



# TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Idaho Oldtime Fiddlers Association performance, noon to 1 p.m. and 2:30 to 3 p.m. dance, Buhl Senior Citizens Center, 735-5580.

## BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

**Team Memory quilted drawing**, for queen size "Old Time Chain and Star" quilt made by LeVaughan Craythom and quilted by Linda Crump. Tickets: \$1 each or \$14 for \$45, proceeds to American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. 436-4238 or 312-6273.  
**Snake River Broy Rally in the Valley** at Murtagh Lake Park, gate opens at 8 a.m., entrance tickets \$20 (includes camping). Proceeds go to help children in the Magic Valley and Northern Nevada area. Rogor at 539-5725 or Jeff at 404-6020.  
**Fundraising luncheon for Jacob Falcher and Samantha Fundingsland**, noon, Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. Donations welcome, 312-2783.

## EXHIBITS

The 22nd Annual Mini-Casala Auto Collectors Car Show, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Cassia County Fairgrounds, Burley, gate prices: no cost for children under age 6 or adults over age 70; \$1 for children age 7-12 and \$3 for ages 13-69, 436-9991 or 436-9922.

## FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

The 2008 Christian Music Festival, includes music, crafts, games and activities for children; free community breakfast and joint church service sponsored by Oasis Christian Fellowship, 8 a.m. breakfast, 10:30 a.m. service and 1:30 p.m. music begins, City Park, Shoshone, free to the public, 866-7159.

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

# FOUR-DAY PLANNER

## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

June 10, 11 — The annual American Kennel Club Sanctioned All Breed and Obedience Dog Shows, sponsored by Snake River Canyon Kennel Club with judging of confirmation, handling and obedience held all day, both days; and an AKC Sanctioned Breed Puppy Match, to be held one hour after Best in Show competition (10 a.m.). Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Ellettsville, 8 a.m. breakfast, 10:30 a.m. service and 1:30 p.m. music begins, City Park, Shoshone, free to the public, 866-7159.

## CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

June 10 — **Moms on the Run meeting and no-host lunch**, with Bernie Jamon on basic Dutchoven cooking skills; special speaker Brock Hamilton, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mandarin House, 735 Blue Lakes Blvd., N., Twin Falls, \$13 for buffet and drink, complimentary childcare, 536-6649 or 543-6580 to R.S.V.P.  
June 10 — **TPFL Book Club**, focus on Douglas Adams' "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy," 5:30 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 733-2964 ext. 109 or jhills@tflid.org.  
June 10 — **Snake River Weaver's Guild meeting**, 1:30 p.m., Ely Young is hostess, 734-5358.  
June 10 — **American Legion Post 7 and Auxiliary Unit 7 meeting** at the Post Home, 447 Seastrom St., Twin Falls. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for social time, dinner at 6:30 p.m. Fellowship with potluck on side dishes and desserts. Installation of officers for the Post and Unit will take place. Members spouses or dates are welcome as well as prospective members, 733-0962 or 734-1435.  
June 11 — **Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch**, with Marie Scoville, writer of cowboy poetry and spoons player, noon, Item's Catering Room, 827 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 312-5057.  
June 11 — **Ladies Lifeline Fellowship non-denominational luncheon**, noon to 2 p.m., Connor's Café, Hoyburn, 438-5376.

## FAMILY

June 9 — **Crafts, create-a-bug for grades K-5th** and paper bag puppets for preschoolers, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 733-2964 ext. 109 or jhills@tflid.org.  
June 10 — **Story Hour** at 10 a.m. at the Oakley Free Library, 862-3434.  
June 11 — **Buhl Public Library teen summer reading program**, Change Your Outside: with tips and techniques by cosmetologist Sharie Fairchild, 12:30 to 2 p.m., at the library, 215 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl, no cost, includes prizes, 543-6500.  
June 12 — **Food, Fit and Fun in the Park**, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Story Book Park in Burley. Lunch provided by the Cassia County School Lunch Program for all children, \$8 and under. Themes: Punt your way to good eating habits and Backyard Safari.

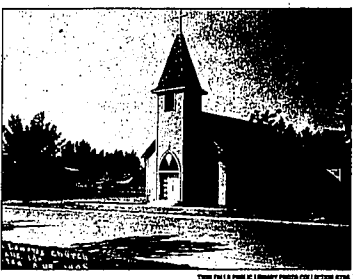
## HEALTH

June 12 — **South Central Public Health District and St. Luke's Magic Valley, American Cancer Society's "Fresh Start" program**, free three-week, six-class program to help adults quit using tobacco products, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Sunflower Room at St. Luke's Education Building, 595 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls, Jeanette Charters at 308-5613 or Tom Pearson at 737-5945.

# MORNING BRIEFING

## PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY

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



The first St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls was built in August 1905 on 2nd Avenue East and 5th Street East (now Ketchum Street). The Twin Falls Canal Company donated the land to Catholic parishioners so they could have a place to meet. Mass was held for the first time in the new building on Aug. 21, 1905 — without the luxury of windows, doors or even furniture. The church was called St. Edward's because it was completed near the line of the feast of St. Edward the Confessor.

