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Peppergrass protection still possible

Judge rules Interior Department must reconsider taking Idaho plant off endangered species list

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

endangered species.

A federal judge for the District of Idaho says the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service must reconsider its decision not to list slickspot peppergrass as an

The plant with tiny white flowers grows almost exclusively in the Snake River Plain and on the Owyhee Plateau. In his ruling handed down Wednesday, U.S. District Magistrate Judge Mikel Williams

says the Fish and Wildlife Service wrongly downplayed scientific evidence and emphasized uncertainties when it decided not to list the plant. The ruling was in favor of Western Watersheds Project, which sued Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne and the Fish and Wildlife Service over the agency's failure to protect the plant, Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter joining the federal agency as a defendant-intervenor.

The plant had been on Fish and Wildlife's radar since 2000, when the agency began preparing a draft rule to list it as endangered. The agency's director approved a rule listing it as threatened in 2003, but reversed course after

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Bill would roll back fees on public lands

Crapo co-sponsor; bill in Craig committee

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

Federal lands across the country could soon have their fee structures done away with if Congress approves a bill now in a Senate committee.

Known as the Fee Repeal and Expanded Access Act, the bill would repeal certain portions of a previous act that allowed federal land agencies to charge recreational access fees and increase the fees charged at national parks.

The access fees started as a "fee demo" program in 1996 and were eventually done away with in the Sawtooth National Forest in 2005, in the face of increasing resistance from recreational users. But across the rest of the country, the ability to charge such fees was added into law in 2005 when it was attached to the Senate Appropriations omnibus spending bill. It didn't receive a full vote in either chamber, and also overturned legislation abolishing fee demo.

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Bike rider, SUV collide



Members of the Twin Falls Police Department investigate a car crash involving a cyclist Thursday afternoon at the corner of Sixth Avenue West and Shoshone Street South in Twin Falls.

Police, medics, family respond after woman hit on Shoshone Street South

By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer

Even before she recognized the injured bicycle rider lying on the street corner, Sonya Maher saw the mangled bike tire on the rusted red bike next to the spilled cup of red soda. At that moment, she knew it was her 34-year-old sister-in-law Suzanne Wheat. "Wheat was conscious — 'in and out,'" Sonya Maher said — after a green Ford Explorer, driven by Twin Falls resident Dawn Orr, struck her south of the Maverik Country Store on the southeastern corner of Sixth Avenue West and Shoshone Street South, said Twin Falls Police Staff Sgt. Dennis Pullin. Medics strapped Wheat onto a stretcher

and at 5:30 p.m. and loaded her into an ambulance, which drove her to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. It was unclear whether Wheat had suffered any injuries. Pullin said.

"I had this sense it was your sister," Sonya Maher said, talking to her husband, James Maher.

"It was too freaky. I saw the car and the bike. I heard her voice, you know. She was crying."

Witnesses told police the Explorer had stopped in the right turn lane on eastbound Sixth Avenue West and then started turning right to go south. That's when Wheat entered the road on the bicycle and collided with the

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Conn. video shows bystanders ignoring hit-and-run victim

The Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. — A 78-year-old man is tossed like a rag doll by a hit-and-run driver and lies motionless on a busy city street as car after car goes by. Pedestrians gawk but appear to do nothing. One driver stops briefly but then pulls back into traffic. A man on a scooter slowly circles the victim before zipping away.

The chilling scene — captured on video by a streetlight surveillance camera — has touched off a round of soul-searching in

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Signs of division

T.F. County Paul supporters don't win single committee leadership position

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

Supporters for Presidential Candidate Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, said they shook up the party after last week's elections when they added seven new members to the Twin Falls Republican Central Committee.

It appears the shaking has subsided to a low rumbling.

The newly dozen Paul supporters on the 45-member committee — a few sitting members are among the group — tried unsuccessfully for two hours to secure positions in committee leadership and the

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With his precinct committeeman certificate in hand, George Urfe, of the Hansen precinct, returns to his seat Thursday night during a Twin Falls Republican Central Committee meeting.

Jettisoned: Air Force leaders ousted in historic shake-up

By Robert Barrs
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Robert Gates ousted the Air Force's top military and civilian leaders Thursday, holding them to account in a historic Pentagon shake-up after embarrassing nuclear

Gates announced at a news conference

that he had accepted the resignations of Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael Moseley and Air Force Secretary Michael Wynne — a highly unusual double firing.

Gates said his decision was based mainly on the damning conclusions of an internal report on the mistaken shipment to Taiwan of four Air Force electrical fuses for ballistic missile warheads. And he linked the underlying causes of

that slip-up to another startling incident: the flight last August of a B-52 bomber that was mistakenly armed with six nuclear-tipped cruise missiles.

The report drew the stunning conclusion that the Air Force's nuclear standards have been in a long decline, a "problem that has been identified but not effectively addressed for over a decade."

Gates said an internal investigation found a common

"The Taiwan incident clearly was the trigger."

— Defense Secretary Robert Gates on the resignations of the Air Force's Chief of Staff Gen. Michael Moseley and Secretary Michael Wynne

theme in the B-52 and Taiwan incidents: "a decline in the Air Force's nuclear mission focus and performance" and a failure by Air Force leaders to respond effectively.

In a reflection of his concern about the state of nuclear secu-

ity, Gates said he had asked a former defense secretary, James Schlesinger, to lead a task force that will recommend ways to ensure that the highest levels of accountability and

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

First Fridays, live bluesgrass with Strings Attached, Eric Etzsvold in Rudy's live kitchen, free food tasting and beverages sold by the glass, 6 to 9 p.m., Rudy's A-Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, 733-5477.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

The Mini-Casala Relay For Life, Roger Square, 434-8667. "First Friday Dinner," a buffet-style, traditional Basque meal sponsored by the Gooding Basque Association, 6 to 8:30 p.m., the Basque Cultural Center at the intersection of Highways 26 and 46 in Gooding, general donation of \$14 (seniors eat for \$12), 208-352-4266 or 308-5051.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Friends of the Library Afternoon Book Club, discussion of "Los Miserables" by Victor Hugo, 1:30 p.m., Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., 878-7708.

EXHIBITS

2008 College of Southern Idaho Alumni Show with works of Angela Kovalick, Melissa DeJock and Adrienne Melzer, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Joan B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, no cost, 732-6655.

FESTIVALS AND BAZAARS

Skandi Dag Festival, Heyburn Riverside Park, 679-4793.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 878-4068.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Ageless Seniors Citizens, Inc., 301 Main St. N., Kimberly, no cost, 737-5988.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Rusty Rocket's Last Blast" at 2 p.m., "Blown Away: The Wild World of Weather" at 7 p.m., and "Pink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, June 6, the 158th day of 2008. There are 208 days left in the year.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On June 6, 1944, the "D-Day" invasion of Europe took place during World War II as Allied forces stormed the beaches of Normandy, France.

ON THIS DATE

In 1844, the Young Men's Christian Association was founded in London.

In 1918, U.S. Marines suffered heavy casualties as they launched a successful counteroffensive against German troops in the World War I Battle of Belleau Wood in France.

In 1925, Walter Percy Chrysler founded the Chrysler Corporation.

In 1933, the first drive-in movie theater was opened by Richard Hollingshead in Camden County, N.J. (The movie shown was the comedy "My Best Girl," starring Adolphe Menjou.)

In 1934, the Securities and Exchange Commission was established.

In 1966, black activist James Meredith was shot and wounded as he walked

along a Mississippi highway to encourage black voter registration.

In 1968, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy died at Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles, a day after he was shot by Sirhan Bishara Sirhan.

In 1978, California voters overwhelmingly approved Proposition 13, an initiative culling for major cuts in property taxes.

In 1982, Israeli forces invaded Lebanon to drive Palestinian Liberation Organization fighters out of the area.

Ten years ago, the U.N. Security Council demanded in a unanimous vote that India and Pakistan refrain from further nuclear tests and sign nuclear control agreements.

Five years ago: The government reported the U.S. unemployment rate had hit a nine-year high of 6.1 percent during the previous month.

One year ago: Police arrested a man in the abduction and death of 18-year-old Kelsey Smith, whose body was found in a Milwaukee park four days after she'd disappeared from a Kansas state's parking lot.

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MORNING BRIEFING
Copycat climber

Two men scale New York skyscraper
barheaded within hours of each other

By Matthew Sweeney and Marlene Naanes amnews@twinfalls.com

NEW YORK — In two separate stunts that had all the addictive hallmarks of a viral video — except it was live in Midtown Manhattan — two men turned "The New York Times" building into a daredevil's jungle gym Thursday, raising questions about future security at the site.

Ray Clarke, 32, of Brooklyn, had long planned to climb the building for two years, said friends who watched and took photos of him. Clarke left his job at 5:30 p.m., fueled by anger that hours earlier, a French stuntman known as "Spiderman" had scaled his way hand-over-hand up the facade of the 52-story Times building.

By 5:45 p.m. Clarke had hugged friends goodbye and began the ascent of the ladder-like facade of ceramic bricks. "I know him well, and I think it's crazy," said Nick Ruzhnikov. "But I love him. I gave him a hug and wished him luck."

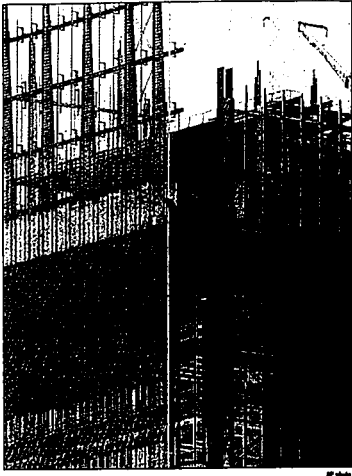
The climbers each reached the roof and had a message of their own. Alain Robert, 45, scaled the

building in the morning to mark World Environment Day at the United Nations, telling police that he picked the Times building because the Renzo Piano-designed facade was green. Meanwhile, Clarke wore a T-shirt that read "Malaria No More."

But the fact that the illegal climb occurred twice in one day — and received such widespread attention — raised concerns that copycat daredevils would return. "Two climbers used our headquarters building to make personal statements," said Catherine Mathis, Times' spokeswoman. "Their illegal and ill-considered actions jeopardized their safety and the safety of others. We are taking steps to prevent future occurrences."

The Times did not elaborate on what measures would be taken. Meanwhile, the police department referred questions about security at the site to the paper.

"This probably raises the bar a little higher for what building owners in Manhattan have to be on the lookout for,"



Police wait to arrest Ray Clarke as he reaches the roof of the New York Times tower, hours after a French skyscraper climber scaled the Midtown Manhattan building and was arrested, Thursday in New York.

said Barbara Nadel, an architect and author of "Building Security: A Handbook for Architectural Planning and Design."

As Clarke made his ascent, hundreds of passersby stopped in the streets below. The crowd gaped upward, half-fascinated, half-horrified.

Unlike Robert who had climbed the Eiffel Tower among other high-rise structures, Clarke had scaled the likes of construction sites, nothing compared to the Times building, said a friend, Monica Escobar.

News channels all switched their cameras to monitor Clarke's climb, and many

announced that they were showing it on a time-delay, the obvious fear being that he would be seen falling to his death on live television.

Clarke seemed to play to the media and the crowds, stopping to wave to employees in the building as he climbed. At other times, he stopped to rest his exhausted arms and legs.

Both men were taken into police custody when they reached the roof. Robert was arrested on reckless endangerment and criminal trespass charges.

Charges against Clarke were pending the outcome of a psychiatric evaluation, police said.

AROUND THE NATION

IDAHO
Feds revise state's 2006 growth numbers from best to 28th

BOISE — Idaho's economic growth in 2006 was statistically short of original estimates and 2007 figures are due to be even worse, according to a new federal report.

Last year, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis reported that growth in the state's gross domestic product was tops in the United States.

But a regular revision released Thursday trimmed the expansion to just 2.5 percent, down from an originally reported 7.4 percent.

That put Idaho at just 28th in the nation in 2006. Though 2007 figures aren't final, the agency said the economy last year likely grew just 2.4 percent, or 16th best

in the nation. Total real gross state product last year was about \$44.7 billion. Despite the dour news, Idaho's unemployment rate of 3.1 percent in April was nearly two percentage points under the national average.

U.S. Navy to stay in Idaho at least 27 years

IDAHO FALLS — The Idaho State Navy is extending nuclear operations at the Idaho National Laboratory for at least another 27 years.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter announced the agreement, which lasts at least to the year 2035. He says the agreement includes assurances that after 2035 Idaho will no longer be a spent fuel repository by default.

Karlheinz Trever, a consultant to the governor's office,

says the Navy currently has about 25 metric tons of heavy metal in Idaho. After 2035 that inventory would be capped at less than 10 metric tons.

Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden says the agreement is an extension of the 1995 court settlement between Idaho and the federal government.

NEBRASKA
Storms rip across Plains as forecasters warn of more tornadoes

OMAHA — Severe storms popped up over the Great Plains on Thursday afternoon as forecasters warned of a potential tornado outbreak that could rival that of a June day in 1974 when 22 people were killed.

A funnel cloud was spotted over southwestern Nebraska, and flood warnings and watches were issued for much of the state as streams and rivers overflowed, thanks to recent rainfall of more than 5 inches in places.

Large hail, strong winds and at least two short-lived tornadoes whipped through western Kansas, with some damage reported west of Wichita. Large hail that damaged farm equipment was reported near Goodland, the National Weather Service said.

In a strongly worded statement Thursday, the weather service warned that parts of Kansas could see hail bigger than baseballs and "a few strong to violent long-lived tornadoes."

Wichita State University canceled evening classes because of the weather predictions. — The Associated Press

HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

IF JUNE 6 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, You may be riveted by something that is just a romantic dream, but you are also wiser and more contented than usual during the next six weeks. This may be a good time for a vacation or to simply stop and smell the roses. In September, October and early November, you are more attractive and charming than usual. You may wish to use those times to pursue a new career, change jobs or enter into a romantic commitment. If you can begin a new job or relationship, or begin any matter of high importance, in October or early November, the chances

for success and long-term happiness are very high.
ARIES (March 21-April 19): No start is better than a false start. You could fall prey to a desire to be the first in line or the fastest on the draw. Avoid beginning new projects or entering new commitments, as there could be contentiousness.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You could receive helpful tips or gratuities or have an opportunity to make amends for past disagreements. Be forgiving if family members or loved ones are abrasive and hard to deal with.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Defensiveness invites offense. Standing up for yourself, even when wholly justified, can drive a wedge between you and others. Breaking up an impasse can cause your problems to snowball.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Only fools rush in where angels fear to tread. It might seem that everyone is in a contest to see how much money they can wrest out of

your pocket. Hold off on purchases and try to stem the flow of dollars.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. Following through might be difficult in the next few days — especially if you are distracted by small emotional ups and downs. Avoid temperamental outbursts.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Keep your cool. Two wrongs don't make a right. If challenges are thrown in your face, remember to turn the other cheek. A rush to complete a project may cause you to butt heads with a coworker or partner.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Do your best to preserve everyone's good opinion. A heavy workload might require a few extra hours of added effort, especially if deadlines are looming. Avoid frictions with a loved one.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Tempers could be frayed or simply worn thin. Certain people want to be known as authority figures and will go to great lengths to have their own way. Don't be lured into

an argument or dispute.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Brainstorming sessions could produce mixed results. A disagreement over executive decisions could cause widespread tensions. Put new ideas on the back burner and avoid drastic actions.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't spread yourself too thin. It is a busy time and adding extra responsibilities. Put new ideas on the back burner and avoid drastic actions.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't participate in petty squabbles or feuds. If there is an air of heated argument in the air, turn on a fan and let it blow elsewhere. Avoid quarrels and hostilities; do your own thing.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): There is lots of talk, but little is said. Sound judgment is at a low point and misunderstandings are entirely possible. Watch a good movie or read a fine book to escape from a troubled situation.

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Protection

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 The U.S. Air Force challenged the decision. Western Watersheds challenged the reversal in 2005 and the agency began more research in 2006.
 The issue, Williams wrote, was that Fish and Wildlife abruptly reversed itself again during the second research phase. In the span of five months, one research panel's recommendation that the species be listed as threatened was replaced by a second panel's assurance that the plan was fine, despite concerns from

agency employees.
 "The Court finds that the FWS's decision to change course based on the new information, without submitting it for review and evaluation by any group of experts resulted in a decision that was not based on the best available science," Williams wrote in his decision.
 Katie Fite, biodiversity director for Western Watersheds, hailed the decision as a victory for science and said grazing in the Jarbridge area and near Glenns Ferry is harming the plants. She criticized Oter for

leaping to the defense of the small number of ranchers with cattle near the plants, and said reasonable management practices would make things better for everyone involved.
 "It's as if they're pursuing this purposeful policy of extinction," Fite said. Later, she added, "Ultimately, no matter how many times it takes, this plan is going to be listed."
 Jeff Foss, field supervisor of Fish and Wildlife's Snake River Office, said the agency is disappointed in the ruling and is still examining the

decision. No timeline is set for revisiting the decision, he said.
 Foss himself was mentioned in the decision as one of those concerned about inconsistencies between agency decisions and scientific data.
 "We applied what we considered to be the best available information in reaching our decision," Foss said.

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Bill

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 Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., introduced the new bill in December as an alternative to what he described as "double taxation." The bill's three co-sponsors include Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, who helped introduce the bill and referenced his previous support for access to public lands.
 "Mandatory user fees for access to many of those lands limits accessibility to those who can afford the cost and results in a 'pay-to-play' system that is unacceptable," Crapo said according to a release.
 Since that time, the bill was

passed to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, where Crapo's fellow Sen. Larry Craig serves as acting ranking member. And that's where it's stayed, Crapo spokesman Lindsay Nothorn said.
 A hearing on the bill was scheduled for April 15, but was cancelled in favor of other issues before the committee, Nothorn said. The bill's backers would like to see a hearing scheduled to clear up misconceptions about the bill, he added, but the situation is out of their control.

"It's really kind of in the committee's court right now," Nothorn said.
 A Craig spokesperson could not be reached Thursday to talk about the bill. Nothorn said the senator opposed the bill, as far as he knew.
 The senators aren't the only ones with differing opinions on the topic. In December, Kitty Benzar, president of the Colorado-based Western Slope No-Fee Coalition, balked at the bill as an end to a "failed experiment." But others such as Grant Simonds, executive director of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association, say the money is

needed and goes to good use. Among the fees affected by the bill would be those charged to outfitters for permitting and operating on public lands, Simonds said. The money was returned for local improvements, he said, and other fees along the Payette River, for example, have paid for a number of projects in western Idaho.
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Collision

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 right-front quarter panel of the Explorer, Pullin said.
 "Afterward, the bike's back wheel was on the curb while the mangled front wheel and handle bars remained

partially buried under the Explorer. An impression from the impact remained between the Explorer's fender and its right-front tire.
 Pullin said when emer-

gency crews arrived Wheat was lying on the sidewalk.
 Wheat was most likely returning from the store to her home just a few blocks north, her brother-in-law James said.

