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Seib expected Jerome Co. CAFO moratorium to fail

County argues against attorney fees in latest hearing

By Nate Poppino Staff writer

JEROME — It was a tough case, Jerome County Prosecutor Mike Seib argued Monday.

As a county official, he said, his discussions of a confined-animal feeding operation moratorium and its extension were public from the start — including his opinion that the original moratorium wouldn't hold up in court.

"I was completely expecting to lose," Seib told 5th District Judge John Butler, recalling his thoughts when the Idaho Dairymen's Association and



Seib

could claim legal standing on. Hence, he said, Butler should reverse at least part of an April 8 decision striking down the extension and not make the county pay the associations' legal fees.

The county will soon know what the judge thinks about that, Butler will issue one last written opinion on the case.

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Numbers game

Locals express their views on wolf hunting seasons

By Nate Poppino Staff writer

JEROME — It seems a sizable figure: 328 Idaho wolves allowed to die this year from hunting, control actions and natural causes.

But it's still too restricted of a figure for Castleford resident Jerry Vaughn. Wolves are fine in the backcountry, he told Idaho Department of Fish and Game officials Monday. But they hurt other big game animals elsewhere. And there's no guarantee that packs roaming places like Yellowstone National Park will stay there, he said.

"When your dinner moves across the street, you're going to move across the street to get it," Vaughn said.

A handful of concerned residents stopped by Fish and Game's Magic Valley Region headquarters near Jerome to weigh in on proposed rules for hunting the Canadian gray wolf, just two months after the wolves were taken off the endangered species list.

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GETTING HOOKED

Students learn the basics of fish biology, fishing

By Sean Breslin Staff writer

For sixth-grade science teacher Aaron Bryers, Monday afternoon was spent not doing lessons in a classroom, but gutting and storing freshly-caught fish.

"I can't keep up with you guys," Bryers said as several students came to him proudly holding their catch at arms length.

About 60 students from Kimberly Elementary School cast lines into Dierkes Lake as part of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Trout in the Classroom program, which teaches children about fish hatcheries, ecosystems and lifecycles. The fishing trip to Dierkes was the capstone of the program, and the excitement kicked off shortly after noon when Chaz Drake, age 12, felt a tug on his line.

"I was surprised, 'cause I was probably the first one to catch one," said Chaz, a rainbow trout still flailing on his line.

The students took part in the program as a required part of their sixth-grade science class.

"They can't get out of it, really," said Kelson Hatch, a regional conservation educator with Fish and Game who set up the program. Now in its fourth year, Trout in the Classroom is associated with 15 schools in the Magic Valley. Hatch and other Fish and Game volunteers will take between 350 and 400 students fishing on Dierkes this month. He said sixth-graders are at a good age to introduce them to fishing because they're old enough to understand the science concepts and basic fishing techniques.

"Some of them are really serious about doing it," said Gene Wright, a district reservist with IDFG.

Along with discussions from Hatch, who has been visiting the students since March, the program included students raising trout eggs in a classroom aquarium and dissect-



Sixth-grader Britney Stirling fishes Monday afternoon with classmates from Kimberly Elementary School at Dierkes Lake. The students were participating in the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Trout in the Classroom program. Stirling enjoys fishing and said 'I think it's fun and relaxing and it teaches you patience.'

ing a trout. The dissection was the students' favorite part, Bryers said.

"The girls pretended to hate it," Bryers said.

Spencer Bowles, 12, took away a very distinct lesson from the dissection.

"The intestines were very, like, squishy," Spencer said.

Bryers said only about half of his students had been fishing before and actually caught something. He said he hopes the program will encourage more students to pick

up the sport.

"A hundred percent of them are involved (in the program)," Bryers said. "Any program like that is well worth the time."

For Emily Mathson, 11, the fishing was slow. But for her, it was more about the learning experience.

"Now I know a lot more about fish," Emily said. "I still think they're gross."

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Dave Parrish, regional supervisor of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, explains various wolf hunting season options at the department's Jerome office Monday afternoon. The state Fish and Game Commission will approve the rules and seasons May 21 and 22 during its meeting at the Jerome office.

U.S. drops charges against '20th hijacker'

By Ben Fox Associated Press writer

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — The Pentagon has dropped charges against a Saudi al Qaeda member who was alleged to have been the so-called "20th hijacker" in the Sept. 11 attacks. His U.S. military defense lawyer said Monday.

Mohammed al-Qahani was one of six men charged by the military in February with murder and war crimes for their alleged roles in the 2001 attacks. Authorities say al-Qahani missed out on taking part in the attacks because he was denied entry to the U.S. by an immigration agent.

But in reviewing the case, the convening authority for military commissions, Susan Crawford, decided to dismiss the charges against al-Qahani and proceed with the arraignment for the other five, said Army Lt. Col. Bryan Broyles, the Saudi's military lawyer.

Crawford dismissed the charges Friday without prejudice, meaning they can be filed again later, but the defense only learned about it.

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China quake death toll rises to about 10,000

By William Foreman Associated Press writer

CHENGDU — A powerful earthquake toppled buildings, schools and chemical plants Monday in central China, killing about 10,000 people and toppling untold numbers in mounds of concrete, steel and earth in the country's worst quake in three decades.

The 7.9-magnitude quake devastated a region of small cities and towns set amid steep hills north of Sichuan's provincial capital of Chengdu. Striking in mid-afternoon, it emptied office buildings



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See AP video of one of the worst earthquakes in decades to hit central China Monday, killing nearly 10,000 people.

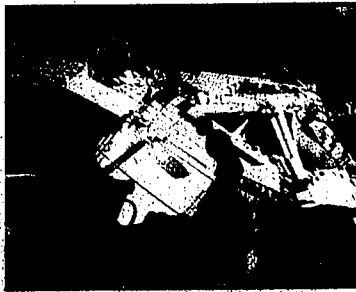
across the country in Beijing and could be felt as far away as Vietnam.

As Tuesday dawned, rescuers were frantically searching for more survivors, but rain was compounding the difficulty. Premier Wen Jiabao, who flew to the region, said rain was forecast for the next several days.

Snippets from state media and photos posted on the Internet underscored the immense scale of the devastation. In the town of Jiuyuan, south of the epicenter, a three-story high school collapsed, burying as many as 900 students and killing at least 50, the official Xinhua news agency said. Photos showed people using cranes, mechanical hoists and their hands to remove slabs of concrete and steel.

Buried teenagers struggled to break free from the rubble, "while

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Rescuers search for victims in the debris of a hospital after the earthquake in Dujiangyan, in southwest China's Sichuan province Monday. A massive earthquake toppled buildings across a wide area of central China on Monday, killing about 10,000 people in one of the worst quakes in decades.



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State high school golf meets underway. SEE PAGE B1

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Sage Mountain Grill comedy night, for ages 18 and older, featuring Mark Matusek with opening act by Dan Ritchey, 8 p.m., Sage Mountain Grill, Albion, \$10 cover charge, 673-6698.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Magic Valley Toastmasters meeting and no-host lunch, with a focus on teaching and encouraging members in communication and leadership skills, noon, Golden Corral, 1823 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, new members welcome, 316-8534.

Twentieth Century Club meeting, with guest speaker Susan Ryv Schmitz, 7 p.m., Newman's Catering Room, 827 Main Ave., Twin Falls, 733-2552 for reservations.

Snake River Weavers' Guild monthly meeting, with hostess Gloria Hann, 1:30 p.m., 734-6258.

Filler Public Library used book sale, over 500 used books at ten cents each; some 25-cent posters, 3 to 6 p.m., at the library, 213 Main St., Filer, 326-4143.

Twin Falls Public Library Book Club, discussion of Jodi Picoult's 'My Sister's Keeper,' 5:30 p.m., 201 Fourth Ave. E., 733-2964 ext. 109 or jhill@lib.tfid.org, to reserve copy of book.

American Legion Post No. 7 and Auxiliary Unit #47, includes election of officers, 5:30 p.m. doors open and 6:30 p.m. potluck dinner (meat provided), Post Home, 447 Seamount St., Twin Falls, bring side dish or dessert, open to legion and auxiliary members, guests and prospective members, 733-0962 or 734-1435.

FAMILY

Free 25-minute personal safety and anti-abduction seminar, for children ages 6-12 includes "Five Kinds of Dangerous People," "Whom to Get Help From," "How to Escape from Predators," "Internet Safety" and more, 4:30 p.m., Succasa Martial Arts, 1300 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, no cost, 733-8910.

GOVERNMENT

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

Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Holey, 788-5500.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700.

Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Snake River Grill, 837-9131.

Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 6 p.m., 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7267.

Chamisa Council School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley, 878-4300.

Globe Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 119 E. Second, 366-7418.

Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district administration office, 507 Idaho St., 934-4321.

Hazleton City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 246 Main, 829-5415.

Shelbier City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 2392 Main, 655-4225.

Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.

Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., city manager, 120 Madison W., 423-4151.

Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room, 406 N. Park, 544-2102.

Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office, 409 N. Apple, 866-2038.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

Fit and Fall Free Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Free Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire-Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988.

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

Silversneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1754 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for nonmembers, 733-4384.

Arthritis Walking Class, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m., First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-5988.

Adult Children Anonymous (A.C.A.) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 306-5656.

Mini-Casita Shelter for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C. St., Rupert, (208) 436-0987.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

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

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Plantation "Blow Away: The Wild World of Weather," 7 a.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, 54 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

POLITICS

Jerome County Democratic Central Committee meeting, all Democrats urged to attend, 7 p.m., meeting room, EMT building, East Main, Jerome, 324-5493.

"Meet the Candidates" forum, hosted by Citizens Protecting Resources; includes candidates for Jerome County Commissioner District 1 and District 2 seats, 7:30 p.m., Fish and Game Office, (two miles north of Frying J, Highway 93), public info, 324-3202.

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@magvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

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MORNING BRIEFING

Commissioner Howell retracts comments

Staff report
Jerome County Commissioner Charlie Howell late Monday retracted comments aired by KMYT television concerning a Times-News report on his county's participation in planning a regional jail.

On the issue.
When later asked about the statement, he apologized and said he was incorrect.
"I should not have made that statement on TV," Howell said. "I called (KMYT News Director) Joe Martin and asked him if he would please pull that statement off the news."

ing that Jerome County will look at building its own jail.
The commissioners discussed, but took no action on a feasibility study of going solo.
While Howell acknowledged that the article was correct in regard to the decision, he said some officials from other counties have the impression that Jerome is pulling out, rather than considering its options.

say ... Steve Crump

Rock Creek comes all the way back

A lot of Twin Falls County residents can remember when it was possible to stand along Rock Creek west of what's now St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center and watch raw sewage flow past ...

Who said what?
If it's funny, quirky, odd, goofy or poignant and it happens in south-central Idaho, I want to hear about it. Write to me at scrump@magvalley.com.

Rock Creek Mountains. ...
The Albion Mountains are located south of the town of Albion, he adds, and feature the highest peak in south-central Idaho, 10,339-foot Cacher Peak ...

The Twin Falls County Department of Parks and Recreation is at the beginning of a renovation project that will include repairs to the park's roads and adding parking space ...

of industrial, farm and residential refuse imaginable ...
Federal clean-water laws began to change that, but Rock Creek's rebound was chiefly the result of local folks getting together and deciding the lower half of the drainage was a blight ...

"Another range just west of the Albion Mountains are the 'Middle Mountains,' which are sometimes wrongly called the Goose Creek Mountains," he says ...

It's only been 35 years that the words "Rock Creek" and "park" could be used in the same sentence ...

But ordinary citizens hauled tons of garbage out of the canyon and, with the support of county commissioners at the time, made the park possible ...

... The Goose Creek Mountains are located south and westerly from the Middle Mountains and across the Utah line in the very northwestern corner of Box Elder County ...

AROUND THE NATION

WASHINGTON
Ex-State workers: Bush administration ignored corruption in Baghdad
The Bush administration repeatedly ignored corruption at the highest levels within the Iraqi government and kept secret potentially embarrassing information so as not to undermine its relationship with Baghdad, according to two former State Department employees.

Arthur Brennan, who briefly served in Baghdad as head of the department's Office of Accountability and Transparency last year, and James Mattli, who worked as the chief of staff, told Senate Democrats on Monday that their office was understaffed and its warnings and recommendations ignored.

Brennan also alleges the State Department prevented a congressional aide visiting Baghdad from talking with staffers by insisting they were too busy.

CORRECTIONS

Baby born April 17
In Sunday's Story Report, a baby's birth date was wrong due to incorrect information from the hospital.

Naranjo sentencing incorrect
Friday's story about Sam Naranjo gave incorrect information about his sentencing.

Naranjo received one year more in his sentence for vehicular manslaughter than Johnny Shores received one year ago for shooting Naranjo's brother.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, May 13, the 134th day of 2008. There are 232 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight
On May 13, 1918, the first U.S. airmail stamps, featuring a picture of a Curtiss JN-4 biplane, were introduced with a face value of 24 cents.

biplane was printed upside-down and the "inverted Jenny," as it came to be called, instantly became a collector's item.
In 1607, English colonists arrived by ship at the site of what became the Jamestown settlement in Virginia.

bombing conspirator Terry Nichols should stand trial in state court on 160 counts of first-degree murder.
One year ago: President Bush made a pilgrimage to the site of the Jamestown settlement in Virginia to mark the 400th anniversary of its founding.

HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

IF MAY 13 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you can't escape from the world. You might like to retreat from harsh realities in the late summer when you are especially sensitive to the environment and your sympathetic nature is working on overtime.

what they seem.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hammer out the details. You may have raw talent, but it's still necessary to refine your technique through self-criticism.

down. Sarcasm or veiling suspicions can cause subtle damage to a good relationship just as it is turning a positive corner. Remain above reproach.

Hearing

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following Monday's hearing, which came on the same day the extended moratorium would have expired.

A weary-looking Seib, fighting a cough, attempted to tell the judge that he had considered too much when preparing the April decision. Seib's counterpart, Boise attorney Deb Kristensen, painted the plaintiff's suit as broadly written and tried to include work unrelated to the case in her attorney's fees.

"It is just astounding that we have to spend taxpayer resources when the county at every step knew it was wrong," Kristensen told the judge.

Seib submitted paperwork for nearly \$30,000 in attorney's fees, but admitted that some of them may not apply when questioned by Butler. The judge particularly focused on fees for consulting done prior to the suit being filed, and for things such as preparing press releases. The questioned categories included maybe 10 hours of work, she later said, a fraction of what she's done since.

"He just wants to make sure he gets it right," Kristensen said of Butler's questioning.

Butler remained fairly quiet during Seib's presentation, but had several questions for Kristensen, asking her why fees should be awarded when part of his decision could arguably have been in favor of the county.

"How can I say their case as a whole was definitely frivolous?" Butler asked.

Afterward, Kristensen said she felt the judge was continuing his thorough research and wasn't singling her out with his questions.

"He just wants to make sure he gets it right," she said.

The moratorium was intended to buy the county time to finish its new CAPD contract, a process that is still ongoing. At least one proposed dairy has already filed a permit since the moratorium's repeal.

Wolves

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The state Fish and Game Commission will approve the rules and seasons May 21 and 22 during its meeting at the Jerome office. But for the rest of this week, officials are gathering public comment on the issue.

Fish and Game staff offered four proposals Monday, with season dates ranging from August to March. Idaho's management plan calls for maintaining a population of between 500 and 700 for the first five years, much more

than the minimum 100 required for a healthy population, regional supervisor Dave Parrish said.

