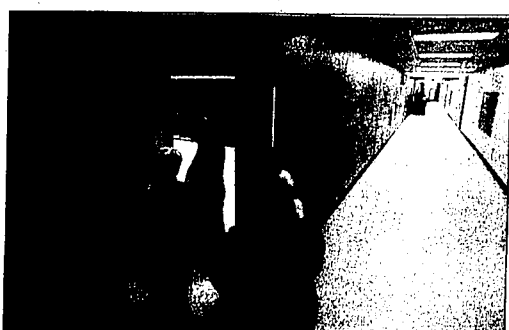
to drill down into it and fasten hooked rebar rods into the ground. He'll then dig a concrete form around the rods and lower the statue into it, securing the whole creation with a hidden base. The basalt appearance will be formed by part of the foam beads embedded in the grout and dissolved later, leaving pockets of air.

To view the complete progress report, visit <http://www.magicvalleyartsCouncil.org>.

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REACHING THE SUMMIT



Teachers and administrators tour the new Summit Elementary School in Jerome on Wednesday. The district plans to move into the facility by the end of December.

New Jerome school set to welcome students

By Andrea Gates
Times-News writer

Beyond the white plumes rising from industrial facilities along Lincoln Street in Jerome, just small shops sprinkled along Main Avenue, and just up the road from the crumbling elementary school built decades ago — there's a new school in town just waiting for children to arrive.

It's a school that measures the air that children breathe — where the days of chalkboards have passed, and natural light fills rooms.

The school, called Summit Elementary, will house Jerome School District's fourth- and fifth-grade students, and administrators said Thursday during a staff walk-through that it is on track for students, teachers and staff to be able to move there in late December.

Summit will house all fourth- and fifth-grade students from around the district. The school was named Summit, its principal Alice Hocklander said, because "we want our students to be at the highest point. We want them to be the best."

Large windows let in light over tiled hallways and through walls in classrooms equipped with large white dry erase boards. One wing of the school is dedicated to the fourth grade and another is for fifth-grade students.

Each of the wings is decorated patriotically, for the country and the state. The fourth-grade wing is painted blue and gold in honor of the Idaho flag — and the fifth grade is colored with dusky hues of red, white and blue, commemorating the United States flag.

"We are promoting citizenship and pride in our state and country," Hocklander said.

The patriotic colors also commemorate the social studies curriculum that will be stressed at the school. It's been anticipated that 560 students will attend school.

"We want our students to be part of the move," Hocklander said.

Students will move their desks to a doorway and adults will load the desks and chairs into trucks. Then students will board a bus for their new school, carrying their books.

"Staff members have been working hard to clear out old materials and box up or will use later in the year," Hocklander said.

Like other school districts in the area, the Jerome School District has been growing. Around 140 children came on this year alone, said Richard Ames, the school district's construction coordinator.

Summit is equipped with a "cafeteria" — half cafeteria, half auditorium. The library is large, bright and is one of Hocklander's favorite rooms.

"The library is the heart of the school," she said.

Summit Elementary is high-tech and sustainable, school authorities said. For example, about 30 security cameras are affixed overhead throughout the school for safety.

Carbon dioxide sensors are in classrooms to measure the air so students won't become lethargic — Ames said without good ventilation carbon dioxide can build up in the air.

Motion sensors in rooms are designed to reduce energy used for lighting, and a white roof is designed to cut heat absorption.

A complex heating and cooling system that uses recycled water also has school authorities excited. Ames said he expects the school to reduce energy costs in the long-run, as well as qualify for a one-time \$25,000 rebate from Idaho Power for the school's energy efficiency. Summit Elementary measures about 65,000 square feet. Along with a new middle school being built nearby — which is slated for completion in mid-March — the school was both paid for with a school bond that voters passed in October 2005 totaling slightly more than \$25 million, Ames said.

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Buhl Boys and Girls Club building runs into legal difficulties

By Erica Littlefield
Times-News correspondent

The Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley and the Buhl School District have hit a snag in their efforts to throw up an agreement for the club to build its own facility on school grounds.

Based on recommendations from Brian K. Julian, the attorney for the Buhl School District, the Buhl School Board is taking a hard look at a proposed lease that would allow the club to construct a building near Popplewell Elementary.

At the school board meeting Tuesday night, Barbara Gletzen, a member of the club's advisory board and former Buhl mayor, made a presentation to the board, and the trustees moved to make a decision on the issue at the December board meeting.

"We've worked for over five years to bring a Boys and Girls Club to

Buhl," said Gletzen. "We are working for the welfare of the children."

The club, which currently uses Popplewell for its summer and after-school programs, has been working with the district to explore options for its own building on school property since 2003.

In July 2006, the school board voted unanimously to allow the Boys and Girls Club to draw up a lease, and a committee was formed with representatives from the club and the school district to draft a document that would satisfy both entities. The lease was then sent to the attorneys for the school district and the club.

In a letter to Superintendent Margaret Cox dated Sept. 14, the school district's attorney Brian K. Julian outlined several concerns relating to the lease. Julian's letter discussed the length of the lease, the effect having the club on school grounds could have on the district's

insurance, and potential liabilities that could occur as the club is built and operates on school grounds.

Julian believes the arrangement could violate Article VII section 4 of the Idaho Constitution, which provides that a school district cannot "become responsible for any debt, contract or liability of any individual, association or corporation." Julian's letter states that the Boys and Girls Club "has requested that the school be an additional insured, as well as seeking indemnity for the District's negligence," which could potentially make the district liable for the club.

According to the letter, Julian believes, "It is very possible that a court could find such provisions to be in violation" of the article.

Part of the lease states that the school district could have use of the club during the day, and the Boys and Girls Club could have use of the Popplewell gymnasium after school.

Don Hall, executive director of the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley, said the group is not requesting that the district provide insurance for the club. Hall said they just want to ensure that the school's insurance will provide coverage for those times when the school uses the facility.

Gletzen's presentation at the board meeting addressed the issues raised in Julian's letter and proposed several solutions. One option would be for the school district to donate the land to the city, then the Boys and Girls Club could lease the land from the city.

Gletzen said that there is a similar agreement between the Boys and Girls Club of Nampa and the city of Nampa.

Having a Boys and Girls Club on school property is not uncommon. Gletzen said that out of the 4,100 such clubs throughout the country, 1,200 are on school campuses.

After Gletzen's presentation, trustee Jackie Frey moved to make a

decision on the issue at the next regular board meeting, Dec. 18. The motion was passed unanimously, and Hall said he hopes the situation is resolved soon so the club can move forward.

"It's in the school's best interest, it's in the community's best interest, and it's in the kids' best interest," Hall said.

In other business, the board voted to hold a public forum to allow patrons to bring concerns before the board. The forum will take place at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 3, in the Buhl High School cafeteria.

Buhl School Board Chairman Gene Clemons and trustee Ken McDonald and Jay Anderson also spoke about their experience at the Idaho School Boards Association Convention last week in Coeur d'Alene.

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Filer may get \$9.7 million in loans for sewer project from state DEQ

By John E. Swazy
Times-News correspondent

FILER — The Filer City Council is in the process of obtaining funding for the construction of a sewer, stormwater and water treatment sewer project that voters

approved last year. Council members were told Tuesday evening that the city may be eligible for at least \$9.7 million in low interest loans from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. The state is required to provide 20 percent

in matching funds. City officials are also working to obtain an additional \$3 million loan and a \$1 million grant from Region IV Rural Development. Construction of the new treatment facility is expected to begin by next fall, depending on how quickly

funds are secured. DEQ Engineer Brian Reed said that once the application process has been completed and approved, any funding received by the city would be a 20-year loan at 3 percent interest. "We'll stay with the loan

and construction process to the very end," Reed said. "The city will then have five years to make the first year's repayment on the loan."

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Maurice Bejart, during his 70th birthday celebration in Lassanne, on Dec. 20, 1996. Bejart, who sought to bring ballet to younger audiences with his provocative choreography, died Thursday. He was 80.

Choreographer Bejart dies age 80

By Nathalie Ogi
Associated Press writer

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — Maurice Bejart — who sought to bring ballet to younger audiences with his provocative choreography, stunning critics with his avant-garde dances — died Thursday. He was 80.

Bejart, hospitalized last week with heart and kidney trouble, died early Thursday at Lausanne's University Hospital, said Emmanuel de Bourgneuf, administrator of the Bejart Ballet Lausanne.

The French-born Bejart set new standards during a career that spanned five decades, starting with his signature work, the 1959 staging of Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring," in which his dancers — clad in sleek, shiny tights — created an erotic aura with impulsive, natural movements that became a standard of his repertoire.

His ballet of the 20th Century, formed a year later at Brussels' Monnaie theater, became hugely successful on the back of his provocative choreography.

However, some of his more avant-garde works garnered criticism, such as his 1960 version of Franz Lehár's "Merry Widow," which drew boos and hisses at its premiere even as it brought in younger ballet fans.

Bejart eventually clashed with the management at the Monnaie, which he accused of concentrating on opera at the expense of ballet. He moved his company to Switzerland in 1967, renaming it the Bejart Ballet.

Bejart, in a snub to theaters trying to win him back to his native France, worked as a fertilizer salesman in Marseille, France, as Maurice Jean Berger. His mother died when he was seven, and his father worked as a fertilizer salesman while teaching himself Chinese, eventually becoming a teacher and later, general chief of universities.

Physically frail as a child, the young Maurice Berger enrolled in ballet school at age 14 as therapy. He later left for Paris and London, taking on the name Bejart, maiden name of the wife of the 17th century French playwright Molière.

The diminutive Bejart made his debut as a dancer in his hometown in 1945.

After struggling in the 1950s with early attempts at choreography in Paris, he shot to fame at the end of the decade with "Rite of Spring," in which pigeons sacrifice a virgin to mark the end of winter.

Bejart was born in Marseille, France, as Maurice Jean Berger. His mother died when he was seven, and his father worked as a fertilizer salesman while teaching himself Chinese, eventually becoming a teacher and later, general chief of universities.

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NEW DICTIONARIES



The St. Nicholas Catholic School third-graders hold their new dictionaries, which were donated to them by the Rupert Elks. The Elks donate dictionaries each year to all third grade students in Mink-Cassia.

MNEMONICS CONTEST



Paul Elementary recently held a "Mnemonics Contest," with the theme "Fall into Lines." Each student was asked to make up an original mnemonic for the lines and spaces of the musical staff. The winners were chosen from the fourth and fifth grades. Winners were, from left, Dakota Smith, Garrett Stocking, Jeremiah Hooper and Juan Medrano.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls County ARRANGEMENTS (NOV. 20)
Patrick Pover, 21, Twin Falls; 12 counts issuing a check without funds; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Nov. 30; posted bond.

ing set for Nov. 30; \$50,000 bond.
Wendel S. Stevens, 30, Twin Falls; injury to a child; no plea entered; private counsel; preliminary hearing set for Nov. 30; posted bond.

Kerry Lee Jones

TWIN FALLS — Kerry Lee Jones, 44, of Twin Falls, passed away at her home surrounded by her family on Monday, Nov. 19, 2007, following a short battle with cancer.



Kerry was born July 22, 1963 in Salt Lake City, Utah, the daughter of Patsy Lee Atkin and Lynn Everill. She grew up in Grantsville, Utah where she attended schools. She married and had two children, Jeffrey Chad Williams and Lucy Marie Williams. She later moved to Twin Falls, Idaho in 1985, where she met the love of her life, Michael E. Jones. Together they had a son, Cody Michael Jones. They spent 18 wonderful years together and recited their vows on Feb. 3, 2007.