It's not clear if Wheat had a pedestrian green light, Pullin said.
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Hit-and-run

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 Hartford, with the capital city's biggest newspaper, blaring "SO INIUMANE" on the front page and the police chief lamenting: "We no longer have a moral compass."
 "We have no regard for each other," said Chief Daryl Hoberts, who on Wednesday released the video in hopes of making an arrest in the accident that left Angel Arce Torres in critical condition.



Image taken from a surveillance video shows a man, up-ended, in the lower right corner of the frame as a car hits him, May 30 in Hartford, Conn. The 78-year-old man was tossed like a rag doll by a hit-and-run driver chasing another car on the wrong side of the busy city street.

However, Hoberts and other city officials backtracked on Thursday. After initially saying he was unsure whether anyone called 911, he and other city officials appeared at a news conference in which they said that four people dialed 911 within a minute of the accident, and that Torres received medical attention shortly after that.
 City Council President Carlos Torres said viewers of the 1½-minute videotape might mistakenly believe that no one helped.

or divert traffic until a police cruiser responding to an unrelated call arrives on the scene after about a minute and a half.
 "Like a dog they left him there," said a disgraced Jose Corduro, 37, who was with friends Thursday not far from where Torres was struck. Robert Luna, who works at a store nearby, said: "Nobody did nothing."

One witness, Bryant Hayre, told The Hartford Courant he didn't feel comfortable helping Torres, who he said was bleeding and conscious.
 The accident and bystanders' apparent callousness dominated morning radio talk shows.
 "It was one of the most despicable things I've seen by one human being to another," the Rev. Henry Brown, a community activist, said in an interview.

"I think this moved too quickly," he said. "I think it moved too quick and we were putting information out that was incomplete. What I think was missing is the fact that this happened in a very short period of time."

Hoberts said his initial angry reaction was based on what he saw in the video. "The video was very graphic and sent a very bad message," the police chief said.
 The hit-and-run took place in daylight last Friday at about 5:45 p.m. in a working-class neighborhood close to downtown in this city of 125,000.

In the video, Torres, a retiree, is walking in the two-way street just blocks from the state Capitol after buying milk at a grocery. A tan Toyota and a dark Honda that is apparently chasing it veer across the center lane, and Torres is struck by the Honda. Both cars then dart down a side street.
 Nine cars pass Torres as a few people stare from the sidewalk. Some approach Torres, but no one gets any closer than a couple of yards and no one attempts to stop

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16-member delegation headed to the state convention June 12-14 in Sandpoint. Instead, the spots went to sitting committee members as signs of the committee division began to emerge.

During the nomination process for the committee's executive positions — secretary, for example — the Paul supporters pitched candidates — some unsuccessful in last week's election — demanded speeches from all people running, and called for secret ballots during the contests. They lost all.

In the race for central committee chairman, Gretchen Clelland won over Mike Mathews, who is stepping down after serving since 2001. He remains a precinct committeeman, is vice-chairman of the state party and will be a delegate at the convention.

Clelland won over Rick Martin of Buhl, who has served as an unofficial spokesman for the Paul supporters and lost his precinct election by one vote. Clelland's son, Taylor, was elected over a Paul supporter for committee's youth leadership position.

Martin, who was constantly talking with Paul precinct committeemen, told a crowd of about 75 people he wouldn't be divisive if elected chairman, but wants to restore a



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party crumbling at the national level. "If you're a RINO, I intend to run you out," he said, referring to the acronym for Republicans in Name Only that is a criticism of moderate Republicans.

But it was during the process to nominate state delegates in which the committee's differences emerged.

The Paul supporters — most of whom sat together — appeared to try and split votes from their opponents by nominating multiple veteran committee members. They did so for five contests until John Brody declined a nomination. After that, the races returned to just two candidates, and none fell in favor of the Paul supporters.

When the Paul supporters said the person writing candidate names was doing so in a way favorable to the veteran committee members — County Prosecutor Grant Loeb — they asked that he be replaced. When that motion failed, they asked that he write the names in a

Heading to Sandpoint

Twin Falls Central Committee delegates to the Idaho Republican Party state convention in Sandpoint (does not include alternates) Randy Hansen, Marilyn Hempleman, Mike Mathews Both Bryan, Stephen Hartigan, Billie Hasbrouck, Jim Patrick, Ryan Horsely, George Hanev, Melody Cameron, John Cameron, Karla Williams, Rex Williams, Laird Stone, Leon Mills, Jacque Chambers.

more fair way. That also failed.

But committee members said they welcomed newcomers because it shows enthusiasm for the Republican Party. In the past, they've noted turnout at monthly committee meetings has tripled.

"This is great to see such a

brig crowd," said Marilyn Hempleman, who will be a state delegate. "I don't think there were any losers in this election."

Despite Thursday's events, Paul supporters have drawn national attention for their activism, and in some places left their mark.

In April, the committee

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amended its bylaws to require members attending the convention in Sandpoint to vote for national delegates based on how the county votes. It was in direct response to Paul supporters for fear they would vote for their own preference and not for the victor in the Republican primary.

After Paul supporters began organizing in Idaho, Paul himself appeared in Caldwell in April. Donald

Zuck, 84, who lost his precinct to Robert Salinas and had been a committee member for so long he couldn't recall when he joined, said Monday he had never seen a precinct election like last week's.

The national convention this summer will be in St. Paul, Minn.

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Air Force

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control are maintained in Air Force handling of nuclear weapons.

In somber tones, Gates told reporters his decision to remove Wynne and Moseley was based on the findings of an investigation of the Taliban debacle by Adm. Kirkland Donald. The admiral found a "lack of a critical self-assessment culture" in the Air Force nuclear program, making it unlikely that Clelland and his colleagues in the very critical materials such as nuclear weapons are handled could be corrected, Gates said.

Gates said Donald concluded that many of the problems that led to the B-52 and the Talwan sale incidents "have been known or should have been known."

The Donald report is classified; Gates provided an oral summary.

The Talwan incident clearly was the trigger," Gates said when asked whether Moseley and Wynne would have retained their positions in the absence of the mistake shipment of fuses. He also said that Donald found a "lack of effective Air Force leadership oversight" of its nuclear mission.

The investigation found a declining trend in Air Force nuclear expertise — not the first time that has been raised as a problem, Gates said — and a drifting of the Air Force's focus away from its nuclear mission, which includes stewardship of the land-based missile component of the nation's nuclear arsenal, as well as missiles and bombs assigned for

nuclear missions aboard B-52 and B-2 long-range bombers.

Gates also announced that "a substantial number" of Air Force general officers and colonels were identified in the Donald report as potentially subject disciplinary measures that range from removal from command to letters of reprimand. He said he would direct the yet-to-be-named successors to Wynne and Moseley to evaluate those identified culprits and decide what disciplinary actions are warranted — "or whether they can be part of the solution" to the problems found by Donald.

White House press secretary Dana Perino said President Bush knew about the resignations but that the White House had "not played any role" in the shake-up. Early reaction from Capitol Hill was favorable to drastic action.

"Secretary Gates' focus on accountability is essential and had been absent from the office of the secretary of defense for too long," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. "The safety and security of America's nuclear weapons must receive the highest priority, just as it must in other countries."

Gates said he would make recommendations to Bush shortly on a new Air Force chief of staff and civilian secretary. Gates has settled on candidates for both jobs but has not yet formally recommended them, one official said.

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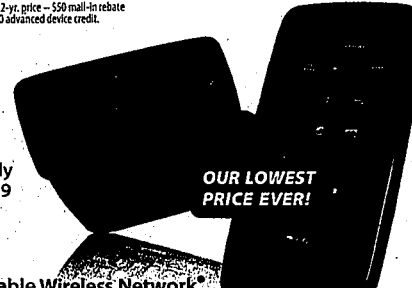
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Bush inflated Iraq threat, Senate committee says

By Joby Warrick and Walter Pincus
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Bush and top administration officials repeatedly exaggerated what they knew about Iraq's weapons and its ties to terrorist groups as the White House pressed its case for war against Iraq, the Senate intelligence committee said Thursday in a long-awaited report.

While most of the administration's prewar claims about Iraq reflected now-discredited U.S. intelligence reports, the White House crossed a line by conveying certainty about the threat that Saddam Hussein posed to the United States, according to the report, approved over the objections of most of the committee's Republican members.

"In making the case for war, the administration repeatedly presented intelligence as fact when it was unsubstantiated, contradicted or even nonexistent," Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., the committee chairman, said at a news conference. "As a result, the American people were led to believe that the threat from Iraq was much greater than actually existed."

The report, the last and most contentious of a series of Senate reviews of prewar intelligence, sought to compare the administration's

public claims about Iraq with the intelligence reports available to them at the time. While many of the White House's statements — such as Bush's warnings about a secret Iraqi nuclear program — were amply supported by intelligence files at the time, the report said, others were not.

Bush and other administration officials strayed from official intelligence reports when it came to describing alleged ties between al-Qaida and Saddam, the report said. It cited repeated statements by Bush, including his Oct. 7, 2002, Cincinnati speech in which he alleged that Iraq had "trained al-Qaida members in bomb-making" and had maintained "high-level contacts that go back a decade."

The report said that "statements and indications by the president and secretary of state suggesting that Iraq and al-Qaida had a partnership, or that Iraq had provided al-Qaida with weapons training, were not substantiated by the intelligence."

Approved by eight Democrats and two Republicans on the 15-member committee, the report also highlights an October 2002 claim by then-Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld that Iraq had concealed its stocks of weapons of mass destruction in underground bunkers too deep to be destroyed by air power alone.

Rumsfeld, in testimony to the Senate Armed Services Committee, had told senators that U.S. officials did "know where a fraction" of Saddam's banned weapons were, adding that a "good many are underground and deeply buried," suggesting that ground forces were required to destroy them. His statement contradicted intelligence at the time that no such facilities were known to exist, the report states.

Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., a committee member, called for a separate investigation of Rumsfeld's statements, which he said appeared intended to drive support for an invasion. "This is stunning: The secretary of defense, testifying before Congress about whether or not ground forces would be strategically necessary in a war against Iraq, said the executive branch 'knew' something that it did not know," he said.

"... the administration repeatedly presented intelligence as fact when it was unsubstantiated, contradicted or even nonexistent."
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Clinton disavows push to make her vice president

By Beth Foley
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Hillary Rodham Clinton on Thursday disavowed efforts by some supporters who have urged Barack Obama to choose her as his running mate. The push-back came a day after the former first lady said she would end her quest for the Democratic nomination and endorse the Illinois senator.

"She is not seeking the vice presidency, and no one speaks for her but her," communications director Howard Wolfson said. "The choice here is Senator Obama's and his alone."

Clinton was planning an event in Washington Saturday to thank supporters and urge them to back Obama's candidacy. But as she was bowing out of the race, supporters in Congress and elsewhere were ramping up a campaign to pressure him to put her on the ticket.

Bob Johnson, the billionaire founder of Black Entertainment Television and a Clinton supporter, sent a letter to the Congressional Black Caucus Wednesday urging the group to encourage Obama to choose Clinton as his vice-presidential pick. He said he was doing so with her blessing.

Obama is seeking to

become the first black president.

Clinton has told other friends and supporters she would be willing to be Obama's running mate. But her immediate task is bringing her own presidential bid to a close.

In an e-mail to supporters, the New York senator said she "will be speaking on Saturday about how together we can rally the party behind Senator Obama. The stakes are too high and the task before us too important to do otherwise."

Clinton expressed the same sentiment in a conference call with 40 members of her national finance committee, whom she urged to begin raising money for Obama and for the Democratic National Committee.

"She was in good spirits and totally supportive, without qualification, of Senator Obama and his campaign," finance co-chairman Alan Patricof said of the call.

It was a shift in tone by the former first lady, who announced 17 months ago that she was "in it to win it." Many of her supporters want her as the vice presidential candidate, in their minds a "dream ticket" that would bring Obama her enthusiastic legions and broaden his appeal to white and working-class voters.

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EDITORIAL

Protecting drivers from wildlife, and vice versa

For an anxious few weeks last winter, the Idaho Transportation Department posted warnings along heavily traveled Interstate 84 between Mountain Home and Boise that elk were migrating across the roadway, moving down from the high country to avoid heavy snow.

The wapiti and the motorists managed to avoid each other, which is a good thing: A half-ton bull elk would smash through the windshield of a car doing 75 mph like a locomotive through a haystack.

In Idaho and across America, too many drivers have gotten to know elk and deer up close and personal over the past few years. According to the Western Transportation Institute at Montana State University, there are between 1 million and 2 million collisions between deer and vehicles every year, and the numbers are rising. Each year, deer- vs.-rig crashes kill 211 people, injure 29,000 more and cause \$1 billion in damage.

A study by the institute for ITD found there were 134 deer- and elk-related accidents along the 26-mile stretch of Idaho Highway 75 between Timmerman Junction and Ketchum in 2007.

There are dozens of places in south-central Idaho where wildlife corridors intersect with highways, but nowhere more than the Wood River Valley. Developers are building farther into deer and elk habitat, traffic is growing on Highway 75, and wildlife and humans are increasingly competing for the same space.

According to the *Idaho Mountain Express* of Ketchum, the Montana researchers recommended a range of options for Highway 75, including installation of a remote-sensor animal detection system that would alert motorists to crossing wildlife. It uses a combination of energy beams — either microwave or infrared — that send a signal to activate roadside warning lights when interrupted by an approaching animal.

Or the ITD could build wildlife overpasses or underpasses at key locations along the road. That's expensive, and given the volume of traffic on Highway 75 and problems such construction would cause, probably not practical for the present.

According to researchers, most collisions happen in the early morning or evening — drive time for the Wood River Valley's burgeoning workforce that lives south of the Timmerman Hills. Traffic moves along at a crawl during those times of day, so reducing the speed limit at crossing points wouldn't be effective.

A low-tech solution — building more roadside fences — would be the cheapest option. But even the best fence won't always prevent deer from stepping out in front of an oncoming SUV.

Sensors are a promising idea, but for the moment a motorist's best protection against jay-walking ungulates is vigilance.

Our view:

An old problem in Idaho — deer-vs.-vehicle collisions — is getting a whole lot worse.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Sacrifice for country? Bush gave up golf

ALBANY, N.Y. — I used to be an occasional patron at a Warren County roadhouse frequented by a nice mix of the apris-ski crowd and slightly more grizzled apres-hunting types.

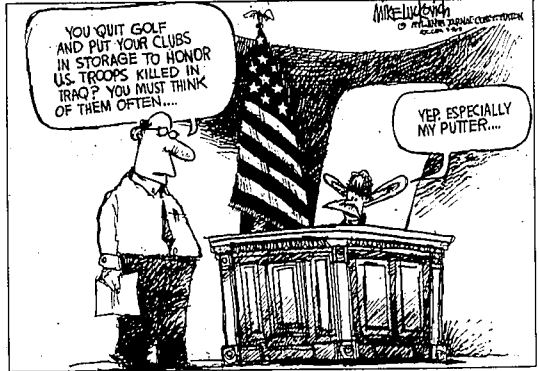


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The bartender told me about the time two shaken tourists wandered in to report they had struck and killed an enormous deer just down the highway. The crew of regular patrons listened sympathetically, and then pulled on their parkas and raced off to divvy up the unlucky truck. I understand those people a lot better after digesting President Bush's recent interview with *Politico.com's* Mike Allen, in which Bush talked about the things he's sacrificed over the course of his presidency, including "e-mailing to my buddies" (curtailed for security reasons) and the game of golf.

"I don't want some mom whose son may have recently died to see the commander-in-chief playing golf," Bush said. "I feel I owe it to the families to be as, to be in solidarity as best as I can with them. And I think playing golf during a war just sends the wrong signal."

As I watched, my fingers itched for the nearest keyboard. I had to ridicule this now. Could I convince my editors to let me write something for the next day's paper? Or should I go door-to-door like a census worker, just in case someone hadn't



heard about it? Bush's memory of the day he made the decision was vivid: It was just after the Aug. 19, 2003, bombing of the U.N. headquarters in Baghdad that killed chief envoy Sergio Vieira de Mello and more than a dozen others.

"I was playing golf — I think I was in central Texas — and they pulled me off the golf course," Bush recalled. "I said, 'It's just not worth it anymore to do.'" That must have been a great comfort to de Mello's family. Regardless, Bush ended up giving himself a great comfort on the last golf game of his presidency. After the Allen interview appeared on the Web, *The Associated Press* noted that Bush played another round almost two months later "with three longtime buddies." The kind he can no longer e-mail.

Here are some other things the president could do to

show solidarity (defined by Webster's as "complete unity, as of opinion, purpose, interest or feeling") with the families of our soldiers:

• Spend the two hours or so he would have occupied on the links every few weeks going from bed to bed talking to the wounded at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

• Attend at least one military funeral at Arlington Cemetery, which, like Walter Reed, is located just a short drive from Bush's residence. • Convince one or both of his daughters to drop by the local recruiting station to sign up for service in Iraq or Afghanistan.

He doesn't have to give up golf to accomplish these things. Indeed, I doubt there is a single American who would begrudge the president the occasional round, even during wartime. He should be encouraged to play anything — idly, twinks, "Grand Theft Auto IV" bon-

gos — if it relaxes and sharpens his mind, and makes him a more effective leader.

Would anyone have asked Richard Nixon to give up jazz piano during the bombing of Laos? They would not, and here's why: The problem isn't what he does with his recreation time, it's what he does when he's on the job.

Some will say it's cheap and easy to ridicule a president who hopes to earn sympathy points by talking about his golf game and dead soldiers in the same sentences. And they will be right. It's easier than taking candy from a sleeping baby wearing a sign that reads "PLEASE TAKE MY GAMBIT."

For all our sakes, I hope the next president makes this column harder to write.

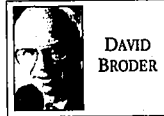
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Obama retreats even as he advances

WASHINGTON — From Iowa in January through South Dakota and Montana in June, Barack Obama has enjoyed one of the great rides in American political history, breaking precedents and setting records along the way. It has been an extraordinary journey, magnified, not diminished, by the gritty, resilient performance of his main rival, Hillary Rodham Clinton. On that journey he has given Americans the gift of a new and hopeful chapter in our troubled civil history.

The two props that made it possible for this freshman senator, with far more managerial governmental credentials than most of the other dozen candidates running in both parties this year, to capture the Democratic nomination, are clear.