A quota system would keep things in check, halting hunting in the individual zones and, eventually, statewide as the proposed 328 deaths mounted. From 550 to 600 wolves would be left in the state at the end of the season.

Those estimates are probably conservative, Parrish said, as it can be difficult to get an accurate count due to the size of the state, its

vast wilderness areas and tight funding. While the \$400,000 per year Fish and Game gets from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service won't decline for the next several years, Parrish said, it's not likely to increase, either.

Despite the trouble, department officials are still confident in what they've produced. Regan Berkeley, a regional wildlife biologist who helped develop the proposal, said staff used the best biological information available in deciding how

many wolves should survive and balancing hunting with other causes of death. She acknowledged the challenge of creating a plan to satisfy both environmentalists and ranchers concerned about attacks on livestock — a problem in the Magic Valley Region.

"There's a lot of emotion and a lot of politics surrounding wolves," Berkeley said.

That's something commissioners are aware of as well. Wayne Wright, who represents the Magic Valley Region, said he has faith he and his peers can come up with a meaningful, middle-of-the-road approach to the issue.

"It's really an unknown — we haven't done this before," Wright said. "We want to do everything we can to prevent overharvest. But I think it's important to make sure we go ahead and harvest an adequate level as well."

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China

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others were crying out for help," Xinhua said. Families waited in the rain near the wreckage as rescuers wrote the names of the dead on a blackboard, Xinhua said.

Parents of the deceased students built makeshift religious altars at the site, resting the corpses on any available piece of plywood or cardboard, and burning paper money and incense in a traditional honor for their child in the afterlife, according to NPR's Melissa Block.

The earthquake hit one of the last homes of the giant panda at the Wolong Nature Reserve and panda breeding center, in Weichuan county, which remained out of contact, Xinhua said.

In Chengdu, it crashed telephone networks and hours later left parts of the city of 10 million in darkness.

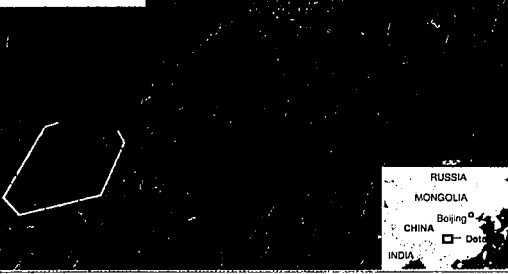
"We can't get to sleep. We're afraid of the earthquake. We're afraid of all the shaking," said 52-year-old factory worker Huang Lu, who took her ailing, elderly mother out of the Jiujiang District People's Hospital. Outside, Huang sat in a wheelchair, wrapped in blankets while her mother, who was ill, slept in a hospital bed next to her.

The overall death toll increased to about 10,000,

Powerful earthquake hits China

One of the worst earthquakes to hit China in three decades killed thousands Monday. The magnitude-7.9 quake devastated a hilly region of small cities and towns in the center of the country.

● Earthquake magnitude 1 and higher in the 24-hour period ending noon EDT



SOURCES: AP reports; USGS; Xinhua News Agency

China

the official Xinhua News Agency reported Tuesday, it said nearly 10,000 people died in central China's Sichuan province alone and 300 others in three other provinces and the mega-city of Chengqing.

Worst affected were four counties including the quake's epicenter in Weichuan, 60 miles northwest of Chengdu. Landslides left roads

impassable Tuesday, causing the government to order soldiers into the area on foot, state television said, and heavy rain prevented four military helicopters from landing.

Wenchuan's Communist Party secretary appealed for air drops of tents, food and medicine. "We also need medical workers to save the injured people here," Xinhua quoted Wang Bin as

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telling other officials who reacted him by phone.

To the east, in Beichuan county, 80 percent of the buildings fell, and 10,000 people were injured, aside from 3,000 to 5,000 dead, Xinhua said. State media said two chemical plants in an industrial zone of the city of Shifang collapsed, spilling more than 80 tons of toxic liquid ammonia. The news agency said about 600

people died in Shifang and up to 2,300 were buried by rubble.

"Though slow to release information at first, the government and its state media ramped up quickly. Nearly 20,000 soldiers, police and reservists were sent to the disaster area.

Wen, a geologist by training, said a push was on to clear roads and restore electricity as soon as possible.

"The disaster was more serious than predicted. The rescue sites are very complex. But the public (here) will have hope as long as they see people coming to help," he said.

Disasters always pose a test for the communist government, whose mandate rests heavily on maintaining order, delivering economic growth, and providing relief in emergencies.

Pressure for a rapid response was particularly intense this year, with the government already grappling with public discontent over high inflation and a widespread uprising among Tibetans in western China while trying to prepare for the Aug. 8-24 Beijing Olympics.

"I am particularly saddened by the number of students and children affected by this tragedy," President Bush said in a statement.

Hijacker

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Monday, Broyles told The Associated Press.

The attorney said he could not comment on the reasons for the dismissal until discussing the case with lawyers for the other five defendants. Officials previously said al-Qahitani had been subjected to a harsh interrogation authorized by former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

A Pentagon spokesman, Navy Cmdr. Jeffrey Gordon, confirmed the case was proceeding against the five defendants and that their arraignment will be within 30 days of the charges being served at the U.S. base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Gordon declined further comment since the Office of Military Commissions had not yet released the formal announcement about the legal developments.

The five defendants include Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the suspected mastermind of the terrorist attacks in 2001 that killed nearly 3,000 people, and Osama bin-Ladhinshibbi, who is said to have been the main intermediary between the hijackers and al-Qaida leaders. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty for all of them.

The trial is the first capital case thus far before the military tribunals at Guantanamo, where the U.S. holds about 270 men on suspicion of terrorism or links to al-Qaida and the Taliban. The military has said it plans to prosecute about 80 prisoners in the first U.S. military war crimes tribunals since World War II.

Authorities have said they plan to broadcast the trials to military bases in the United States so relatives of the victims of the attacks can see the proceedings.

Critics of the tribunals have faulted a rule that allows judges to decide whether to allow evidence that may have been obtained with "coercion."

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Tornado deaths underscore risks of taking shelter in cars

By Murray Ervas
Associated Press writer

PICHER, Okla. — Ralph Morris got out of his bedroom — practically the only part of his house the tornado left standing — and saw a 13-year-old girl getting up in the backyard. She was marked by cuts and bruises, and all alone.

"We got her to the bathroom and got her sat down and got her in a blanket. She was hurt real bad," he said.

Moments earlier the girl had been in a car with her family. Picher Fire Chief Jeff Reeves said they appeared to have been on their way to help a relative in another part of town.

"I saw the way the debris was flying so I knew if there was any survivors, they were in that direction," Morris said, pointing east toward the lagoon.

"I went over there searching, hopefully to find someone and I found her uncle in the tree. He was gone. I found another body in the lagoon."

where the car and a third body were found.

Of the 23 people killed by the tornado, that smashed parts of Oklahoma and Missouri on Saturday, more than one-third of them died in cars, troubling experts who say vehicles are among the worst places to be during a twister.

"It's like taking a handful of Matchbox cars and rolling them across the kitchen floor," said Sgt. Dan Bracker

of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, surveying the damage in and around Seneca, near the Oklahoma line, the hardest hit area. "This is devastating."

Among those killed were four family members — Rick Rountree, his wife, his 13-year-old son, and his mother-in-law — who were in a van on the way to a friend's wedding when the twister, packing winds of 170 mph, struck the Seneca, Mo., area on

Saturday night.

"They were on the road when the warnings came," said Rountree's brother-in-law, Larry Bilke.

About 100 people have died in U.S. twisters so far this year, the worst toll in a decade, according to the National Weather Service, and the danger has not passed yet. Tornado season typically peaks in the spring and early summer, then again in the late fall.

This could also prove to be the busiest tornado season on record in the United States, though the final figure on the number of twisters is not yet in.

All together, at least 26 people died in Missouri, Oklahoma, Georgia and Alabama after the severe storms erupted Saturday over the Southern Plains and swept east.

The death toll rose Monday when Tyler Casey, a 21-year-

old firefighter in Seneca, died at a hospital. Officials said he got caught in the tornado while trying to warn people to seek shelter.

In Oklahoma, authorities on Monday confirmed that a person died of carbon monoxide poisoning after fumes from a generator turned on amid power outages filled the home. Two other people in the house were hospitalized for carbon monoxide poisoning.

'Ark' designed to save imperiled amphibians

By Juliet Eilperin
The Washington Post

NEW YORK — The 300 Kilnani spray toads residing in a survival enclosure at Bronx Zoo chirp cheerily as they bask in a light sprinkling of water 14 times a day. Until a few years ago, the tiny, mustard-colored toads existed only in a river gorge in Tanzania. Now the survivors are confined to the Bronx and Toledo zoos, having gone extinct in the wild.

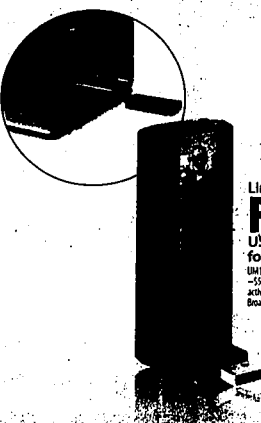
With thousands of amphibian species facing unprecedented threats to their survival, scientists have launched a global effort to collect them in zoos to save them from disappearing altogether. Named Amphibian Ark, the program aims to keep 500 species in captivity and breed enough to eventually reintroduce them into the wild.

"In terms of scope, I think this is the biggest conservation project that humanity has ever tried to tackle," said Kevin Zippel, the program's director, who said the initiative is testing zoos' ability to raise and maintain animals with specialized needs. "In the course of the last four years, we've realized how badly off amphibians are," he said.

Scientists have been tracking the rapid disappearance of amphibians for two decades, but new evidence suggests the animals face increasingly grave peril. A third to a half of all amphibians are now threatened with extinction; 165 species have already vanished. In Latin America and the Caribbean alone, three of every four amphibian species are critically endangered.

Research published Wednesday in PLOS One, a journal of the Public Library of Science, estimated that in the neotropic region, which spans from the Mexican deserts to Patagonia in southern Argentina, 35 percent of amphibians "are threatened by habitat loss, habitat fragmentation, and habitat split."

In response, members of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, along with other institutions worldwide, have declared 2008 the "Year of the Frog."



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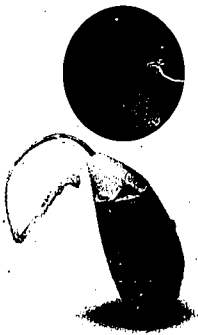
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EDITORIAL

Could scenic headwaters lead to dry irrigation canals?

Rivers aren't the only force of nature that carries everything downstream indiscriminately. The U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee approved a special bill and sent them to the Senate floor last month, including legislation to protect the Owyhee Canyonlands.

Along with it went the Snake Headwaters Legacy Act, which is anathema to Magic Valley water users.

If both measures wind up in the same package considered by the Senate it could be a problem for the Owyhee Canyonlands initiative.

So the Owyhee sponsors, Idaho senators Mike Crapo and Larry Craig, have a few weeks to fangle a compromise on the Snake River bill, which would lend a 42-mile stretch between Jackson Lake Dam and Palisades Dam protection under the federal government's Wild and Scenic Rivers designation.

Idaho water-users fear the law could deny them some water stored in Jackson Lake at critical times of the year and provide environmentalists with a legal platform for taking away more of their water.

Those aren't idle threats, so to foreclose them Craig wants the Snake River bill changed to include the same language in the Hells Canyon Recreation Area Act of 1975.

Brokered by then-Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, the language specifically removed any effect of the act on management of Brownlee, Oxbow and Hells Canyon dams. The Energy and Natural Resources Committee has already rejected an amendment to do the same on the Snake River legislation because the bill's sponsor, Sen. John Barasso, R-Wyo., said it wasn't needed.

The Snake River Headwaters bill has broad support in the Cowboy State — everybody from Vice President Dick Cheney to Democratic Gov. Dave Freundenthal — so the Idaho senators have their work cut out for them. It's hard to understand, though, why specifically instructing the federal Bureau of Reclamation to manage Jackson Lake Dam as it does now should be a deal-breaker.

Everyone who grew up along the Snake River has affection for the river's scenic headwaters. But this Idaho treasure can be protected without cutting southern Idaho water-users off at the knees.

Our view:
Save the Snake River headwaters, but not on the backs of Idaho water users.
What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Wall Street blinded by the light

The fear in last Wednesday's stock decline was palpable. Wall Street was responding to the specter of transparency the way it always does — with alarm. Big brokerage firms, led by Merrill Lynch and Lehman Bros., plunged after the nation's top securities cop called for more disclosure of Wall Street's finances.



LOREN STEFFY

The decline was the biggest in two months for financial stocks.

Securities and Exchange Commission chief Christopher Cox said his agency later this summer will require investment banks to make their capital and liquidity information public.

In other words, these publicly traded firms will have to give their investors a more accurate financial picture of what they're doing.

Those who own shares in investment banks have reason to worry.

The bright light of public scrutiny almost always costs Wall Street money.

It's an institution, after all, that profits most when it can exploit the ignorance of others.

Wall Street prefers the dark, where it can control the information meted out to investors. It's no coincidence, after all, that market manipulation exploded with the advent of the World Wide Web, which made stock prices readily available with minimal delay to average citizens.

Now it is surprising that companies such as Bloomberg became multibillion-dollar businesses by taking information once held exclusively in the dark hallways of Wall Street and mak-



ing it available to those with money at risk.

In the 1970s, when the SEC forced Wall Street to disclose brokerage commissions, rates tumbled and Wall Street's profitability shifted to other businesses such as investment banking.

Something similar happened in the bond market. In real time pricing seeped in, investors could see the difference between their bids and the seller's asking price, known as the spread. The spread represented brokers' profit.

If you wanted to know the price of a municipal or corporate bond, you had to ask your broker.

You assumed he was giving you an accurate price and that he wasn't inflating the spread for his own benefit.

When pricing became more transparent, the spreads narrowed.

Information, after all, is the foundation of competition. Is it any wonder, then, with Wall Street facing new disclosure demands over its finances that investors are worried?

Most investment banks provide some basic liquidity information in their quarterly

financial statements, and some provide more detailed data to the SEC that the commission currently doesn't make public.

Cox's plan would require banks to disclose that information and provide more details about funding and capital ratios.

Eventually, firms also will have to reveal their concentrated exposure to key markets, he said.

For example, had the rule been in place this year, Bear Stearns would have had to discuss its vulnerability to the collapsing mortgage market.

Commercial banks already have to release this kind of data under the international standards by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, a 10-nation consortium of central bankers.

The Basel Committee is developing a new set of standards that would require similar disclosure from investment banks.

It's unclear whether better disclosure would have saved Bear Stearns.

Certainly, it would have given investors a clearer picture of what they were buying into.

Cox, of course, is on the defensive, facing questions from Congress and the investing public over the SEC's failure to head off Bear Stearns' demise.

As the SEC stood on the sidelines, the Federal Reserve stepped in and brokered a fire sale deal to JPMorgan Chase, in part because it worried that Bear's failure would spark a cascade of financial institution failures that would reverberate through the short-term debt markets.

Cox's plan might not have prevented that, but it may have caused investors to question Bear's exposure to mortgage securities long before those holdings became fatal.

Who knows what other time bombs may be ticking on Wall Street's books? What other financial risks have investment banks underwritten in the name of fast profits?