Kerry starting working at Costco in 1995 and quickly excelled to become the supervisor of the photo lab. Her outgoing personality and talent made her an asset to Costco. Kerry did your photos in an hour but you ended up loving her for life. She loved music and was an exceptional cook, always trying out new recipes and leaving her family happy and full. She loved visiting with people, her wit and charm made her everyone's feeling better about themselves.

Kerry is survived by her husband, Michael E. Jones of

Twin Falls; her children, Jeffrey Chad (Reina) Williams of Phoenix, Arizona; Lucy (Jeremy) Fullmer of Twin Falls; Cody Michael Jones of Twin Falls; her mother, Patsy Lee Atkin of Kimberly; her father, Lynn (Margaret) Everill of Salt Lake City, Utah; her brothers, Brian (Theresa) Everill of Jerome and Kent (Joy) Atkin of Lewiston; her sisters, Kendra (Thad) Hull of Hansen and Melonie (Tracy) Hostetter of Caldwell. Also surviving are two grandchildren, Elliott James Fullmer and Abrianna Nicole Williams, as well as many close friends. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Morley T. and Norma Atkin, and paternal grandparents, Ellis Everill and Helen Myers.

A celebration of Kerry's life will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. East, Twin Falls with Deacon Jim Herrett of St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church officiating. Friends may call from 1 p.m. until the time of the service at Reynolds Chapel.

A private family inurnment will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be given in Kerry's name to the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

Lila E. Dayley

BURLEY — Lila E. Dayley, a 97-year-old resident of Burley, passed away Saturday, Nov. 17, 2007, at Highland Estates Assisted Living.

Lila was born in Burley, Idaho on Sept. 17, 1916. She spent her early years in Pocatello, Idaho, and Canada.



The family moved to Burley when she was 8 years old. They lived in the Springdale and Unity areas. At age 17, Lila became a mother to her six younger siblings when her own mother died. She married Ardell Dayley in 1935. She was active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints her entire life, serving in many positions in both the Primary and the Relief Society organizations. Lila was also an active representative for more than 25 years, becoming a member of the President's Club. She loved order and beauty, kept a neat home and enjoyed a large flower garden every year of zinnias, cosmos and petunias. She was a devoted mother and grandmother and

enjoyed spending time with her family whenever she could.

Lila was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, who passed away in December 2000. She is survived by her five children, Beverly Newhart, Burley; Lavita Montoya of Las Vegas, Nev.; Hal Dayley of San Francisco, Calif.; Dan Dayley of Salt Lake City, Utah; and Larry Dayley of Martinez, Calif.; 17 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 26 at the Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Mark W. Fillmore officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10 a.m. Monday at the church.

Edith Elizabeth (Robbins) Bean

JEROME — Edith Elizabeth (Robbins) Bean, 87, of Jerome passed away peacefully Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, at her home, surrounded by her close family.



Edith was born March 10, 1920 in Bellevue, Idaho, the daughter of Simon Sylvester and Elvira Muriel (Stump) Robbins. Edith attended Jerome Canyonside School where she received her diploma May 22, 1936.

Edith was married Fred Elza Bean Nov. 10, 1937. They moved southwest of Jerome, where they began to farm. In 1964 they sold the farm and moved to Bellevue where she worked at the Roundhouse Restaurant at the top of the Baldy Mountain ski resort.

Edith was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and her husband of 53 years.

Edith is survived by her children Betty (Rulon) Miller of Redmond, Utah, Kirk Bean and Nina (Lavor) Harris all of Idaho.

She is also survived by six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, 2007 at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome with Rev. Rudy Bauder officiating. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, 2007 at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

SERVICES

Edmund Bruce Powell of Hansen, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Debra Burlene Dotson Lee of Idaho, New, graveside service at noon today at the Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation from 9 to 11:40 a.m. today, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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

Margaret E. Harrison Barnett of Boise, funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Boise (Azcen Funeral Home in Meridian).

Marjorie Jeanne McKenna Fisher of Hansen, family memorial at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Cemetery.

Frank R. Berra of Nampa, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 1515 Eighth St. S. in Nampa; rosary and vigil service at 7 p.m. today at St. Paul's Catholic Church; private burial Monday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Coonk; (Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel).

Consuelo "Connie" B. Ramirez of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Praise Chapel Christian Church in Rupert; wake service at 7 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Joyce E. Glasmann of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551

Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Cora (Christiansen) Clark of Twin Falls, celebration of life from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at Cora's home, 2594 E. 3930 N. in Twin Falls; dress worn for outdoor service (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Mildred E. "Trink" Valentine Rogers of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St.; visitation one hour before the service Saturday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Edith Bean of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Wilbert "Bill" Samuel Williams of Yakima, Wash., funeral at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Keith and Keith Ninth Avenue Chapel in Yakima, Wash.; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the Keith and Keith Funeral Home. A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Nov. 30 in the Filer Cemetery in Filer; visitation from noon to 1 p.m. Nov. 30 at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Kerry Lee Jones of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Sunday Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday at the mortuary.

Lila E. Dayley of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:40 a.m. Monday at the church.

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Conservation groups challenge sled decision

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Six conservation groups will challenge the National Park Service's decision to continue allowing snowmobiles in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks.

The groups said Wednesday they would seek a court review of the decision. A court review means a court would re-examine the case to ensure it complies with the law. A court has to agree to the review.

The conservation organizations challenging the decision are the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, National Parks Conservation Association, The Wilderness Society, Natural Resources Defense Council, Winter Wildlands Alliance, and Sierra Club.

The groups announced their plans one day after the Park Service issued a final decision to allow 540 sleds per day in Yellowstone.

Conservation groups have long advocated eliminating snowmobiles from Yellowstone in favor of snowcoaches, which are essentially vans mounted on tracks.

The groups said the decision to allow snowmobiles ignores the Park Service's overarching mandate to give

Inside
Park service limits Yellowstone snowmobile trips to 540.
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highest priority to conservation of national park resources.

"The past four seasons have shown that Yellowstone's winter visitors are increasingly embracing modern snowcoaches, and the health of the park has improved because of it," Amy McNamara of the Greater Yellowstone Coalition said in a release.

The National Park Service's decision makes a U-turn on that progress and will lead to unacceptable impacts in our first national park.

News of litigation plans did not come as a surprise to most who have been following the issue for more than a decade.
"The conservation groups are not satisfied with anything other than no snowmobiles in the park," Jack Welch with the Blue Ribbon Coalition, a group involved in advocating for continued wilderness access in the parks, said.

E. Idaho hospital designated a Level II trauma center

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The American College of Surgeons has named an eastern Idaho hospital as a Level II trauma center, a designation that means it is deemed the best equipped in the state to take care of patients brought in with life-threatening injuries.

The Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center received the designation last week. It is the highest-rated trauma center in the state.
"We're very excited," Dr. Brian O'Bryne, the center's trauma director, told the Post-Register.

Trauma centers are hospitals with specialized teams of doctors and medical equipment designed to treat critically injured patients. Level I and II centers provide the most comprehensive care for the most severely injured patients, while Level III centers are equipped to assess and stabilize patients and transfer them to a Level I or II center when necessary, the study said.

Hospitals must be active in research to attain a Level I rating.
Data have shown that patients are more likely to die

if they don't receive care within an hour of critical injury.
"This (recognition) is proof that we do excel in trauma care," said Karif Bryan, the center's trauma coordinator for the past six years.

Officials at the center said they have been working for 10 years to attain the Level II rating by increasing the number of specialties offered.
"The center serves an area

within about a 250-mile radius.
"We get all kinds of things," Nancy Browne, spokeswoman for the center, told The Associated Press on Wednesday. "Car accidents, gun shots from time to time. We do get a lot of people from Grand Teton and Yellowstone (national parks); snowmobile accidents, climbing accidents. We also get grizzly bear maulings from time to time. We see a lot."

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Practice run for Special Olympics in jeopardy

BOISE (AP) — The Invitational games planned for February as a forerunner to the 2009 Special Olympics World Games might not be possible following the loss of \$8 million in federal money, an official said.

"Everything is up in the air at this point," said Chip Fisher, a San Valley entrepreneur and the games' new chief executive officer. "When you get \$8 million pulled out from under you, you have to think about everything. At the end of the day, what we want is a successful 2009 games. That's my focus."

President Bush's veto of a large budget bill has stopped more than \$8 million for the 2009 Special Olympics World Games, which will be held in Idaho.

Idaho president vetoed the Labor Health and Human Services bill last week.

But Fisher said the 2009 games will be held.
"These are games that are 16 months away," he told the Idaho Statesman. "We look forward to seeing Idaho support these games."

Gary Dyer, who is being replaced by Fisher, said officials might have to raise \$1.5 million by the end of the year to hold a smaller version of the games planned for February as a practice run for Idaho.

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B-2 stealth bombers use Hawaii, Alaska ranges for target practice for first time

By Audrey McKey
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — More than 18,000 feet above the mountains on Hawaii's biggest island, two B-2 stealth bombers drop six 2,000-pound inert bombs on a training range below.

It's a scene being repeated monthly as the Air Force's sleek, boomerang-shaped planes use Hawaii for target practice. The aim is to make sure pilots are trained and ready to act if needed. The bombers have been assigned to Guam to deter North Korea and to fill gaps in the regional U.S. military presence created by deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan.

"There are very few potential adversaries in the world that don't understand and respect what this bomber capability can bring," said Col. Timothy Saffold, deputy commander of the 613th Air and Space Operations Center in Hawaii.

The B-2 bomber, which costs about \$1.2 billion, is designed so that it doesn't show up on radar, giving it a unique ability to penetrate an enemy's defenses and go after heavily defended targets. It became available for military operations in 1997.

The planes have been flying test runs over Hawaii and Alaska since the Pentagon began rotating bombers through Guam in 2004. But they only started dropping inert bombs on the Big Island's Pohakuloa Training Area last month.

In the past, pilots only simulated dropping weapons over the islands. Now, they can see whether the bombs they release land where they are supposed to.

The planes are equipped to drop "smart" bombs, or weapons guided to their targets by GPS technology. But they don't use it in the Hawaii drills.

Instead, the airmen rely on gravity — and extensive data on wind speed and elevation — to deliver their unarmored bombs to the right spot.

Maj. Brian Bogue, deputy chief of strategy plans at the 613th Air and Space Operations Center, said such methods are extremely accurate and that there is little chance any bombs would stray off the Pohakuloa range. Planners intentionally pick targets in the center of the range, Bogue said, adding that two miles is the closest any of



A Hawaii Air National Guard KC-135 tanker refuels a B-2 bomber over the Pacific near Hawaii in October. The sleek, boomerang-shaped planes flew in for exercises from Guam, where they've been assigned to deter North Korea and fill gaps in the regional U.S. military presence created by the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Stealth facts

THE BOMBERS: Black boomerang-shaped B-2 stealth bombers are conducting bombing practice runs over Hawaii and Alaska for the first time.

THE BOMBS: The planes, costing \$1.2 billion each, use inert bombs but are capable of planting armed smart bombs for more precise bombing runs to protect the Asia-Pacific region.

THE TARGETS: The Big Island's lava-covered Pohakuloa Training Area and the Yukon range in Alaska serve as targets for B-2 bomber training about once a month.

the bombs has come to the range boundary.

Furthermore, because none of the bombs contains explosives, there's no danger of one going off.

During a training mission to Hawaii this month, the bombers flew about 18 hours roundtrip. Ohio Air National Guard tankers refueled the planes in midair twice along the way.