One is his oratory. He was by far the most compelling speaker. He capitalized his message of hope and change brilliantly at the Jefferson-Jackson dinner in Des Moines last fall, and recycled that speech all the way to the end. And other than his fundraising and voter-turnout organization that dazzled his rivals with its discipline and efficiency, despite going into this with minimal experience. None of the establishment Democrats, not even Clinton, who had all the advantages going in, could match him in these regards, and the



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results showed. But for all those achievements and advantages, Obama limped into the nomination as a vulnerable and somewhat diminished politician.

After winning 11 primaries and caucuses in a row, his magic touch seemed to depart him. He lost the knack of winning the heart of the Democratic coalition, working families that look for help in meeting the economic challenges of their everyday lives. White, Hispanic, middle-aged or older, they had strong associations with Clinton and many questions about the commitments that lay behind Obama's sweeping, reformist generalizations.

What Democrats are just beginning to figure out is that John McCain is positioned to compete with Obama for the votes of the many Americans who are eager to put the hyper-partnership of the past eight years behind them and witness a Washington that finally begins to address the nation's challenges. But anyone who is realistic must recognize that forging

fresh agreements in Congress and the interest-group-dominated capital will take an exceptionally strong president. Since early March, Obama has not looked like that president. His only significant win came in North Carolina. He lost Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky and, on Tuesday, South Dakota — states where he didn't get that working-class vote.

In the last weeks, Obama visibly retreated. It is rare that you see a presidential candidate — let alone a man headed for nomination — back off from the contest to the extent Obama did. Instead of the frenetic schedule he had kept for months, Obama made a minimum of appearances in the final states, as if relying on his momentum to carry him through. That he lost all but one of the major tests was no surprise.

But the retreat spread farther. Over the last two months, Obama has in slow stages backed away from his 20-year association with the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, first criticizing some of his statements but clinging to their friendship, then strongly condemning those words and finally severing his ties to Wright's former church.

The net result has been to smudge one of the main clues voters had been given to Obama's fundamental val-

ues and beliefs, and to create a new aura of mystery about this man.

You could even characterize a retreat the clever strategy the Obama forces devised for last weekend's meeting of the Democratic National Committee's rules committee, a strategy that closed down Clinton's last hopes of overcoming him. Obama could have stood on principle.

He was in full compliance with the rules that were written in advance of the campaign, and he could have insisted that she also play by the rules.

Instead, he backed off and gave her a meaningless gift of delegate votes.

Obama still has great gifts and substantial assets. So the first imperative at this point is to stop retreating and regain the initiative — starting with a clear assertion of his absolute right to choose his own running mate and not be pressured into a decision by the Clintons or their friends.

Like Ronald Reagan at the Republican National Convention in 1980, he could have the wisdom to reject the plot to install Jerry Ford as his vice president. This is the big-time decision that could define a leader and lead to a victory.

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Rescuing mortgage-holders by mortgaging America

America's for sale. Just ask Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson.

With the U.S. economy in shambles, Paulson just spent four days touring the Middle East, hand in hand, looking for investors to bail us out. Suffice it to say on Monday, Paulson met with heads of the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority, the world's largest "sovereign wealth fund" with roughly \$875 billion in assets, and encouraged them to buy American businesses.

Of course, it's nothing new for U.S. officials to reach out to the deepest pockets in the world in times of crisis. Just a century ago, J.P. Morgan became an American icon by single-handedly rescuing the financial markets during the stock market panic of 1907.

Now, however, is that our economic problems have become so big that they no longer can be remedied by a few affluent individuals or investment firms. Only extremely wealthy countries have the



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resources to clean up this mess. So Paulson is forced to visit fish, oil-slicked Arabian emirates from Qatar to Abu Dhabi and beg for help.

This is economic globalization in its most raw form — and a dramatic change in the way the worldwide economy operates. Today, the real power in international finance is held by rich countries, not wealthy institutions, corporations or private investors. And these countries are flexing their increasingly bulging muscles through investment vehicles known as sovereign wealth funds.

Sovereign wealth funds, or SWFs, basically are mutual funds that invest the excess capital generated by a region or country.

As the British Empire crumbled, the government created similar funds for many of its territories and colonies (including the islands of Kiribati, which profitably exported guano for fertilizer). Meanwhile, other countries with growing wealth started setting up similar funds, such as the oil-rich nations of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Norway and Russia, as well as China, Singapore and South Korea, which had highly productive economies that also generated lots of excess capital.

Still, it's only recently that SWFs have become major players on the financial stage.

In 1990, the funds held just \$500 billion in assets combined.

Today, that figure is at least \$3.5 trillion. For comparison purposes, that's more than all of the assets controlled by all of the hedge funds in the world. And by 2012, the figure will be at least \$10 trillion, according to estimates by the International

Monetary Fund.

The primary reason for this explosion is, in a word, oil. As its price has soared from below \$25 a barrel in 2002 to more than \$125 a barrel today, the value of sovereign wealth funds held by oil-rich nations has skyrocketed. And this trend isn't expected to change any time soon.

The new power of SWFs has been on graphic display during our recent mortgage crisis. They've essentially rescued the international financial system by injecting tens of billions of dollars into troubled banks.

Chigroup, for instance, from a consortium of SWFs from Abu Dhabi, Kuwait and Singapore. UBS secured nearly \$10 billion from a Singapore fund that now controls 9 percent of the bank. Merrill Lynch took in about \$11 billion from SWFs from Kuwait, Singapore and South Korea. And even August Morgan Stanley got \$5 billion from China's SWE.

These investments are steadying global financial

markets by ensuring that none of these key banks goes under. But there are important questions to ask about the increasing influence that sovereign wealth funds have over our economy.

These kinds of investments raise "profound questions" of geopolitical power, as former Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers pointed out a few months ago.

Summers' essential complaint is that there is no way of knowing if there is a political agenda behind a country's investment in these essential industries.

To that end, the International Monetary Fund is trying to draft a code of "best practices" that SWFs can adopt voluntarily. The funds generally have been resistant to the idea, although Abu Dhabi and Singapore have signed an agreement with the Treasury Department that lays out

principles for the countries' funds to be more transparent and not politicize their investments.

But on a practical level, the growing influence of SWFs really brings up much more basic concerns. What does it mean for Americans to have decisions about our jobs, our home loans, our school loans and so on to ultimately rest with foreign governments?

The trouble is, we don't know. And that raises perhaps the most important question of all: What if the cure to our mortgage crisis is more readily than the disease itself?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thefts at cemeteries is an act of dishonor

I would like to send this letter out to the people who steal off the graves at the cemeteries, aimed mainly at the Filer Cemetery.

The flowers and plants that you and others like you steal off the graves are being taken from the people who leave them but from their loved ones.

I would like to tell you who you stole the beautiful plants from at the Filer Cemetery and how he got there.

His name is Shawn Brown, age 17. Shawn had worked all day in the extreme heat, was tired and exhausted and, on his way home, he stumbled over the steering wheel of his pickup and took a semi head on. The mortician would not let Shawn's parents, sister, grandparents or friends see him. They said there was no way they could reconstruct his body.

How can you and people like you steal from the dead, take their beautiful plants and flowers and display them at your home for friends and neighbors to look at and you to brag about?

You are a grave robber when you steal from anyone. One day, you will have to face our maker and explain to him why you stole from his angels. God have mercy on you; you're going to need it.

Shawn will not be forgotten and neither will you.
JOAN BROWN
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Joan Brown is Shawn Brown's grandmother.)

Parade is no place to implement bigotry

This letter is in response to Ms. Saunders' submission (June 1). I applaud you for using your freedom of speech. However, you obviously don't believe others have access to their rights, especially regarding peaceful assembly.

The Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender group has much right as anyone else to participate in community activities.

I'm disgusted with those who say the GLBT shouldn't be allowed to represent themselves. Furthermore, the absence of rainbows and other trademarks is appalling.

Group should be allowed to fully express themselves. It's not differences that cripple this town but the ignorance and refusal to accept these differences that causes the drastic damage. Saying one person is better than another by any other name is bigotry. It is the parents' job to educate their children about diversity and how to handle it. Hiding them from it is not a proper

method of education. Hiding causes fear, which causes hate, which causes violence. Anyone who wishes to use their firearms, don't brack down. But don't squelch someone else's chance to be true to themselves.

On that note, I hope to see a brightly colored GLBT float in next year's parade. I'll be there to show my support of not only the group but my friends as well. Those who wish to stay home, go right ahead. We don't need narrow minds stunting the growth of this community.

JEREMY ROBERTS
Twin Falls

Voters need a refresher on fiscal facts

The voters need to go to school. For instance, how many people know:

- That food and energy (gasoline) are not a calculation in the Social Security cost of living adjustment but housing is; even without food and energy, the 2007 adjustment would have been 10 percent, but due to the banks manipulating the "sub-prime" meltdown, the old folks get 2 percent?
- Or that Social Security funds have virtually been the mainstay of the federal budget for more than 60 years, or that Social Security "surplus" "reduced" the 2007 budget deficit by \$166 billion?
- Or that the Federal Reserve is not a department of the U.S. government; it is totally owned by member banks?
- Or that China currently holds enough U.S. cash (\$1.8 trillion) to buy the controlling interest in every major U.S. bank (our monetary system)?
- Or that the Federal Reserve has pumped more than \$700 billion into banks from Dec. 7, 2007, through June 2, 2008?
- Or that in just seven years the current Republican administration increased the national debt by nearly \$5 trillion (doubled)?
- Or that the interest on that \$5 trillion is \$250 billion annually?
- Or that the interest on the Bush debt is almost double the annual cost of the Iraq war?
- Or that more than 25 percent of our blue collar work force is from "south of the border," many illegal?

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Or that by percentage, the blue collar income has diminished over the last 30 years (Republican policy)?

Or that "conservative" Republican administrations have created more debt, spent more money and squandered more of the gross domestic product than "liberal" Democrats over the last 60 years?

I would give the source of each item except for the 300-word limitation on letters.

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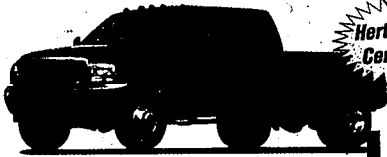
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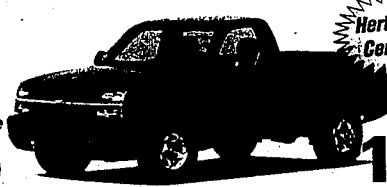
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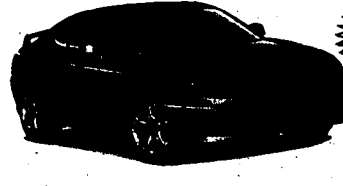
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Pierce leads Celtics to win in Game 1

By Tom Withers
Associated Press writer

BOSTON — Big moments have defined the Lakers-Celtics blood feud, and in their first get-together in 21 years, a kid from Los Angeles gave Boston one to remember.

Paul Pierce, who used to sneak into Lakers games as a youngster, came bounding out of the tunnel from the locker room after leaving with an injured knee and led the Celtics to a less-than-90 victory over Los Angeles on Thursday night in Game 1 of these tradition-soaked finals.

Pierce's dramatic return after being carried from the court and then wheeled down a hallway for treatment will be added to the annals of Celtics-Lakers lore, taking a spot alongside Magic Johnson's baby sky hook and Kevin McHale's clothe-line of Kurt Rambis.

Kevin Garnett scored 24 points, Pierce finished with 22 — after getting hurt — and Ray Allen, the third member of Boston's Big Three, added 19 for the Celtics, who are chasing a 17th NBA championship. The trio was making its first finals appearance, and for a short time

it appeared only two of them would finish their long-awaited debut.

In the third quarter, Pierce was deep in the lane when teammate Kendrick Perkins crashed into him from behind, crumpling Boston's No. 34 to the court. The 10-year veteran, who last summer thought his days with Boston might be nearing an end, had to be carried from the court in extreme pain and was taken to Boston's locker room in a wheelchair.

"When I came down I thought I felt a pop, I thought I tore it,"

Pierce said.

The slight of Pierce leaving drew gasps from some Celtics fans and coach Doc Rivers' heart sunk.

"I thought the worst," Rivers said. "When they carried him off, I just thought it was the knee."

However, everyone's worries Please see CELTICS, Page B2

Boston Celtics forward Paul Pierce (34) celebrates after a 3-point shot in the third quarter of Game 1 of the NBA finals against the Los Angeles Lakers on Thursday in Boston.



CSI's Renegar takes coaching post at UTSA

By Mike Christensen
Staff writer

It wasn't quite a slam dunk. Jeff Renegar knew he had a sweet opportunity when he was offered the chance to coach at a NCAA Division I school alongside one of his best friends. But one thing gave him pause.

"CSI's such a special place that it was really hard," said Renegar, who spent the past three seasons as an assistant to Barrett Peery with the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball program. "And we've been winning, which makes it a lot of fun."

Still, some things are too tough to pass up, and Renegar announced Thursday he has accepted a job as an assistant coach at the University of Texas-San Antonio. The Roadrunners are coached by former NBA player Brooks Thompson, who Renegar worked under as an assistant at Yavapai College (Ariz.) from 2002-2004.

Renegar called Thompson "one of my two or three best friends." Thompson, who played under former CSI coach Eddie Sutton at Oklahoma State, recently completed his second season in San Antonio. Renegar said if the rebuilding job continues to go well with the Roadrunners, Thompson is the type of coach who could easily move up to a major Division I job. The opportunity to advance alongside his friend was one of the biggest lures for Renegar, who Peery called "a tenacious recruiter."

"Jeff has a lot of excitement and enthusiasm for what he does. They're fortunate to have him," Peery added in a phone interview from Salt Lake City where he is working in his new job as an assistant to Tim Wynn at the University of Utah.

Thompson won't be the only familiar face for Renegar in the Lone Star State. Two former CSI

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Staff photo by SEAN MCCORMACK/Staff photo by SEAN MCCORMACK

AARON JACKSON

Boys track

Despite likely being the fastest man in the Magic Valley, Aaron Jackson entered the state track and field championships as one of the chasing pack.

The Jerome junior left Bronco Stadium a double individual champion, with the rightful title of the fastest man in Class 4A in tow. He also was part of the state champion 4x100-meter relay team, and his efforts led the Tigers to within a whisker of winning the 4A

Best of the rest

Others in the conversation for Times-News boys track MVP: David Filmore, Butler; Zach Ingraham, Jerome; Jaren Stoddard, Dietrich; Nathan Ormond, Wendell; Chris Bulcher, Lighthouse Christian

boys team championship. Clearly, Jackson's second-place finish was due in large part to Jackson's incredible speed, but that's not the

Saturday: Softball | Sunday: Baseball

only reason he's a worthy selection for the boys track athlete of the year. Jackson won just about every meet he entered this season, sometimes going away. But as the competition got tougher, Jackson raised his game to stay ahead of the field — if only just. He won the state 100-meter championship by one-tenth of a second and the 200 by one-hundredth.

taking the colloquialism that track is a sport of fractions of seconds to the extreme.

He's got one more year left at Jerome, which invites curiosity as to what he'll do for an encore.

No doubt it'll be every bit as electrifying as the manner in which he lit up tracks all over the state this year.

— David Bosley, staff writer

Rays take Beckham with draft's top pick

By Fred Goodall
Associated Press writer

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Rays selected Tim Beckham with the No. 1 pick in the baseball draft Thursday, choosing the talented high school shortstop from Griffin, Ga., over Florida State catcher Buster Posey.

Beckham was recognized as one of the best pure athletes in the draft and labeled a legitimate five-tool player. He established himself as the top prospect in the nation with solid performances at last summer's high school showcase events and hit .482 with six homers, 13 doubles, 41 RBIs and 23 stolen bases as a senior.

"I found out this morning. ... The scouting director gave me a call and the general manager gave me a call. It was crazy. I was about to do a back flip in my room," Beckham said.

"It means everything in the world. I've worked this hard the last three or four years, me and my brothers and my dad. This means all the hard work paid off. I hope to become an All-Star and after that I want to become a Hall of Famer."

With the second pick, the Pittsburgh Pirates chose sweet-swinging Vanderbilt third baseman Eric Hosmer, and the Baltimore Orioles took top college pitching prospect Brian Mattusz out of San Diego with the fourth pick.

This is the second straight year the Rays have had the No. 1 pick. David Price, a hard-throwing left-hander from Vanderbilt, was the choice in 2007 and is off to a great start with Class-A Vero Beach.

Beckham is the third high school shortstop

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Staff photo by SEAN MCCORMACK

Minico's Alex Moon (13) is congratulated by teammates after his two-run home run against Twin Falls Thursday during American Legion play in Rupert.

Minico bests Twin Falls in opener

By Zach Wye
Staff writer

RUPEK — The better-late-than-never mantra proved true for the Minico Spartans, who came up with a five-run fifth inning to take a 6-3 win Thursday over the Twin Falls Cowboys in American Legion Class AA play.

Minico catcher Alex Moon went 3-for-3 with three RBIs, a double and a two-run homer to left field to cap the big inning.

"I got a high pitch, and I got it up into the jet stream," Moon said. "I got a pretty good piece of it, but I got a little help from the wind up there."

Twin Falls controlled the game for four innings. Cowboys pitcher Michael Williams surrendered only three hits, and powered by Kasey Jerosolo's solo homer to the deepest part of the yard, the offense provided for a 3-1 lead.

But the tide changed when an error extended Minico's inning. Chris Joyce ripped a two-RBI double and R.J. Salvi connected on an RBI single before Moon delivered the big blow.

Minico coach Ben Frank was pleased with the clutch production of Joyce and Moon, guys who put together solid junior seasons, but will need to step up their produc-

tion next year as seniors.

"In the season, (Moon) played well for us, but he wasn't one of our main guys," Frank said. "Next year, he's going to hit third or fourth, somewhere in there, firm and Joyce. They are going to need to come up with big hits in big spots like they did today."

Williams pitched well in his first start after missing the entire high school season following arthroscopic knee surgery. He finished with two walks and two strikeouts in seven innings, giving up a total of seven hits.

Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmeier said Williams

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Yesterday's Weather

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

Father use me. Whenever you get into a jam, whenever you're in a real emergency, become the father you are in a room and you'll be able to get it.

—Tommy Armour III

GOLF ROUNDUP

Weekend scouting trip helps Weekley

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Boo Weekley made the most of his time after missing the cut in the Memorial, with his work around the greens at TPC Southwind and paying off Thursday.
Combining his usual strong ballstriking with efficient putting, Weekley shot a 5-under 65 to take the first-round lead in the Sanford St. Jude Championship. He closed with a birdie on No. 18 to move a stroke ahead of Tommy Armour III.