That's what Wall Street is worried about. When we turn on the lights, its party is over.

Loren Steffy is a columnist for the *Honolulu Chronicle*. Write to him at loren.steffy@ehron.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Test scores reflect social, economic status of students

Standardized testing is a poor measure of school performance.

Recently published standardized test scores show what appears to be very disparate performance in Magic Valley schools. The tests are, in reality, a better measure of socio-economic status and English proficiency. It should not be news that middle class, English-speaking students score better on standardized tests.

I invite the *Times-News* staff to publish the test scores alongside the percentage of English language learners for each district. This would give Magic Valley residents a more accurate assessment of school performance.

RAY C. GOODMAN, OD, M.E.D.
Gooding

Give consideration to Carter for sheriff

Tom Carter is a good choice. I would like to share with you what I know about Tom Carter, Republican candidate for Twin Falls County sheriff.

I was Tom's sergeant at the Twin Falls Police Department for many years. Tom was a very popular officer with the officers he worked with and with the public he served. We could count on him being there no matter how dangerous or hideous the call was. Tom was trustworthy, intelligent, officer level-headed. He was one of those officers who did not make the situation worse when on the scene of a call, very good at calming potential volatile situations. A very "street savvy" officer.

I can't think of any reason why he wouldn't make an excellent sheriff. I hope you give him serious consideration in the upcoming elections.

DANNY CRAFTON
Hansen

Letter writer chose her dairy neighbors

In response to another of Kim Heister's letters to the editor, I have read some of your letters and I have yet to see any mention that you moved in across the street of an existing dairy.

See, I grew up on that dairy and I know who owned the property you now live on. It

wasn't you. Therefore, it was a choice. Perhaps the dairy wasn't being used when you moved in, I know there were periods of times that it wasn't and that was a chance you took.

Maybe you were told manure doesn't stink. I don't know. What I do know is you moved across the street from a dairy. I do know the wind doesn't blow in your direction every day. I do know the people have gone out of their way to appease you to the best of their ability. Yet you call inspectors and write the paper all because you made a choice and do not like living with it.

I would understand if the dairy was built after you already lived there. But not when you chose to move across from an existing dairy. You pick your battles and this one is against a 75-year-old woman whose health is becoming more fragile. Isn't that just grand.

GETTIE VESTRA-HECK
Buhl

Howell, Roemer reflect best sense of farming

With 2008 being the Century Celebration of our family's ranch, I am deeply

concerned about the future of agriculture in Jerome County. Deep roots, integrity, hard work, perseverance and a strong look at government's role in our lives will facilitate that direction. We have the ability on May 27 to continue to chart the direction of agriculture by casting our votes for Charles Howell and Cathy Roemer.

Recognizing the extreme discord in the commissioners' quarters, I feel confident in the leadership abilities of Charles and Cathy to be professional, courteous and sound in their decisions.

We are at a critical economic time in the ranching business — higher input costs; smaller, if any, profit margins; and extreme regulations. Keeping food and fiber in American homes requires top-notch local government, and I have no doubt that Charles and Cathy will do the best job.

Please join me in voting for Charles Howell and Cathy Roemer on May 27. They will help us chart the direction of not only agriculture, the sole industry founding this county in 1907, but also small businesses across the county.

LAURIE LICKLEY
Jerome

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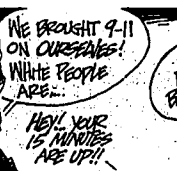
THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

Doonesbury



By Gary Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tilley

Twenty-one Democrats, sitting on the fence

WASHINGTON — Three days after last Tuesday's primaries seemingly tilted the Democratic presidential nomination decisively toward Barack Obama, the surprising fact was that almost half the party's senators had not announced a choice between him and Hillary Clinton. Twenty-one of the 49 Democratic senators were publicly silent as the last six primaries approached.

Those senators, along with most other Democrats, desperately want the race to be over so the winner can start focusing on John McCain. But Dick Durbin understands their reluctance to step forward ahead of the other 200 odd uncommitted delegates who have the power to bring this marathon to an end.

As Senate majority whip, charged with rounding up votes on all the major issues, he knows their psychology well. "They want to hold hard votes," Durbin told me at midweek, referring to his colleagues. "They want to be spared controversy. Most of them are looking for certainty, for inevitability, before they commit."

Durbin, who encouraged his fellow Illinoisian to run, said he thought Tuesday's results — an Obama landslide in North Carolina and a



DAVID BRODER

narrow loss in Indiana — should be enough to meet the "inevitability" standard.

But the ranks of the uncommitted did not thin significantly in those first 72 hours, lending force to Durbin's analysis.

The question is: What is the cost at this point of delaying Obama's triumph? The answer you hear from Obama's headquarters is that the time lag from May 6 to June 3, the last day of voting, is not much of a problem, so long as Clinton does not use it as a ploy to point out his weaknesses. His aides don't want four more weeks of claims from the Clinton camp about gaps in his health plan or his vulnerability with Catholics, women and blue-collar white males.

The lateness of the convention — not until the final week of August — leaves enough time to heal the intra-party wounds and plan the general election campaign. Money has been no problem for Obama all year, and when his already impressive organization is bolstered by recruits from

the Clinton side, it will look at least as formidable as McCain's.

That said, there is still a price to be paid for letting the nomination campaign drag on.

At the most personal level, it denies Obama the rest he badly needs.

His friends talk with real concern about the fatigue he constantly feels and often shows. But as long as Clinton is campaigning in states that are potentially competitive in November, Obama cannot fail to show up, lest their voters think he is taking them for granted.

Beyond that, the iron law of politics is that times lost can never be completely recovered. Since McCain effectively clinched his nomination bid in February and mostly fell out of the news, he has accomplished a lot. He has targeted potential constituencies with appearances and messages tailored for them, knowing that other voters probably are not paying attention. One week earlier he was hanging out with civil rights heroes and hurricane victims. Another, he was courting conservative critics of the judiciary and plugging for more business tax cuts.

At the convention, McCain can't stroke such disparate groups without being challenged for incon-

sistency. But for now, it's an almost cost-free way to expand and solidify his support.

Obama needs to do similar work, but because the nomination fight goes on, he doesn't have the time or relative obscurity to do it. To take but one example, primary results all across the country have shown he is a stranger to many Latinos. If Clinton weren't still challenging, he could easily devote a week to a swing through Hispanic enclaves from California to New York.

History says that the earlier a candidate nails down his nomination, the better his chance of winning. I saw that vividly demonstrated in 1980.

Richard Nixon came into that contest as a two-time loser, first to John Kennedy and then to Pat Brown in California. But he routed the other Republican contenders early and began plotting his comeback.

Meantime, after calamitous events, the Democrats finally gave their nod to Hubert Humphrey. But exhausted after the tumultuous Chicago convention and with no time to plan a campaign, he stumbled so badly in September and early October that his closing drive was unable to catch up to Nixon. Afterward, Humphrey said he wished he'd had one more week.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Easterly the best choice for Precinct 9 GOP

Voters in Precinct 9 can support a true Republican. That Republican is Dave Easterly. Dave was born in Kingsport, Tenn., in 1971. He majored in education at North East Alabama State. Dave came to Idaho in 2000 and fell in love with the state and its people. After moving to Twin Falls in 2001, Dave has worked in the technology industry writing software and teaching adults computer technology to advance the career opportunities of Idahoans.

Dave is a firm believer in the wisdom of the founders of our great country. He considers the Constitution and the Federalist Papers the founders' sage advice to our generation for preserving our precious liberty and our Republican form of government.

Dave Easterly has been a conservative Republican his entire adult life and considers Barry Goldwater and Robert Taft the standard to which all Republicans should aspire. Please consider Dave Easterly for Precinct 9.

RICHARD L. MARTIN JR.
Buhl

How do you spell gas tax relief? P-A-U-L

Presidential candidates are making headlines taking about temporarily suspending the federal fuel tax. Never mind that for this to have any appreciable effect today would require those candidates to travel back in time. But someone had the foresight to see this coming an entire year ago.

On May 21, 2007, Republican Ron Paul introduced H.R. 2415 (<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/110/2415>) The Affordable Gas Price Act. Had this bill passed, it would have

reduced the price of gasoline by removing government obstacles to new discoveries, allowed responsible offshore drilling and authorized a study of how monetary policy and the price of oil are related. Oh, and it would have done one more thing — it would have suspended federal fuel taxes when gas prices reached a national average of \$3! How much more money would you and I have in the bank today if this bill had passed?

We need a president with the foresight to see the needs of the American people and the economy and to be proactive in offering solutions. What Sens. McCain and Clinton are simply talking about on the stump today, Ron Paul was trying to pass as actionable legislation a full year ago. They are offering a Band-aid for a gaping wound.

Dr. Ron Paul offered us the right alternative medicine a year ago and it went unheeded. Neither of our state's Congressmen, Mr. Simpson nor Mr. Sali, bothered to cosponsor this bill. Perhaps the newspapers should ask them why?

DAVE EASTERLY
Twin Falls

Info still missing on death in mobile home park

If this is Twin Falls, where is Mike Blank?

Recently, Mike Blank, a friend of mine was found dead with another person at the Lazy I Mobile Home Park. This was reported well over a month ago and Mike's friend had an obituary and funeral but there has been no word on Mike. I want people to know that Mike's best friend, Dan S. (I did not contact to see if I could use his last name) and other people are concerned as no one has given any information as to cause of death, disposal of Mike's remains, how to contact the family,

etc. Is there anyone out there that can enlighten us regarding Mike Blank, a Hawk-Eye fan to the end.
RON DABNEY
Twin Falls

Rock Creek Park maintained by T.F. County

To Mr. Karl Herbst: In response to your letter to the editor regarding Rock Creek Park, while it is true that Dennis Bowyer and his staff do a very fine job maintaining the city parks and recreational areas, the Rock Creek Park is a county-owned park and is maintained by the Twin Falls County Parks Department.

We are proud of the work the Twin Falls County Parks Department does to maintain this park as well as the

other county parks, Centennial Waterfront Park, Balanced Rock Park, Twin Falls County Waterfront Park, Murtough Lake Park, Reservoir Reservoir, Salmon Dam Reservoir and Twin Falls Park.

If you would like more information on the various parks Twin Falls County maintains, please visit www.twinfallscounty.org/dir/parks.htm.

TOM MIKESSELL
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Tom Mikesell is the chairman for the Twin Falls County commissioners, Commissioners George Urie and Terry Kramer also signed the letter.)

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I certainly hope that Obama's path is not marked by the violence, riots and other calamities that undid the Democrats in 1968. But those supercautious superdelegates ought to understand how precious time is in every campaign.

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Iconoclast founder dies in vehicle accident

Gary Hunt brought obscure books to south-central Idaho

By Joshua Palmer
Staff writer

The founder of Iconoclast Books in Ketchum and Sun Valley died Saturday morning in a vehicle accident that occurred on East

Fork Road north of Halley. According to SunValleyOnline, Gary Hunt was driving home from an event at Iconoclast Books when the accident occurred.

He is survived by his wife Sarah Hedrick, a daughter and three step-children. Family members could not be reached for comment.

Hunt founded Iconoclast Books in 1993 and 10 years later he started rivalbooks.com, which sells about 250 used books a day, most-

ly on amazon.com.

Iconoclast settled into their first location in Ketchum in 1994 in a basement studio of about 800 square-foot building off of Fourth Street. The business expanded into a second store in the Sun Valley Mall and a larger building in Ketchum. Rivalbooks.com eventually grew to include several employees who buy, sort and sell used books in a 5,000-square-foot warehouse at 810 S. Main St.

of the Interloc search system, which allowed the business to locate obscure and out-of-print titles on the Internet.

According to Iconoclast's Web site, the service "revolutionized the used book industry." Sales in Ketchum and Sun Valley increased with the new technology as customers searched for obscure and out-of-print titles.

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A better way to sell

Retailers likely to post grim IQ results

By Anne D'Innocenzo
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — After slashing inventory and cutting expenses, the retail industry is still bracing for the largest overall quarterly profit decline in at least nine years when merchants report their first-quarter earnings this week.

Faced with one of the worst consumer spending climates in almost two decades, stores are going to have to find clever ways to attract increasingly thrifty shoppers contending with higher gas and food bills and a slumping housing market.

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. launched a new online feature Friday that offers tips from financial expert Ellie Kay on how consumers can stretch their budgets, even beyond the store. Rival Target Corp. aims to add some sizzle to an inexpensive clothing collection by designer Rogan Gregory by selling it first at upscale Barneys New York before shipping it to its own shops for a limited period.

"What smart stores are doing is creating a new store experience — both online and off — so you are not just a merchandise retailer but an experience retailer," said Craig R. Johnson, president of consultancy Customer Growth Partners. "It's all about what you can do to set yourself apart."

Retailers reported better-than-expected sales at established stores for April, but that doesn't mean that shoppers have been in the mood to splurge. Business was boosted by heavy discounts and a quirk in the calendar that meant an extra shopping day compared with the year-ago period.

The strain is expected to surface in the industry's first-quarter earnings, which are expected to show an overall

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Retail sales

Sales figures were not as gloomy as anticipated but still suggest that rising costs are causing consumers to alter their spending.

Percent change in major retailers' sales compared to April 2007.

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Saks Inc.	23.91 ▲
Costco Corp.	6.01 ▲
Stein Mart Inc.	3.21 ▲
Wal-Mart Stores Inc.	3.21 ▲
J.C. Penney Co.	-1.78 ▼
Nordstrom Inc.	-2.81 ▼
Dillard's Inc.	-4.01 ▼

NOTE: Sales include those from stores opened for at least one year. Reporting dates vary slightly.

AP

CREATING COSMETICS

Taking risks and learning the ropes, T.F. woman creates own line of cosmetics

By Joshua Palmer
Staff writer

Most people don't realize that the small day spa on Washington Street North is the headquarters for a line of cosmetics that will soon be sold in spas as far away as New York City.

After nearly two and a half years, Tonja Valdez, founder of Purity Spa Esthetics & Wellness Center, will soon be expanding her own line of specialty cosmetics to reach markets throughout the United States.

The project began when the former stay-at-home mom decided to open her own day spa in Twin Falls. And why not? She already had experience by working in spas in places like Sun Valley, New York and San Francisco.

"I trained on the East and West Coast, but when I got back to Twin Falls there was really no place to work," Valdez said. "So I decided to open my own spa."

Like most entrepreneurs, Valdez was wary of the risks associated with starting her own business. But she found help from the College of Southern Idaho's Small Business Development Center, which helped her start Elements Custom Skin and Body Care in 2003.

The business quickly grew and evolved into something larger.

Valdez and a local hair salon



Tonja Valdez, licensed esthetician and owner of Purity Spa Esthetics & Wellness Center, performs a custom facial at the spa Thursday afternoon in Twin Falls. Tonja is in her sixth year of practice and owned the Elements Day Spa on Locust Grove in Twin Falls.

formed a partnership that brought both services under one roof. It was also during this time that Valdez began experimenting with her own line of specialty cosmetics.

Known as Purity Essential Mineral Makeup, Valdez says the cosmetic line helps correct skin issues such as acne, aging and rosacea.

However, it was also around that time that Valdez felt as if she had lost control

of her growing business. "It wasn't going where I wanted it to, so I started Purity Spa in 2008," she said.

"It's been great because it's more hands-on for me again, which is necessary for me to take it in the right direction."

Purity currently has three licensed massage therapists on staff, as well as three manicurists. And she expects to hire another staff member this year.