During the last refueling session before the bombers headed back to Guam, a B-2 traveling about 400 mph gently eased up to a KC-135 tanker 26,500 feet above the Pacific Ocean.

When the bomber was just 20 feet away, the tanker attached its boom to the B-2 and sent 35,000 gallons of gas into the bomber's tank.

On the way back from Pohakuloa, the bombers launched a simulated attack on Pearl Harbor to practice targeting naval assets. Part of their mission was to use their stealth capabilities to sneak past their make-believe

adversary's radar and take out its defenses.

"This particular mission covers the full spectrum of what we can do," said Maj. Tim Hale, one of the pilots.

Pacific commander 'concerned' after China blocks ship entry

HONOLULU (AP) — The top U.S. military commander in the Pacific said Thursday he's "perplexed and concerned" by China's last-minute decision to deny a U.S. aircraft carrier entry to Hong Kong for a previously scheduled port visit.

The USS Kitty Hawk and its escort ships were due to dock in Hong Kong for a four-day visit Wednesday

until they were refused access. Hundreds of family members who had flown to Hong Kong to spend Thanksgiving with their sailors were stranded by the move.

"It's hard to put any kind of positive spin on this," Adm. Timothy Keating said in a telephone interview from his airplane on his way home from visiting troops in Iraq.

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Balmy weather draws thousands to Thanksgiving parade in NYC

By Adam Carlin
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Delighted, shrieking children were barely able to contain themselves Thursday as Barbie rolled past and enormous Shrek and Snoopy balloons floated overhead in the traditional Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Unseasonably balmy weather, with temperatures around 60 degrees, helped draw hordes of families to the parade route to see the floats, helium balloons, marching bands and roller-blading clowns.

Five-year-old Lauren Geiger of Freeport had no problem ticking off her favorite Macy's parade characters: Dora the Explorer, Shark and Scooby Doo. "And we're going to see Santa. Did you know that," said her mother, Dorothea Geiger, eliciting a squeal.

In Detroit, drizzle, snow and temperatures in the 30s didn't deter thousands of people from lining up to watch that city's America's Thanksgiving Parade.

Some spectators took their eyes off the parade to look at a 3-year-old dog in the crowd named Diamond, which dressed as Santa Claus, complete with red tasseled cap. "Last year, she was Minnie Mouse," said owner Sheila Porter, 33. "I think of her as my child. And she enjoys her clothes. When I pull her clothes out, she knows it's time to go."

The parades headlined observances across the nation that also featured football, including Detroit's NFL game between the Lions and the Green Bay Packers, and family dinners with too much food on the table.

President Bush, spending the holiday at the Camp David retreat in Maryland, called several men and women serving in the armed forces in Iraq.

"He called to wish the members of the military and their families and the troops that they are serving with a happy Thanksgiving," White House press secretary Dana Perino said. "He said, 'I can't tell you how impressed I am by the courage and compassion of our troops. He thanked them for their service.'"

At the U.S. base called Camp Speicher, in Tikrit, Iraq, the military put on a traditional Thanksgiving dinner in a mess hall decked out with red, orange and brown paper streamers and other decorations.

Cpl. Brandon Henry, 23, from Winchester, Va., said he has been in the Army for four years and hasn't spent Thanksgiving in the United States since he joined.

"So it'll be five Thanksgivings, five Christmases and four birthdays spent away from home, by the time I get done here," he said. "This is my family here—the Army in general—so I don't feel like I'm away from home."

The crew of the International Space Station put together a special Thanksgiving message that was aired on NASA Television and the agency's Web site — <http://www.nasa.gov/ntv/>.

"We wanted to say happy Thanksgiving to all our NASA



The Dora the Explorer balloon moves through Times Square during the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade Thursday in New York.

viewers," said Expedition 16 Commander Peggy Whitson, an Iowa native. "We feel particularly privileged and thankful to be up here on board the International Space Station this Thanksgiving, and we're looking forward to

our activities this week. We have a busy week with space-walks, and we hope that you also are having a great Thanksgiving."

At the Salvation Army's annual Thanksgiving Day dinner in Oklahoma City, holiday music waltzed from a stage as dozens of volunteers clad in red Salvation Army vests moved from table to table with trays of silced pumpkin and pecan pies or escorted new arrivals to their place at a table.

"I love Thanksgiving. I love this event," Salvation Army spokeswoman Helde Brandes said Thursday as she surveyed the scene.

"You have the people who are the heroes, and you have the people who are have not. And this brings them together," she said.

This year's Macy's parade, the 81st, offered a mix of new attractions and longtime favorites, solemn tributes and lighthearted spectacle.

Retailers open doors, offer online deals on Thanksgiving to give holiday shoppers a head start

NEW YORK (AP) — The start of the holiday shopping season crept earlier into Thursday as retailers lured shoppers to stores and online ahead of the traditional Black Friday kick-off.

For the second year in a row, CompUSA Inc. opened its doors on Thanksgiving, with stores scheduled to open at 9 p.m., except in Massachusetts where local laws preclude holiday hours. CompUSA also added an extra incentive for consumers this year by providing pumpkin pie for those in line. Iconic toy store FAO

Schwarz — with locations in New York, Chicago and Las Vegas — opened its doors on the holiday as well. Store hours for the three locations were: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In the past, holiday shopping on Thanksgiving Day was limited to discount stores like Kmart and Wal-Mart, as well as grocery retailers and 24-hour convenience stores like 7-Eleven Inc.

Kmart, operated by Sears Holdings Corp., is taking it one step further, offering for the first time Thanksgiving Day specials on TVs to GPS systems.

"Some people just can't wait until Friday," said spokeswoman. "Thanksgiving dinner is done and they have moved on."

Dozens of shoppers at Kmart in Raleigh, N.C., were met with doughnuts and coffee as early as 7 a.m., and when the store opened, they quickly cleared the shelves of top-selling items:

Nintendo's Wii, selling for \$249.99; the Magellan Maestro 3100 Navigation System for \$129.99 and 32-inch Olevia LCD television for \$419.99.

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Suspected al-Qaida militants attack Sunni fighters; 18 dead

By Samer N. Yacoub
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — Al-Qaida militants commandeered Iraqi army vehicles and then attacked U.S.-backed Sunni fighters in south Baghdad during a fierce gunbattle that left 18 people dead Thursday, police and local Sunnis said.

Later Thursday, mortars or rockets slammed into the U.S.-protected Green Zone — dramatizing warnings by senior American commanders that extremists still pose a threat to Iraq's fragile security despite the downturn in violence.

The gunbattle began before dawn when al-Qaida militants killed three Iraqi soldiers and seized two Humvees in the rural area of Hawr Rijab on the southern rim of the capital, according to a police report.

Militants then drove the Humvees to the nearby headquarters of the local "awakening council" — Sunnis who have turned al-Qaida in to the authorities opened fire on the militants with rifles and machine guns from the Humvees, the report said.

U.S. Kiowa Warrior helicopters joined the fight, blasting a van which was transporting a machine gun and mortar tube, the American military said. An F-16 jet dropped a 500-pound bomb and destroyed the vehicle as al-Qaida broke off the attack, the U.S. said, adding that two insurgents were killed.

The dead included eight members of the U.S.-backed group and seven al-Qaida suspects in addition to the three Iraqi soldiers, according to police and local Sunni leaders.

AP Television News footage showed Iraqi police and soldiers forming a protective cordon around wailing women and children as they loaded wooden coffins onto the cars for funeral processions of those killed.

Shortly before sunset, a series of rockets or mortars crashed into the Green Zone, sending up plumes of smoke into the sky as the sounds of the detonations reverberated through the center of the city.

The attack, the biggest against the Green Zone in weeks, occurred as many



A child cries as an Iraqi army soldier searches her family's home for weapons on the outskirts of Karbala, 50 miles south of Baghdad, Iraq, Thursday.

Americans were marking the Thanksgiving holiday. Loudspeakers in the Green Zone warned people to "duck and cover" and to stay away from windows.

Maj. Brad Leighton, a U.S. spokesman, said there were no fatalities but some people

were wounded. He refused to give numbers or nationalities.

Northeast of the capital, Iraqi security forces killed 19 al-Qaida in Iraq fighters during a gunfight in a mixed Shiite-Sunni village outside Baqouba, police said. They

said two civilians were killed and two others were wounded in the crossfire.

A spokesman for the Iraqi military Brig. Gen. Qasim al-Moussawi, downplayed the latest violence, saying U.S. and Iraqi forces were gaining the upper hand and

"citizens should be patient for a while to achieve positive results."

American officials say attacks have dropped 55 percent nationwide since June. But American military commanders have repeatedly warned that Iraq is by no means stable, even though the violence is declining.

Nevertheless, the return of relative calm has encouraged thousands of Iraqis to flee from Syria, where they fled during the height of the Sunni-Shiite slaughter last year. Many of them expressed confidence that violence would not return.

Others have run out of money because the Syrians will not issue them work permits. Syria also imposed strict visa requirements last month, raising fears among many Iraqis that they would not be allowed to stay.

"Thanks be to God that we arrived here today," Muhanad Ibrahim said as he arrived Thursday in the west Baghdad neighborhood of Mansour.

"We have learned that the security situation improved and we hope all Iraqis will get back to Iraq."

Hitachi's latest robot wheels around, crashes into desk during demonstration for reporters

By Yuri Kageyama
Associated Press writer

HITACHINAKA, Japan — Hitachi's new toddler-like robot rolled around and wobbled for reporters Wednesday, only to crash into a desk and demonstrate the challenge of turning automata into everyday helpers.

The red and white robot, designed to run errands in offices, wasn't prepared for the jam of lunch-break wireless network traffic at the company's research center. Unable to communicate with its handler's laptop, it smashed into the office furniture as reporters gasped.

Still, the 31.5-inch tall, 29-pound EMIEW 2 was able to show how it can scoot on two wheels, get on its knees to move on four wheels, and even lift its foot above a inch to step over thresholds and bumps.

One feature — wireless control — was at the heart of Wednesday's mishap.

While showing off its ability to understand human speech, a spectator asked where



Hitachi's humanoid robot EMIEW 2 guides a man during a press preview at the company's research center in Hitachinaka, north of Tokyo, Wednesday. The 31.50-lb tall, 29-pound toddler-like robot is designed to work as a guide and run errands in offices.

someone was sitting. It responded in a boylike electronic voice. "I will take you there. Follow me."

Seconds later, when it tried to maneuver between two desks, it smashed into one of them. A demonstrator reached out just in time to catch the robot by its wiggly handles before it toppled over.

Reporters had to wait for an hour until after the lunch break to watch the robot repeat the demonstration — this time smoothly making its way between the desks.

Developers said the robot had performed fine on test runs but acknowledged kinks had to be worked out. Besides the collision, it also suddenly stood motionless at one point.

"We are studying what hurdles need to be overcome to make robots practical," said Hitachi researcher Takahashi Teramoto. "One characteristic we feel we need to ensure for robots is safety."

Robots are now mostly used as industrial machinery and toys. Hitachi Ltd.'s robot is the latest attempt by Japanese companies to develop one that can be an assistant in daily life.

In 2005, Hitachi showed the

robot's 51-inch-tall predecessor, the EMIEW (for "excellent mobility and interactive existence as workmate").

The improved EMIEW 2 demonstrated Wednesday has shed some pounds to be safer around people and easier to carry around. It can shift from moving on two wheels to a more stable position on four wheels.

EMIEW 2 robot also features a gyroscope to maintain its balance, lithium ion batteries for an hour worth of power before recharging and a laser radar to map out its surroundings.