"I went around there and hit a lot of putts Saturday and Sunday ...," Weekley said. "Being able to go and practice by yourself on a golf cart makes it a lot easier. You're not as tired, and you can work a little bit more out there."

Armour, who shot a 65, had been tied with Weekley at 5 under. But Armour bogeyed his 16th hole about the same time Weekley finished up with his birdie to take the lead for the U.S. Open.

Vijay Singh survived an afternoon roller-coaster featuring two bogeys, a double bogey, an eagle and five birdies for a 67. Sergio Garcia, The Players Championship winner last month, and Davis Love III were among a group of seven at 68.

Jeff Overton had the lead to himself at 6 under with six birdies through 11 holes. But the Indiana native fell apart with two bogeys over his next three holes and then a double bogey on No. 15 after hitting his second shot way left of the green and falling to roll in a 2-footer. He wound up back at par with a 70.

Told that Sorenstam had a 2-under 70 in the morning, Ochoa nudged her head.

Then she made sure she was headed for Ochoa didn't finish in the lead, but she was close enough to be satisfied with her start. Four birdies on her flawless back nine at Belle Rest gave her a 3-under 69, leaving Ochoa three shots behind. Lorie Kane of Canada and Emily Bastel as she tries to become only the fourth woman to win three straight majors.

Neither of the leaders have won a top 10 all year, and Kane has struggled to make cuts. But they found their way across a long and soggy golf course, with took on so much rain overnight that fairways felt like carpets in a home that had been flooded.

Bastel finished her bogey-free round of 66 with a hybrid into 12 feet for birdie on the 18th hole, one of two holes where the tees were moved up some 30 yards to accommodate the wet conditions. She won the Futures Tour money title a year ago, and is slowly making progress.

Lindsey Wright had a 67 and was one shot behind, followed by a group at 68 that included Nicole Castrale.

Austria Open delayed

OBERSWALTERSDORF, Austria — Heavy rain wiped out first-round play in the Bank Austria Open. The start at the Fontana Golf Club was postponed several times before it was rescheduled for today.

Belmont Stakes

lan McKinlay will apply an acrylic and fiberglass patch to the cracked area. It sets in five minutes and is "stronger than the hoof itself," he said.
That's certainly encouraging news for a Saturday ABC sport stall on edge after the death of Eight Belles on the track moments after her second-place finish at the Kentucky Derby.

Even Dutrow's normally unshakable confidence was dented when he first saw the crack.
"Naturally, we had to worry about it," he said.
A quarter crack is a vertical crack in the hoof wall between the toe and heel, usually extending into the coronary band, where the hoof meets the skin of the leg.

Healing time can range from a few days to a few months, depending on the severity of the crack.
Dr. Larry Bramlage, a veterinarian with Hood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky., said the cracks are common in race horses because they quickly wear out their shoes and their hoofs need trimming more often than an average horse.

Parents clash over giving same gifts to different sons

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I disagree on something. Do you think parents MUST do the same things for each of their children, even when there is a great discrepancy in the children's behavior and attitude toward their parents?

We have helped out one of our sons who was having financial difficulties. Now the other son is "Sean" expects to receive the same, although he is defiant and does not treat us with the same respect as his sibling. My husband says because we did it for one child, we must do it for the other. I disagree, and think it's rewarding bad behavior.

IN WISCONSIN DEAR FEUDING: Sean does not have the right to "demand" anything from you. However, to give one of your sons money while withholding it from the other will create a rift between them that may never heal, and I do not recommend it.

Temping as it may be to use your checkbook to command compliance, please realize that it won't gain you the respect you feel is lacking. A better solution would be to insist on family counseling as a condition of giving the money. It's an investment that could yield great dividends.

DEAR ABBY: I was at the store yesterday with my Gramma when she ran into a friend she hadn't seen in some time. (Her friend is about 87.) As they were talking, Gramma asked her a question that shocked me. She asked, "Do you still have your husband?"

After we left, I told Gramma I thought it was rude to ask someone that question. Her response was, "It's perfectly fine to ask that of someone her age." Is she right?

KNOW I'M RIGHT IN LAS VEGAS, N.M. DEAR KNOW MORE RIGHT: The question was not a breach of etiquette. By the time women reach their eighth decade, I'm sad to say, most of them have lost their husbands. Your grandmother's question was legitimate, although she might have been more diplomatic and asked "how" her friend's husband was, rather than if she still had him.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

Injury no concern for Big Brown at Belmont

NEW YORK (AP) — There is nothing ailing Big Brown that a good medicine won't fix. Think of that crack in his left front hoof as the equivalent of a hangnail for a human.

"It's a little confusing for people who don't understand it, but it is a very common situation," said Dr. Rick Arthur, a veterinarian and equine medical director to the California Horse Racing Board. "We deal with it on a daily basis."

Several veterinaries said racing in Saturday's grueling 1 1/2-mile Belmont Stakes — with the Triple Crown on the line — shouldn't pose an additional risk to the strapping big colt.
They characterized the quarter crack as an innocuous injury, and the minor irritation it causes as an occupational hazard of heavy training.
"It's all healed," trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. said Sunday. "We could run him the way he is."

with Hood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky., said the cracks are common in race horses because they quickly wear out their shoes and their hoofs need trimming more often than an average horse.

A show horse might need a new pair of shoes every six to eight weeks, while a competitive horse could run through a pair in about a month.
"The hooves tend to be a little shorter than what the average horse could have," Bramlage said, "That increases the load on the heels. They don't get the opportunity to keep ahead of the hoof growth like a show horse."

Bramlage said a colt typically doesn't even know anything is wrong with the hoof when there's a quarter crack.
Big Brown has had far more serious front-foot issues. The Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner suffered an abscess in the sole of his left front foot that caused a wall separation last year.

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Local group uniting community against drugs

By Sean Breslin
Staff writer

For Angelica Pope, shedding pounds became an obsession. As a girl, Pope struggled with eating disorders before turning to methamphetamine to control her weight. "It was a quick fix to losing weight and being skinny," she said. "But as time went on, she fell deeper into addiction. After a while, it wasn't just pounds she was losing. It was her family.

"I'll never forget having my kids ripped from my arms," Pope said, forcing back tears. Pope, now sober for almost 16 months, has been working to turn her life around. She spoke at Thursday night's Southern Idaho Partners Against Drug town hall meeting at the College of Southern Idaho, along with state officials and social workers about the effects of drug abuse on communities and the need for community-based treatment. Pope's story isn't unique,

said John Hathaway, Region Five director of Idaho Health and Welfare. "I don't know that there's anything more difficult than separating a family," he said. But that's what drug problems sometimes lead to, he said. Legislators, state corrections officials, health workers and recovering addicts attended the meeting, which was sponsored by SIPAD. Formed in 2002, SIPAD has worked to coordinate local anti-drug efforts rather than remaining disorganized, said

George Brown, an advisor with SIPAD. "There were people who were doing good things, but they were kind of off on their own," Brown said. Although it is not nearly as prevalent as alcohol or marijuana abuse, methamphetamine abuse in Idaho has received much attention from Debbie Field, director of the Idaho Office of Drug Policy. "I hate this drug more than I've hated anything in my life," Field said.

Field told a roomful of people familiar with the "Not Even Once" advertising campaign that the Idaho Meth Project has already been successful in spreading information about the drug. "Last year when I asked, 'What do you know about methamphetamine in our state,' no one raised their hand," Field said. Larry Callicutt, director of the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections, said he sees kids with addiction problems coming through

his system almost constantly. Despite the desperate situations some kids end up in, he remained optimistic. "As long as your child is breathing, there's hope," said Callicutt. It's hope, along with her faith in God, that Pope said has sustained her in getting through her own addiction. She said she hopes others will hear her message and avoid the problems she's endured. "I've gone through what I've gone through to help people."

Bikers ride for a righteous cause

By Sean Breslin
Staff writer

If you're looking for some peace and quiet this weekend, Murtaugh Lake might not be your first choice. "Hundreds of motorcyclists are expected to roar into the park this weekend for the third annual Rally in the Valley. But this isn't the Magic Valley's version of Sturgis, the typically rowdy motorcycle rally in South Dakota. "It's not like the Hells Angels coming to town," said Jeff Olson, events chairman of the Snake River Bros., a charitable motorcycle club that raises money to help children in need in southern Idaho and northern Nevada. The group has hosted the rally as part of its fundraising efforts for the charity. This year's Rally in the Valley will start at 7 a.m. today and will last until noon, Sunday.

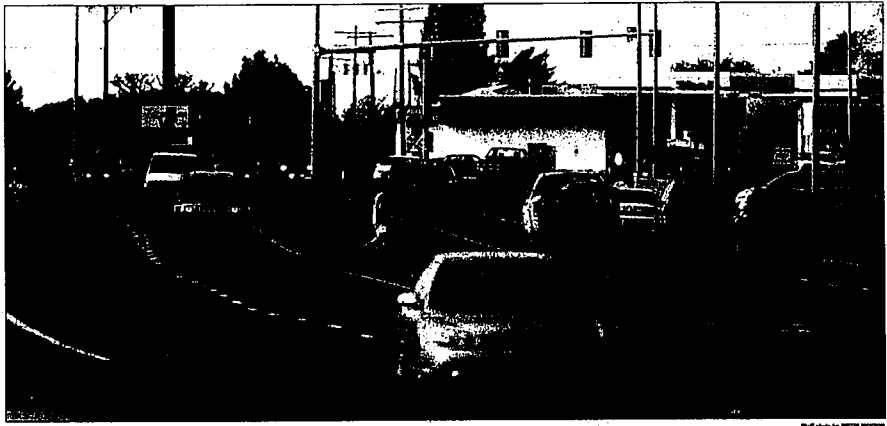
Last year's rally attracted about 600 people and raised \$19,000, said Roger Bolton, treasurer of the Snake River Bros. He said he expected the event to attract more people this year provided the weather cooperates.

The group tries to spread the funds it's raised around to different groups or individual families who need the money, Bolton said. "We don't really dedicate all of it to any one charity," he said.

The group has hired Eagle Eye Security, an independent security firm, to help keep the crowds in check. The security firm could call the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department if a serious situation should arise, said Lt. Daron Brown with the Twin Falls Sheriff's Office. Tickets to the event are \$20 for the weekend. Bands such as Octane, Dirty Johnny and the Randy Richards Band will be performing.

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Overland improvement designs nearly complete



A pedestrian leisurely crosses Overland Avenue near Wal-Mart in Burley Thursday evening.

ITD to finalize plans for busy Burley thoroughfare

By Sven Berg
Staff writer

BURLEY — After years of planning, Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) officials say designs for improvements to Overland Avenue in North Burley are almost complete. ITD Project Manager Bob Johnson said he expects engineers to submit final plans for the project by December. After that, he said, ITD will solicit bids for the project and construction could break ground by summer 2009. "This project could happen pretty quickly," Johnson said. "It could happen next year. Or we could delay."

Whether or not the project is delayed depends largely on Burley's willingness to go forward with plans as they have been presented, Johnson said. But ITD engineer Walter Burns said there will not

likely be significant changes to the project's current plans. "The skeleton is pretty well set and we're going to flesh out the animal as we go along," Burns said. Total cost for the Overland project is estimated at \$4.9 million, with a budget of about \$5.2 million. Burns said any surplus room in the budget will likely be consumed by inflation between now and the time bids are solicited on the project. The project could be completed in just one season "if all the conditions are right," Burns said. He said money would be the major factor in determining if a second season is needed. When planning for the Overland project began nearly a decade ago, it was designed as a simple resurfacing of Burley's principal avenue between the Snake River and Interstate 84. As plans progressed, ITD approached the city about fixing some of the



Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Brice Nelson and witness Tim Campbell remove wreckage from the scene of a crash Tuesday between a delivery truck and a bicycle ridden by 18-year-old Cameron Barrus at the corner of Fifth Street and Overland Avenue in Burley. Planned improvements to Overland hope to increase access while reducing incidents such as Tuesday's.

major traffic snarls on north Overland. Mayor Jon Anderson said the chance to fix problems for cars pulling on to Overland from busi-

nesses such as Desert Industries, Moray's Steakhouse, Franklin Building Supply, D.L. Evans Bank Please see OVERLAND, Page C2

Castleford council tired of overdue bills

By Blair Koch
Correspondent

CASTLEFORD — Living in a close-knit community has its ups and downs. For Castleford Mayor Rita Ruffing, one of the drawbacks is having residents or business owners on the verge of having their water turned off rush to her home, payment in hand, to keep the water flowing. "It can't wear on you," Ruffing said during Wednesday's City Council meeting, where the council again discussed enforcing its ordinance stating water users whose delinquent bills will have their water turned off. "This month, the city is

owed \$2,360 in past-due water accounts, over half of Castleford's monthly water-generated income. In the past, the city has been flexible in collecting money whenever officials were able to do so. Aside from deciding that bills will only be accepted during regular business hours, the council decided it has had enough and is prepared to turn off more than a half-dozen users' water on June 16, if they fail to pay their account balances. "I say we do like we've talked about before," councilman Richard Schund said. "Turn off the water until the bill is paid in full. We've got to get a handle on it." In December, the council

decided to turn off water for users with bills that are one-month in arrears. A city ordinance states officials can turn off the utility after an account's balance becomes five days past due. However, for the city that operates more like a large family, following through is harder than saying it will happen. Brigg Volgamore, with the city's maintenance department, said he understands the city must run a fiscally responsible ship but doesn't like to be the bad guy. "It's hard to keep up on the bills," he said. Blair Koch may be reached at 208-316-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.

Parker sentenced in robbery case

Jerome resident robbed Zions Bank three times

By Sven Berg
Staff writer

BURLEY — The Jerome man who twice robbed Zions Bank in Burley last fall was sentenced Wednesday to a prison term of 15 to 30 years. Cassia County 5th District Judge Michael Crabtree sentenced Steven Parker, 34, to several prison terms for crimes relating to the 2007 robberies, but ordered the sentences to be served concurrently, or at the same time. In addition to prison time, Parker is responsible for paying more than \$23,000 in restitution to Zions Bank, as well as \$4,000 in fines. Cassia County Deputy Prosecutor Blaine Cannon said Zions Bank can request

garnishment of any money Parker makes at a prison job, but he was not optimistic about the quick recovery of the full \$23,000 owed the bank. "Realistically, I wouldn't expect that you'll see much," Cannon said. Parker was on probation for robbing the Burley Zions Bank on Aug. 21, 2001 when he robbed it again on Sept. 12, 2007, making off with more than \$17,000. He got away cleanly that time, but just a month later, he robbed the bank a third time. As he drove away from the bank in a stolen pickup, several members of the public, having heard reports of the robbery on police scanners, reported his location and direction of travel. Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Eric Nebeker and other officers followed Parker across fields, highways and dirt roads on a chase that ended when Parker drove into a

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Vivian L. Jacky

Vivian L. Jacky, 92, of Twin Falls, went home to be with family on Tuesday, June 3, 2008, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Vivian was born April 8, 1916, in Rockland, the daughter of Richard and Myrtle B. Masson. At a young age, she moved with her family to Twin Falls, where she attended school and graduated from Twin Falls High School. After high school, she attended the Gooding College. On Jan. 4, 1952, Vivian married Roland Jacky in Twin Falls. After her marriage, she worked for Mountain Bell Telephone Co. for a period of time and ended her working career delivering newspapers in Jerome for the Times-News. Vivian had many hobbies, a few of which were being a seamstress, making her own patterns and dresses, and being a young girl, and being a rock hound, always looking for the right stone. Vivian was a member of the Eastern Star and the Magic Valley Gem Club. She also attended the Grace



Baptist Church for 30 years.

She is survived by her children, Carol Williamson of Naples, Fla., Paul (Lark) Collis of Hollywood, Md., Warren (Flora) Jacky, Jerome, Myron (Patty) Jacky of Lancaster, Calif., and Quentin (Gina) Jacky of Jerome. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and two brothers, Clifford and Harold Massey.

A home-going service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 7, at White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park. The Rev. Pastor Mark Sjostrom officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 6, at the mortuary.

Elden James Haskell

Elden James Haskell, 95, Twin Falls, died at Bridgeview on Tuesday, June 3, 2008.

Elden was born Aug. 19, 1912, in Sublett, the second oldest of nine children of David Elijah and Clara Matilda Nelson Haskell. His parents and several families in Idaho were homestead farmers in this remote area. He attended school in the little Sublett grade school, which his father helped build by hauling bricks from Idaho. The family soon moved to the Burley area, desiring better farming opportunities and better schools. After graduating from Burley High School, Elden obtained a teaching certificate from Idaho State Normal School and became principal and teacher at Emerson Grade School. In 1938, he married Viola Shroff of Paul, who died July 4, 1940. After her death, Elden came to San Francisco to work for the war effort in the shipyards.



He was an active member of the church, serving as a member of the high council. He and Loraine served a church mission at the Hawaii Temple Visitors Center. Afterward, they served for five years in the Boise Temple.

Elden is survived by his wife of 64 years, Loraine Haskell; son, Jay (Linda) Haskell of Kayville, Utah; daughters, Marcia Carlson and Holly Anderson (Jack Houder) both of Boise; 11 grandchildren, Guy (K'ynn) Haskell, Tamra (James) Phillips, Doug (Tynna) Haskell, Susan (Blake) Enser, Nancy (Mark) Pearce, Jayson (Sandi) Haskell, Brad (Cenny) Haskell, and Darby (Heidemann, Kimberly) (Scott) Latham, Kirk (Mercedith) Anderson and Alex Anderson; 27 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Elden is also survived by his brother, Arvin Haskell of Twin Falls; and his sister, LaVern Gabriel of Millbrae, Calif. Elden was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Viola Shroff; his sisters, Dora Haskell, Joyce Judd and Vicki Miller; and three brothers, Merlin, Harvey and Leo Haskell.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 7, at the Twin Falls 7th Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls, with Bishop Richard Smack officiating. Burial will be in the Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, June 6, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls, and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the church.

SERVICES

Lelah D. Powers of Gooding, graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Donald Wayne Culey of Paul, graveside committal service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley; celebration of the life at noon Saturday at the Paul First Baptist Church, 25 N. Fourth St., in Paul (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Betty Ellen Omanson of Idaho Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Ammon LDS 23rd Ward Church, 4030 John Farms Parkway; visitation from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Coltrin Mortuary, 2100 First St. in Idaho Falls, and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church.

Mary Elizabeth May of Rupert, funeral at noon Saturday at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1510 16th St. in Burley, and 11 to 11:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Louise Lish Reay of Twin Falls, funeral at noon Saturday at the McCammon LDS Stake Center; visitation from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Horsley Funeral Home in Malad City).