Valdez also said that she is

overlooking plans for a new building in Twin Falls where she can expand her business.

Purity's greatest accomplishments — the line of mineral makeup — will be manufactured in Salt Lake City.

The makeup will cost about 60 percent more than common makeup brands found in retail stores — a price that Valdez says people will be willing to pay for higher quality.

Wisconsin still No. 1 in cheese production

Idaho remains in fourth place

By M.L. Johnson
Associated Press writer

MILWAUKEE — Cheeseheads don't need to be blue: Experts say predictions that California will soon overtake Wisconsin as the nation's top cheese producer are unlikely to come true.

The Golden State and its cows gained quickly on Wisconsin in the past decade, but cheese plants in California are maxing out, while efforts to boost production in Wisconsin are paying off, said Dick Groves, longtime owner of the Madison-based trade publication, Cheese Reporter.

Groves helped spark the friendly competition between the states 10 years ago with an editorial predicting California would overtake Wisconsin in cheese production by 2005. He later amended it to 2010 and then, last month, to "not anytime soon."

New numbers showing a growing gap between Wisconsin and California prompted Groves to abandon his earlier prediction.

"Cheese production in the two states moved in opposite directions — Wisconsin's went up and California's went down," he said.

About half of the 9.7 billion pounds of cheese made in the U.S. comes from the two states, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Production has grown much more rapidly in California in the past decade as large plants opened there year after year.

Wisconsin's lead in

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

NATION Cablevision buys Newsday

NEW YORK — Cablevision Systems Corp. is buying the Long Island-based newspaper Newsday from Tribune Co. in a deal valued at \$650 million, the companies announced Monday.

Cablevision beat out media mogul Rupert Murdoch, CEO of News Corp., who withdrew his own \$580 million bid on Saturday.

Clear Channel, banks, buyers in settlement talks

SAN ANTONIO — Clear Channel Communications Inc. and its prospective buyers are talking with banks to try to settle a dispute over whether the banks must fund promised loans for the \$19.5 billion takeover, the radio and outdoor advertising company said Monday.

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Sales

Continued from page A8. 14.9 percent decline, said Ken Perkins, president of RetailMetrics LLC, a research company in Swampscott, Mass. He said that would be the biggest year-over-year quarterly decline in sales for the company, when he started tracking the data. That outlook compares with a projection in January for 5.3 percent profit growth. Still, the earnings picture would be worse if retailers had been prudent about cutting costs and reducing back inventory, Perkins said. Analysts had feared that increased discounting across the industry would lead more retailers to lower their earnings outlooks, but that didn't happen. In fact, Kalls Corp. and among a handful of retailers that raised their earnings forecasts based on better-than-expected sales. But while plenty of stores, from grocery chains to department stores, are offering promotions to try to grab a share of the \$107 billion in tax rebate checks being distributed to 130 million households, analysts expect that any lift will be modest and temporary. "I don't see any fundamental changes that are going to loosen up the wallet for consumers," said Michael Appel, a managing director of Quest Turnaround Advisors. He noted that stores are going to have to keep discounting and also come up with "exciting merchandise."

Cheese

Continued from page A8. annual production declined by about 164 million pounds in 2007, according to NASS. Last July, California came within less than 6 million pounds of Wisconsin in monthly production. But then the gap started growing again, reaching 30 million pounds in March. The quick shift is partly due to two plants closing in California in 2007, while two opened in Wisconsin this year, Groves said. Dairy Farmers of America closed an American cheese plant in Corona, Calif., saying it was not profitable, and Lactalis USA Inc. closed a specialty cheese plant in Turlock, Calif. Lactalis officials declined through a spokeswoman to discuss that plant closing. Meanwhile, Foremost Farms USA idled a plant in Waunakee in western Wisconsin in January 2007, retooled it to make a premium type of cheddar and reopened it in March. The temporary shutdown was "not insignificant" in terms of the state's cheese production, Foremost Farms spokeswoman Joan Behr said. Also in March, BeigelGloss Cheese Inc. opened its fifth plant in Wisconsin. California now has 61 cheese plants compared to Wisconsin's 124. The state's cheese plants are big, but they're pretty much operating at full capacity while Wisconsin's could probably make a bit more, federal and state agricultural officials said. That means California would have to add plants to move ahead in the race for the title of Big Cheese. But more new plants are opening

Mike Faltny stacks up some prolozone cheese at BeigelGloss Cheese Inc. in Denmark, Wis. Experts say predictions that California will soon overtake Wisconsin as the nation's top cheese producer are unlikely to come true. "It is a challenge for us. The state of California really has to make our state attractive to businesses to locate here," — Michael Marsh, chief executive officer of the Western United Dairymen. Companies have struggled in recent years to build new plants in California, where the permit process can take four to six years, said Michael Marsh, chief executive officer of the Western United Dairymen, which represents milk producers there. Cheese makers also contend with opposition from environmental groups and, if they get a plant open, high workers compensation costs, Marsh said. "It is a challenge for us," he said. "The state of California really has to make our state attractive to businesses to locate here." Wisconsin has worked to increase the state's milk supply after cheese makers said they needed about 15 percent more milk than they had, said Will Hughes, agricultural devel-

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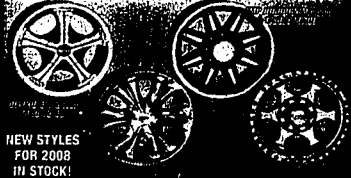
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No surprises in Rupert: DeKruyf, Lancaster lead title chase



Photo by MICHAEL

By Zach Kyle
Staff writer

RUPERT — Day 1 of the Class 2A state golf championships is in the books, and the leaderboard looks just like last year's. Magic Valley Christian's Zach DeKruyf, and Jacl Lancaster and the rest of the Wendell Trojans — all state champions last year — find themselves in pole position to pull off the repeat after a strong showing at Rupert Country Club on Monday. The Wendell girls golf team holds an eight-stroke lead over second-place Magic Valley Christian. Lancaster shot an 86 to hold the individual lead, and teammate Laurie Andrus-carded a 98 to hold fifth heading into

Day 2. With a team score of 376, the Magic Valley Christian boys are in fourth place, but DeKruyf shot a 72 to take a four-stroke lead. DeKruyf said he would have to play well again today if he is to hold off the golfers from Soda Springs who hold four of the top six individual spots. The Cardinals have a 23-stroke team lead over Aberdeen. "They are all pretty good," DeKruyf said. "Soda Springs brought a lot of good, solid players. It's anybody's game." The Magic Valley Christian girls hope to overtake Wendell's

slight lead, and Michelle Kootstra trails Lancaster by eight strokes. Kristina Reitsma is in fifth place with a 101, and trails Andrus by three strokes. The Valley boys are in fifth place with a team score of 381, and the Oakley boys are in seventh with 385. Travis Robinson paced Oakley with an 86, a score he said will have to improve if he wants to make a run at the leaders on day two. "I was thinking high 70s today, but I struggled," Robinson said. "The weather wasn't real great, pretty windy.

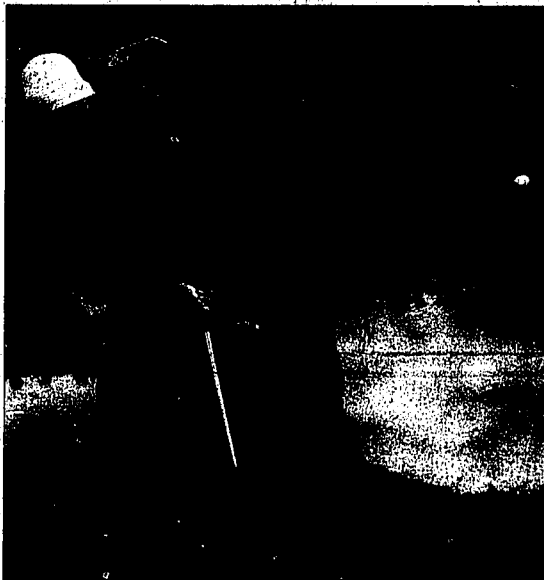
The group struggled, too. I'll have to shoot pretty low to make it tomorrow." Kelsey Richins, the lone qualifier from Valley, is in fourth place with a score of 91. **Class 2A state championships**
At Rupert Country Club
Monday's results
Team scores: 1. Soda Springs 376, 2. Aberdeen 382, 3. Jerome 383, 4. Magic Valley Christian 378, 5. Valley 381, 6. Wallace 385, 7. Selway 385, 8. Crowley 385, 9. ...
Individual top 10:
1. Zach DeKruyf, Magic Valley Christian, 72, 2. Jacl Lancaster, Soda Springs, 76, 3. (tie) Ben Duffin, Aberdeen and Cole Schermer, Soda Springs, 78, 4. Preston Falkner, Soda Springs, 81, 5. Jeremy Slocum, Soda Springs, 81, 6. Andrew Fisher, Jerome, 82, 7. (tie) Travis Robinson, Oakley, 86, 8. (tie) Laurie Andrus-card, Magic Valley Christian and Jesse Sorenson, Idaho Falls, 86, 9. ...
Team scores: 1. Wendell 378, 2. Magic Valley Christian 377, 3. Orem 441, 4. Soda Springs 444, 5. Nampa 444, 6. ...
Individual top 10:
1. Jacl Lancaster, Magic Valley Christian, 86, 2. Shanna Herman, Orem, 90, 3. Taylor Koenig, 97, 4. (tie) Kristina Reitsma, Magic Valley Christian and Lara Paulsen, Idaho Falls, 98, 5. (tie) Justin Coonrod, Soda Springs, 102, 6. Juliana Roeloffs, 104, 7. ...
Jennifer Vandenberg, Nampa, 105.

Lockeying for position

Leaderboard crowded, with Tiger boys hanging close

Staff report

If the opening round of the Class 4A state golf championship at Jerome Country Club was any indication, today's final round will be chock-full of twists and turns. For the boys, at least. Only 20 shots separate leader Pocaticello (326) from eighth-place Century (346) in the boys team standings, with Jerome sitting in fourth place at 333 and Wood River one place and five strokes further behind. Jordan Roberts mounted the Tigers' individual threat on Day 1, shooting a 75 to head into the final round in second place, six shots behind Moscow's Chris Williams, who shot an impressive 69 in his round. Six strokes separate first and second, and seven is the difference between second and a three-way tie for ninth — which includes Colton Pickup of Burley, Wood River's Crockett Stearns is sixth after firing an 80. What the boys have in drama, however, the girls appear to lack. Bishop Kelly holds a 30-stroke lead over second place Hillcrest, though the Knights boast a five-shot lead in the individual contest courtesy of Olivia Weber's 71. Jerome senior Jordan Burnham finished 11 shots back in sixth with an 82,



Jerome senior Jordan Burnham chips during Day 1 of the Class 4A state golf championships at Jerome Country Club on Monday. Burnham finished with an 82, good enough for sixth place heading into today's final round. The Tigers girls finished in sixth place with a 404 team score, 12 shots back of fourth-place Moscow and 87 behind leader Bishop Kelly.

while teammate Christina Paulos is in ninth with 89. Burley's Breanna Pace is eighth with an 86 after Day 1. **2008 Class 4A state championships**
At Jerome Country Club
Monday's results
Team scores: 1. Pocaticello 326, 2. Moscow 327, 3. ...
Individual top 10:
1. Chris Williams, Moscow, 69, 2. Jordan Roberts, Jerome, 75, 3. Shawn Hill, Moscow, 76, 4. ...
Team scores: 1. Bishop Kelly 317, 2. Hillcrest 347, 3. ...
Individual top 10:
1. Chris Weber, Hillcrest, 71, 2. Maddie Bishop, Kelly, 76, 3. Alex Sorenson, Bishop Kelly, 77, 4. ...
Team scores: 1. Hillcrest 378, 2. ...
Individual top 10:
1. ...



Kimberly Hight school junior Keisey Molyneux competes Monday in the 3A state golf tournament at Clear Lake Country Club in Buhi.

Russets best on blustery day at 3A championships

By David Bashore
Staff writer

BUHL — There doesn't seem to be a whole lot that can stop Shelley's boys and girls golf teams. After a season in which the teams regularly competed against — and in some cases lost — Class 5A teams, the Russets appeared right at home on Day 1 of the Class 3A state championships at Clear Lake Country Club on Monday, despite fierce winds playing havoc with shot-making and scores. The Shelley boys carded a team score of 329, seven better than Fruitland, led by Tommy Highman's low round of 76 — good for a one-shot lead over a Fruitland duo Peter Foss and Nick Dhaemans, with Tanner Highman of Shelley a further shot behind. Filer came into the tournament hoping to better last year's fourth-place team finish, and the Wildcats will have a chance to do that after finishing tied for fourth with Bonners Ferry after the wind set in. But with Declo one shot behind — the top four teams and any other teams within seven shots of fourth place remain in team contention for Day 2 — and third-place Declo one shot behind, they still have work left to do. A more likely scenario for Filer success falls in the individual side, where Adam Russell enters today's final round in fifth place after shooting an 82. He's six shots off the lead and four shots off the top four, but seemed happy with his position after Day 1 given the way the wind frustrated so many. "It's alright, pretty windy today. You have to pretty much play into the wind and let the ball carry 10 to 20 feet from where you aim," Russell said of the blustery conditions. "You just have to trust yourself because if you get afraid of where you're aiming, it'll go out of bounds or into a hazard. Hopefully tomorrow's a better day."

Alex Watt, Russell's teammate, was tied for eighth with an 86, meaning he will play for individual honors today as well — the top 10 all ties advance in the individual championship hunt. Filer and Declo will both play for position on the second day, but Buhl was not so lucky. The hosts shot a team score of 477. Kimberly's Gage Huff also fell victim to the gust, missing out the top 10 by just two strokes. On the girls side, Declo set itself in good position to repeat last year's fourth-place finish with a 457, well off the top 10 but with Shelley's girls. Third-place Weiser finished with 430, making improving the position a tough ask for the Hornets. McKell Webb led Declo with a 99. She wasn't happy with the score at all, but Webb will continue on in the individual chase as she rounded her for fifth. Shelley's Sheryl Bitter carded an 85 and appears to have a stranglehold on the medalist honors, but third and fourth place are nice too and one strokes ahead of Webb, respectively. "The wind played a little bit of a factor but I just wasn't setting myself up with anything today," Webb said. "I think I had the pressure go to me but I didn't play my game. Hopefully I can bounce back tomorrow and get going." Kimberly and Buhl both missed the team cut.

CSI softball team touches down in Plant City, Fla.