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Italian police: DNA confirms suspect had sex with victim on night of slaying

ROME (AP) — An investigator said Thursday that DNA tests show that the latest suspect in the slaying of a British university student in Perugia had sex with the victim the night she was stabbed to death.

The suspect, Ivory Coast national Rudy Hermann Guede, was arrested in Germany on Tuesday. He has denied involvement in the slaying.

His attorney, Valter Biscotti, said he has not yet spoken with his client and could not comment on the DNA development.

Genetic samples taken from Guede's possessions matched fluids taken from the body of Meredith Kercher during an autopsy, the Italian news agency ANSA reported.

Authorities began tracking Guede after a bloody fingerprint indicated there was another suspect in the killing.

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A man uses a boat to cross a flooded area in Villahermosa, eastern Mexico, Nov. 8. The government knew the Gulf coast of Mexico was a disaster waiting to happen, critics say, but officials did little to stop it.

Mexican authorities knew flooding was threat in Tabasco

Hundreds of people are still unaccounted for three weeks later

By Antonia Villegas and E. Eduardo Castillo Associated Press writers

VILLAHERMOSA, Mexico — The government knew Mexico's Gulf coast was a disaster in waiting long before three rivers surged out of their banks, flooding nearly every inch of the low-lying state of Tabasco and leaving more than 1 million homes under water.

But officials admit they never finished a \$190 million levee project that was supposed to have been done by 2006 and would have held back much of the rising waters that flooded Tabasco at the end of October.

The tragedy was reminiscent of the Hurricane Katrina disaster in 2005, when levees failed and swamped much of New Orleans, forcing people to flee by wading through dirty waters. In Tabasco, days of relentless rain — not a hurricane — were to blame.

Tabasco Gov. Andres Granier said 280 people are still unaccounted for three weeks later, although he thinks many of the missing are likely just separated from family members and living in shelters. The flooding killed at least 33 people in Tabasco and Chiapas.

With water receding this week, people are returning to clean out their homes as "questions pile up over what went wrong."

Nidia Gomez, the 24-year-old wife of a car mechanic in a slum on the outskirts of Villahermosa, said the government didn't do enough to protect low-lying neighborhoods.

"Maybe if they had built more defenses it would have been all right. But they only care about the rich people of Tabasco, not the poor," Gomez said, standing with her three children outside her

flooded shack. Both the state and federal government acknowledge Tabasco wasn't prepared for unusually heavy rains that hit in October. Even though a flood-control plan had been drawn up after flooding in 1999 left tens of thousands homeless and caused \$375 million in damage.

In 2003, officials announced the Integral Project Against Flooding, which called for building 110 miles of levees and 120 miles of drainage canals along the Grilajala, Carrizal and Samaria rivers.

But state officials admit they never finished the levee project, 72 percent of which was funded by the federal government.

It's not known what happened to the money earmarked for the project. State officials say the federal government didn't deliver all the money. Congress members responsible for allocating the funds left office last year and it isn't clear who was responsible for overseeing that part of the budget.

Gilberto Segovia, the Tabasco spokesman for the National Water Commission, said about 70 percent of the levees and drainage canals were built. Although the original plan called for all to be completed by 2006, former Gov. Manuel Andrade, who left office last Dec. 31 and was largely responsible for carrying out the levee project, had extended the deadline to 2012.

Fingers also are being pointed at the Federal Electricity Commission.

Critics say it waited too long to let begin letting water out of a dam upstream, forcing workers to release a huge amount in a short time when the reservoir level surged. The agency also gave little warning to people downstream.

Pakistani opposition leader plans new return from exile, setting confrontation with Musharraf

By Stephen Graham Associated Press writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Opposition leader Nawaz Sharif will make another attempt to return from exile, his party said Thursday, setting up a new confrontation with President Gen. Pervez Musharraf before Pakistan's critical presidential elections.

With Saudi leaders appearing to back Sharif's desire to leave Saudi Arabia, Musharraf appeared to have few options for fending off the return of a former prime minister who would also challenge pro-Western

Benazir Bhutto to his bid to return to power as premier.

Sharif's plan was announced hours after the Supreme Court, with judges appointed by Musharraf, swept away the last legal obstacles to his new five-year term as president. The Election Commission was freed to certify Musharraf's re-election by legislators last month.

The U.S.-allied leader was expected to give up his dual, and powerful, post as army chief within days in hopes of cooling domestic and foreign criticism over his suspension of the constitution and assumption of emer-

gency powers three weeks ago.

But discontent has intensified this year over Musharraf's rule, which began with a coup that ousted Sharif as prime minister in 1999. A return by Sharif, a vehement critic of the general and leader of one of the two main opposition parties, would be sure to bolster the anti-government campaign. Presidential spokesman Rashid Qureshi declined to

say what Musharraf would do if Sharif tried to enter Pakistan. Sharif was swiftly deported to Saudi Arabia when he tried to return in September.

That expulsion was supported by Saudi Arabia's government, but Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain, president of Musharraf's ruling Pakistan Muslim League-Q party, said Sharif now had "some deal" with Saudi authorities.

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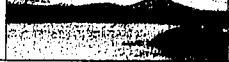
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Rimfire accuracy: It's easy with a CZ

I love my big game centerfire rifles... but if the truth be told, I seldom use them. When my body was younger, eyes sharper, reflexes quicker, and testosterone levels considerably higher, I chased after every new magnum cartridge that hit the market. If it held more powder, pushed a bigger bullet faster, kicked more, and deafened my ears with more muzzle blast, that was the gun for me.

SHOOTING THE BULL
Rich Simpson

A succession of rifles from the .264 Winchester to the .340 Weatherby pummeled my fleshy form. But no longer; more often than not, it's a .22 rifle that gets slipped into the gun case when I head out to the gravel pit or shooting range.

For economical plinking, pre-season shooting practice, training of new shooters, small game hunting and downright fun, nothing beats the .22 LR round. I must not be alone in this conviction, for Americans send approximately 4 million rifle rounds downrange each year. Odds are: the first rifle you ever pulled to the shoulder was a .22 of some persuasion.

My first rifle was a Marlin-bull, Sears-stamped single shot. A suitable length of boot lace fastened to a couple of rusty eye bolt screws kept the ill-fitted hardwood stock flat against my back as I ran or bicycled to my favorite shooting grounds each day after school. Only the Good Lord knows how many chipmunks, squirrels, groundhogs, snowshoe rabbits, starlings and crows that little rifle perforated over the years, but the number must be considerable.

As my finances improved, so did the general quality of my .22 caliber rifles. I toyed with a smattering of Remington, Winchester, and Marlin bolt actions and semi-autos before encountering the true object of my rifle affections: the Ruger 10/22. Introduced by the Connecticut gunmaker in 1964, the 10/22 has literally cornered the semi-automatic rifle market, even spawning an entire industry of aftermarket accessories designed to enhance the performance and appearance of the basic weapon.

But affection is a fickle mistress and I have found
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RISING FROM THE ASHES



Big Burn recovery a painful yet interesting process

Photos and Story by Mike Colthorn • Times-News correspondent

While the landscape appears static, major changes are not perceptible. We would be able to gauge that from our location, for example, or note the noticeable thinning of Balanced Rocks narrow base that occasionally will topple that landmark.

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and the movement of tectonic plates is in progress.

Had we the capacity to time travel back ten thousand years, it might be a shock for most of us to find southern Idaho in much better place.

Other signs of nature, such as the Donald Earthquake, produced measurable results almost instantaneously by increasing the elevation between valley floor and mountain peaks by several feet.

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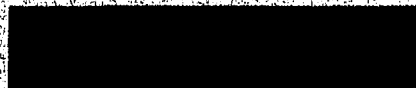
PICK OF THE WEEK: THREE ISLAND CROSSING

By David Bashore
Times-News Staff

GLENN'S FERRY — Located just outside of the sleepy town of Glenn's Ferry rests perhaps the single most treacherous point on the entire Oregon Trail: Three Island Crossing. During the mid-1800s, those fabled covered wagons were faced with a choice: either running into modern-day Glenn's Ferry, Ford the mighty Snake River using three islands to ease the passage, or take a hazardous detour to get to the other side of Oregon Trail.

It was dangerous, and many wagons and stock were lost, but those who made it across were given an easier passage to their destination—even if the Blue Mountains and The Dalles still awaited.

Those interested in this particular portion of Idaho history can access Three Island Crossing through its namesake, Three Island Crossing State Park. Take Interstate 84 westbound to Glenn's Ferry, leaving the freeway at Exit 121, continue into and through town. There are a pair of historical signs which are of note: one detailing



the history of Glenn's Ferry and the other, noting the importance of Three Island Crossing. After making mental, or physical, notes continue on Madison for 1.1/2 miles and the sprawling park lies on the left. The park (and a bridge like a city park) lie that there are, for the sake of expediency, as well as flat grass fields for

children to play on, but there are some more hidden gems in the area as well. Cabins on the river's edge and a public access road just past the park entrance on Madison, which also leads directly to the river's edge and a Three Island Crossing access point where sportsmen may be able to ply their hobbies.

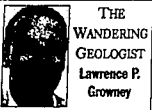
The Interpretive Center and Oregon Trail Educational Center provide park-goers of all ages with a history lesson, and the scenery in which both monuments rest is picturesque to say the least.

Even during this late time of the year, the grass is green and there are opportunities for wildlife viewing, especially just off the park's boundaries. Also, because of the chilly temperatures, mist rises in thick plumes from the Snake, leaving one to imagine what it must have been like for emigrants to try and cross the river at this time of year.

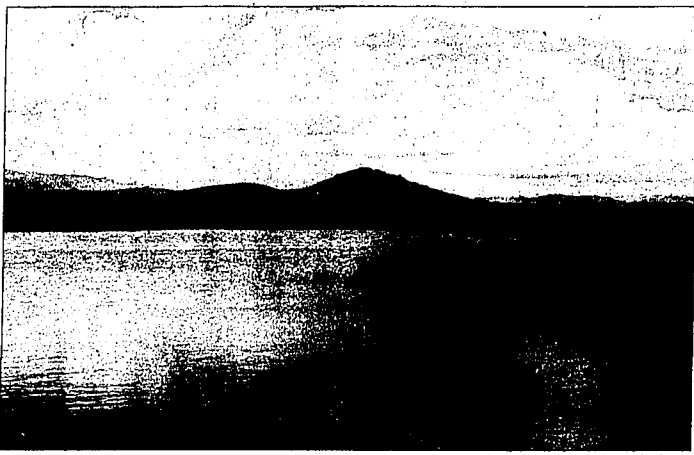
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Aquifers and the ephemeral desert lakes they create

With all the concern about recharging the Snake River Plain Aquifer, one of the most sensitive aspects of this issue is the question of where to focus any recharge effort. The State can spend millions poking holes in the Plain, building retention structures, and pipelines, all in the name of recharge efficiency. But will this turn out to be throwing away money, in the name of engineering solutions? How about focusing the effort where nature has been providing this service for millennia? This brings to mind two general areas, floodplains and ephemeral desert lakes. Today's article focuses on these desert lakes.



THE WANDERING GEOLOGIST
Lawrence P. Grouney



One of a number of natural lakes created by the Richfield Canal in the Spring of 2006. Wedge Butte is in the background.

Anyone who has driven Highway 75 from Shoshone to Timmerman Hill has undoubtedly noticed that in years with more snow quite a bit of water sits on the basal surface for a number of days, and in some cases, months. But this is just a fraction of the amount that runs across the surface to the channel of the Big Wood River. Unfortunately, any water running across the surface isn't providing recharge it's simply flowing away. Of the water that works its way into the basal, eventually, much of it recharges the aquifer.