Mary Helen Harris of Boise and formerly of Gooding and Twin Falls, memorial celebration at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Desert's Edge, Christian Church, 5405 S. Five Mile in Boise (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

W. George Stanton of Burley, celebration of life from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Salmon Park Pavilion N. 1 (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Mary Patricia Hobson-Witcher of Twin Falls, gathering at 4 p.m. Saturday at Witcher's home, 1927 Alturas Way in Twin Falls (Quarlesworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Colton Roger Keller of Kimberly, memorial service at 3 p.m. Sunday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

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DEATH NOTICES

Karen L. Cotten

BURLEY — Karen Lynn Cotten, 57, of Burley, died Wednesday, June 4, 2008, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1855 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, June 9, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the mortuary.

Henton E. Fletcher

BURLEY — Henton E. Fletcher, 91, of Burley, died Monday, June 2, 2008, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. In his testament, no public service will be held (Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley).

Ola B. Lannom

EMMETT — Ola Brooks Lannom, 89, of Emmett, died Saturday, May 31, 2008, at the Emmett Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. Arrangements will be announced by Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Mary E. Walker

Mary E. Walker, 80, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, June 5, 2008, at Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly. Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

WWII vet who earned Medal of Honor at 17 dies

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Jack Lucas survived a grenade attack in Iwo Jima that left him with more than 250 pieces of shrapnel in his body, including six pieces in his right eye and in his heart.

Sixty-three years later, it was cancer that claimed the life of the man who became the Marine Corps' youngest Medal of Honor winner and a symbol of patriotism to U.S. military members around the globe.

"He told me the other day, 'This is not the way a warrior should go down,'" said Lucas' wife, Ruby. "I told him, 'Baby, you're a warrior no matter how you go down.'"

Lucas, who at 14 led his way into military service during World War II, died Thursday in a Hattiesburg, Miss., hospital. He was 80.

Lucas had been battling cancer and died shortly after midnight after he requested doctors remove a dialysis machine. Ruby Lucas told The Associated Press.

Lucas was diagnosed with a form of leukemia in April that "tore apart his body," she said. He spent his last days in the hospital with family and friends standing vigil and the Rev. James Montgomery helping helplessly while pulling for his recovery.

Lucas became a symbol of patriotism in the decades after the war, meeting presidents and inspiring the world to speak with freedom, soldiers and fellow veterans.

Marine Corps Gunnery Sgt. Will Price was shaken by the news of Lucas' death. Price remembered the response to a routine mail call from him at Marine Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"I never met anyone like Jack Lucas," he said. "When he came the Marines just erupted around him. He's the epitome of the values of the Corps. They were just captivated by him. Everything that came out of his mouth was pure gold and pure motivation."

Robert Magnus, Marine Corps assistant commandant, called Lucas "a great warrior" who was celebrated "for a rare selfless act of valor."

"The commandant of the Marine Corps and I join Marines of all generations in sending our condolences to his wife Ruby and their family," he said.

"Jacklyn 'Jack' Lucas was just 17 days past his 17th birthday in February 1945 when his heroism at Iwo Jima earned him the nation's highest military honor. He used his body to shield three fellow combat members from two grenades, and was nearly killed when one exploded.

"A couple of grenades rolled into the trench," Lucas said in an Associated Press interview shortly before he received the medal from President Truman in October 1945. "I hollered to my pals to get out and did a Superman dive at the grenades. I wasn't a Superman after I got hit. I let out one hell of a scream when that thing went off."

Lucas was left with, more than 250 pieces of shrapnel in his body and every major organ, and he endured 26

surgeries in the following months. He often showed the curious his arms, which were speckled with grenade fragments that could be seen just under the surface of his skin.

He was the youngest sergeant to receive the Medal of Honor in any conflict other than the Civil War.

In the AP interview, written as in the first-person account under his name, he recalled the months he spent in a hospital.

"Soon as I rest up, I imagine I'll run for president," the story concluded. "Ain't I the hero, though?"

Visitation is scheduled for Sunday evening and funeral services for Lucas will be held Monday morning on the University of Southern Mississippi campus in Hattiesburg.

Big for his age and eager to serve, a 14-year-old Lucas lied that he was 17 and forged his mother's signature on a Marines enlistment waiver.

Military censors discovered his real age through a letter to his 15-year-old girlfriend.

"They had him driving a truck in Hawaii because his age was discovered and they threatened to send him home," said D.K. Drum, who wrote Lucas' story in the 2006 book "Indestructible."

"He said if they sent him home, he would just join the Army and give the Army the benefit of his good Marine training."

Lucas eventually stowed away aboard a Navy ship headed for combat in the Pacific Ocean. He turned himself in to avoid being listed as a deserter and volunteers.

"They did not know his age. He didn't give it up and they didn't ask," Drum said. Born in Plymouth, N.C., on Feb. 14, 1928, Lucas was a 13-year-old orphan when he joined a military academy when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor.

"I would not settle for watching from the sidelines when the United States was in such desperate need of support from its citizens," Lucas said in "Indestructible."

"Everyone was needed to do his part and I could not do mine by remaining in North Carolina." After the war, Lucas earned a business degree from High Point University in North Carolina and raised, processed and sold beef in the Washington, D.C., area. In the 1960s, he joined the Army and became a paratrooper, Drum said, to conquer his fear of heights. On a training jump, both of his parachutes failed. She said Lucas credited his stocky build and a last-second roll as he hit the ground for saving his life.

"He was the last one out of the airplane and the first one on the ground," Drum said. In his final hours, the steady stream of visitors was stopped and Ruby Lucas was given a few quiet moments with her husband.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY

JUNE 3-4 ARRAIGNMENTS
Natalya A. Kovachuk, 29, Twin Falls; disorderly conduct; disturbing the peace; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 13; released on own recognizance.
Matthew J. Pragnali, 24, Buhl; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for July 15; \$500 bond; possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 13; \$20,000 bond.

Overland

Continued from page C1 and Wal-Mart with a plan that will be viable for the next 30 years was one the city just couldn't pass up.

The key, Johnson said, is to provide safe and easy access and exit points for businesses along north Overland.

"This is a business strip and we've got to be sure we build for those guys so their businesses stay viable," he said.

John Evans Sr. and John Evans Jr. of D.L. Evans Bank disputed original plans to prohibit left turns from Wal-Mart and D.L. Evans to southbound Overland. They said doing so would limit convenient access for prospective clients.

New plans include left-turn capability from the Wal-Mart/D.L. Evans parking area and a separate turning median for traffic entering D.L. Evans.

"I think we resolved it to everybody's pleasure," Johnson said.

John Evans Jr. said Wednesday he was satisfied ITD had addressed access to his bank. Ultimately, he said, he would like to see a road connecting the bank to Third Street, so that bank customers could use the traffic light there to access Overland.

"That would really satisfy the congestion here — to give people the chance to get out on Third street and not be reliant on just Fourth and Fifth streets," Evans said.

As of Wednesday, it was not clear whether ITD's preliminary plans include the connector street.

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Case

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flooded canal west of Murtaugh.

Addressing Nebecker on Wednesday, a tearful Parker pleaded for forgiveness, calling his actions "inexcusable."

"Sir, I recognize you. Parker said, "I'm sorry you put your life in danger. I'm sorry from the bottom of my heart and I ask you to forgive me."

Parker also apologized to several Zions Bank employees in attendance at the hearing, as well as to the state of Idaho. Bank employees declined to comment following the hearing.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Habitat house to be completed today

With just today left for some odds and ends, the house under construction by Habitat for Humanity on Watchmaker Street is ahead of schedule, said Linda Fleming, executive director of the Magic Valley Habitat for Humanity.

The hardwood floor is in, the furnace is in, the appliances are being installed and the plumbing's done.

"We've already had our first flush," Fleming said with a laugh. "We're going to be pretty much complete by the end of the day."

Today's efforts will consist mostly of landscaping and clean-up, Fleming said, in preparation for the 6 p.m. dedication ceremony for the new home of Anthony Bohm and Rebekah Reich. The construction started Monday morning.

"I can't believe what we've done," Fleming said.

T.F. Police warn of paving scam

Twin Falls police are warning homeowners of traveling asphalt pavers offering a dubious sales pitch.

"Parents claim to have materials left from a just-completed job, and will pave the homeowner's driveway at a considerable discount," wrote Twin Falls Police Capt. Matt Hicks.

What homeowners end up with are jacked rates for sub-par jobs, Hicks wrote. So far, the traveling asphalt pavers have hit homeowners in Boise and Owyhee County.

Police officers have seen the suspects driving "a string of several trucks pulling trailers with (front-end loaders) and small paving machines — all looking brand new."

Residents can avoid the scheme by taking these precautions, according to Twin Falls police and the Better Business Bureau:

- * Ask for local references, identification and verify a contractor's licensing, bonding and insuring requirements. Also note the license plate number on the contractor's vehicle.
* Solicit multiple bids and make sure all bids are based on the same specifications and materials.
* Read any agreements and guarantees before signing, and make sure the promises are in writing.
* Do not be pressured into signing an agreement and do not pay for the work in advance. Pay by check when the work is completed to your satisfaction.

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Blood drive begins Monday

The American Red Cross chapter is planning a three-day blood drive starting Monday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Donations will be taken from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, from noon to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday. To schedule an appointment, call Sharla at 734-4566.

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The Lincoln exhibit can be seen from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day until June 23 and is also free and open to the public.

— From staff reports

CONTEST WINNERS



The Youth Action Council sponsored a billboard contest for area teens that prompted young people not to drink, smoke, or do drugs, along with teen pregnancy prevention. Winners include, from left, Ayesiah Rubio, Valerie Jensen, Celina Simental, Trevor Sumpson and Andrea Edie. Not pictured is Mate Hanks.

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T.F. woman celebrates 90th birthday



Hanchey

Maida Hanchey will celebrate her 90th birthday at an open house from 2-5 p.m., Saturday at the Hampton Inn located at 1650 Fillmore St., Twin Falls.

Maida (Hinson) Hanchey was born on June 7, 1918, in Hubiken, Ga. She came to the Magic Valley with her husband, the late William I. (Bill) Hanchey in 1946.

Children include Billie, Gary, Johnny, Carroll, Loretta, Bunny, Bobbie, Linda, Vickie, Bunch, Lyke, Ieta, Rhonda, Jeff, Liz, and Ramona.

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Snake River Elks Lodge



On May 10, the Snake River Elks Lodge held their highway clean up project. Pictured from left: Bonnie Luckman, Lenny Luckman, Debra Bradley, Pete Dellos, Bill Bradley, Michael Dellos, Stan Novacek, Duke Drofar and Vic Dyzinger. Marie Yurkevicius (not pictured) opened the lodge and made coffee for the volunteers.

Advertisement for Century Stadium 5 & Burley Theatre in Burley, featuring Kung Fu Panda, What Happens in Vegas, Don't Mess with the Zohan, Indiana Jones Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, and Narnia Prince Caspian.

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Mowing, fishing, flying cost more molah as Idaho gas prices spike

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

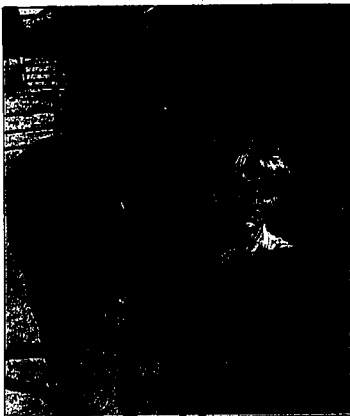
BOISE — With gas prices in Idaho near \$4 a gallon, fishermen have left their rods in the garage, lawn maintenance companies are hiking mow rates and private pilots who previously climbed into their small Cessna aircraft for a quick lunch flight to Halley or Jackpot, Nev., are throttling back on their air time.

The average Idaho gasoline price has hit \$3.95 per gallon, according to AAA of Idaho. The national average is \$3.99. (Of course, it's hard for residents of nearby Washington state to be too sympathetic. The AAA of Washington said this week the average price of a gallon of gasoline there has reached \$4.15.)

Ron Stacy, who owns a lawn maintenance business in Boise, said he's sending out fliers to the roughly 80 customers he visits every week, telling them he'll raise his average \$25 rate by between \$2 and \$5 per yard, depending on its size and how far he has to drive. He could lose customers — some people may opt to mow their own — but Stacy says he has no choice.

"There's always going to be people who feel that," he said. "I understand. But you kind of have to do this (raise rates) at this point."

For drivers in a 1998 Subaru Legacy wagon, the 470-mile round-trip from Boise to Pocatello would cost about \$60 at current prices, according to AAA of Idaho. For drivers of a 2004 Toyota Prius, the same trip costs just over \$36. In a 2008 Hummer H2, the trip would cost about \$112, based on U.S. Department of Energy mileage estimates, while a beefy 2003 Ford F-150 four-wheel-drive pickup



Kaisha Hollenbeck of Lewiston, who is organizing a protest parade in Lewiston Saturday against rising gas prices, poses with her horse Ray last week. Hollenbeck said high gas prices have forced her family to cut back on trips for soccer, softball and rodeos.

truck would suck up a whopping \$132. What this means for travelers in the region is, more will be sticking closer to home, said AAA of Idaho's Dave Carlson. While he said the state's traditional bare-bones vacations — like canyoning, whitewater rafting and hiking make for a "cheap date," the appetite for even those activities may be reduced if gas prices linger as expected above the \$4 threshold, he said. "I suspect long-range travel, recreational vehicle travel and boating are all taking some hits this go-around. People are being introspec-

tive with the money they have," Carlson told The Associated Press. "As long as the dollar is consistently weak, and supplies are tight and demand is strong for oil products, we're going to see high prices." With gas prices 75 cents higher than what a year ago were already record prices, the Travel Industry Association predicts that summer travel across the United States will slip 1 percent to 1.5 percent from 2007. That amounts to about 327 million leisure trips. In Idaho, that has the tourism office at the Department of Commerce going out of its

way to promote budget vacations calling it travel "without emptying the piggy bank."

Still, even with legendary fly fishing waters such as Silver Creek near Sun Valley, resident Idaho fishing license sales are down 11 percent from this time last year, in part because of excursion-skunking gas prices and poor water conditions from an ample snowpack and cool, rainy spring. To reduce anglers' driving, state Department of Fish and Game officials are stocking local lakes and ponds, not remote locations.

"We're going to put the emphasis on places that are close," said Ed Mitchell, an agency spokesman.

While vehicle drivers are being hit by the rising fuel costs, other forms of travel are also feeling the crunch. Aviation gas in Idaho Falls has risen to \$5.60 a gallon at some fixed base operators that cater to general aviation, including fees and taxes. Avgas at Turbo Air in Boise was \$5.40 for self-serve.

Ron Bennett, the office manager at Idaho Falls fixed-base operator AeroMark since 1986, said while business from deep-pocketed corporate aircraft travelers is less vulnerable to the vagaries of rising fuel prices, pilots of small, single-engine aircraft are often thinking twice about those half-day jaunts across the region's desert for lunch or sightseeing, to avoid sucking up hundreds of dollars in fuel.

"After Hurricane Katrina, when our posted price went over \$3, we thought, 'That's incredible,'" Bennett told the AP. "Now they're pushing \$6. In the recreational area, pilots are probably a lot more cautious about where they are going, because of the cost of fuel."

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— Ron Stacy, who owns a lawn service in Boise, on the prospect of losing customers due to raising his rates

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House defeats county timber payments bill

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The House Thursday defeated a bill that would have continued payments to rural counties for federal cutbacks in logging.

A majority of lawmakers voted for the bill, but under special House rules, the bill was defeated. Supporters had brought up the bill under rules that did not allow any amendments. The 218-193 vote in favor of the bill — largely along party lines — was well short of the required two-thirds needed.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., denounced Republicans who voted against the bill, saying the vote dealt a huge blow to rural counties in Oregon and other Western states. Many counties in southwest Oregon are about to lay off employees by the hundreds, DeFazio said — a scenario that could be repeated in rural counties across the country.

"We're losing sheriff's patrols, jail beds, teachers and other vital public services," DeFazio said.

DeFazio accused Republicans of siding with "already profit-rich oil and gas companies" instead of rural counties and schools.

But Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., said DeFazio and majority Democrats were to blame for bringing up a flawed bill. Walden and other Republicans criticized DeFazio's plan to pay for the timber program by charging oil companies for royalties they should have paid the government but did not because of a government error on drilling leases in the late 1990s.

DeFazio said the plan merely closes a loophole created when the Clinton administration failed to include a threshold requiring royalty payments by oil companies once market prices reach a certain level. Recovering money lost from the flawed 1998-1999 leases has been a priority of lawmakers from both

parties for years. But Walden and other Republicans said the plan would face a likely court challenge and could violate terms of federal contracts with oil and gas companies. "We repeatedly warned the sponsor of the bill and Democratic leadership that their strategy of stripping PILT (payment in lieu of taxes) and paying for this bill by illegally breaking federal contracts would fail," Walden said. "Today's outcome was as predictable as it was unnecessary."

Walden, who supports the

timber program, said he would work with DeFazio to find an alternative way to pay for it.

"It's time to get this issue back on a positive track and adopt real solutions for our rural counties," he said.

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Study: Artery 'vacuum cleaner' that removes clots cuts deaths

By Thomas H. Mahg II
Los Angeles Times

Hospital, who was not involved in the study but has been using the technique for a year and a half.

Several smaller studies previously looked at ways to break down and remove clots, and the results were mixed, said Dr. Spencer King of St. Joseph's Heart and Vascular Institute in Atlanta.

With these new results, "perhaps other technologies will be encouraged to do it even more effectively," said

King, a former president of the American College of Cardiology who was also not involved in the study.

With the device developed by Medtronic Inc. of Minneapolis, the cardiac surgeon threads a thin wire guide into the body through the groin and to the clot. This is also the first step in angioplasty, in which a balloon is inserted and inflated to compress the blockage. But before inserting the balloon,

the surgeon inserts a thin tube and, using a syringe, sucks up as much of the clot as possible.

In the new study, Dr. Felix Zijlstra and his colleagues at the University Medical Centre Groningen in the Netherlands studied 1,071 heart attacks victims who were randomly assigned to receive either conventional angioplasty or clot removal — technically called thrombus aspiration — followed by

angioplasty. Most patients also received a stent to keep the artery open.

In February, the team reported in the New England Journal of Medicine that patients receiving aspiration had a much higher blood flow following the surgery, a trait usually associated with increased survival.

The researchers reported a trend toward lower mortality in the first month after surgery — 2 percent mortality in

patients undergoing aspiration compared with 4 percent in those receiving only angioplasty — but the results were not considered statistically significant.