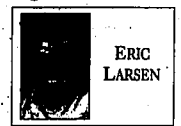
By Eric Larsen
Staff writer

PLANT CITY, Fla. — It took a 4 a.m. departure from Twin Falls, but the travel-weary Golden Eagles arrived in Plant City, Fla., Monday afternoon. For a College of Southern Idaho softball team making its first national tournament appearance in Thursday's noon, MDT opening-round game against McLennan Community College of Waco, Texas, the hope is that Monday's pre-twitch wake-up call will be the only rude awakening of the trip. The second-year program has posted a 45-20 record and won its first Region 18 Tournament championship already. Members of the CSI team saw a non-captive ally for the first time after Monday's dinner. Now the high-achieving program will look to tackle some more uncharted territory in the tournament's final year in

Florida. A move to St. George, Utah is planned for next year's tournament. "It's exciting," CSI head coach Nick Baumert said. "One thing we talked about when this group came in as freshmen was going to Plant City." While the Golden Eagles will get down to the real business on Thursday, today's docket includes a mix of business and pleasure. CSI will stage a two-hour practice at the International Softball Federation headquarters, the site of the tournament. The Golden Eagles will also make a 10-mile trip to Busch Gardens outside of Orlando for a little recreation. "Sometimes if you get that play mode out of their systems early, they can come out and concentrate better on the tournament than if you try to fit it all in later," Baumert said. Please see CSI, Page B4

Young CSI baseball club gets one to grow on

Taylor Mangum sat alone, shades drawn over his eyes, ear buds pumping whatever music he could find to drown the rest of the world out. On a Friday afternoon that transformed the entire College of Southern Idaho baseball roster from the boys of an all too unforgiving spring into a group of young men simply looking forward to summer, the freshman pitcher's adjustment was, at least outwardly, the most difficult. Less than two hours after Mangum failed to make it out of the second inning of the Golden Eagles' season-ending loss to the College of Western Nevada, a bus ultimately bound for Twin Falls stopped at a Henderson, Nev., In-N-Out



Burger for dinner. Everyone piled out, save Mangum, who sat alone, punishing himself for what was in truth a team loss. Later that night, the promising right-hander acquiesced to time's inevitable dulling effect on any sharp pain. The shades off and the music stopped away, Mango, as his teammates call him, was back on top of the boys. Mangum did the best thing he could at the finish of what was a mediocre season by CSI standards: He faced the disappointment head-on, and then moved on. One Region 18 Please see LARSEN, Page B4

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2008 Idaho State Baseball Championships

Class 5A

At Borah H.S., Boise
 Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Boise vs. Madison, 10 a.m.
 Game 2: Lewiston vs. Eagle, 1 p.m.
 Game 3: Twin Falls vs. Lake City, 4:30 p.m.
 Game 4: Timberline vs. Borah, 7:15 p.m.

Class 4A

At Rodeo Park, Nampa
 Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Lakeland vs. Wood River, 10 a.m.
 Game 2: Bishop Kelly vs. Pocatello, 1 p.m.
 Game 3: Rigby vs. Skyview, 4 p.m.
 Game 4: Minico vs. Mountain Home, 7 p.m.

Class 3A

At Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore.
 Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Bonners Ferry vs. Bear Lake, 10 a.m.
 Game 2: Buhl vs. Payette, 1 p.m.
 Game 3: Sugar-Salem vs. St. Marys, 4 p.m.
 Game 4: South Fremont vs. Fruittland, 7 p.m.

Class 2A

At Orofino H.S., Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Nampa Christian vs. West Jefferson, 10:30 a.m.
 Game 2: Wendell vs. Grangeville, 1 p.m.
 Game 3: New Plymouth vs. Malad, 3:30 p.m.
 Game 4: Orofino vs. Soda Springs, 7 p.m.



2008 Idaho State Softball Championships

Class 5A

At Idaho Falls H.S., Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Eagle vs. Mayline, 3 p.m.
 Game 2: Coeur d'Alene vs. Mountain View, 5 p.m.
 Game 3: Twin Falls vs. Lewiston, 3 p.m.
 Game 4: Centennial vs. Timberline, 5 p.m.

Class 4A

At Twin Falls H.S., Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Mountain Home vs. Wood River, 3 p.m.
 Game 2: Lakeland vs. Burley, 5 p.m.
 Game 3: Blackfoot vs. Kuna, 3 p.m.
 Game 4: Pocatello vs. Emmett, 5 p.m.

Class 3A

At Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene
 Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Bear Lake vs. Homedale, 3 p.m.
 Game 2: Timberlake vs. Teton, 5 p.m.
 Game 3: Kimberly vs. Marsh Valley, 3 p.m.
 Game 4: Payette vs. Buhl, 5 p.m.

Class 2A

At O.K. Ward Park, Pocatello
 Thursday, May 15
 Game 1: Glenns Ferry vs. Soda Springs, 3 p.m.
 Game 2: West Jefferson vs. Orofino, 5 p.m.
 Game 3: Melbo vs. Grangeville, 3 p.m.
 Game 4: Malad vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.

LeBron scores 21, lifts Cavs back into series



Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James dunks over Boston Celtics forward Kevin Garnett during the Cavaliers' 88-77 win over Boston in Cleveland on Monday.

CLEVELAND (AP) — Back to even, and back to Boston — with authority.

LeBron James scored 21 points, jamming in a powerhouse dunk over a defenseless Kevin Garnett in the final two minutes, as the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the hometown Boston Celtics 88-77 in Game 4 on Monday night to tie the best-of-seven series at 2-2.

Still stuck in a shooting slump, James dominated down the stretch and finished with 13 assists — four in the fourth quarter. The Cavaliers, whose defense has been overlooked, held the Celtics to just 12 points in the final period.

"We took care of home court and turned it into a three-game series," James said.

Boston dropped to 0-5 on the road in the postseason, a stunning slip for a team that went 31-10 on the road during the regular season.

"It's hard to say I have no answer for it," forward Ray Allen said. During a short visit to Ohio, the Celtics lost their momentum in the series but will now head home, where they went 35-6 before the playoffs started.

Game 5 is Wednesday night, and Game 6 will be held in Cleveland on Friday.

"We're disappointed right now," forward Paul Pierce said. "I had a lot of shots that I usually make, but I'm not going to really dwell on it."

James was just 7-for-20 from the floor, but he did everything else for the Cavs, who are attempting to overcome an 0-2 deficit for the second time in two years.

In the final 8:45, James had four assists, a 3-point and a right-handed dunk that rattled Quicken Loans

Arena and became the signature moment of this series.

With the Cavs leading 82-75, James drove past Pierce on a screen near the foul line, head faked past James Posey and then posterized Garnett, the league's defensive player of the year.

As Cavaliers fans erupted, a scowling James stormed back on defense. "I just wanted to be aggressive. I hadn't had a play like that all series," James said.

Although James is shooting only 20-of-78 (26 percent) from the floor, the only numbers the Cavs care about are the pair of 2s that show this series is as tight as possible.

Garnett scored 15 points, but only two in the second half, as Cavs forward Anderson Varejao harassed Boston's All-Star all night. Allen had 15 points and Pierce 13, but the Celtics' Big Three were only a combined 16-of-40.

James missed his first six shots in the fourth before draining a 3-pointer in front of Boston's bench with 3:17 remaining to give the Cavs a 79-73 lead.

After the ball swished through the net, James made an it's-about-time shrug.

After a bucket by Pierce, James dished to Daniel Gibson for a 3-pointer as the Cavs opened a seven-point lead.

"They shot two big threes that were claggers," Allen said.

At the other end of the floor, the Cavs swarmed all over the Celtics, giving the league's best defensive team a dose of what they usually do to opponents. In the game, Celtics every shot, and even when the Celtics had open looks, they missed.

Jazz head to L.A. just hoping to snag a road victory

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) —

The Utah Jazz are almost right where they want to be. The only thing that could top tying the Western Conference semifinals against the Lakers would be if Game 5 was in Utah instead of Los Angeles. The home team has won all four games of the series and the Jazz would need to end that trend in order to advance.

"I think the pressure is on us a little bit. We've got to go out there and prove we can win there," point guard Deron Williams said at practice Monday. "I think we have the confidence now to do that. We just have to come out and have a good start to the ballgame and hopefully that carries over for the rest of the game."

Whoever wins Game 5 on Wednesday will be one victory away from clinching when the series returns to Utah on Friday.

The Jazz evened the series 2-2 on Sunday with a 123-115

Bryant, Garnett lead All-Defensive Team

NEW YORK (AP) — League MVP Kobe Bryant and Kevin Garnett were selected to the NBA All-Defensive Team on Monday, along with Marcus Camby, Bruce Bowen and Tim Duncan. Garnett, who helped the Boston Celtics to the league's best record, was chosen for the ninth time. The forward was chosen Defensive Player of the Year last month. Bryant, who earned his eighth selection, and Garnett each received 24 first-place votes from the league's 30 coaches. Coaches were not permitted to vote for their own players. Garnett led a defense that held opponents to 90.3 points per game and a league best 42.6 field goal shooting percentage. Camby had a league-leading 3.81 blocked shots per game for the Denver Nuggets and was second in rebounds (13.3 per game). Duncan, on the team for the 11th time, and Bowen, making the team for the eighth time, play for the San Antonio Spurs. The second team is Shane Battier of the Houston Rockets, Chris Paul of the New Orleans Hornets, Dwight Howard of the Orlando Magic, Tayshaun Prince of the Detroit Pistons and Raja Bell of the Phoenix Suns.

overtime win at home. The Jazz needed two straight victories in Utah after falling behind the Lakers 2-0 when the series opened in Los Angeles.

"We have a good chance. We made the series 2-2 and kind of started over," forward

Andre Kirilenko said. The Jazz feel they have some momentum now after giving the Lakers their first consecutive losses since late March, but one thing Utah is not counting on is Kobe Bryant's back bothering him the way it did Sunday.

Bryant said he had a back spasm early in the first quarter Sunday and was in pain the rest of the game. The Jazz said Monday they didn't notice much of a difference. Bryant still had 33 points and 10 assists — and expected the NBA's MVP to be at full strength in Game 5.

If the Lakers win on Wednesday, the remaining possibilities for the Jazz look pretty bleak.

Los Angeles would host Game 7 if the series goes that far. The Jazz would much rather win in on Wednesday and have a chance to clinch at home than lose Game 5 and have to win again in Utah to stay alive and force a final game.

A year ago, Utah won Game 7 at Houston in the first round, but being the road team when it's winner-take-all is not a good position to be in. The Jazz have played well on the road at times, but not against the Lakers.

The Lakers swept both reg-

ular season games against Utah in Los Angeles and opened the playoff series with two more home wins. The Jazz fell way behind in the first half of both games and were never able to come back.

"We still feel like in L.A., the first two games, we played three good quarters. We just didn't play four," forward Carlos Boozer said.

The Jazz have been an enigma all season, going 37-4 in the regular season, yet struggling on the road. They opened the playoffs with two wins at Houston in the first round and haven't won away from home since.

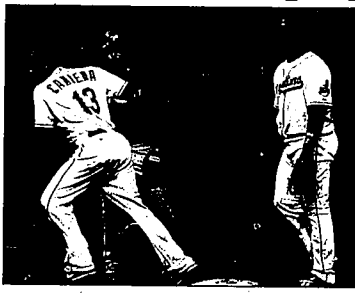
Utah shot 41 percent in the two games in Los Angeles, then 51 percent at home.

The Jazz will need to find a way to beat the Lakers in the Staples Center for the first time since January 2006 if they are going to win the series.

"Why not? We've done it in the past. We can do it," Kirilenko said.

MLB

Cabrera makes historic triple play in Cleveland loss



Cleveland Indians second baseman Asdrubal Cabrera (13) tags out Toronto Blue Jays infielder Marco Scutaro (1) on an unassisted triple play in the second game of their doubleheader in Cleveland on Monday.

scoreless innings and the surging Rays beat nemesis Andy Pettitte and the Yankees for their fifth consecutive victory.

Garza (2-1) allowed five hits, walked one and struck out three. Only one baserunner, Alberto Gonzalez in the sixth, reached as far as second base against the right-hander.

TWINS 7, RED SOX 3
 MINNEAPOLIS — Livan Hernandez won again, Craig Monroe contributed another big hit, and the Twins beat the Red Sox. Manny Ramirez finally

went deep, hitting career homer No. 498 in the first inning for the Red Sox. The two-run shot was his second home run in 20 games.

RANGERS 13, MARINERS 10 IN 10 INNINGS
 ARLINGTON, TEXAS — The only real fireworks between Texas and Seattle this time were the pyrotechnic displays after back-to-back home runs by Josh Hamilton and Milton Bradley, and then the 10th-inning game-winning shot by Ramon Vazquez as the Rangers rallied for a 13-12 victory Monday night.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PIRATES 5, BRAVES 0, GAME 1

PITTSBURGH — Tim Hudson limited Pittsburgh to two hits and an unearned run over seven innings and the Atlanta Braves halted their seven-game road losing slide with an 8-1 victory that concluded Monday's doubleheader.

In the opener, Freddy Sanchez hit a three-run double and Zach Duke pitched six shutout innings as the Pirates won 5-0 for their sixth consecutive win.

REDS & MARLINS 7

CINCINNATI Jeff Keppinger and Brandon Phillips hit two-run homers in the seventh inning, breaking open a tied game and sending right-hander Aaron Harang to an long-awaited victory.

The Marlins arrived with a seven-game winning streak and the best record in the major leagues. Things looked good early, when they piled on three solo homers off Harang (2-5), including another one by Dan Uggla.

NATIONALS 10, METS 4

NEW YORK — Making his next start without a victory, Odalis Perez had three hits and two RBIs and pitched into the seventh inning to lead the Washington Nationals. On an unusually chilly

night with winds gusting to more than 20 mph, Jesus Flores and Lastings Milledge each had two-run doubles and Washington ended a three-game slide.

CUBS 12, PADRES 3

CHICAGO — Carlos Zambrano won his fifth straight decision and Alfonso Soriano homered in a six-run fifth inning as the Chicago Cubs won their fourth straight.

BREWERS 8, CARDINALS 3

MILWAUKEE — Ryan Braun hit two home runs for the second game in a row, and Yadier Molina, Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina and manager Tony La Russa both were ejected from the Milwaukee Brewers' victory.

Braun followed up Sunday's two-homer performance by hitting two more off stoney Cardinals starter Adam Wainwright (3-2), who had given up four runs or less in his first seven starts and had a -2.25 ERA going into the game.

— The Associated Press

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Datsyuk hat trick leads Red Wings to 3-0 series lead over Stars

DALLAS — Pavel Datsyuk and the Detroit Red Wings got the best retaliation against Mike Ribeiro and the Dallas Stars...

MIAMI — Prosecutors in Miami say they won't seek the death penalty against four people charged with murder in the case of Washington Redskins star Sean Taylor...

ST. LOUIS — Tiger Woods is chipping and putting again, and he hopes to play in the Memorial Cup tournament...

On the first day of camp (makes check payable to Gary Moon), Sessions for grades 1-2 will run from 8:15-10:15 p.m. at Hiller Field...

SHARKS fire coach Ron Wilson — The San Jose Sharks fired coach Ron Wilson on Monday after the team's latest disappointing early ouster from the Stanley Cup playoffs...

WOODS says is rehab is going well — ST. LOUIS — Tiger Woods is chipping and putting again, and he hopes to play in the Memorial Cup tournament...

CSI hoops camp announced — TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Junior Eagles Basketball Camp will be held June 9-12 at CSI Gymnasium...

CSI softball camps planned — TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Softball Camp will take place in early June...

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Brist morning temperatures but the afternoon will be mild and mostly sunny. Highs up to 62a.
Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy and breezy. Lows in the middle 50s.
Tomorrow: Very breezy to windy with mostly cloudy skies and seasonal temperatures. Highs near 70, lows mid 40s.

BOILER ROOM FORECAST

Today: Cold early with sunny skies and seasonal afternoon temperatures. Highs in the middle 60s.
Tonight: Turning cloudy and breezy with a small chance of showers. Highs near 40.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and very breezy. A few showers are possible. Highs up to 60a, lows lower 40s.

IDAHOO FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.: Clouds will be on the increase today and as a result of Pacific moisture arrives late today showers will develop. Scattered showers are likely tonight with a chance of showers again on Wednesday.