Multiply the locations along Highway 75 by all the similar locations across the

central and eastern Snake River Plain, and you suddenly have a huge area of recharge. Add to these locations the numerous man-made reservoirs, located in natural drainages, that allow a greater amount of water to move downward to the aquifer rather than flowing to the Pacific, and the recharge potential of ephemeral desert lakes and reservoirs becomes clear.

As an example of man's ability to influence recharge, consider that due to the abundance of snow during the winter of 2006, a number of the natural drainages

on the northside of the Richfield Canal became large natural reservoirs, which persisted through the summer, in some cases. Not only were these natural areas providing recharge to the aquifer, but they attracted ducks, and other waterfowl. They provided long-term moisture for the grasses and plants that attracted deer, antelope, and the other wild creatures associated with the desert ecosystem.

But why do these lakes persist in some places and not others? It has to do with the size of the sediment par-

articles and the ability of water to move through them. The clay-sized sediment formed from the decomposition of basalt has a tendency to swell when wet.

When this happens, the swollen particles of clay basically seal off the pathways that allow the water to move between them. The water is still able to move through the soil, but at a very reduced rate.

There are undoubtedly many other natural retention areas that hold runoff water for much shorter periods of time due to the larger

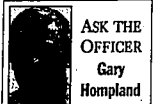
grain size of the soil present at these sites.

The use of natural low spots on the landscape should be included in the list of logical targets for any artificial recharge effort. By constructing a low, non-obtrusive earthen berm, a natural recharge area can be developed for next to nothing relative to most other options. In addressing the problem of aquifer recharge, let's work with nature where nature works.

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Youth duck hunt went well, in retrospect

Question: "I know the Fish and Game Department has received some bad press in the letters to the editor about not having a youth duck hunt at the Hagerman WMA. Now that it's over how did it go?"



Answer: For the twenty four kids selected, think it was the hunting opportunity of a lifetime!

For some, this was their very first hunting opportunity.

Some of these kids had never even accompanied an adult on a hunting trip much less handled a shotgun on their own.

They all received valuable lessons about "How to do it safely and how to do it right!" They spent valuable time in the blinds with mentors who donated their time, money and equipment to ensure the kids had a positive hunting experience. Several of the kids also called duck calls and received lessons from their mentors. Well trained retrievers were used to recover birds and develop an appreciation for a good hunting dog as conservation tool.

In addition they received valuable education about the conservation ethic and habitat needs of wildlife. For the kids that harvested ducks, they also learned duck identification and waterfowl biology.

It's difficult to measure a person's level of satisfaction. For most, the hunting experience far exceeds the rewards of a bag limit of birds. Fewer than 40 ducks total were harvested.

I want to personally thank the 12 mentors who donated their time, money and equipment to help get a kid "hooked on hunting." Several of the mentors purchased duck calls, ammunition and shared their equipment with the kids. They definitely went over and above what was expected.

We learned several things with years hunt. Hopefully we can incorporate some improvements to make it better in the future.

If you have any further questions you may call the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at (208)324-4350 or e-mail us at the Fish and Game web site at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

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OUTDOORS BRIEFS

Twin Falls Gun Club hosting Turkey Shoots

The Twin Falls Gun Club will be hosting various organizations' Turkey Shoots on Sundays through the end of November.

The club will host the KMYT Toys for Tots on Sunday.

Guarantee Cards and shells will be available, and the kitchen will be open. Shooting times are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

More information contact Dana Ford at 420-4070.

CSI to host ski film

"Lost and Found," the 12th annual ski and snowboard film by Teton Gravity Research, Inc., will be hosted by the College of Southern Idaho's Outdoor Program at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8 in the Rick Allen Community Room at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science.

The Herrett Center showing is one of 120 worldwide stops for the film, which features world-class skiers and snowboarders. Filmed almost entirely in North America, Lost and Found takes extreme snow enthusiasts skiing at several British Columbia locations, mountains in Wyoming, Utah, and Montana, and Austria and Switzerland. Those who attend will be able to enter the TGI sweepstakes. Prizes include a helicopter-ski trip for two to Alaska, a winter vacation for two at Jackson Hole, an Aspen X-games vacation package, and a TGR gear package that includes skis, jackets, and other gear.

Admission to the film will be \$8 per person. CSI Outdoor Program coordinator Stacy Ward says the first 60 people through the door at the Herrett Center the evening of Dec. 8 will receive ski passes to Soldier Mountain. There will also be a raffle for Selder Mountain season passes and other prizes. Tickets are \$1 each.

F&G offers workshops on teaching

For the Times-News

JEROME — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game released its pair of Project WILD workshop dates for the winter season. Those participating in the programs can learn more about trout and how to raise them in the classroom, and about how mule deer survive in Idaho's rugged environment.

WILD about Trout in the Classroom is scheduled for Jan. 11 and 12, 2008, and WILD about Mule Deer is being offered Feb. 22 and 23. Both workshops will be held at the Idaho

Department of Fish and Game Regional office in Jerome. The classes will run from 4 to 9 p.m. on Friday with the Saturday session going from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Project WILD is a wildlife-oriented, multi-disciplinary set of activities developed for educators, youth leaders or anyone working with the youth. The activities develop awareness, knowledge, and skills concerning the relationships between humans, wildlife and the natural world. Wildlife concepts are related to social studies, mathematics, language arts and other subjects and do not take time

away from established curricula.

Each workshop actively involves participants in the learning activities and demonstrates techniques for integrating the supplementary materials into classrooms and informal learning settings. Cost for the 15-hour workshop is \$20, and participants may opt to receive one hour of graduate or undergraduate credit for an additional fee of \$50.

Young people are fascinated by the study of wildlife, opening windows of learning into all subject areas. Project WILD is used

in 50 states and seven countries, and is based on the premise that young people and their teachers have a vital interest in learning about the earth as home for people and wildlife.

More than 70 percent of Idaho teachers currently incorporate Project WILD activities into their curriculum. To register, contact Kelson Hatch, Magic Valley Regional Conservation Educator at khatch@idfg.idaho.gov or (208) 324-4359, or download a registration form at http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/cms/education/project_wild/.

Colorado hopes bears hibernate soon to end encounters with humans

By Robert Waller Associated Press writer

DENVER — A berry-killing drought and late spring freeze pushed hungry Colorado bears into more confrontations with humans this year, and wildlife managers say a record 59 bears have been killed by wildlife officials as a result.

Officials say the toll could go higher. With temperatures as much as 10 degrees above average this fall, some bears are still hanging around towns in search of food instead of getting comfortable inside their winter dens.

That could lead to more confrontations and more cases of bears being put down.

The previous record number of nuisance bears killed in Colorado was 55 in 2002. Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah and other Western states are also experiencing more conflicts, with weather a factor in many cases. A bear killed an 11-year-old boy by a Utah camp-

ground in June.

One factor behind increased bear-human conflicts in the West is population growth, with more people moving into bear habitat. In Colorado, it's common to see television news footage of bears climbing into backyard trees.

Shortages of bears' natural food make things worse. Without enough to eat, bears often scavenge in garbage containers and sometimes even enter houses in search of food.

Wildlife managers have been working with communities to avoid creating attractions for bears, especially open trash cans.

Colorado wildlife managers, like ski areas, farmers and water suppliers, are hoping the snow and cold will come soon and be hard enough to send nuisance bears into hibernation.

"If we get a good blast of snow here, it would put an end to it for this year," said Tyler Backfield, spokesman for the Division of Wildlife. Most bears have already

started hibernation. But less snow during winter also is causing bears to delay hibernation, increasing bear-human conflicts, said Tom Palmer of the Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks.

"With the drought and these dry waters, they're still out foraging," Palmer said. "If there's food around they're not going to den."

More dry weather could mean more bear problems next year.

"If we have another rough spring, where berries and other foods are not available because of late freezes, we could have another bad year," Backfield said.

There has been some discussion in within the agency about culling the "low alphas of bears," as a group is known, Backfield said, but that discussion takes place every year.

In January, wildlife managers from around the state will meet to look at areas where the most confrontations occurred and review whether specific measures

are needed in those areas. The Colorado Wildlife Commission will decide in March what to do, and increasing the quota of fall hunting licenses for bears is one possibility.

"It's upsetting news," said Holly Turry state director of the Humane Society. "Blaug bear populations manage themselves based on the resources that are available to them. Keeping them out of human areas is a human responsibility. We're very disappointed that thinning would be an option," she told the Aspen Times.

Turry said educating people living in bear habitat about securing their garbage and stepped-up enforcement of laws requiring bear-proof trash bins could reduce the problem. In Montana, wildlife officials said conflicts between bears, including grizzlies, and humans are increasing in fast-developing mountain communities such as the Flathead River Valley around Kalispell and West Yellowstone.

Park Service to limit snowmobiles to 540 per day in Yellowstone

By Ben Neary
Associated Press writer

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — The National Park Service will limit snowmobile travel in Yellowstone National Park to 540 guided trips a day under management decision issued Tuesday.

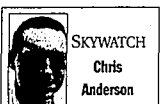
Director Mike Snyder, follows preliminary numbers the agency proposed on snowmobile travel. It also specifies the agency will allow Yellowstone Park in Yellowstone to remain open for snowmobiles.

That decision marked a reversal for the Park Service, which had proposed closing the pass because of avalanche danger.

The state of Wyoming and many area residents had protested the proposal. They said keeping the pass open was critical to recreation and the area economy. Yellowstone will use helicopters and cannons to control avalanches on the pass this winter, agency officials said.

Some asteroids come uncomfortably close to Earth

Most of the nearly 400,000 known asteroids orbit between Mars and Jupiter, in a collection known as the Main Belt. But some come a lot closer to Earth. The next at all for many rocky bodies in our neighborhood is "Near Earth Asteroid" or NEA. NEAs are further categorized according to the size of their orbits. The Amors, whose namesake was discovered in 1932, pass just outside Earth's orbit when closest to the Sun, and can cross Mars' orbit at their furthest points. The most famous of the 2125 known Amors is Eros, thanks to the NEAR-Shoemaker probe which orbited and ultimately landed on it in 2001.



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Thursday

Planets:
One hour before sunrise: Venus, Saturn, S. high
Mars; W, mid high
One hour after sunrise: No planets visible
Moon: Full moon tomorrow, 7:30 a.m. W, sets to Mars Monday night.

gained notoriety in 2004 when it briefly appeared to pose an impact threat in 2029. More accurate observations removed the threat, although there's still a tiny chance of impact in 2036. The 2433 known Apollos cross Earth's orbit, like the Amors, but spend most of their time outside it. Like

the Amors. If you find the thought of nearly 400 objects circling inside and outside Earth's orbit unsettling, remember that most of them are in tilted orbits, so even when they're the same distance from the Sun as Earth they're well above or below our orbital plane, and thus are no cause for concern. Still, among the Apollos and Amors are the Potentially Hazardous Asteroids (PHAs), currently numbering nearly 900. While none pose an imminent threat they bear a watchful eye. And with thousands of previously-unknown asteroids discovered each month, it's a sure bet that more PHAs will be among them.

Next week: Sound in space.
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Aspen trees blackened by the Murphy Complex fire will give way to new sprouts.

Burn

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This past summer, another event, the Murphy Complex fire, immediately changed much of the desert's face into something almost unrecognizable. Flames incinerated what seemed like secure, stable vegetation—its new form sent either skyward or dropped to the ground as nothing but black fluff. The remaining scene was astonishingly naked.