In the first full year after the intervention, 19 of the 535 patients (3.6 percent) who underwent aspiration died, compared with 36 of the 536 (6.7 percent) who had angioplasty alone, the team reported in the International medical journal Lancet.

Mugabe backers assault U.S., British diplomat convoy

By Angus Shaw
Associated Press writer

HARARE, Zimbabwe — A mob of Zimbabwe "war veterans," a group of often violent loyalists to President Robert Mugabe, waylaid a convoy of American and British diplomats Tuesday, beating a local staffer, slashing tires and threatening to burn the envoys, the U.S. Embassy said.

The diplomats were looking into political violence before a presidential election runoff, and the incident was the latest sign of how tense Zimbabwe is as Mugabe prepares to face an opposition leader who led voting in the first round.

Opposition and human rights groups accuse Mugabe of orchestrating violence to ensure he wins re-election amid growing unpopularity for his heavy-handed rule and the country's economic collapse. Police held the president's runoff rival, Morgan Tsvangirai, for nine hours Wednesday.

Late Thursday, the government ordered aid groups to halt operations in Zimbabwe. Millions of Zimbabweans depend on food handouts from such groups and the government as the economy crumbles, and critics have accused Mugabe's regime of seeking to take control of food aid to use as a political weapon.

Officials in Washington and London said the diplomats were returning from a trip to investigate violence in northern Zimbabwe when they were stopped at a roadblock on the outskirts of Harare, the capital. The convoy was halted for some six hours before it was allowed to drive on.

U.S. Ambassador James McGee, who was not with the convoy, said police and military officers detained the diplomats in an "illegal action." He said they were assisted by a crowd of "war veterans," a group whose members purportedly fought in Zimbabwe's independence war and are Mugabe's fiercest and most violent supporters.

"The war veterans threatened to burn the vehicles with my people inside unless they got out of the vehicles and accompanied the police to a station nearby," McGee told CNN.

A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy, Paul Engelstad, told The Associated Press that some in the throng beat one of the embassy's Zimbabwean employees and slashed the tires of some cars in the convoy.

The U.S. government said it would take the incident to the U.S. Security Council.

"It is absolutely outrageous, and it is a case of the kind of repression and violence that this government is willing to use against our people," State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said of Mugabe's regime.



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Bank of America wins approval to buy Countrywide

By **Martin Crutsinger**
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve has given approval for Bank of America Corp. to purchase distressed subprime mortgage lender Countrywide Financial Corp. The Fed board approved the deal in a 32-page order issued Thursday. Countrywide had said previously that it will hold a special meeting of shareholders on June 25 to approve the proposed sale.

In its order, the Fed board said that after the proposed deal Bank of America would remain the largest depository institution in the country, controlling approximately \$774.4 billion in deposits, which represent 10.9 percent of total insured bank deposits in the country. When the deal was first announced in January, Bank of America said it would pay about \$4 billion in an all-stock deal for Countrywide, exchanging 0.1822 shares of Bank of America for each

share of Countrywide outstanding. In recent months, some analysts have speculated that the deal may be completed at a lower price because of further deterioration in the mortgage market and a continued rise in mortgage delinquencies and defaults. Experts have said that the deterioration of the mortgage market and Countrywide's loan portfolio could lead to costly write-downs and create a drag on

Bank of America's earnings. But on Monday, Ken Lewis, the chief executive of Bank of America, told analysts at a conference call that he believed buying Countrywide was still a good deal even though the housing market had continued to falter since the deal was announced. Lewis said he believed that housing conditions would improve by early next year. He said that Countrywide and its professional sales force would give the bank a

boost as it pushes to increase market share in the mortgage sector. In a statement commenting on the Fed decision, Bank of America said that it expected the sale to close in the July-September quarter. "This transaction represents a rare opportunity for Bank of America to significantly gain market share in the mortgage business, allowing it to expand in a cornerstone financial product," Lewis said in a statement.

Inflation moves up Bernanke's worry list

By **Jeanine Aversa**
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke has moved inflation up on his list of worries, suggesting more pointedly than ever that the time for cutting interest rates is over in view of soaring oil and commodity prices and a weakened dollar.

Although the country's economic growth — bruised by housing, credit and financial debacles — is still fragile, Bernanke on Tuesday expressed hope for some improvement in the second half of this year. At the same time, he sounded a notably louder warning against inflation threats. To this end, he raised his biggest public concern to date about the slide in the U.S. dollar, saying it has contributed to an "unwelcome rise" in inflation.

The Fed chief's fresh assessment — delivered via satellite to an international monetary conference in Spain — appeared to mark a subtle shift in Bernanke's views about economic risks.

Despite the rising concerns about inflation, Bernanke signaled the Fed is inclined to leave rates where they are. Boosting them could further weaken the economy's delicate state.

However, some analysts said Bernanke might be taking a baby step toward laying the foundation for an eventual rise in rates — possibly later this year or early next year — if inflation were to flash signs of getting dangerously out of hand.

"Bernanke has inflation on the brain," said Richard Yarnome, an economist at Angus Research. "To help brace the economy, the Fed dropped rates in late April to 2 percent, a

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"This is just another Band-Aid and another example of them kicking the can down the road and not producing the comprehensive disaster housing strategy the country needs."

— **Stephanie Allen**, spokeswoman for Sen. **Mary Landrieu**, D-La.



A pickup truck tows one of about 20,000 mobile homes and travel trailers owned by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) from Hope Municipal Airport near Hope, Ark. The government may house disaster victims in trailers again this hurricane season, despite promises never to use them again because of safety hazards in trailers used after Katrina.

Draft: FEMA may use trailers in new catastrophe

By **Eileen Sullivan**
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The government may house disaster victims in trailers this hurricane season as a last resort, despite promises never to use them again because of high levels of formaldehyde found in trailers used after the Katrina catastrophe.

Only the head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency could approve the use of such trailers, and they would have to meet the agency's standard for low formaldehyde levels, according to a draft of the agency's five-page 2008 hurricane-season plan, obtained by The Associated Press. Also, disaster victims could stay in the

trailers for only six months. Hurricane season started June 1 and will last through November. Forecasters predict the 2008 Atlantic season will be busier than average, with a good chance of six to nine hurricanes forming, including two to five major ones.

The Bush administration and FEMA came under heavy criticism for the response to Katrina in 2005. About 1 million people were displaced because of the hurricane, and thousands were sent to emergency travel trailers. It was later discovered that the trailers had high levels of formaldehyde—a preservative commonly used in building materials. Prolonged exposure can lead to breathing problems and is also believed to cause cancer.

Complaints began popping up shortly after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, with residents of FEMA-issued trailers reporting frequent headaches, nosebleeds and other ailments.

Currently some 500 families remain in trailers, according to FEMA. FEMA Director R. David Paulison has said there will be no more trailers while he is in office. But his deputy says that's not a sure thing should there be another catastrophic disaster.

"We're putting our head in the sand," deputy administrator Harvey Johnson said in an interview Monday. "I've had a Katrina again, there's probably no way we could respond to a Katrina without

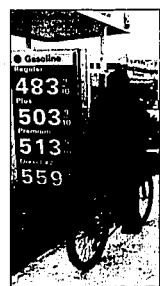
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Contaminated temporary housing

More than half of hurricane disaster victims requested alternate housing due to formaldehyde concerns.

Disaster victims with formaldehyde concerns, Gulf-wide
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Offered alternate housing **REQUESTED ALTERNATE HOUSING** 2.713
Pending alternate housing placement **REQUESTED ALTERNATE HOUSING** 1.716
Includes Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Alabama

SOURCE: U.S. Congress AP



A cyclist passes a sign advertising regular self-serve gasoline nearing \$5 per gallon, with mid-grade, premium and diesel well over that mark, at a ConocoPhillips 76 station in Los Angeles. Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke called the dollar's impact on the rise in commodity prices "relatively modest" and said that global supply and demand conditions were more important factors driving up energy and other prices.

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A new lender on the horizon The bank of family and friends: new student-loan wrinkle

By **Justin Pope**
Associated Press writer

The credit crunch has driven dozens of lenders out of the student loan market. But a number of new Web sites are trying to sidestep the traditional players, facilitating loans between students and anonymous investors or even friends and family members.

The latest startup player in the so-called "peer-to-peer" student lending market, GreenNote, marks its official

launch Wednesday. The timing is intended to attract interest as students piece together financial aid over the summer.

"The field is still fairly small but hoping for sharp seasonal increases. Pynanz, a competitor that matches up students

"I do think they have some long-term promise. I can see something like alumni using one of these sites as a way to provide loans for current students."

— **Mark Kantrowitz**, who runs the Web site **FinAid.org**

available—contrary to sky-falling predictions—but students are having to hunt for banks or turn to the federal government itself.

Meanwhile, the credit squeeze is affecting some students as they try to find private loans, which more and

more students need once they hit the ceiling on cheaper federal aid.

Peer-to-peer loans are trying to step into that privatized market, though they likely won't amount to more than a tiny sliver of anytime soon.

The idea is that students can secure better terms by turning to individual investors willing to back them. Investors may get satisfaction from helping out a

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	24	▲ .25	Dell Inc.	24.02	▲ .13	Idacorp	32.04	▲ 1.04
Lithia Mo.	7.78	▲ .39	Micron	8.53	▲ .12	Supervalu	35.46	▲ .99

COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	94.50	▲ .25	July Oil	127.79	▲ 5.49
June gold	871.80	▼ 8.10	June Silver	17.13	▲ .23

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund performance data including columns for Name, Fund, Last Chg, and various performance metrics.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity prices including sections for CLOSING FUTURES, CHEESE, and POTATOES.

Table of commodity prices including sections for LIVESTOCK and BEANS.

Table of NYSE stock market data including columns for Name, Vol, Last, Chg, and %Chg.

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who bid to finance the loans, CC Chairman, Fynanz chief executive, said even non-profit lending agencies have concluded Fynanz is an effective way to get their money's worth, and are putting up funds.

Trailers
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There is no industry standard for the amount of formaldehyde in travel trailers. The government sets standards for indoor air quality for materials used to build mobile homes, but not for travel trailers.

How to Read the Market Report
Name: Stock prices are listed in the Market Report with their abbreviations. Company names are listed in full in the report.

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fore the Fed to begin boosting rates later this year or next year. On Wall Street, stocks tumbled as investors grew more fearful about credit stresses at major companies.

Trailers (continued)
Any time FEMA provides will be tested for formaldehyde before being deployed.

Trailers (continued)
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Damian Hainer, 19, of Twin Falls fishes Tuesday at the Snake River off boat docks at Waterfront Centennial Park. He and friend Britney Baumhoff, 20, of Twin Falls had been there about an hour and caught two small fish. The friends said they enjoy the relaxation and fun that fishing brings.



Anglers, both young and old, gather at the Hayspur Fish Hatchery near Picoabo for free-fishing day in 2007.

Idaho Licenses	
Adult	\$5.75
Junior	\$3.75
Disabled	\$5
Disabled/ Military/ Governor	Free License: \$5
	Cartridge: \$17.50
	Game: \$4.75
	Game: \$10

Tick...tick...tick...and it's boiled

The race to boil a liter of water began with the slight nudge of a fuel dial. The cartridge then spat its contents, a pressurized blend of isobutene and propane down the line and to the burner. I clicked the ignition switch for a spark, and — KABOOM! — a flame rocketed to life.

My watch was ticking as the water started to warm. Little bubbles and steam percolated in the pot. Underneath, the whirl of a great blue flame, as if from a small jet engine, torched metal to a red-hot glow. It was the maiden voyage of Jetboil's latest camp stove creation, the Helios High-Performance Cook System. As with the Helios' predecessors, Jetboil (www.jetboil.com) had made some big claims upon debut of the all-in-one system.

The stove — which comes with an integrated 2-liter cooking pot and costs \$150 — was touted to have "best-in-class efficiency and boil time performance." Indeed, a cold liter of water, the company claimed, could be converted to a bubbling brew within three minutes.

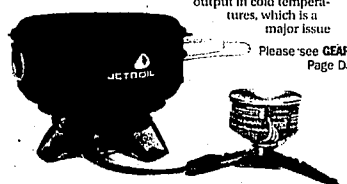
In my test, where I kept the cover on the pot while it warmed, my liter of water did, in fact, hop to a bubbling fit, boiling in 2.5 min-



THE GEAR JUNKIE
Stephen Regenold

utes flat — twice as fast as many stoves I test and beating even the company's own marketed figure.

The secret to the Helios' propensity to torch is rooted in two product features: 1) The company's proprietary Fluxite, a corrugated metal stripping on the bottom of the pot, captures and "focuses" heat to increase burner efficiency; 2) The upside-down isobutene/propane cartridge and special fuel line allows the Helios to feed fuel to the burner in a liquid state for consistent heat output.



While other stoves can use the same type of isobutene/propane cartridge as the Helios, the company says it has optimized the cartridge-fed fuel method by ensuring consistent high-output. For traditional cartridge stoves — including the Jetboil PCS, the company's first model — liquid fuel is evaporated upward within the cartridge and gas is fed under the can's pressure into the burner.

This process cools the cartridge and its contents, reducing fuel output.

In the Helios design, where the cartridge is inverted, the stove is fed liquid fuel, which is evaporated at the burner, keeping the cartridge at a uniform temperature and ensuring a hotter flame.

Further, because there is no evaporative cooling of the fuel in the cartridge, the Helios is less prone to loss of output in cold temperatures, which is a major issue

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Fee-free day scheduled for Saturday

By Andrew Weeks
Staff writer

If you've wanted to try your luck on the lake this year but haven't yet bought a fishing license, Saturday is meant for you.

On Saturday, people may fish without a fishing license at all Idaho waters open to fishing. The event, sponsored once a year by Idaho Fish and Game, is to initiate — or in some cases re-initiate — people to fishing.

"The main reason we hold these events is to get fishing poles back into people's hands who haven't fished for a long time," said Kelton Hatch, regional conservation educator for Fish and Game. "It's also to get people who normally don't fish out fishing. It is to teach people how to fish."

To that end, Fish and Game has scheduled two activity-heavy events in the Magic Valley region — from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hagerman Fish Hatchery in Hagerman and from 8 a.m. to

noon at Gavers Lagoon at Hayspur Fish Hatchery near Picoabo — where anglers can borrow fishing poles and bait, enjoy lunch and other activities, and learn from outdoors instructors.

"We'll have plenty of staff on hand to help with any questions people may have about fishing," Hatch said.

Five hundred to 600 people are expected at the Hagerman event, Hatch said, and at least a couple hundred at the Hayspur hatchery.

A misconception, Hatch said, is that people often think free-fishing events comprise whole weekends. "But it is only Saturday," he said. "And all other rules and regulations apply."

Fishing licenses cost \$25.75 for Idaho residents 18 and older, and \$13.75 for those 14-17. "These 14 years and younger do not need a license."

Some, such as Damian Hainer, 19, and Britney

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Lessons in nature

A history of Cedar Creek Canyon

By Lawrence P. Crowley
Correspondent

Fishermen are familiar with the popular Cedar Creek (or Roseworth) Reservoir, located about six miles west of Salmon Falls Dam along the road to Murphy Hot Springs.

Like Salmon Falls Reservoir, this impoundment was created to provide irrigation water — in this case, to about 8,000 acres downstream in the Roseworth area.

The concrete-core dam was constructed in 1916. Unfortunately, the amount of water required quite often fell short of what was needed. Today, the original canal infrastructure no longer exists. But for those who enjoy hiking quiet, peaceful canyons, scattered remains of this system still cling to the canyon walls like Spiderman to a building.

Take the road to Murphy Hot Springs about two miles west of Salmon Dam, where a Bureau of Land Management sign directs you north to Roseworth. Follow this road 5.25 miles to an unmarked dirt road on the left, which is no different in appearance than any other you will pass to that point.

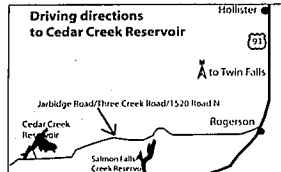
You've found the correct road if you can see the basalt rim at the top of Cedar Creek Canyon, about one mile to the northwest. This road is a fire-buster, so drive slowly to just above the drop into the canyon where a small open area in the vegetation allows one or two vehicles to park.

The road that brought you to the canyon rim drops into the canyon and continues upstream for about two miles, so non-motorized access is excellent even though the road isn't. Continuing on foot, horseback or mountain bike from your parking spot on the rim is the way to go to take in all the scenic and historical attributes.

This canyon, from the reservoir downstream, lies just east of where last year's Murphy Complex wildfires burned. See the sagebrush and juniper cover is still vibrant in the canyon up to its rim. The majestic, green junipers, many growing from crevices in the cliffs, provide an appealing contrast to the basalt and rhyolite of the canyon walls.

A number of low impoundments in the channel create the opportunity for small ponds of water that add to the scenic appeal of the canyon, which rises steeply on both sides and

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Women in Nature try their hand at kayaking Salmon Falls Creek

By Sandra Bosteler
Correspondent

Salmon Falls Creek was running at just under 400 cubic feet this past Saturday. As a novice kayaker, that meant nothing to me. It appeared to be flowing at the speed of light as I desperately tried fastening the life jacket across my buxom chest.

The thought occurred to me that I wouldn't really need a flotation device. Just as Kamil Wright instructed me on the vest's expandable features, Dave Wright, Kamil's husband and our group's fearless leader, saw my panic-stricken face and tried to comfort me.

"Compared to last week the flow is pretty slow," he said.

I smiled glumly and shook my head as I climbed into the front seat of the tandem kayak. I adjusted my feet on the foot rests as Steve Baum, another fearless leader, told me to make sure I had a little bend in my knees in case I had to apply pressure.

"Why would I need to apply pressure," my mind screamed, but by then his voice was fading and I was going into the water,



Photo by SANDY BOSTELER

ready or not. The event was to teach Women in Nature how to kayak skills, and I was grateful to have an experienced backseat driver, Wendy Roseworth, in charge of steering the kayak.

"Your main responsibility," she advised, "is to paddle hard right and paddle hard left." There was no time for pre-trip training. "I love this baptism by fire," I lied, but again smiled — glumly. Off we went into the current. Fortunately, Dave had planned ahead and he was waiting just down the river in a quiet spot. He shouted out instructions, to which Wendy responded beautifully.

She parallel parked right next to his canoe.

The Wrights were riding in

Members of Women in Nature come in for lunch after trying their hand at kayaking on Salmon Falls Creek on Saturday.

Photo by SANDY BOSTELER

a large canoe that was filled with lunch supplies for our group. Steve was in a single-person kayak. They sandwiched four of us between them. Steve went ahead to look for trouble areas and Dave encouraged and instructed us from behind. It worked very well most of the time, except when Wendy told me to paddle hard right. I mistook this information to mean put the paddle in the water on the left and paddle hard so we would go right.