BOISE: Mild and breezy today with increasing clouds. A few showers are possible tonight and skies will be cloudy. Mostly cloudy, mild and breezy to windy conditions on Wednesday.

NORTHERN UTAH: Partly to mostly sunny and breezy today. Increasing clouds and showers overnight with mostly cloudy and windy conditions on Wednesday.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 62 at Boise. Low: 20 at Idaho Falls. Weather key: (S) Sunny, (C) Cloudy, (P) Partly Cloudy, (R) Rain, (W) Wind, (M) Mostly Sunny, (MW) Mostly Windy, (MW) Mostly Windy, (MW) Mostly Windy.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY: "I think the region tournament prepared us for that," Baumert said.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes icons for weather and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

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Table showing barometric pressure for various locations and times.

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Table showing sunrise and sunset times for Twin Falls.

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Table showing pollen counts for various allergens.

Moon Phases

Table showing moon phases from May 20 to June 10.

Moonrise and Moonset

Table showing moonrise and moonset times.

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Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, etc.

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Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for major US cities.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for international cities.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for Canadian cities.

CSI

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Wednesday's schedule includes a final one-hour pre-tournament practice, along with a tournament banquet and plenty of rest for Thursday's pair of games.



which topped the Golden Eagles 7-0 earlier this year. If CSI tops McLennan, it will play the winner of the game between Iowa Western and Yamval at 6 p.m. MDT. If CSI falls to the Highlanders, it will face elimination right out of the gates in a 4 p.m. MDT game against the Iowa Western/Yavapai loser.

Parents protecting son cut off contact with grandparents

DEAR ABBY: I am in my sunset years and not well. I know my time is short, but I have one bright spot in my life — my 5-year-old grandson, Connor.



DEAR ABBY: Jeannie Phillips

My problem is I don't know where to look. I often hear about marriage counseling. Is that only for married people? If you have any ideas, I'd be grateful.

DEAR ABBY: I have been involved with "Alex" for almost five years. We have lived together for two of these five years and have been having problems in the last year or so.

pleas counseling or relationship counseling, and it will work for any couple — married or not — who are willing to try it.

DEAR ABBY: I have recently moved from New Jersey to Florida. When I am invited to someone's home for a party or dinner, I always bring a hostess gift, wine or dessert.

DEAR NEWCOMER: Not where I come from it isn't. The term "hostess gift" means it is a GIFT for the person hosting the party or dinner.

Larsen

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Tournament loss isn't about to change Mangum's life, but that half-hour stretch spent alone in a bus will remain part of his story as a CSI player.

The good news for Walker is that his freshmen displayed palpable disappointment after being out of the Region 18 Tournament.

If there's any encouragement to be taken from the past, Walker and his staff will have to look far in Walker's first year as CSI's head coach, the Golden Eagles finished two games over .500.

2008 All-Region 18 Teams

- First Team: Scott Manning, SLCC; Second Base - Kyle Bostick, SLCC; Third Base - Colby Reed, CEU; Shortstop - Kyle Bueck, SLCC; Outfielders - Sean Moyst, SLCC; Brian Barnett, WNC; Jarome Peña, WNC; Catcher - Chuck Leonard, WNC; Pitchers - Taylor Cole, CSN; Tyler Lavigne, CSN; Adam Gunn, SLCC; Designated Hitter - Brandon Troick, CSN; Bench: Andy Fox, WNC; Ryan Jensen, CSI; Second Base - Garrett Wolff, CSI; Third Base - Travis Fisher, WNC; Shortstop - Easton Guist, CSN; Outfielders - Jed Hanson, CSN; Tyler Chalm, CSN; Robbie Garvin, CSN; Catcher - Broden Schuberer, CSN; Pitchers - Jose Barajas, WNC; Josh Moody, WNC; Jason Galpin, CSN; Designated Hitter - Ryan Barnett, SLCC; Co-Players of the Year - Brian Barnett, WNC; Brandon Troick, CSN; Defensive Player of the Year - Kyle Bueck, SLCC; Pitcher of the Year - Taylor Cole, CSN; Coach of the Year - DJ. Whittemore, WNC; Teammanager MVP - David Shepherd, CSN; (9-for-14 - 4 RBIs, run, double).

clubhouse to be at least guardedly optimistic that next year's CSI group will make a strong bid to end the program's decade-long regional championship drought in 2009, especially if it can find the collective fire it lacked during points of the 2008 season.

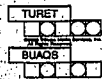
If CSI's freshmen can learn something from that silent dugout, maybe a little hurt won't hurt at all.

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Gooding Co. Sheriff identifies man, son in fatal Barton Road collision

By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer

A father and son from Wendell were killed and five people suffered non-life-threatening injuries in the Sunday evening accident that occurred on Bob Barton Road.

Intersection of 2200 East and Bob Barton Road. The pickup driven westbound by Courtney Henson, 32, of Buhl, crashed into the side of the Topaz, sending both vehicles into a canal southwest of the intersection.

Henson, who was driving three passengers, all from Buhl, was flown by Air St. Luke's with non-life-threatening injuries. Those passengers include Amber Henson, 32, Brianna Henson, 15, and Mecco Henson, 8.



Two men were killed Sunday evening in this Mercury Topaz, pictured below in a canal. The car was struck by a pickup after passing a stop sign on Bob Barton Road in Gooding County.

Airing of the grievances

Mikesell refuses to approve air show documents

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

Not everyone is on board for this summer's Air Magic Valley air show.

Twin Falls County Commission Chairman Tom Mikesell has refused to approve any documents related to the show because the event's organizers haven't given the information he requested.

Twin Falls County and city have approved a handful of documents, including plans to split profits and losses, funding for the hotel accommodations for the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, and money for an emcee.

But Mikesell wants to see the insurance policy promised by organizers in case bad weather forces a cancellation and the county has to cover losses. He said he supports the show if it's structured soundly.

He's also worried the event might not make a profit — \$462,000 precisely according to preliminary projections. The county and city have split a \$15,000 contribution to the airport's budget to the show, said City Finance Director Gary Evans.

"The information we requested has not been provided to us," said Mikesell. "I just want some assurances it's not going to cost the taxpayers any money."

Phil Hafer, who sits on the airport advisory board and is organizing the show, said he's waiting for the city's insurance underwriter to provide a quote on weather insurance. In addition to rain and lightning, wind will likely be included. In 2004, the air show was cancelled due to high winds, he said. "I'm not sure what the issue is," said Hafer. "We have two commissioners that will back it — because the city and county co-own the airport — and Tom is just sitting and not wanting to understand why he doesn't back the air show."

The air show is relying heavily on private sponsorship and expected attendance. Hafer said he is within \$20,000 to \$25,000 of the \$50,000 sponsorship goal. He said the sponsor contracts are "bouncing between city

Sky high

To learn more about the Air Magic Valley show or to become a sponsor, call Phil Hafer at 420-8719.

and county legal" offices. Commissioners said they haven't seen any sponsorship contracts.

The insurance is expected to be for about \$175,000 per day, said Airport Manager Bill Carberry. The show's expenses are about \$312,000, according to the proposed budget. They will also use an independent accountant to oversee the budgets.

Any profits will go into the city's airport account. The \$462,000 assumes that 40,000 people will attend at \$15 per person. Hafer said sending 10,000 tickets will bring the show's budget even.

But Mikesell points to the final paragraph of the 1998 agreement between the city and county that states "no expenditure shall be made or contracted for by either party unless previously approved and budgeted as provided by law by both parties."

Mikesell said that clause means the county was required to participate in the air show when the city decided to have the air show — and, as a result, has to share any losses or profits.

Kramer — who disagrees with Mikesell — said the county can't get out of the agreement — said he is willing to trust the show's organizers that they'll eventually provide insurance details, primarily because of a chance to see the Blue Angels.

"It's a tremendously rare opportunity," said Kramer. Although organizers would prefer all commissioners' support, Hafer noted that he would move ahead without approval from Mikesell, who he said was "negative" during two presentations.

"It would be nice to have it unanimous in the county," Hafer said.

"The other two are firmly behind it. Tom just can't seem to get behind it." A call to Twin Falls Mayor Lance Clow Monday night was not returned.

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Two-year-old Isaac Hansen takes a peek outward while his father Bradley swings him during a family afternoon at the city park in Twin Falls Monday. Today's forecast holds mostly sunny skies with a high of 68.

Minico student facing threat charge released

By Rich Greene
Staff writer

The Minico High School student who was taken into custody Friday afternoon after allegedly making violent threats at the school was released to his parents on a house arrest agreement Monday.

The arrest of the male student capped a turbulent week of events at Minico, which began when a teacher put a student's Mexican flag into a garbage can on Cinco de Mayo.

The student was held over the weekend until Monday's detention hearing. Minidoka County Prosecutor Nikki Cannon said standard operating procedure when dealing with

juveniles is to hold the suspect until the next available time to see the judge. Because of the Friday arrest the next available time was Monday.

Deputy Prosecutor Alan Goodman said the boy's house arrest agreement allows for him to go to and from school with the accompaniment of his parents. He is not allowed to have contact with friends both physically or via other forms of communication.

Goodman said the next step in the judicial process will be to admit or deny hearing. During that hearing the judge will also have the authority to open the case to the public.

Cannon said the attorney's office still has not

received the completed investigations from the two flag incidents that set off the week of protests. She said she expects them sometime this week.

The Minidoka County School District handed both investigations over to the county sheriff.

Sheriff Kevin Halverson described the atmosphere Monday morning at the high school as "quiet" and "back to normal."

Superintendent Scott Rogers said staff and students are back to focusing on preparation for final exams.

Rogers said attendance was back to near normal levels Monday, of 90 to 92 percent, after having fallen to 77 percent on Friday.

Twin Falls School Board sets zones for high schools

By Andrea Jackson
Staff writer

The Twin Falls School Board Monday finalized the boundaries for high school attendance when Canyon Ridge High opens in 2009.

The boundaries for Twin Falls High School and Canyon Ridge will be the same as the two junior high schools. Students at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High will be assigned to Twin Falls

High School, and those from Robert Stuart Junior High School will feed into Canyon Ridge.

The plan follows a series of recommendations from citizen and school district study committees. Some Twin Falls High School alumni had told board member Vera Redman they were concerned the new zoning scheme would prevent students from meeting new people in high school.

"They thought that was unfortunate," Redman said Monday.

A suggestion was made to Superintendent Wiley Dobbs, he said, to "criss-cross" the school zones — with half the students at each junior high school going to a particular high school — instead of a whole junior high school pouring into one.

The board voted unanimously, however, to go with the committee recommendation.

Most 10th-grade students want to go to Twin Falls High School, according to a school district survey of 460 students in February. About 33 percent of those surveyed wanted to attend the new, 219,716 square-foot Canyon Ridge High, while more than

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T.F. Council orders Western Days to pay police OT

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

The Twin Falls City Council on Monday agreed to require the Western Days committee to pay \$5,200 for police overtime, citing a need to consistently enforce a policy in changing organizers of special events.

The 6-0 vote marked the first time that organizers for the three-day event — now in its 27th year — will have to pay for police overtime. The event, which begins the afternoon of May 30, is expected to draw 30,000 to 50,000 people, most of whom will turn out for the parade May 31.

Almost an hour of debate centered on whether overtime pay should be paid by the event's organizers, absorbed by the Twin Falls Police Department, or shared. Lisa Cuellar, the event's board chairwoman, said her \$27,000 budget, which runs primarily on donations — couldn't sustain the new costs, but the council said it declared two weeks earlier to follow through on security recommendations from police.

On April 28, the council agreed to have Rosalinda Paiz pay \$800 for police at the Mother's Day and Latin Fiesta. The council's decision came despite Paiz's protests because police told them at a meeting that the department would consistently recommend special events pay for police coverage.

On Monday, the council echoed a need to avoid special treatment and said the same rules should apply to Western Days. "To me, we need to charge the full \$5,200 or send Rosa back \$400," said Councilman Greg Lanting.

A motion to have Western Days split the cost with the city was defeated 3-2. Council members then agreed unanimously to change the full amount, with members saying it was the only way to allow the event to go forward.

Police costs for the parade run about \$5,900, but those are absorbed by the city's budget, said Staff Sgt. Dennis Pullin. Regarding the remainder of Western Days, police point to 16 service calls last year — including 49 since 2005 — as reasons why there is a police presence.

Marvin Pierce, who owns the Pioneer Club and runs the event's beer garden, said not all the service calls are directly related to the event — big events by nature are bound to result in at least a few problems.

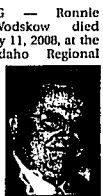
"Are we doing an overkill thing here?" he asked. "Is Western Days getting a bad rap for things that have anything to do with Western Days?"

Cuellar has said Western Days has always used private security firms and she said Monday that she'd use the firms this year because they'll stay longer than police. There was no mention at the meeting about last year's

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Ronnie Sutton Wodskow

REXBURG — Ronnie Sutton Wodskow died Sunday, May 11, 2008, at the Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center...



Ron worked for the Madison School District. He was an avid sportsman and enjoyed fishing, hunting, hiking, camping and all outdoor activities...

Larry Neil Norby

RUPERT — Larry Neil Norby, 71, of Rupert, passed away Saturday, May 10, 2008, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.



Boosters and past board member of United Co.-Op. Ever the expert at hunting, fishing, checkers or cards, Larry took his grandchildren and those special old friends how to play the game.

Ronald S. Dinkel

Ronald S. Dinkel, 72, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, May 10, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.



ing time with his family. He was member of the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls and the Monarch Lions Club.

Kutran refuses to enter plea

By Cassidy Friedman Staff writer
Stepan Kutran, who faces charges in the house fire death of one child and injury to another, refused to enter a not guilty plea in district court.



dispassionately answered: "His motion asked for things that don't exist."
Kutran and his girlfriend Inna Gorbenko have both posted bond while they await trial on involuntary manslaughter and misdemeanor injury to a child charges.

which established probable cause in the case against Kutran.
But Loeb's didn't insist the judge rule against the motion.
The defendant typically pleads at his arraignment and asks for a time waiver on deadlines," Loeb's said.

Hailey proceeds on marijuana lawsuit

Several Hailey city officials held their city Friday over three pro-marijuana voter initiatives, a course of action aimed at getting a judge to rule against the legality of the measures and bring an end to the controversy.

This lawsuit, which has been in the works for 3 1/2 months, has already caused some controversy. Its implementation pending a judge's ruling.

Nevada violate their freedom of speech, conflict with federal law, state law or are otherwise illegal.
Those allegations assembled into a complaint by attorney Keith Roark, have already been raised by city attorney Ned Williamson and the Idaho attorney general.

A judge's ruling, however, carries the force of a final verdict.
The initiatives would legalize medicinal marijuana and industrial hemp, and make the enforcement of marijuana laws a lower police priority. Voters did not approve a fourth initiative to legalize marijuana.

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controversy when Western Days organizers denied the Southern Idaho Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgender Community Center from

having a float in the parade.
In other business, the council voted to extend by six months the five-year contract with Golf Professional Mike Hamblin, who manages

the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.
Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer said the city and Hamblin — who is not a city

employee — agreed it would be easier and wiser to negotiate a new contract during the winter months because August comes in the heart of the golf season.

Frank Hugh Montgomery

Frank H. Montgomery, 85, of Twin Falls, died Sunday morning, May 11, 2008, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls.
Frank was born May 15, 1922, in Springdale, Ark., the son of James and Cleo Littlell Montgomery. He grew up and attended schools in Arkansas before entering into the U.S. Air Corps, where he served proudly as an airplane mechanic.