Those who spend time on this land mourn the drastic transformation. Few of our species actually inhabit that ground, so the stakes aren't necessarily in terms of life and death. Not so, however, for many of the animals who live there.

The short-term effect on much wildlife was instant—a few simply perished, unable to outrun or fly beyond a blaze that in only a couple days dashed thirty miles, with most of that covered in just a handful of hours. Survivors were suddenly without a home.

A week after the fire, I saw a few antelope hanging around small islands of unburned habitat, unwilling to let go of familiar territory. Several

weeks later, they had vanished, forced to find a home elsewhere. Sage grouse were nowhere to be seen, and what happens next is anyone's guess. Will the birds bother returning next spring to any of the seventy-five torched lek sites? If they do, can they perform their mating ritual amidst an open, unprotected landscape? And if successful, will there even be enough cover and food to raise chicks?

An October excursion to higher elevations near the Nevada border, where the eastern portion of the fire started, gave me cause for a little more optimism. Curious to see if some favorite deer hunting country resembled what it once was, I spent some time on foot appraising its canyons and hillsides.

The country there was altered, but not unrecognizable. Some pieces of the landscape had gone untouched, other parts, though burned, held skeletal remains of trees and shrubs.

A closer look at these aspen, buckbrush, and other woody plants offered proof of rebirth. While I knew many of

these species were sprouters, often thriving after fire. It was exciting to actually see vibrant green leaves emerging from the blackened stumps and ground.

Also satisfying were fresh tracks left by unseen deer in the muddy ash and melting snow. Later along the edge of an aspen grove, burned along the perimeter but still golden in the center, I met up with a doe and two fawns. While the twins looked healthy, their mother appeared to have paid a price raising them in a newly marginal environment.

Locked in a stare down at fifty yards, it wasn't hard to count the ribs under her thin hide. While the country needs a good, hard winter to help alleviate drought, that scenario wouldn't help her out any. Still, I wished her good luck.

With the drastic alteration this summer and a transformation that will extend over decades, the landscape's vegetation and wildlife will have its winners and losers. Bearing witness to the change, while not always pleasant, will certainly be interesting.

Grizzly, cubs roam Grand Teton hunting area, prompting worries

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — A female grizzly bear and her cubs have been feeding on gut piles left by hunters in Grand Teton National Park, prompting calls for a hunting suspension where the animals have been seen.

But park officials said they wouldn't close the area unless the bear charges someone.

"She's been doing this same kind of behavior all over the park, near hunters," park spokeswoman Jackie Skaggs said. "She hasn't done anything that was of great concern."

The bear and its cubs were popular with tourists in the Mornan area last summer, and the bear did charge and injure a pedestrian. But Skaggs said the bear was being defensive.

Other parking areas nearby where elk hunters leave for the field. Successful hunters typically leave bones, skin and internal organs in the woods, carrying out only the meat they want.

Those leavings have attracted the grizzly and her cubs.

One hunter, Lewis Stahl of Sheridan, said news of the bear kept him out of the woods.

"Some hunters came by. They said the grizzly and her cubs were on that gut pile. She came down across the sagebrush and in the timber. I was ready to go in there but I changed my mind," Stahl said.

"I have my pepper spray, but I don't want to use it. She can have those gut piles."

But one local photographer, Tim Mayo, said he's concerned that other hunters might not be so cautious and might surprise

the bear. Mayo wrote park Superintendent Mary Gibson Scott and asked her to close the river bottom area where the bear was feeding.

"The mixture of four grizzly bears, dead elk, elk gut piles and hunters smelling of bloody elk concentrated in a relatively small area is a recipe of disaster," he wrote.

"I ask that you immediately close the river bottom area to hunting to protect the magnificent grizzly bears and park hunters; anything less than closing the area could result in a disaster and would be irresponsible."

Skaggs said hunters are required to carry bear pepper spray in Grand Teton and should be aware that they could encounter a grizzly bear.

It is no different than other hunters encountering a bear anywhere else," Skaggs said.

CZ

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a new love in my middle age. My latest darling is the CZ 452 bolt action rifle. This high quality import is manufactured in the Czech Republic by the legendary industrial giant Ceska Zbrojovka (that's alright, I can't pronounce it either). Here is a rimfire rifle that melds old-world craftsmanship and care with the most modern materials and manufacturing processes.

The 452's action is machined from solid steel billets, not the commonly-used steel tubing, alloy castings, or plastics. The hammer forged barrels—depending upon the model—vary in length from an abbreviated 16 inches in the compact youth model to a full 29 inches in the unique European Lux (deluxe) model, and are available in sporter contours or heavy varmint configurations. The robust bolt is considered to be a miniature Mauser adaptation. The thumb-operated safety lever sits

atop the bolt shroud and pivots laterally to positively lock the firing pin block—a great safety system! An easily adjustable trigger, excellent adjustable tangent rest and target front sights adorn the iron-sighted rifles.

Stocks of straight-grained European walnut of beechwood will appeal to old world purists.

A line of 452's specifically tailored for the U.S. market and apply coined the American line sport named baroque and in addition to having their receivers drilled and tapped for mounting 30mm or 1" scope features dovetail grooves for tip off mounts. Five and ten round baroque or steel magazines, as well as a single shot adapter feed bullets straight into the chamber for enhanced reliability. All models have quality walnut stocks carved into the traditional comb style preferred by shooters on this side of the "Big Pond."

Its pure accuracy, however, that sets CZ's apart from the pack. These are the BMW's of the rimfire world available at Ford Escort prices. Precise chambering and quality fitting makes it entirely possible to crowd five .22 bullet holes inside an inch at 100 yards. That's phenomenal accuracy...and I've done it.

If you find yourself at a point in your life where quality means more than quantity and you truly appreciate the feel and performance of a fine firearm, CZ might just have a gun for you. These firearms are fully the equal of top end rifles, the likes of the Kimber, Cooper, or Anschütz at a fraction of the cost. They might be the best bang for your buck on the market today.

Curious? Why not check them out today at <http://www.cz-usa.com>, or better yet stop into your local gun shop and pull one into your shoulder. Let me know what you think. Good shooting!

Black mule deer spotted in Winnemucca

For The Times-News

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. — We have our fair share of wildlife legends here in the West. Bigfoot has been spotted all over the Pacific Northwest and Thoo Tessa is seen from time to time patrolling the waters up at Lake Tahoe.

So when locals in Winnemucca began reporting sightings of a solid black mule deer, some people may have started to get their nicknames ready for the next big legend of Nevada.

Mike Cox, big game biologist at the Nevada Department of Wildlife, has the own name for the beast. "It's called a genetic aberration. It's not quite as likely as Thoo Tessa, but it does explain things."

"It looks like it fell into an old, well-observed hole. It doesn't have those in the middle of

Nevada," jokes Cox. "There are genes that carry out the characteristics of an animal in its embryonic stage. Sometimes it's a funky hoof, or a tweaked antler, or in this case the hairs of this mule deer are a different color than the normal mule. Sometimes there are recessive traits that are hidden in those genes that never see the light of day except for maybe one in a million, or one in two million."

NDOW biologist Ed Partee states that black mule deer have been spotted before in Nevada.

"We have seen these black deer in the past in Humboldt County, mainly in the Jacksoms, but we haven't seen it for quite some time," said Partee.

Cox reports that black mule deer are probably the result of an ordinary with the black mule deer doe other than its

striking color.

"It's definitely unusual. We may never see it again for a generation, or 50 years, or we may see it next year," said Cox.

"It's almost like slot machines. You have to pull that slot machine a long, long time until you get the right combination, and that's what happened with this melanistic mutation."

The Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) protects, restores and manages fish and wildlife, promotes fishing, hunting, and boating safety.

NDOW's wildlife and habitat conservation efforts are primarily funded by sportsmen's license and conservation fees and a federal surcharge on hunting and fishing gear.

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Answer: Julie, there are agencies that claim to be able to save homes in foreclosure "for a hefty fee. If the agency is unable to negotiate a "work out" with the lender, they typically advise debtors to file a pro se bankruptcy, and some will provide guidance and instruction on how to file. Many of these agencies are operating like a fine line of fire. Bankruptcy has become extraordinarily complex and cannot be accomplished by merely filling out forms. Any bankruptcy lawyer will tell you that it is virtually impossible for a layperson to successfully file a Chapter 13 case, obtain plan confirmation and avoid discharge without the benefit of lawyer assistance because the applicable statute and court rules are too numerous to compile for even a very intelligent layperson to understand and apply. You need to retain experienced bankruptcy counsel immediately, but be prepared for relatively high fees because lawyers recognize that taking over a pro se case already in jeopardy is more difficult and time consuming than accepting a case from scratch.

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Goats, Alpine
Milkers 3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First: Gena Herzinger

Milkers 4 Years and Under 5 Years
 First: Gena Herzinger

Milkers 5 Years and Under 7 Years
 First: Mark V. Baden; Second: Mark V. Baden

Senior Champion
 First: Mark V. Baden

Reserve Senior Champion
 First: Gena Herzinger

Champion Challenge
 First: Gena Herzinger; Second: Gena Herzinger

Best Udder
 First: Gena Herzinger; Second: Mark V. Baden; Third: Gena Herzinger

Goats, Lamancha
Junior Kid
 First, Second and Third: Jodi Groneman

Intermediate Kid
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Senior Kid
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Dry Yearling
 First: Jodi Groneman

Junior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Reserve Junior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Junior Get of Sire
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Milkers Under 2 Years
 First: Jodi Groneman

Milkers 2 Years and Under 3 Years
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Milkers 3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Milkers 4 Years and Under 5 Years
 First: Jodi Groneman

Milkers 5 Years and Under 7 Years
 First: Jodi Groneman

Senior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Reserve Senior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Champion Challenge
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Best Udder
 First, Second and Third: Jodi Groneman

Senior Get of Sire
 First: Jodi Groneman

Produce of Dam
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Dam and Daughter
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Three Generations
 First: Jodi Groneman

Brooder's Trio
 First: Jodi Groneman

Dairy Hard
 First: Jodi Groneman

Goats, Nubian
Junior Kid
 First: Susie Pratt; Second and Third: Jodi Groneman

Intermediate Kid
 First and Third: Susie Pratt; Second: Jodi Groneman

Senior Kid
 First: Susie Pratt; Second and Third: Jodi Groneman

Junior Champion
 First: Susie Pratt

Reserve Junior Champion
 First: Susie Pratt

Junior Get of Sire
 First: Susie Pratt; Second: Jodi Groneman

Milkers Under 2 Years
 First and Second: Susie Pratt;

Third: Jodi Groneman
Milkers 2 Years and Under 3 Years

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Milkers 3 Years and Under 4 Years

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First: Jodi Groneman
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Senior Champion

First: Susie Pratt
Reserve Senior Champion

First: Susie Pratt
Champion Challenge

First and Second: Susie Pratt
Best Udder

First and Second: Susie Pratt; Third: Jodi Groneman

Senior Get of Sire
 First: Susie Pratt

Produce of Dam
 First and Second: Susie Pratt; Third: Jodi Groneman

Three Generations
 First: Susie Pratt

Brooder's Trio
 First: Susie Pratt; Second: Jodi Groneman

Dairy Hard
 First: Susie Pratt

Goats, Oberhasli
Baby Kid
 First: Jodi Groneman

Intermediate Kid
 First: Jodi Groneman

Junior Get of Sire
 First: Jodi Groneman

Milkers Under 2 Years
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Senior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Reserve Senior Champion
 First: Jodi Groneman

Champion Challenge
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Best Udder
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Produce of Dam
 First: Jodi Groneman