That was exactly what we did. To our misfortune, however, the creek was lined with trees. At that moment of reality there's nothing more to do than wait for your eyes to be poked out by long, pointy branches. Wendy

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Learning the basics



ABOVE: Walt Kidd of Sportsman's Warehouse shows Ben Wiebe of Bull a complete fly-fishing package. TOP: Some fly fishermen, such as Rick Carrico of Twin Falls, enjoy tying their own flies.

Plenty of resources locally to get started with fly fishing

By Rob Morris
Correspondent

Say the words "fly fishing" and you're liable to conjure up images of gray-haired men, who speak with refined British accents and wear tweed caps, argyle sweaters and neckties as they fish an exclusive, private stream. Perhaps that's why anglers tend to be divided into two camps — those who do nothing but fly fish and those who view fly fishing as an effective activity, hurriedly effective at catching fish.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

Many find it a highly effective fishing method that can out-produce trolling or casting. Maybe you are a bait-dunker or troller and thinking of trying fly fishing but wonder how to get started. All the new jargon, special knots to tie and other equipment can seem a bit overwhelming at first.

The sport

Unlike spinning or bait-casting, the fly angler casts the line, not the lure or bait, and the rods are longer, usually 7 to 9 feet. Fly rods act as long levers that throw the fly line. To make a cast, the angler moves the fly rod between the 10 and 2 o'clock position, while gradually feeding out the line. When enough line is out, the angler lowers the rod to a level or 9 o'clock position and the line shoots through the guides to its destination.

Fly lines are usually made of a woven synthetic fabric

and coated with an abrasion resistant plastic and may be floating, sinking or have a sinking tip.

Most fly anglers start out with a floating line, because it is usually easier to both see and cast. Fly lines come in different weights, tapers and densities and are matched to the fly rod; a 7-weight fly rod will take a 7-weight fly line. A fly line's taper denotes its shape: a level line is a uniform, single diameter, a weight forward line is thicker and fatter near the throwing end, and a double taper is narrow in the middle and thick on each end.

Tied to the fly line is the monofilament leader, to which the lure or fly is tied. Flies are made mostly of animal fur and feathers, and are almost imperceptibly light. As the name implies, flies usually imitate an insect, but they can imitate anything that fish will eat, including small fish or mice.

In fly fishing, the reel is of slightly lesser importance and serves mostly as a storage device for the line and a drag mechanism for playing larger fish.

Some helps

Walt Kidd, a fishing consultant at Sportsman's Warehouse, suggests purchasing a complete package. "If someone wants to start fly fishing from scratch, I recommend they purchase a complete package that has everything — the rod, reel, line, leader, everything," Kidd said. "I also recommend a new fly fisherman get a couple of

"After I learned to cast better, I caught more fish, learned how to handle fish, started tying my own flies and building my own rods."

— Rick Carrico

books on the subject."

Fortunately, many sport-fishing goods stores or fly-fishing shops can match any missing items you may need to complete your outfit.

Fly anglers tend to be a surprisingly friendly lot and are quite willing to share tips and information. Also, consider taking a fly fishing class. It can save you a lot of time and fruitless casting.

Rick Carrico, a life-long fly fisherman from Twin Falls, began fishing at age 13, but said he improved a lot after taking a fly casting class.

"After I learned to cast better, I caught more fish, learned how to handle fish, started tying my own flies and building my own rods," Carrico said. "It's easier to catch fish on wet flies (nymphs) rather than dry flies. When trout are feeding on surface insects, they tend to zone in on that particular food source and will ignore all other offerings."

Carrico, whose son Jason is a professional fly-fishing guide in Montana, offered a couple of tips to beginning fly anglers: "If you're not catching fish when fishing a wet fly, add a tiny bit of weight to your fly or leader. This will put your fly slightly deeper in the water column

and more available to the fish."

Area angling clubs

The Magic Valley Fly Fishers is a local club has plenty of kindred spirits and for fly-fishing fanatics. Meeting at Rock Creek Restaurant on the third Thursday of the month, starting in September and continuing through May, the club plans fishing outings, offers tips and conducts fly-casting clinics.

Last anyone think fly fishing is a male only activity, there are many female fly anglers. Ardell Hansen, an avid fly angler and past president of the club, started fly fishing after taking a Community Education Class while living in the Boise area.

"I started fishing the Boise River, then moved to Twin Falls and joined the Magic Valley Fly Fishers in 1997," she said.

Hansen finds fly fishing a great way to relax and get away from her job. "Things can get a little hectic sometimes and fly fishing is a great way to put the job on hold for a while," she said. She said she prefers to fish streams with dry flies, and recommends fly fishing to women of all ages.

RECREATION ROUNDUP

Urban Wilderness Day Saturday

The 7th annual Urban Wilderness Day will be held Saturday at Dierkes Lake, where a number of outdoor activities are planned.

From 11 to 3 p.m. River Adventure Toyz will provide kayaks and canoes for use around the lake. Life jackets and paddles will be provided.

During the same time, Ray Archibald will cook free Dutch oven samples and answer questions about Dutch oven cooking.

From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Idaho Army National Guard will offer equipment displays, including a Black Hawk helicopter, blow up challenge course and rock wall. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Magic Valley Bowhunters will host demonstrations and offer target practice.

At 12 a.m. and noon, Body IQ will offer 30-minute fitness walks along the lake.

From noon to 2 p.m., the College of Southern Idaho will offer a Challenge Course.

Bring your blueprints between 12 and 2 p.m. to help construct sandcastles at the lake's beach. During the same time, Sportsman's Warehouse will offer a surprise outdoor activity.

For more information: City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation, 736-2265.

Series Women's MTB Cycling Camp will return to the Wood River Valley June 21-22.

The camp is open to 40 women who are looking to improve their skill and confidence on all types of mountain trails. The camp is a two-day format with skills sessions in the morning and a trail ride in the afternoon to practice new-found expertise.

For the morning skills sessions, the Dirt Series travels with a truck load of obstacles to help riders become proficient with basic front-wheel lifts, switchback techniques, high-speed cornering, wheelie drops, mantrails and bunny hops. Body protection will be available for the novice or inhibited rider.

Area information can be found at www.visitvalley.com. Cost is \$325 per person. Lunch is provided each day. For complete camp information and registration: www.dirtseries.com.

CSI to offer GPS class

The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho will be offering the class on personal navigation and GPS use from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, June 11-25, in Aspen 101. The cost is \$40 and the instructor is Tom Gilbertson. The non-credit course number is NHEC 004 C01.

Little Camas shoot scheduled

Little Camas Reservoir will play host to a shoot on Saturday and Sunday. Registration is from 7-11 a.m. both days. For more information: Gene Briggs, 587-0925.

Jerome Gun Club sponsors clays shoot

On Saturday the Jerome Gun Club will hold a sporting clays shoot, a 100-target event. If you have never shot sporting clays at the Jerome Gun Club, your first 50 targets will be free. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members, \$14 for junior members under age 18, and \$17 for non-member juniors. Sign up time is 9 a.m. and shooting begins at 10 a.m.

The club is located on the north of the junction of Highway 93 and Interstate 84 at mile marker 64. The next scheduled shoot will be Father's Day, Sunday, June 15. For more information: Kenny, 733-6045.

CSI M-C offers outdoors programs

The College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center enrichment program has added several new courses for the summer.

The "It's Your Backyard" series has three sections scheduled at the center: a course is \$40. There is an unbelievable amount of things to do and see. So dust off your sturdy shoes and register early. Each course will have a field trip.

The first installment is "Come Out to Play" from 8 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, now through June 24. Instructor Amanda Crump will expose students to the area's recreation opportunities, local plant identification, animal science, area geology, historic locations, art in the outdoors and more. Crump has invited the Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service to participate.

"Discovery" classes are from 8 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, July 8 to 29. The second class in the series will focus on outdoor education and interactions with recreation possibilities, new plants, animals and more area history. Participants will learn to listen to the sap in trees and do a low ropes course.

"Survival Preparation" is set from 8 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, Aug. 5 to 26. Crump will cover how to prepare in advance to aid whether someone is stranded in a car or stuck in the wilderness. Students will learn how to prepare, the most useful tools and equipment and the importance of mental preparation. Finding out how fun primal survival techniques can be is included in this final segment.

Father's Day Fish Derby next weekend

The American Bulls American Legion organization will sponsor the 11th Annual Father's Day Fish Derby 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Father's Day, June 15, at American Falls Reservoir. Anyone wishing to enter the contest must register on the day of the derby to register. Participants may register at the American Falls Marina and Café or Freddie's Roadhouse, 235 1/2 Idaho St. in American Falls.

There will be three cash prizes awarded for the biggest fish caught by weight (rainbow trout only): first place, \$700; second place, \$200; third place, \$100. Cost for each entry is \$10. There will be a barbecue lunch provided from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., free for registered derby participants. Cost for all others is \$4.50. There are also door prizes that will be awarded to derby participants and anyone that buys lunch.

For more information: Raymond Workman, 208-221-2440.

Dirt bike camp heads to Sun Valley

The Rocky Mountain Dirt

Bush proclaims June as 'Great Outdoors Month'

A proclamation by the President of the United States of America: From the Appalachian Mountains to the Grand Canyon, America is blessed with places of natural beauty where our citizens can discover the full splendor of this great Nation. During Great Outdoors Month, our Nation celebrates the grandeur of our open spaces, strengthens our commitment to preserving this heritage, and reaffirms our dedication to protecting our air, water, and lands.

My Administration remains dedicated to wise stewardship of the environment, and will continue to protect our Nation's natural wonders. This past year, we have made great strides in helping wildlife thrive and in restoring habitat for migratory birds through cooperative conservation. Working with State and tribal officials, we are preserving important wildlife habitats and expanding the National Wildlife Refuge system. Citizens can visit takeparks.gov to learn more about opportunities to care for our environment.

Great Outdoors Month is

an opportunity to honor those who work to keep our natural places beautiful and to celebrate some of our country's favorite outdoor pastimes. These activities encourage a healthy lifestyle and give Americans pride in the great American landscape. As responsible stewards of our natural resources, we can help ensure that the great outdoors will be available for enjoyment by generations to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue

of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim June 2008 as Great Outdoors Month, I call on all Americans to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities, and to take time to visit and enjoy the great outdoors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.

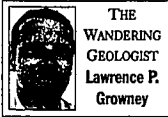
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Cue balls and dinosaur eggs

The landscape transected by Salmon Falls Creek at Contact, Nev., is a hodgepodge of smooth, rounded slopes and knobby, fractured spires, pinnacles and ridges of granite. One of the most unusual aspects of the granite here is its ability to form rounded masses of boulders and angular outcrops that seem to defy gravity by forming shapes like a stack of cue balls or a dinosaur egg on a pedestal.



THE WANDERING GEOLOGIST Lawrence P. Growney

Come along

Join me in visiting the ongoing mineral exploration activity at Contact, Nev., on Saturday, July 12. Reservations can be made through the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office, 736-2265.

The presence of widely separated rhyolite caps suggest that a tremendous amount of faulting, erosion, and denoucing has occurred since their eruption onto the original granite surface.

Weathering and subsequent disintegration of the granite would have progressed from the surface downward into the granite along cracks and fractures producing the family organized piles of boulders.

On the west side of the highway, weathering of the fractured granite rounded the more angular corners, resulting in piles of rounded boulders that appear to hold together in many cases due to friction alone.

The size of boulders in an outcrop are an indication of the spacing between fractures in the pre-faulted granite. Where the breaks in the rock are farther apart, the boulders are larger; where closer together, the boulders are smaller.

Faulting and stream terraces may have been more concentrated on the east side of the highway where a tremendous amount of ground-up material occurs as accumulations of boulders, gravel, sand and smaller particles, with very few piles of loosely stacked rock in place on the hillsides. In one loca-

tion, it appears that the tenuously stacked boulders may have been shaken apart by an earthquake, then undercut by the deepening ravine.

Nested in the southeast corner of the low area between Middle Stack Mountain and White Peaks near the head of Meadow Creek, huge boulders of granite mantle the hillside at the break-in slope angle near the base of one steep hillside. This tall, conical peak of solid granite is capped with a small crown of reddish-brown rhyolite, a remnant of the ash flow cover that once buried much of this area.

When an earthquake of sufficient energy shook this pile of loosely stacked material, these large blocks and boulders, some as much as 12 feet in diameter, would have rolled or slid to the base of the hill. Lying in a loose pile in the ravine, they may have been further crushing or grinding by later fault activity, and thus preserved in something close to their original shapes.

As the millennia passed and erosion continued to deepen the ravine under the boulders, the boulders of granite would slowly drop

The size of boulders in an outcrop are an indication of the spacing between fractures in the pre-faulted granite.

deeper into the widening ravine. In effect, appearing to move downhill, so that now they form a continuous cover from the lip of the original ravine to the bottom.

This accumulation of rounded boulders mantles a small area on the southeast side of the steep peak, and on the peak side of the ravine only, suggesting that the material came from the peak. From the elevation at the top of the pile of boulders to the base of the rhyolite cap at the top of the peak, the hillside is a smooth, even slope of granite that is nearly devoid of additional loose boulders of granite.

Access to this location is decent for horse, foot and ATV traffic. Motorized vehicles cannot reach it due to road damage. Take the Granite Mountain turn-off just beyond the crossing of Salmon Falls Creek south of Contact, Park in the wide area a few hundred yards up the road and proceed either up this road or take the gravel road that parallels the creek one mile downstream to the right turn through a short canyon and up Meadow Creek. The location is on the south side of the nearest tall peak visible to your right from where you cross Meadow Creek in Section 27T 45N, R64E.

The peak shows up on the Bureau of Land Management Jackpot, Nev., map along the west edge of Section 3744N, R64E.

Jupiter's been acting up in recent years

Something's going on with the largest planet. Jupiter, its clouds are changing colors, and it seems to have a case of the menses.

The turmoil began early last year, when astronomers noticed that some of Jupiter's cloud belts had turned noticeably darker. The origin of the clouds' colors is not well understood, but one hypothesis is that darker colors are produced by chemicals dredged from deep in the giant planet's atmosphere. When exposed to solar radiation they form complex molecules like red phosphorus. White clouds are composed of high altitude crystals of frozen ammonia, analogous to Earth's icy cirrus clouds.

These changes follow the merging of two of Jupiter's largest white oval storms between 1998 and 2000. The resulting larger storm then turned red in December of 2005, earning it the moniker "Red Spot Jr."



SKYWATCH Chris Anderson

The latest development is that another, still smaller oval storm turned from white to red last month. This new "mini-red" red spot occupies the same latitude zone as the Great Red Spot, trailing behind its larger cousin.

Jupiter has undergone turbulent times before. In both the 1980s and the 1990s, some of the cloud belts darkened, although without the accompanying color changes in its smaller spots. But both episodes preceded the Hubble Space Telescope's sharp vision, now our best tool for tracking Jupiter's climate.

Presumably Jupiter's bad complexion will clear a bit when one of two things

Sky Calendar through Thursday:

Planets
One hour before sunrise: Jupiter, SSW, low
One hour after sunset: Mars, W, low
Saturn: WSW, mid sky
Moon: Very close to Mars tomorrow evening. Below Saturn Monday night.
First quarter Tuesday, 9:04 a.m.

happens. Either the smaller spots will stop churning material from deep in the atmosphere to the upper atmosphere, turning pale again.

Or, one or both will be swallowed up by the Great Red Spot, making it even bigger.

Jupiter is currently the brightest object in the pre-dawn sky, sitting low in the south as morning twilight begins, around 4 a.m.

Next week: Beyond the simple rainbow.

N. Idaho archaeological site could wash away

LEWISTON (AP) — An Idaho State Historical Society archaeologist is trying to raise money to preserve a northern Idaho site containing Indian and pioneer artifacts that's eroding into the Snake River.

"We are kind of in the mode of a loaf of bread that is falling off, slice by slice," archaeologist Ken Reid told the Lewiston Tribune. "The site is just unraveling."

Earlier this week Reid visited the site at Red Bird Beach on the banks of the Snake River south of Lewiston. He said the site contains arrow points from about 2,500 years ago, as well as more recent

items such as a bottle dating to the 1800s probably left by early settlers.

Reid knew the site when its former owner told him of the artifacts there, as well as the threat it faced due to erosion. But because it was on private land, Reid said he couldn't get money to explore and preserve the site.

Two years ago, the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation bought the site along with a nearby canyon. The land is now managed by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Reid said finding money now is still difficult, but he is putting together teams to excavate the site. His plan is to include archaeology students from the University of Idaho, Central Washington University in Ellensburg, school children from the area and interested volunteers.

"It will have to be done with good will and public concern," Reid said. "There is also no reason we couldn't have local high school and grade school kids and retired folks. Just about everybody you meet will tell you they

wanted to be an archaeologist when they were a kid. There is no reason they shouldn't get a crack at it."

Lee Sappington, an archaeology professor at the University of Idaho, and Morris Uebelacker, of the geography department at Central Washington University, said they could help with the plan, including bringing in students.

"I've done a lot of something, it's all going to wash away," Sappington said. "I think it would be a good opportunity for a field school."

Archaeologists prefer to keep many sites secret to avoid looting. But Reid said the site's high visibility and threat of disappearing has led him to teach people about it, with the goal of getting them to help protect it.

"I've just about reached the point where I think we need some public involvement and concern from folks who live, worked, grew up or retired in the area," he said. "We are trying to preserve as much as we can and learn as much as we can from what can't be preserved."

Cedar Creek

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gets steeper, you go upstream toward the dam.

From your parking spot on the rim, you drop into the canyon across the thick capped basalt flow that covers nearly the entire area. But as you proceed up the canyon, the rock in the lower walls becomes more reddish-brown, less columnar, and contains a number of shallow, small caves, typical of the local rhyolite. This large knob of welded rhyolite, a remnant of the pre-basalt surface, has been exposed for about one mile's length along the canyon floor. It is intriguing to note the differences between the flow-banded, caven-pocked rhyolite and the solid, blocky, columnar basalt.

In probably less than a half mile's hike up the canyon, you begin to see "oddy sided" piles of small boulders in places along the right side wall about half way up.

You will notice that these occurrences get closer to the



A view of Cedar Creek Canyon downstream of where the access road enters the canyon. When water is released from Cedar Creek Reservoir, the gravel is submerged.

bottom of the canyon as you continue upstream. These are remnant fragments of the support and retaining walls constructed along the north canyon wall as part of the original canal.

Rounding a bend about a mile and a half up the canyon, the one remaining

section of trestle and flume construction comes into view and continues around the bend for about 100 yards. While the ravages of time have taken their toll, it's still easy to imagine what this structure must have looked like clinging to the wall of the canyon and alternating with

the masonry block support sections.