(Liz) Montgomery of Detroit Lakes, Minn., Tom (Connie) Montgomery of Twin Falls and Jack (Jackie) Montgomery, also of Twin Falls. He is also survived by his brother, Raymond Montgomery of Filer; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and one sister.

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Thelma Colleen Jensen
Nicholas of Gooding, celebration of life service at 11 a.m. today at the Gooding LDS Church; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the Gooding LDS Church.

Betty R. Wilkins of Boise and formerly of Gooding, memorial service and reception at 11 a.m. today at the Gooding Funeral Home in Boise (use the Fairview cemetery entrance).

Dawn Mary (Dayley) Crane of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Acaegal LDS Church; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Erna Emma (Kregar) Bernthal of Lincoln, Neb., funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Christ Lutheran Church, 4325 Sumner St. in Lincoln, Neb.; burial at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Greenwood Cemetery in Wayne, Neb.; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Roper and Sons, 4300 O' St. in Lincoln, Neb.

Lee Tripp Ware of Twin Falls
For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magvalley.com.

Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the service Wednesday at the mortuary; graveside service at 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Arimo Cemetery.

Joe "Gar" Hackney of Boise, inurnment service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Columbarium at the Ascension Episcopal Church in Twin Falls (Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel).

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DEATH NOTICES

George M. Froom Jr.
HEBYURN — George Melvin Froom Jr., 83, of Hebyurn, died Saturday, May 10, 2008, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Hunter O. Caudill
Hunter Oscar Caudill, 67, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, May 11, 2008, at SunBridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Almon L. Taylor
JEROME — Almon L. Taylor, 92, of Jerome, died Sunday, May 11, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical

Polanco sentenced for robbery

By Sven Berg
Staff writer

BURLEY — A Twin Falls man who took part in an October 2006 robbery on the Burley Maverik Country Store was sentenced Monday in Cassia County's 5th District Court to a prison term of seven to 25 years.

Isaac Polanco, 20, was also sentenced on a variety of robbery and vandalism charges for prior offenses, but 5th District Judge Michael Crabtree ordered sentences be served concurrently at the same time in addition to prison time. Crabtree ordered Polanco to pay fines and restitution totaling nearly \$15,000.

Polanco was arrested about two months after the Maverik robbery and pled guilty to his role in it in April of this year. On the same day, he pled guilty to stealing a car from the Burley Wal-Mart

parking lot in June 2006 and robbing the L/L Cinders Smoke Shop — also in Burley — in September 2006. Polanco is believed to have used a gun stolen from L/L Cinders in the Maverik robbery.

Polanco acknowledged being involved with gangs during the time he committed the robberies. But his attorney, Greg Fuller, said gang involvement was a new phase in his client's life, one that began shortly after Polanco turned 18 and led to a months-long "crime spree."

Polanco's mother, Rose Perez, said her son recognizes the seriousness of his actions and no longer considers himself a gang member.

"God's will in Isaac's life" is to be done," she said. "We're willing to help him, and we want to change."

Fuller argued against imposing prison time on his

client, saying Polanco does not have a long history of criminal activity. He requested Crabtree sentence Polanco to no more than two years and retain jurisdiction pending a rider program. He said that avenue would show his client a path to rehabilitation.

"If we did that, it would be a wonderful thing. If we send him to prison, he's going to be more likely to take place on the outside."

"The prison is filled with different gangs and different families and you learn so much more, so that when you get out you're worse off than you were before," said Anthony Lopez, director of the Reach Program, a group

that works to mitigate the influence of gangs in communities.

In issuing Polanco's sentence, Crabtree called gang influence an "overarching" factor, and said he recognized the potential value in placing him on probation or rider program. But he said the single most important factor in considering any sentence is the protection of society. He said Polanco's use of a firearm in the Maverik robbery indicated lack of concern for safety.

"In your hand you held the life and liberty of that clerk when you pointed that cocked and loaded weapon at him," he said. "These people that are the victims of your crimes have experienced a serious, life-altering event."

Sven Berg may be reached at 208-677-8764 or sberg@southidahopress.com.

Fund for Idaho seeks 2008 award nominees

The Fund for Idaho, a public nonprofit foundation, is seeking nominations for the Nelle Tobias Award in Philanthropy. The purpose of this award is to honor extraordinary generosity and passionate vision for a better world — qualities that Nelle Tobias demonstrated in her life and legacy.

Fund for Idaho sought nominations for the first award in spring 2007. The first honorees, Wood River Valley residents Doug and Ann Christensen, were chosen in May 2007.

Nomination criteria for this award include: contributions of financial resources as well as significant personal time; living a life reflective of the values of the fund; and support, dedication to making the world a better place, without regard for personal recognition.

Doug and Ann Christensen, were nominated by Norma Douglas of The Wilderness Society, Ketchum, and Liz Paul, with the Idaho Peace Coalition, Boise.

The couple was honored for decades of providing resources, through their private family foundation and their own volunteer time, to hundreds of groups working to make Idaho and the world a better place.

Nominations are due by Thursday, Form and information are on the Fund for Idaho Web site, www.fundforidaho.org, or contact Executive Director Gail Hejlsman, gail@fundforidaho.org or 343-1744.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Middle School Task Force meets today

The Middle School Task Force, which is traveling across Idaho to get recommendations with the public about improving middle school education, will visit Twin Falls today.

The meeting will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Twin Falls District board room. Middle-level educators, parents and other educational stakeholders are encouraged to attend. These meetings will be an opportunity for parents, educators and the general public to give the task force feedback on its current recommendations.

The Middle School Task Force was created in 2007 by the Idaho State Department of Education, and the general

public is encouraged to attend, according to a release from the Idaho State Department of Education.

Bob Barton Road hearing set for May 20

JEROME — The Jerome Highway District and Local Highway Technical Assistance Council will host a public hearing to report testimony on the proposed design and location for the Bob Barton Road Project.

The open house hearing will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, at the Best Western Sawtooth Inn, 2653 S. Lincoln Ave., in Jerome. No formal presentation will be made.

Displays illustrating the design and location of the proposed project will be

available for review. Project staff will answer questions and a hearing officer will be available to receive oral or written testimony. The public is encouraged to attend any time during the three-hour period.

The proposed project will enhance safety and operations of Bob Barton Road starting just west of 300 West and extending approximately one-third mile through the Idaho Highway 79 (Golf Course Road) intersection. The proposed improvements address intersection and roadway deficiencies, and add shoulders.

Those unable to attend the hearing are encouraged to send their testimony to: Public Involvement Coordinator, P.O. Box 7129, Boise, ID 83707; or

send an e-mail to: comments@tid.idaho.gov; or fax comments to: (208) 334-8563.

DMV offices to close on alternate days

The Buhl Division of Motor Vehicles office will be closed Wednesday for a training seminar. The Twin Falls DMV auto license office will remain open that day for regular business.

On Thursday, the Twin Falls DMV auto license office will be closed for the training seminar, while the Buhl DMV and Jerome DMV offices remain open for regular business.

The Twin Falls Drivers License desks will remain open on both Wednesday and Thursday for regular business hours.

— staff reports

Republican lawsuit against Idaho stalls

By Rebecca Boone
Associated Press writer

BOISE — It's been a month since the Idaho Republican Party filed a federal lawsuit against the state, attempting to restrict the Republican primary election to registered GOP party members.

But the second step in moving the case forward — formally serving the state with a summons or notice of the lawsuit — has yet to be taken.

The Idaho Republican Party offered different answers on why the summons had not yet been served. One of the party's lawyers, Charles Crawford Crafts, said the delay is "strategic." The party's executive director, Sidney Smith, said it was not "a conscious decision," and that another of the party's lawyers, John Sutton, had been out of town in recent weeks.

But Rod Beck, who led the party within the party for closed primaries, called the delay "decisive," contending party leaders were failing to abide by the resolution that the party adopted in January.

That resolution called for the lawsuit to be filed and vigorously pursued if the Idaho Legislature failed to pass a law closing the primary during its 2008 session. The state Senate passed such a bill; the House did not. The session ended April 2.

Beck and other closed primary supporters warned Republican party leaders on Monday that in 10 days they would ask the judge to allow them to intervene in the existing case.

Federal court rules allow a maximum 120 days to pass between filing a lawsuit and serving notice on the respondent. That gives the Republican Party until about Aug. 9 to present the summons to Secretary of State Ben Ysursa, who oversees the state's elections.

"They wanted to get the complaint filed in a timely fashion," Crafts said. "The clock was ticking in that we had to get the lawsuit filed within 10 days of the Legislature ending. We knew we're not going to be able to change anything in this pri-

mary so far now we're waiting in the wings, getting everything ready. That was a strategic move."

Not everyone in the party is buying into the strategy, however.

"Justice delayed is justice denied," Beck said. "Just filing a lawsuit without a summons does nothing. As a plaintiff you want this thing resolved expeditiously."

At issue is a fear among conservative Republicans that Democrats, Independents or other voters could infiltrate the Republican primaries and skew the result by voting for more moderate candidates.

Idaho has had open primaries for the past 36 years, though there have been previous efforts to close them. In 2007, a federal judge rejected a lawsuit brought by Beck, a former Republican state sena-

tor, that sought to close the primaries. In his ruling, U.S. District Judge Mikel Williams wrote that Beck and 71 other GOP members who brought the case didn't represent the party and therefore didn't have any right to sue.

This time around the lawsuit comes from the entire Idaho Republican Party, its executive committee, state central committee, chairman and executive director. The change was possible because rules were passed during the 2006 state party convention closing the primary and the rules were later officially adopted by the party's central committee.

Zones

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half, or 66 percent, said they'd rather stay at Twin Falls High. If that feedback remains unchanged next school year, then there could be a senior class at both high schools in 2009, with at least 125 students needed for each, Dobbs said.

Students in the 2010 graduating class will be able to choose which high school they go to, but if it's outside their junior high school zone then they'll need to submit requests forms by Oct. 15.

Approval of these transfers will depend on whether there are at least 125 seniors at both schools, according to a stipulation added by Lori Ward, school board member.

Staff will be surveyed in the fall about where they want to teach, according to the approved recommendations.

Dr. Weese Joins St. Luke's Mountain States Urology



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NOTICE OF SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Richfield School District No. 316, Lincoln County, Idaho, that a special supplemental levy election will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote and determination on a supplemental tax levy.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

The younger rises when the old doth fall. — William Shakespeare

When England's Under-20 team qualified for a place in the World Championships in Beijing in 2008, their nonplaying captain decided to expose them to top-light competition.

East-West on this deal from a major Swiss teams event were Graeme Robertson and James Paul, 18 and 17 respectively; North-South were seasoned internationals. Declarer appears to have only two hearts and two spades to lose in three spades. If he is allowed to trump his losing heart in dummy, he might even make an overtrick!

However, James led a heart. Declarer ducked in dummy, captured Graeme's 10 with the king, and returned a heart to Graeme's ace. Now Graeme switched to a low trump. (This would have been crucial to subject declarer to a guess if declarer had held the king and West the queen, although today, switching to the ace would have worked too.)

Declarer played the queen. James took the king and returned a low trump to East's ace. Now Graeme cashed the ace and jack of hearts and played a fourth round of hearts. With James holding the trump 10 over declarer's jack, he scored a trump promotion, and the defense had five winners.

Can you see what South could have done to avoid this embarrassment? Consider what would have happened if declarer had played dummy's heart queen at trick one. Now the defense can't arrange the trump promotion, since declarer retains heart control. If the defenders duck trick one, declarer has two heart tricks, of course.

- NORTH 05-1A-4
4 2
K 10 6 3
K 10 9 6 4

- WEST
K 10 5
7 6 5
Q 7 5 4 2
7 2

- EAST
A 7
K 10 J 8 3
J 8
Q J 8 3

- SOUTH
Q J 9 8 6 3
K 4 2
A 9
A 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: East
The bidding:
South West North East
1 1
3 2 V Dbl. 3 V
All pass

Opening lead: Heart seven
BID WITH THE ACES
South holds:
K 10 5
7 6 5
Q 7 5 4 2
7 2

South West North East
1 1
A 1 NT

ANSWER: You should compete to two spades, primarily because your hand is just about worth it, despite the chance of bad spade breaks. Also, you want to try to make sure partner leads a spade if West becomes declarer — not because it will gain tricks, but because anything else might be worse. If partner had overcalled in hearts, it would be right to pass out to raise.

Per details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Game Wolf," contact kbjwolf@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@midwestspring.com.

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OPERATION GREEN THUMB

Mission: Turn a gardening greenhorn into a pro.
Objective: Find 10 of the Magic Valley's best gardeners and gather their wisdom.
Operative: Times-News features reporter Melissa Davlin. Code name: Agent M.
(Davlin is eager-to-pumpkin; ponies, train a vine and produce tomatoes her

neighbors will envy. But she saw her first seed catalogue just this spring, and she doesn't know how to handle a hoe. This will be a tough mission.)
Timeframe: A single growing season.
Tactics: Complete 10 assignments, finding an expert teacher for each.
• Plant early-season crops.
• Prune roses.

- Plant late-season crops.
- Operate a drip irrigation system.
- Thin carrots.
- Trellis pole beans.
- Intervene against insects. (Yes, this might mean picking potato bugs.)
- Cultivate and weed.
- Deadhead flowers.
- Harvest and share the bounty. (Successfully giving away zucchini may result in promotion for Davlin.)

Pruning the pricklers

Objective: Prune roses
Target: Sheri Hutton

Miss Davlin's field report: At 17:50 on May 7, I met Magic Valley Rose Society president Sheri Hutton by the Twin Falls garden at the memorial rose garden by the Twin Falls County Courthouse. Hutton agreed to teach me how to prune the rosebushes, and I prepared myself for the possibility of torture by thorny branches. When I arrived, Hutton had a head start on the assignment. The ground was littered with twigs and leaves. She presented me with heavy-duty gloves, pruners and shears and demonstrated how to use them. Cut at an angle, prune as close to a living, healthy bud as possible.

While she prepped me for my mission, I chatted her up about her past. Hutton and her family moved from Grass Valley, Calif., to Twin Falls four years ago. Their new property had six rosebushes—plants Hutton's mother had no experience with. At a local home and garden show, Hutton's mother got information from the Magic Valley Rose Society, and they started attending meetings. "We were trying to figure out, 'What do we do with these?'" Hutton said. They figured it out, and now Hutton is president of the club. "I'm not sure how I got talked into that," she said. She's a good fit for the job, though. During my mission, she patiently showed me what to cut and what to keep. Get rid of branches that cross to each other or are growing toward the center of the bush. Dead, damaged or weak branches definitely have to go. With this in mind, we chopped away. Hutton's standards proved much higher than mine. If I had been pruning alone, I would have left half of those branches on. They didn't look that bad to me. I began feeling sorry for the poor, naked-looking rosebush. Hutton reassured me, however, that not only was I not insane for apologizing,



Sheri Hutton, right, teaches Times-News reporter Melissa Davlin how to prune a rosebush Wednesday afternoon in Twin Falls. Hutton is president of a rose society that takes care of the garden at the Twin Falls County Courthouse.

ing to the rosebush while pruning it, but the bush would thrive with fewer branches. "They're really happier for it," she said. Without the clutter, the rosebush can breathe and flourish. "I stop and chop bushes," she kept chopping. "I got pruned only a few times." How would I know the best time to prune at home? The angle of thumb, around here, Hutton said, is to prune the rosebushes when forsythias bloom. Because conditions vary from town to country and seasons are unpredictable at best, the blooming forsythias in a given area are a better indicator than a calendar.