Dam and Daughter
 First and Second: Jodi Groneman

Three Generations
 First: Jodi Groneman

Brooder's Trio
 First: Jodi Groneman

Dairy Hard
 First: Jodi Groneman

Goats, Saanen
Dry Yearling
 First and Second: George Pindell

Junior Champion
 First: George Pindell

Reserve Junior Champion
 First: George Pindell

Milkers Under 2 Years
 First and Third: George Pindell; Second: Paul and Karla Timmons

Milkers 2 Years and Under 3 Years
 First and Second: George Pindell; Third: Paul and Karla Timmons

Goats - Saanen - Milkers 3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First: George Pindell

Senior Champion
 First: George Pindell

Best Udder
 First and Second: George Pindell; Third: Paul and Karla Timmons

Senior Get of Sire
 First: George Pindell

Produce of Dam
 First and Second: George Pindell

Dam and Daughter
 First: George Pindell

Brooder's Trio
 First: George Pindell

Dairy Hard
 First: George Pindell

Goats, Toggenburg
Dry Yearling
 First and Second: George Pindell

Junior Champion
 First: George Pindell

Reserve Junior Champion
 First: George Pindell

Milkers Under 2 Years
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Milkers 3 Years and Under 4 Years
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Milkers 4 Years and Under 5 Years
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Milkers 5 Years and Under 7 Years
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Dam and Daughter
 First and Second: George Pindell

Brooder's Trio
 First: George Pindell

Dairy Hard
 First: George Pindell

Goats, Recorded Grade
Milkers 2 Years and Under 3 Years
 First and Second: Paul and Karla Timmons; Third: Gena Herzinger

Milkers 4 Years and Under 5 Years
 First: Paul and Karla Timmons

Senior Champion
 First: Gena Herzinger, Paul and Karla Timmons

Reserve Senior Champion
 First: Paul and Karla Timmons

Champion Challenge
 First: Paul and Karla Timmons

Best Udder
 First and Second: Paul and Karla Timmons

Dam and Daughter
 First: Paul and Karla Timmons

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Best Senior Doe in Show
 First: Gena Herzinger

Best Udder In Show
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Goats, Pygmy Goat
Baby Kids
 First: Shanna Breeding

Junior Kid
 First: Shanna Breeding; Second: Katelynn Hulse; Third: Cheryl Taggart

Dry Yearling
 First: Cheryl Taggart; Second: Susan F. Thompson

Junior Champion
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Reserve Junior Champion
 First: Stello McClure

2 Years and Under 3 Years
 First: Shella McClure; Second: Cheryl Taggart; Third: Susan F. Thompson

3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First: Drew Goodwin; Second: Susan F. Thompson; Third: Shella McClure

4 Years and Over
 First: Evelyn Simon; Second:

First and Third: Cheryl Taggart; Second: Shella McClure

8 Years and Over
 First and Second: Cheryl Taggart; Third: Samantha Breeding

Senior Champion
 First: Shella McClure

Reserve Senior Champion
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Grand Champion
 First: Shella McClure

Reserve Grand Champion
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Wethers 6 Months to 1 Year
 First, Second and Third: Cheryl Taggart

Wethers 1 Year to 3 Years
 First: Brittney Stirling; Second: Cricket Stirling; Third: Alycia Stirling

Wethers 3 Years and Over
 First: Drew Goodwin; Second: Megan Breeding; Third: Cheryl Taggart

Champion Wether
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Reserve Champion Wether
 First: Brittney Stirling

Goats, Percentage Does
Dry Yearling
 First and Second: Cheryl Taggart

Champion Junior Does
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Reserve Champion Jr. Does
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Senior Does 3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First: Brittney Taggart

Senior Does 4 Years and Over
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Champion Senior Does
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Reserve Champion Senior Does
 First: Cheryl Taggart

Goats, Full Blood Does
Baby Kid
 First, Second and Third: Judith Novak

Junior Kid
 First: Evelyn Simon; Second:

Last Stand Boers; Third: Randy and Nanc Craig

Intermediate Kid
 First and Third: Last Stand Boers; Second: Evelyn Simon

Dry Yearling
 First and Second: Last Stand Boers; Third: Paul and Karla Timmons

Champion Junior Does
 First: Evelyn Simon

Reserve Champion Junior Does
 First: Last Stand Boers

Junior Champion Challenge
 First: Evelyn Simon

Senior Does 1 Year and Under 2 Years
 First: Last Stand Boers; Second: Judith Novak

Senior Does 2 Years and Under 3 Years
 First and Second: Evelyn Simon; Third: Randy and Nanc Craig

Senior Does 3 Years and Under 4 Years
 First: Judith Novak; Second: Last Stand Boers; Third: Paul and Karla Timmons

Senior Does 4 Years and Over
 First: Evelyn Simon; Second and Third: Randy and Nanc Craig

Champion Senior Does
 First: Evelyn Simon

Reserve Champion Senior Does
 First: Evelyn Simon

Senior Champion Challenge
 First and Second: Evelyn Simon

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 First: Last Stand Boers; Second: Judith Novak; Third: Evelyn Simon

Dam and Daughter
 First: Judith Novak; Second: Evelyn Simon; Third: Randy and Nanc Craig

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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 eighty-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 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



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.

"Why wait to win the lottery," Syme said, "when selling on eBay is like winning the lotto every day."

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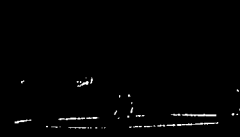
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2008 JEEP PATRIOT SUV

Classic Styling, Jeep Capabilities!

RoadWorthy
By Ken Chester, Jr.
Motor News Media Corporation

Continuing its expansion into uncharted territory, Jeep introduced the all-new Patriot SUV last year. Delivering fun, freedom, utility and best-in-class Jeep 4x4 capabilities, the Patriot became the entry-level vehicle for the Jeep brand. Slotted below the Jeep Compass in the nameplate's lineup, the compact SUV is considered a modern interpretation of traditional Jeep styling. The Patriot combines the packaging and interior flexibility of an SUV with the performance, handling, fuel economy and price of a compact car or pickup truck.

Upgrades and enhancements of note for 2008 include: standard air conditioning for all models; standard tire pressure warning lamp; additional powertrain refinements for improved drivability and reduced powertrain noise; and the optional continuously variable automatic transmission (CVT) is now equipped with AutoStick.

All-new Jeep technology gives Patriot more capability than any other vehicle in its class. Standard safety equipment includes side-curtain airbags, three-mode electronic stability program, brake traction control, brake assist, electronic roll mitigation and four-wheel anti-lock brakes with rough-road detection.

The compact Jeep SUV will be available in three drive configurations: front wheel drive; Freedom Drive I (a full-time, active four-wheel drive system with "lock" mode) and Freedom Drive II Off-Road



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Package (a full-time active 4x4 system that features a low-range mode with a 19:1 crawl ratio, brake traction control, hill descent control and 19-inch water folding capability).

Available in Sport and Limited trim levels, standard power for the Patriot is generated by a 2.4L four-cylinder engine with variable valve timing (VVT). A 2.0L four-cylinder engine is optional. Motion is communicated to the ground through the standard Magna DriveLine T355, five-

speed manual gearbox. The late Model CVT2/CVT2L continuously variable automatic transmissions are available options.

Underway, the Patriot equipped with the standard engine and automatic transmission is a peppy performer. Smooth, quiet and very maneuverable, the Jeep SUV is just the ticket for the demands of the daily dispatch—no matter what road conditions are encountered. Sharing its platform

architecture with the Dodge Caliber and Jeep Compass, the Patriot starts with a unitized steel body as the robust foundation for the control hardware. Suspension components start with a four-wheel independent setup that features MacPherson struts, coil springs over gas-charged shocks absorbers and a stabilizer bar in front; multi-link with coil springs, link-type stabilizer bar and gas-charged shock absorbers at the rear. Inside the cabin, fun, cool innovations abound. YES

Essentials stain resistant, odor resistant and anti-static seat fabric is standard. The center armrest slides forward three inches to accommodate shorter drivers and the cargo area is equipped with UltraFloor—a durable vinyl floor that is both removable and washable. The flexible 60/40 split rear seat increases the versatility of the cargo area and has an available recline feature. Additionally limited models add a front passenger seat that folds forward to create a table-like surface.

2008 Jeep Patriot SUV by the Numbers

PRICING

The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2008 Jeep Patriot SUV starts from \$15,475 for the Sport up to \$21,945 for the Limited 4WD. Destination charges add \$560.

WHEELBASE

103.7; overall length: 173.6; width: 69.1; height: 65.7. All vehicle measurements are in inches.

ENGINE

2.4L four-cylinder—172 hp at 6,000 rpm and 165 lbs-ft of torque at 4,400 rpm; 2.0L four-cylinder—158 hp at 6,400 rpm and 141 lbs-ft of torque at 5,000 rpm.

TRANSMISSION

five-speed manual, continuously variable automatic.

CARGO CAPACITY

54.2 cubic feet

TOWING CAPACITY

2,000 lbs.

SAFETY FEATURES

Dual front airbags, side curtain airbags, engine immobilizer, four-wheel anti-lock brakes, brake assist, electronic stability program, electronic roll mitigation, remote keyless entry and traction control. Limited adds fog lamps, speed-sensitive power door locks, alarm system, remote keyless entry and four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock.






Optional safety features include front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, tow hooks, navigation system, Uconnect Hands-free communications system, universal garage door opener, full-size spare tire and daytime running lights.

WARRANTY

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Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: October 16, 2007. First Sale date: October 16, 2007 (local time). February 15, 2008 at 10:00 AM Sale location: in the office of First American Title Company, 210 West Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Property address: 2785 Suncrest Circle Twin Falls, ID 83301. Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Service, Inc., Idaho Corporate Trustee, P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900. Deed of Trust Information Original grantor: Martin G. Lopez and Christina Lopez, husband and wife as Joint Tenants Original Trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Ada County (Deceased). This sale is made with representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (FS# 7023.14049) 1002.77960-FEI

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEES' SALE
Loan No. 8410003550
10:00 AM (revised) on 12/20/2007, at the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho...

PUBLISH: November 8, 16, 23 and 30, 2007

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 2007-4599
CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS
In the interest of:
HATASSA LEE, do/b. 01-01-82
A Child under the age of eighteen.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
A Petition, a copy of which is attached, has been filed in the above-named child's case within the Court's jurisdiction under the Child Protective Act.

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO appear personally for a Review Hearing at the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, on January 31st, 2008 at 9:30 AM.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT:
If you fail to appear without reasonable cause, the Court may proceed in your absence or you may be proceeded against for contempt of Court.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of said Magistrate Court this 8th day of November, 2007.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By Deputy Clerk

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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 2007-4757
CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS
In the interest of:
AVERY TORRES, do/b. 01-14-85
ADAM TORRES, do/b. 03-18-86
Children under the age of eighteen.

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Case No. CV 2007-4532
CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS
In the interest of:
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2:00 PM (revised) on 12/20/2007, at the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho...

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We know of no spectacle so ridiculous as the British public in one of its periodical fits of morality.
NORTH 8 9 7 2, 4 9 7 3, K 5, 8 3
WEST K 6 5, 10 7 3 2, K Q J 10 2
EAST 10 5, Q J 10 8 4 2, 9 9 4, 8 7 4
SOUTH K Q J 6 3, A Q J 6, A 9 6 5
Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: South
The bidding: South West North East 1 A 2 A 4 Pass 1 A All pass
Opening lead: Club king
BID WITH THE ACES 11-25-D
South holds: K Q J 6 3, A Q J 6, A 9 6 5
South West North East 1 A Pass 1 NT Pass
ANSWER: Since you do not have enough to force to game unless you find a fit, you should bid again (if you have the chance) either in no-trump or in diamonds. Rebidding two diamonds directly, then your clubs, also makes sense.