Continuing past the flume and trestle section to the end of the road, you come to what appears to be the regulating dam that diverted the water into the flume. Notice just downstream of the dam, on either side of the large juniper, a preserved section of the large rock retaining wall structure that would have supported the flume.

Above the regulating dam, the creek is free-flowing up to the main dam at the reservoir. Access between the two dams is more difficult due to the lack of an established trail. However, notice that the rock of the canyon walls above the regulating dam is, once again, basalt.

Visiting this canyon reminds us that trekking through the hidden canyons of southern Idaho often reveals both human and geologic history. And who among us doesn't enjoy getting two shows for the price of one?

Kayaking

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gently hollered as we were swept into the tawny twigs. "I was not sure we keep our weight even."

I closed my eyes and ducked. "That wasn't so bad," I said upon re-entrance to the river current. Wendy didn't say much. I tried to make light of it. "It's like getting exfoliated at a spa. Now we

have beautiful, smooth skin." By the end of the 13-mile trip we should have looked like Cameron Diaz but I didn't notice the change, perhaps because my eyes had been poked out.

After I learned how to paddle correctly, the rest of the trip was exquisite. The creek — although it seemed like a river at the time — was

gentle, a great place for beginners. The scenery — breathtaking. It was quiet. I decided nature buffs have no need to waste money on expensive spa treatments or psychotherapy for irrational fears, or on expensive monthly gym fees. When you kayak, the irrational fears become real — and you overcome them; there's plenty of mud, and

tall dancing blue genie to a small shimmering fire with the subtle twist of the control dial.

The stove is pricey when compared against minimalist models like the MSR Pocket Rocket, which goes for \$40 and does a fine job cooking oatmeal. And the Hellos will be considerably bulky and a bit heavy by

ultra-light backpackers, as the system weighs just over 2 pounds when you include the cartridge. The pot, which doubles as a carrying case for stove components, measures 7.75 inches across and is 3.5 inches deep.

But if you want a simple-to-use system — and have a need for hot, bubbling

water quick — the Hellos will not disappoint. It might just be the little jet engine of your dreams.

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Fishing

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Baumhoff said, "I wish I could wait until the fishing day to try their luck on the Snake River. They fished Tuesday off the boat docks at Centennial Waterfront Park and within an hour caught two small fish, one a largemouth, the other — an unidentified species."

"We're trying our luck while the weather holds up," Baumhoff said.

Despite not catching more than a handful, the friends said they enjoy fishing for other reasons. "It's just nice and relaxing," Halner said. "I come out on my days off work and today I'm just

hanging out with my best friend."

Halner said that's one of the hallmarks of fishing. It's just a great pastime.

While most lakes, reservoirs and streams have already been stocked in hatch ponds, a lot of stocking in ranch and urban fisheries, especially in Hagerman and near Pocatello, is happening before the event in an effort to provide plenty of opportunities for the beginner angler to catch something Saturday.

"It's just going to be a fun day," he said.

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Gear

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with all cartridge stoves I test.

While I didn't get to try it out on the trail — I got my test stove in May — the Hellos lived up to its claims on all warm-weather fronts. As stated, it boiled water in a blink. It cooks stew or pasta fine, the flame decreasing from a 10-inch-

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

"When I consider life, 'tis all a cheat:
Yet, fool'd with hope, men favor the deceit."
— John Dryden

On today's deal from a recent Nationals, Eric Leong was West. Against three diamonds on West's club-king lead, declarer farscared with the seven. So Leong continued with the ace and decided to play a third round of clubs rather than open up the other suits. Declarer ruffed, crossed to the spade ace, and ran the diamond 10 — and Leong ducked very smoothly.

Declarer now came to the spade queen and advanced the diamond ace, then quite reasonably played another top diamond, which would have ensured the contract if East had had a diamond left. (Leading a heart instead would have left declarer in command as the cards lay, and perhaps West's failure to shift to a heart at trick three might have persuaded him to get this right.)

As it was, East pitched the heart queen on the third diamond, while dummy was forced to let go a heart to come down to two spades, two hearts, and the master club. This meant that Leong, who won his diamond king, could play the heart ace and another heart, locking declarer in dummy. After declarer cashed the spade king, either a spade or club play from dummy would now promote West's diamond nine to the setting trick.

Note what happens if declarer instead discards a spade or club winner from dummy on the third trump. West wins his diamond king and exits with a spade without cashing the heart ace. That enclays dummy as before — but with a different set of losing options.

NORTH ♠ A K 9 3
♥ A 8 5
♦ 10
♣ J 8 8 3

EAST ♠ 10 5 4
♥ Q J 10 4
♦ 7 2
♣ Q 9 6 4

SOUTH ♠ Q 7 6
♥ 7 6
♦ A Q J 8 6 5
♣ 7 2

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: North

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 1♥ Pass
3♦ All pass

Opening lead: Club king

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds: ♠ A 8 2
♥ A 8 5
♦ K 9 4 3
♣ A 5

South West North East
Pass 1♥ Pass 1♥

ANSWER: I cannot bring myself to pass, though it might be the winning action. I would rather double than bid one no-trump because, with such weak hearts, I don't want to put my neck on the line facing a passed partner. Sometimes, the better part of val-or IS discretion.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lane Wolff", contact Kay 19072 or e-mail. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@midway-spring.com. Copyright 2008, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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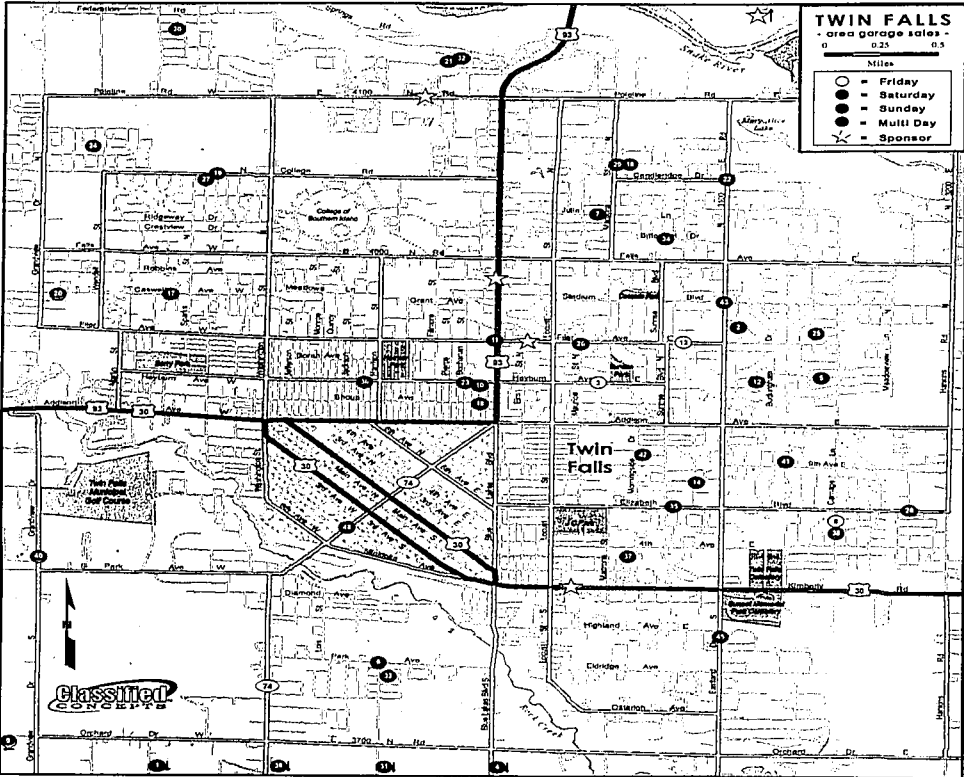
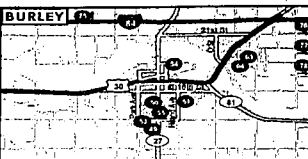
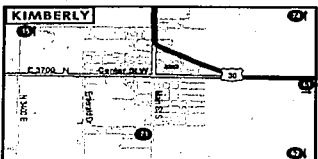
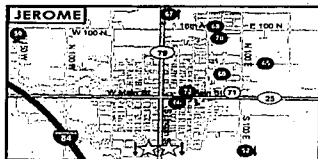
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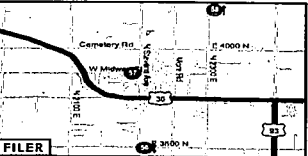
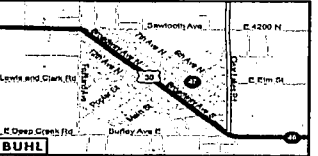
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Fri/Sat/Sun 8am-7pm
- 2608 Longbow Drive
Sat 7am-2pm
- 572 Picabo Drive
Sat 8am-4pm
- 1751 Julie Lane
Sat 8am-4pm
- 536 Carriage Lane
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- 3650 N 2700 E
Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 279 Lincoln Street
Sat 8am-4pm
- Farmers National Bank - Blue Lakes
Sat 8am-7
- 2323 Longbow
Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 2055 Filer Ave E
Fri 8am-5pm
- 2105 Sherry Lane
Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 3930 N 3400 E
Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 1868 Galena Drive
Sat 7am-1pm
- 475 Caswell Ave. W.
Fri/Sat 8am-7
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Sat 8am-7
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- 981 Caswell Ave. W
Sat 7am-1pm
- 2053 Canyon Trail
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Sat All Day
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Sat/Sun 8am-7
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Sat 7am-1pm
- 2018 Biternoot Drive
Sat/Sun 8am-4pm
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Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
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- 629 Idaho Street
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- 448 N State Street
Fri 8am-7pm Sat 8am-Noon
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Fri/Sat 8am-7
- 3363 N 3700 E
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Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
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Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 158 North Road
Sat 8am-4pm
- 753 17th Ave E
Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 612 Highland Drive
Sat 7am-7
- 15th Ave E & Teton Drive
Sat/Sun 8am-7
- 802 1st Ave East
Fri 8am-2pm
- 216 1st Ave E
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- 3570 E 4000 N
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- 26 North 850 West
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Scott Markhorff, 856 Sage Mesa Court, Twin Falls, ID 83401.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Summer, 2008 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Idaho Crop Improvement Association, Inc. will be held on Wednesday, July 23rd from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The Board will reconvene at 8:00 AM on July 24th if needed. The meeting will be held at Idaho Crop Improvement Association, 1100 S. 1000 E, Boise, Idaho. You would like to participate please call the offices of Idaho Crop Improvement for instructions on participating in the meeting.

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LEGAL NOTICE

AD FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board) at 322 E. Front Street, Boise, ID 83720-0098, or at 1341 Filmore St., Twin Falls, ID 83401, until 5:00 PM local time, on June 9, 2008, to construct a delivery canal, detention ponds and appurtenant works for the Snake River Water Recharge Project, located approximately 2 miles northeast of Wendell, ID. Copies of the RFP may be obtained at 102 E. Front St., Box 1 at 1341 Filmore St., Twin Falls, ID or at the Board's website at <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov>.

PUBLISH: June 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, 2008

COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

GRANT APPLICATION

During the 2008 Session, the Legislature passed House Bill 651 to provide \$1,000,000 funding in State Fiscal Year 2009 for the Community Collaboration meeting grant program for the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009. Project services must be designed to expand the community mental health service system and may include, but are not limited to: twenty-four (24) hour emergency psychiatric services, short-term psychiatric beds, crisis intervention teams, inpatient psychiatric facilities, and other mental health services described in Idaho Code Section 39-3126.

Community Grant Applications are available June 2, 2008, with a deadline to receive written questions from prospective applicants by June 15, 2008. The deadline to return applications to the Division of Behavioral Health, 450 West State Street, 3rd Floor, Boise, ID 83702, is August 1, 2008. Applications may be obtained by contacting Jani Rigg (jriggs@idwr.idaho.gov) or Cynthia Clapper (cclapper@idwr.idaho.gov) or at (208-325-5577) at the Division of Behavioral Health.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

IN THE INTEREST OF: AMADELLA VARGAS
 Case No. CV-2008-165

THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETING TO: MIGUEL OLBERA

You are HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: A petition has been filed in the above-entitled matter in the Magistrate Division of District Court of Jerome County, Idaho, by the Prosecuting Attorney, alleging that the above-named child comes within the purview of the Child Protection Act, and that you, Miguel Olbera, the biological father of Paola Vargas, are hereby directed to appear personally before the court for an Adjudicatory hearing at the Jerome County Judicial Area, 233 West Main, Jerome, Idaho on the 12th day of June, 2008, at 2:00 PM.

You are hereby notified that service of such summons upon you, as the parent(s), guardian(s), or custodian(s), of the respective child, does not constitute the personal jurisdiction of the court upon you and does not subject you to the provisions of the Child Protective Act.

You, Amadelia Vargas and Jaime Vargas, are further notified that these acts as a rebuttal presumption that if a child is placed in the custody of the department and was also placed in out of the home care for a period not less than ninety (90) out of the last twenty-two (22) months from the date of adjudication, the department shall initiate a petition for termination of parental rights. This presumption is rebutted by a finding of the court that the filing of a petition for termination of parental rights would be in the best interest of the child or reasonable efforts have not been provided to reunite the child with his/her family, or the child are placed permanently with a relative.

Thomas H. Borreson, Magistrate Judge

PUBLISH: June 6 and 13, 2008

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CONTRACT:
 PLEASE CONTACT RESIDENT ENGINEER "THOMAS E. BROWN" AT (209) 867-7651.

Plans, specifications, form of contract, proposal forms, and other information will be obtained at the office of the Idaho Transportation Department, Boise, Idaho, and are on file for examination at the office of the District Engineer at Shoshone, Idaho.

Non-refundable charge of THIRTY DOLLARS (\$30.00) plus applicable sales tax will be made for each set of plans, payment to be made by check payable to the Idaho Transportation Department. Plans may be copied by phone (800) 733-0938 (in Idaho) or (208) 334-0438 or by written request to the Idaho Transportation Department, Attn: Revenue Operations, P. O. Box 34, Boise, ID 83731-0034.

COMPUTERIZED BIDDING DISKETTES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

The right is reserved to reject all proposals, or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for the State of Idaho.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by an acceptable proposal guaranty. This guaranty must be in the form of a Certified Check or a Cashier's check drawn on an Idaho bank in the amount of five percent of the total amount bid, made payable to the Idaho Transportation Department, or a Bidder's Bond in the amount of five percent of the total amount bid.

Bidders shall be licensed in the State of Idaho by the Idaho Public Works Contractors State License Board (800) 358-8895 prior to submitting a bid. The Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (U.S.C.A. Title 29, Paragraphs 201-213, Chapter 9) shall apply in the employment of labor for this project. It is the purpose of the Idaho Transportation Board to build the improvement in the shortest time consistent with good construction. Necessary permits and an effective organization will be insisted upon.

Dated: May 23, 2008
 STEVEN C. HUTCHINSON, P.E.
 Chief Engineer

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

IN THE INTEREST OF: JAIME VARGAS-SAAVEDRA
 Case No. CV-2008-209

THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETING TO: AMADELLA VARGAS AND JAIME VARGAS

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:

A petition has been filed in the above-entitled matter in the Magistrate Division of District Court of Jerome County, Idaho, by the Prosecuting Attorney, alleging that the above-named child comes within the purview of the Child Protection Act, and that you, Amadelia Vargas, the biological mother of Jaime Vargas, are hereby directed to appear personally before the court for an Adjudicatory hearing at the Jerome County Judicial Area, 233 West Main, Jerome, Idaho on the 27th day of June, 2008, at 1:00 PM.

You are hereby notified that service of such summons upon you, as the parent(s), guardian(s), or custodian(s), of the respective child, does not constitute the personal jurisdiction of the court upon you and does not subject you to the provisions of the Child Protective Act.

You, Amadelia Vargas and Jaime Vargas, are notified that the parent(s), guardian(s) or custodian(s) may be financially liable for the support and/or treatment of the child.

You, Amadelia Vargas and Jaime Vargas, are further notified that the child and the parent(s), guardian(s), or custodian(s) have the right to be financially unable to pay, have the right to have an attorney appointed by the court to represent the child or the parent(s), guardian(s), or custodian(s) at county expense.

You, Amadelia Vargas and Jaime Vargas, are further notified that these acts as a rebuttal presumption that if a child is placed in the custody of the department and was also placed in out of the home care for a period not less than ninety (90) out of the last twenty-two (22) months from the date of adjudication, the department shall initiate a petition for termination of parental rights. This presumption is rebutted by a finding of the court that the filing of a petition for termination of parental rights would be in the best interest of the child or reasonable efforts have not been provided to reunite the child with his/her family, or the child are placed permanently with a relative.

Thomas H. Borreson, Magistrate Judge

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101 Lost and Found

LOST Cat, buff tabby, long hair, polydactyl with nice chip in the area of Sunrise 817. Answered to the name of Ruger. If you have any information please call 484-484-8204. REWARD!

LOST Crt, male long haired, mostly black, white chest & tip of shoulders, chin white, black mustache, "Chaplain," 4 white paws. 208-761-5390.

LOST German Shepherd cross puppy, black, white, tan, kennel in backyard. Any info call 410-1259

LOST Golden Retriever puppy about 8 weeks King on Burger King on 6/2. Male, neutered red collar. Rewarding Carla 208-431-5802.

LOST Greyhound/Weimarer cross. Brown/grey with beard. Answers to Foster. Lost at 400 S. 100 E. Rupert 300 reward. Call Daxx (208) 431-3248

LOST Miniature Pinscher in area of Ridgeway & N College Rd. Black & tan male. Greatly missed by children. Reward \$500. Call 208-548-5838 TF or 212-813

LOST Yorkie, female reddish/black female, 12 yrs, family missing her. Reward \$500. 734-8080 or 734-4996

104 Personals

Looking for an outdoor woman, 40-50 yrs old. Take a chance. Likes camping, fishing, hiking, bike riding, horseback riding, etc. Call 208-506-5838

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115 Community Events

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 Students of the Artist & Atelier at Lions Gate
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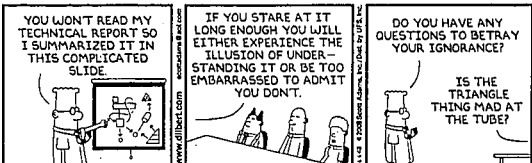
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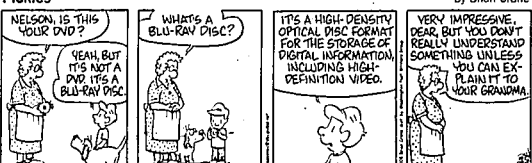
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