Sheri Hutton advises pruning away a rosebush sucker because the roses that grow from its branches end up looking wild.

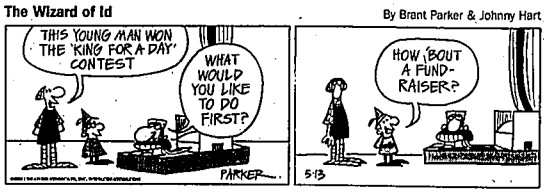
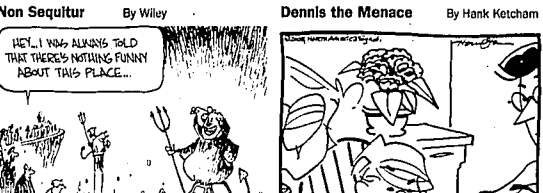
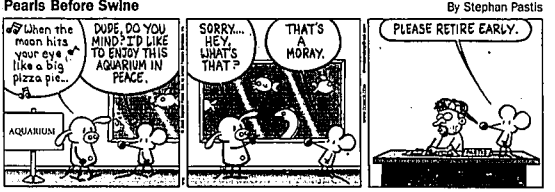
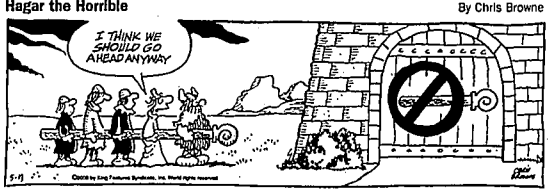
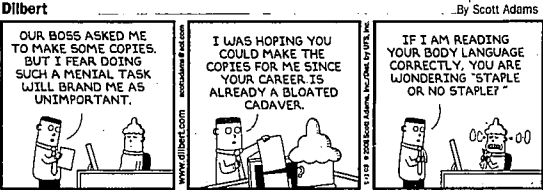
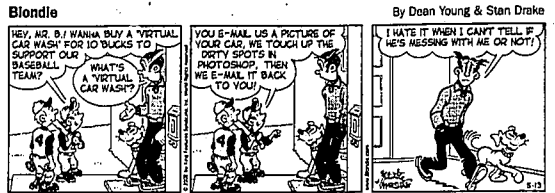
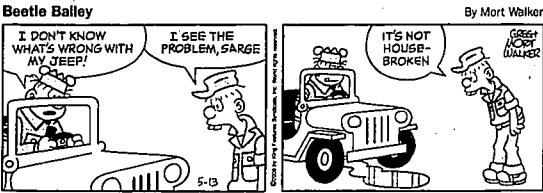
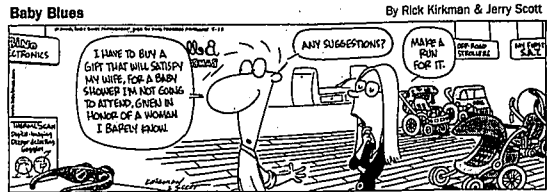
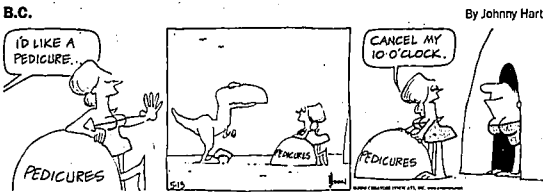
"I really like the idea of using Mother Nature as your alarm clock," Hutton said. Relying on nature is the base of Hutton's gardening techniques. Throughout my mission, she revealed intelligence on how to kill insects and weeds using green techniques. To get rid of soft-bodied bugs like aphids, mix one liquid tablespoon of dish soap with one cup cooking oil. Mix one to two 1/2 tablespoons of this mixture into one gallon of water and spray the plants. No more aphids. "We used one of these home techniques to prevent rot after pruning. Dab white glue on the freshly cut branch to repel water on the exposed stem. That could save big headaches in the future." While we hauled the trimmed branches to the back of her truck at the end of the mission, Hutton revealed that she's expecting her third child at the end of September. "Holy cow! What a tough lady, working this hard on the roses when a baby on board." "I figure I better do it now before my belly gets in the way," she said. "I'm glad I caught her before then. With shears in hand, this is Agent M. signing off."



Sheri Hutton says you get what you pay for when you purchase clippers.

MORE INSIDE

Agent M goes underground to plant early-season crops. See page D4



Hard-hit consumers turn to Amish-run stores, expired goods

By Meghan Barr
Associated Press writer

MESOPOTAMIA, Ohio—In a quiet gas-lit farmhouse, two girls in bonnets and long blue dresses wind tape around expired bottles of Newman's Own salad dressing, and wipe dust off dented cans of vegetables and crumpled boxes of Butterfinger candy bars.

They are picking through the leftovers from America's supermarkets.

Amish-run salvage stores, a thriving discount industry tucked away in America's farmlands, sell expired food and medicine dirt-cheap. This shadow economy, run by people who typically shun modern methods of commerce, is drawing a steady stream of non-Amish customers seeking relief from the country's financial ills.

"We have anything from a Mercedes in our parking lots down to horse and buggles," said Ray Marvin, general manager of B.B.'s Grocery Outlet, an Amish-owned salvage store chain in Quarryville, Pa.

The customers are after prices resembling those of old-fashioned nickel-and-dime stores — paper towels for 50 cents a roll, salad dressing for 10 cents a bottle.

Except for baby formula, the Food and Drug Administration doesn't prohibit the sale of expired foods or medicine. The agency bars the sale of adulterated or misbranded drugs, but those are evaluated case by case.

Everything else is fair game — "buyer beware," as B&K Salvage owner Bill Gingerich puts it.

Salvage goods also show up on the shelves of some close-out stores, but those primarily sell bulk wholesale and overstocked goods at discounted prices.

"We've been amazed, how good we've done," says Rebecca Miller, an Amish woman who opened N&R Salvage with her husband last year on the outskirts of Mesopotamia, in northeast Ohio.

While most of these Amish-run businesses have been around for several years, store owners say business has picked up considerably in recent months as the country struggles with rising gasoline and food prices, a credit crisis and home foreclosures.

Several Amish businesses declined to cite sales figures. Non-Amish salvage store



A horse and buggy wait in the parking lot of N&R Salvage, an Amish-owned store in Ohio, on March 28. Amish salvage stores sell scratched, dented and reclaimed grocery and household items at a discount.

owners also report climbing sales.

Mike Mitchell, owner of Amelia's Grocery Outlet in New Holland, Pa., says sales grew by 12 percent in 2007, and his chain of 11 stores is on pace to increase sales by 23 percent this year.

There are at least six Amish-run salvage stores in northeast Ohio and nearly a dozen in Lancaster County in Pennsylvania, forming something of a discount shopper's marathon course.

"A lot of people drive from one salvage store to the next and see how many bargains they can get," says 41-year-old Barbara Blyer, an Amish woman who runs Shedd Road Salvage in Burton, Ohio. "Some people don't have jobs. We expected them to come."

Only the savviest bargain hunter would be able to find N&R Salvage, perched on a grassy slope with open fields as far as the eye can see. The store is heated by a single coal-burning stove, and Miller rings up customers

using a battery-operated cash register.

The Amish are scattered across 28 states, with the highest populations in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Indiana. A deeply religious group, they traditionally live off the land and without electricity, among other modern amenities. Yet many have abandoned farming for family businesses — construction work and factory jobs.

Heavy losses of manufacturing jobs have hurt Amish and non-Amish alike in northeast Ohio. The nearest city, Cleveland, recently landed on a list of the country's top five poorest urban areas.

"I'm trying to find ways to cut back on my grocery bill," says 73-year-old Shirley Baxter, pushing a shopping cart down the aisles of B&K Salvage in Middlefield, Ohio. "And a place like this helps. At our age we're on a fixed income."

The narrow aisles spill over with water-damaged taco shells (25 cents per package) and pesto sauce that expired four months ago (five packets for \$1). Fresh bags of homemade flavored gelatin and rolled oats are usually in stock, along with oddities such as light-up Disney princess pens.

There's low-price facial moisturizer, tubes of old toothpaste, discounted rolls of toilet paper — even expired over-the-counter medicines.

At Triple M Salvage in Middlefield, adventurous customers can buy Hair Regrowth Treatment from Rite Aid that expired more than three years ago. For a



Amish hats for sale at Triple M Salvage, an Amish-owned store in Ohio.

bucket they might try a bottle of Dulcolax stool softener that expired last June or year-old caplets of Tylenol Allergy medicine.

Food becomes salvage after it's discarded by supermarkets, typically because it's damaged or nearing expiration. Seasonal products whose shelf life is over, such as Christmas-themed paper plates, also end up in the scarp heap.

The products are then shipped to reclamation centers, which are owned by major grocery chains or independently run. Some products are thrown out; the rest gets packed up in banana boxes and trucked to discount stores across the country.

"We separate all the differ-

ent categories, like the vegetables from the fruits, let's say," Gingerich explains. "The desserts from the barbecue sauce, that kind of thing."

Products that are too old or moldy are thrown out or marked as free, says Blyer at Shedd Road Salvage. Greg Martin, manager of Banana Box Wholesale Grocery, a Kutztown, Pa.-based food brokerage outlet that works with salvage stores across the country, says he's seen incoming loads covered in cat litter.

Since she discovered salvage stores, Jo Leyda of Windsor, Ohio, almost never pays more than \$2 for a box of cereal.

"Why not? I don't care if the box is ripped," says Leyda, a mother of five, shrugging. But

she hesitates at buying expired products.

"If it's a bottle of salad dressing that's like, a month expired, there's probably nothing wrong with it," she says. "But generally I just stick with the scratch-n-dents."

Amish expert Dan Kraybill of Elizabethtown, Pa., calls the popularity of salvage stores a "mini Amish industrial revolution." He says it is a natural outgrowth of booming Amish micro-enterprises, a result of the decline in farming.

"Their businesses frequently succeed because they have low overhead, they work very hard, they're creative," Kraybill says. "And they have an ample pool of labor within their extended families."



A shopper browses N&R Salvage in Ohio in March.

When rhubarb isn't red

By Scott Aker
Special to The Washington Post

Q. I planted a couple of rhubarb plants last year, and they have grown well, but the stems remain green, not red. Is there anything I can do to produce red stems?

A. Your rhubarb may be refusing to turn red for a few reasons. One may be the vari-

ety. Some rhubarb varieties have redder stalks (technically petioles) than others. Canada Red is one of the reddest varieties. Victoria is more common and has green stalks flecked with pink, but is more productive than most.

The red coloration is due to pigments called anthocyanins that are formed in the leaf stalks. Anthocyanins form

only in cool temperatures and abundant sunlight. If your rhubarb is growing in any shade or if spring temperatures are warm, the full potential of red color may not develop.

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The seeds of spring

Objective:
Plant early-season crops
Target:
Sharon Buckle

Melissa Davlins, field reporter Sharon Buckle, are perched on the edge of the Snake River Canyon north of Twin Falls. I met her there for my assignment on the windy afternoon of May 7. Buckle, owner of Sunrise Landscaping Design, had agreed to teach me how to plant cold-weather vegetables.

Cold-weather vegetables, such as onions, peas and spinach, can withstand freezing mornings, unlike more delicate edibles like tomatoes. At our rendezvous, we decided to focus on onions and peas.

Buckle proved a great teacher. She completed Master Gardener courses five years ago and has been gardening since she could walk.

I grew up planting a garden with my parents," she said. "I was grateful to have her experience. For the onions, we used a rototiller to mix compost from a local dairy into the soil. We traced small, straight trenches in the soil and stuck in the tiny red onions an inch apart, roots down. The mini-onions will grow into big, edible, yummy onions, destined for salsa and other culinary delights. Buckle showed me how to cover the onions loosely, then press the air pockets out with a garden rake. Next in our mission were the peas. We traced another trench, this time in a circle, and put the tiny, bitty peas in the ground. The

peas will grow into a trellis, where they can climb instead of spreading out. A wire fencing protects the peas from rocks, chucks, which apparently enjoy peas, lettuce and spinach. Buckle planned to plant stronger-tasting vegetables like onions and peppers out in the open.

Buckle imparted some gardening wisdom while we worked. She told me which bugs were harmful, how often to water plots, and how to easily add color to a garden using pot-painted flowers.

After the peas, Buckle showed me the rest of her garden. She carefully plants what the plants so she always has flowering blooms throughout spring

and summer. In another area, she nurtures several plants like cholla cacti and yucca. After planting, lawn and landscaping demands a time commitment. Buckle spends as many as 12 hours a week gardening.

"If I didn't work, I could probably spend more time," she said. "I'm not sure what she would do with that extra time. I can't imagine her garden being more beautiful. Hungry for spring salad, this is Agent M, signing off."



Sharon Buckle of Twin Falls covers freshly planted onion bulbs with soil Wednesday in Twin Falls.

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Larkspur, hollyhock shelf lives vary greatly

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Q. I bought packets of hollyhock and larkspur seeds several years ago and am wondering if there is a shelf life for these? Also, when can I start these indoors?

A. Larkspur seeds do not have an extended shelf life. They are best sown in the same year in which they were purchased. Larkspur also needs to be sown directly in its growing bed in late September or early October because it won't germinate until the soil cools. It then flowers in May and June. It can be sown in very early spring, but the resulting plants are small — a real drawback if you want larkspur for cutting or drying.

Hollyhock seeds might last five years or even more if properly stored in a cool, dry place. They can be started in spring or even through mid-summer. They should bloom the second year after sowing.

Okra loves heat

Q. I have been growing okra plants for many years. Last year some buds swelled without bursting into the beautiful flowers, although the pods did grow underneath the unopened buds, if a bit smaller than normal. Also, the plants stopped blooming by mid-summer. Usually they flower into October. How do I fix this for this year?

A. Blame your okra woes on the drought. Okra loves heat but needs good soil moisture conditions to grow well. If soil moisture is lacking, the petals may fail to fully expand. Because okra is self-fertile, it is possible for the pods to develop even if the flowers fail to open fully. Fewer seeds and a slightly reduced protein content are the only real consequence, but the okra pods will be as edible as they would be if the flowers were fully developed. This season, make sure that plants are adequately watered, and hope for a wetter year.

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Sharon Buckle completed Master Gardener courses five years ago and has been gardening since she could walk.



Times-News writer Melissa Davlins, right, and Twin Falls gardener Sharon Buckle plant onions.

Good drainage prolongs life of wood in beds

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Q. Painstakingly, I have built raised vegetable beds using new pressure-treated lumber, only to realize that the chemicals in the wood may leach into the vegetables. Should I be worried? Should I line the inside surfaces or apply a sealer? I don't wish to use ordinary lumber

that would rot with so much moist ground contact.

A. Since the EPA banned chromated copper arsenate nearly five years ago, the materials used to treat lumber have changed. Now a brew with copper and quaternary ammonium is used to treat lumber that is sold for residential use.

The compounds in the new wood preservative are not considered to be nearly as toxic or harmful as those used in the banned preservative. It is very unlikely that the lumber in your raised beds will have any effect on your vegetables.

If you do anything, simply provide for good drainage

under the walls of the bed to prolong the life of the wood. Even treated wood eventually rots, and you can slow the process by minimizing direct soil contact and providing for rapid drainage.

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