With the ace of trumps outstanding, declarer needs to rid dummy of its club loser before touching trumps, and therefore has to hope that the diamonds break in a kindly manner. On winning the lead with the club ace, the Abbot sets both diamonds and breathes a sigh of relief when three rounds stand up. Away goes dummy's club loser, and only now does declarer play the king of spades. West wins with the ace and returns the last outstanding diamond. The Abbot ruffs with dummy's nine, but East overruffs with the 10 to set the slam. It was unlucky that the hand with the singleton trump ace held four diamonds, but there was no reason for South to have taken that risk. When in dummy with the king of diamonds, all he needs to do to safeguard the slam was discard his fourth diamond on the heart ace. Now, should the last diamond be returned, South's high trumps can cope with East's 10.

If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbyw@idnet.com or call 733-0931.

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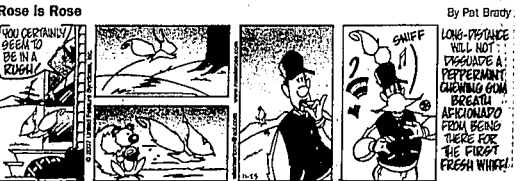
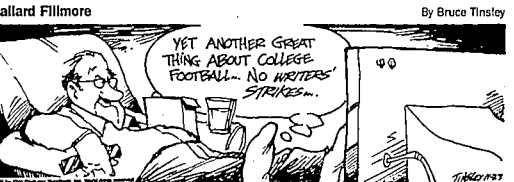
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Stick to your promises, Libra

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

IF NOV. 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You may be currently enthralled by the hopes of a new lover or new dream, but attaining these things could be like finding the oasis in the desert. What you are aiming for during the December: That's when your judgment is better and you can reap the most material rewards for anything you start.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The first step in reconciling differences is recognizing them. Identify any snags that could keep your plans from going through. This is not a good time to make major changes or decisions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): It's time to take a chance on the unknown. If you really want to double your money, try folding it over and putting it back in your pocket.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't get off on the wrong foot with the latest guy or gal in your life. You should make rational explanations and convince a special someone of your sincerity before things get out of hand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Comfort yourself with the thought that the person who never made a mistake probably did nothing at all. Your significant other might be grouchy or somewhat critical. Just because you are puzzled by someone's sudden coldness or change of heart does not mean you should bad-mouth that person to others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Certain houseguests may have overstayed their welcome. Smile and be gracious. You have a bigger heart, more money or a larger home and can well afford to be generous with others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your closest companions could be a trifle touchy. Be ready to roll with the punches if others seem unpredictable. If you have made a promise, don't back down now or make a significant change.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Success is never the final word. Everyone must keep on striving through the occasional dips and then climb up the peaks again. You may feel invincible, but it is time to tread cautiously.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Tact and diplomacy are much appreciated by others. A maverick may try to upset your plans, but you can ride hard on your fringes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Use fair standards to judge a situation in the event that unfair temptations come your way. You may feel unappreciated or temporarily need some solitude in which to recuperate.

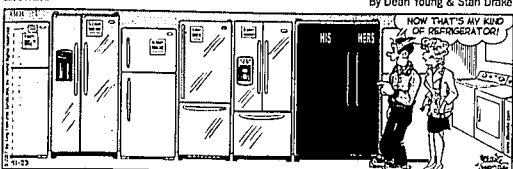
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are on the same wavelength as your favorite someone. Communications between you and a soul mate can transcend the spoken word.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Mind and emotions are working in tandem. You can quickly absorb new information and make necessary adjustments. A secret romantic message from a true blue love could be thrilling.

Beetle Bailey



Blondie



The Born Loser



Garfield



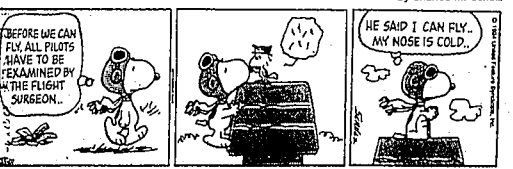
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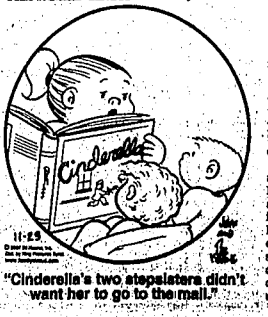
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Dennis the Menace



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



Dentist's magic words keep young patient wanting more

DEAR ABBY: I am a retired pediatric dentist who frequently treated children and other dentists couldn't manage or preferred not to.

One rule in my office was that no child would ever leave without being complimented, regardless of how he or she had behaved during the appointment — even if it meant saying, "You're the best splitter we've had all day!" Of course, we were absolutely sincere in our compliments.

One day a woman called to make an emergency appointment for her 5-year-old grandson, Pete. I learned that the little boy's 17-year-old mother had run away when he was an infant. His father (the grandparents' son) was in prison serving a 30-year-to-life sentence. That left this elderly couple to raise the child. My staff told her to bring him in immediately.

When they arrived, Pete was understandably nervous and fussy when my assistant brought him back into the operatory, but he soon quieted down. I gave him a hug and began treatment to relieve his infection and pain. When I finished, I complimented him and asked that his grandmother come in so I could explain what I had done. As we chatted, Pete was happily picking out a little toy from the drawer. I scheduled a follow-up appointment for one week later.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne
Phillips

The following week, 20 minutes before his appointment, the door burst open and little Pete came running in looking for an operatory chair to sit in. I escorted him back to reception and told him we'd call him in a few minutes.

The second appointment went equally well. He was smiling and happy. I spoke with his grandmother again as he once more chose a little gift.

Then she said: "I still can't believe it. Every morning this week Pete jumped out of bed and asked if this was the day he'd come back to see you! I'd have to tell him 'No, not for another five days, then four days, three, etc.' This morning he was so excited when I told him this was the day he was coming in." Then she continued, "Do you know why he was so eager to come back?"

"No," I replied, "please tell me."

"Because," she answered, "you told him he was a good boy!"

Abby here was a 5-year-old child who had never been told he was a good boy! I still

tear up when I think about it — (DR.) R.C. SMITHWICK, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (BY E-mail, SMITHWICK). Thank you for sharing the reminder about how important it is for children to receive positive reinforcement. (Adults need it, too!) If you lack something nice about someone, it takes so little effort to open your mouth and SAY it. I guarantee it'll make that person's day — whether the person is 5 or 55.

DEAR ABBY: I have a quick question about bike etiquette. Who has the right of way on a sidewalk/bike path when a walker and a cyclist are riding up behind me, dingy a bell and expecting me to jump out of their way. I would think the slower-moving walker has the right-of-way and cyclists should not ride on sidewalks. That said, the minute I heard a biker ring his bell, my sense of survival would warn me to move to the right of the path and let him pass. Failure to yield could cause great bodily harm.

IN OHIOVILLE, I don't know what the official rules of the road for bicyclists are in your community. However, in most places I have been, pedestrians are not supposed to walk in bike lanes — and cyclists should not ride on sidewalks. That said, the minute I heard a biker ring his bell, my sense of survival would warn me to move to the right of the path and let him pass. Failure to yield could cause great bodily harm.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Nov. 23, the 327th day of 2007. There are 38 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Nov. 23, 1765, Frederick County, Md., became the first county entity to repudiate the British Stamp Act.

On this date:

In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, N.H.

In 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."

In 1936, Life, the photojournalism magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces seized control of Tarawa and Makin atolls from the Japanese.

In 1955, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including

meat and butter, was set to expire by day's end.

In 1959, the musical "Floriote," with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, opened on Broadway.

In 1963, President Johnson proclaimed November 25th a day of national mourning following the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

In 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the U.N. Security Council.

In 1980, some 2,600 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.

In 1986, a hijacked Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 767 crashed into the waves off Comoros Islands, killing about two-thirds of the 175 people on board.

Ten years ago: Iowa septuagenarian Bobbi McCaughy left the hospital and returned home while her seven babies stayed behind in intensive care. A 1955 shellfish festival in Lebanonese guerrillas accident-

tally struck a village near the Israeli border, killing eight Lebanese and 100 Israelis.

Five years ago: President Bush visited Vietnam, Lithuania, and Bucharest, Romania, where he vowed to defend hard-won freedoms by the right of the former Soviet Curtain. Miss-World organizers moved the beauty pageant from Abuja, Nigeria, to London after about 100 people died in a riot caused by a newspaper's suggestion that the Islamic prophet Muhammad would have liked the event.

One year ago: Former KGB spy Alexander Litvinenko died in London from radiation poisoning after making a deathbed statement blaming Russian President Vladimir Putin. Car bomb and murder rounds struck a Shiite shrine in Baghdad, killing 215 people. Death claimed Broadway librettist Betty Comden at age 89. Jazz vocalist Anita O'Day at age 87, and French actor Philippe Noiret at age 76.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Broadway composer Jerry Block is 79. Former Labor Secretary William E. Brock is 77. Actor Franco Nero is 66. Screenwriter Joe Eszterhas is 63. Actor Steve Landesberg is 62. Senator Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., is 57. Singer Bruce Hornsby is 53. Sen. Mary Landrau, D-La., is 52. Actor Maxwell Caulfield is 48. Actor John Henton is 47. TV personality Robin Roberts ("Good Morning America") is 47. Actor-singer Miley Cyrus (TV, "Hannah Montana") is 15. Actor Austin Majors is 12.

Graver is 41. Actress Sallie Richardson-Whitfield is 40. Actor Oded Fehr is 37. Rapper Kurupt (The D.O.) is 35. Poulter is 35. Actor Page Kennedy is 31. Actress Kelly Brook is 28. Actor Lucas Grabeel is 23. Actor-singer Miley Cyrus (TV, "Hannah Montana") is 15. Actor Austin Majors is 12.

THOUGHT

"It is better to debate an important matter without settling it than to settle it without debating it."

— Anonymous

Cheetah escapes by scaling wall

By Jim Sakar
Associated Press writer

ST. LOUIS — St. Louis Zoo officials on Tuesday were trying to figure out how a year-old cheetah managed to get out of its exhibit a day earlier.

The cheetah scaled a wall at least 10 feet tall on Monday and got into a rocky area that separates animals from people at the River's Edge exhibit. The area was quickly evacuated. Twenty-seven minutes later, the cheetah was found, tranquilized and returned unharmed to its exhibit.

"We have no idea how the cat got up there," said Jack Grisham, vice president of animal collection for the zoo. "We have a million theories. It could have been the cats playing with one another and it made the lucky jump, or unlucky jump."

The cheetah, a female named Zuri, weighs 40 to 45 pounds, Grisham said. She is one of four born on Nov. 10, 2006, at the zoo — the first new litter here since 1992. One of the cheetahs died a month later.

Grisham said a visitor noticed the loose cheetah and notified a zoo worker. Security workers cleared the River's Edge area and all zoo

visitors were told to get inside a building.

Grisham said the animal apparently did not threaten any patrons.

Cheetahs are more docile than most other big cats, Grisham said. Still, "any wild animal could be a danger to the public," he said. "These animals are not pets."

The incident marked the third time since 2000 that a cheetah has escaped from the zoo enclosure. In both previous instances, changes were made to offer better protection to the public — fencing was increased and a moat was added. Grisham and visitors was wided.