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Rep. Mike Simpson, R  
Rep. Bill Sali, R  
Sen. Mike Casper, R  
Sen. Larry Craig, R



## HOW YOUR LAWMAKERS VOTED

<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	2009-2013 Budget: Members passed, 214-210, the final version of a five-year Democratic budget (SCR 70) that for 2009 sets \$3.1 trillion in spending, \$216.8 billion in interest on U.S. debt and a \$340.4 billion deficit. A yes vote backed a plan that would allow top-bracket tax cuts to expire in 2011.
<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	Public-School Renovations: Members passed, 250-164, a bill creating a new federal program authorizing \$33.2 billion in 2009-2013 for grants to renovate public schools, with poor school districts getting funding priority for projects such as asbestos and lead removal. A yes vote backed HJR 3021.
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	Energy Aid to Schools: Voting 187-230, the House defeated a Republican bid to allow funds in HJR 3021 (above) to be used for routine maintenance outlays rather than just renovations. A yes vote backed a motion enabling schools to use the federal funds to pay their energy bills.
<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Chesapeake Bay Watershed: Members passed, 321-86, a bill renewing for five years a federal-state program that promotes citizen involvement in restoring the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem in six eastern states. (A yes vote backed a bill (HR 5540) budgeting \$1.5 billion per year for the program.)
<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Global Warming: Senators voted, 74-14, to start debate on a bill (S 3036) that would establish a cap-and-trade system to reduce the U.S. share of the emissions that cause global warming. A yes vote was to debate a bill requiring the 2,100 worst U.S. polluters to cut emissions by 67 percent by 2050.
<b>N</b>	<b>X</b>	Global Warming: Filibuster: Voting 48 for and 36 against, the Senate on June 6 failed to reach 60 votes needed to end a Republican filibuster against an updated version of S 3036 (above). Democratic leaders then pulled the bill from the floor, perhaps for the remainder of the year. A yes vote was to advance the bill.
<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	2009-2013 Budget: Senators voted, 48-15, to join House members (above) in giving final approval to a Democratic budget that meets President Bush's defense and security requests, tops his domestic requests and extends his tax cuts for the middle class. A yes vote was to pass SCR 70.

Y - Yes N - No X - did not vote

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, June 8, the 160th day of 2008. There are 206 days left in the year.  
**TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT:**  
On June 8, A.D. 632, the prophet Muhammad died in Medina.  
**ON THIS DATE:**  
In 1961, Tennessee seceded from the Union.  
In 1864, Abraham Lincoln was nominated for another term as president during the National Union Party's convention in Baltimore.  
In 1915, Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan resigned in a disagreement

with President Wilson over U.S. handling of the sinking of the Lusitania.  
In 1948, the "Texaco Star Theater" made its debut on NBC-TV with Milton Berle guest-hosting the first program. (Berle was later named the show's permanent host.)  
In 1966, a merger was announced between the National and American Football Leagues, to take effect in 1970.  
In 1970, a jury in Clark County, Nev., ruled the so-called "Mormon will," purportedly written by the late

millionaire Howard Hughes, was a forgery.  
Ten years ago: The National Rifle Association elected Charlton Heston its president. The shuttle Discovery pulled away from Mir, ending America's three-year space partnership with Russia.  
Five years ago: Frustrated and angry over delays, a coalition of the nation's mayors meeting in Denver asked federal officials to bypass state governments and give them the money they needed to beef up homeland security

by Spain's Juan Carlos Ferrero won the French Open men's final with a 6-1, 6-3, 6-2 victory over Martin Verkerk.  
One year ago: Defense Secretary Robert Gates announced the Bush administration was replacing Gen. Peter Pace as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and recommending Adm. Mike Mullen for the job. Mary Winkler, who'd killed her preacher husband with a shotgun blast to the back as he lay in bed, was sentenced in Selmer, Tenn., to three years in prison.

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Watch a video of the Olson family as they adjust to a chaotic life with triplets.

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**HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS**

**IF JUNE 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You seem to have the world by the tail throughout the summer. Any opportunity that comes to you without effort should be embraced with open arms, because it could lead to bigger and better things. Your aura of success shines brightly and people instantly like and trust you, so July or August are good months in which to launch key projects that depend upon the good will of others, to seek a promotion or new career, or to finalize a romantic commitment. Stay out of the limelight in October and be as responsible and law abiding as possible, because people will be critical of your mistakes.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Say it with flowers. When you give gifts or receive them, you understand that it is an expression of deep inner feelings. Your good taste and sensitivity are reflected in anything you purchase early in the week.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** That crazy little thing called love might have you dancing the jitterbug in the week to come. You may be tempted to enter into a commitment, but don't alter your goals to please a certain someone.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Shared feelings and ideals should be your guide. Every time you try to act as an independent agent in the week to come, you will most likely cause a commotion. Slow and steady will win the race.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You might put your heart on the line to prove your trustworthiness during the week ahead. Remain flexible because there could be a few surprises or upsets in store for you at work or in business.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Don't mistake friendship for true love during the week ahead. You may be more popular than usual especially at work or during the course of day-to-day business. Expect the unexpected.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Jumping through hoops is a joy when you do it for the one you love. Trust your instincts as well as the advice you receive in the week ahead. Work-related emergencies could upset the flow of events.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Family members and partners have your best interests at heart this week. Don't let the input of friends distract you. Ignore a whim to make drastic changes in your finances, as it may cause complications.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** The grass isn't greener on the other side of the fence. Encounters with members of the opposite sex later this week may be tempting, but you have someone new who thinks the world of you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Reap the benefits of your good deeds. This week you may realize that your sound judgment and wise decisions are beginning to pay off.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Matters to do with love might grab you by the hair and hold you tight this week. You may need to restrain some wild impulses to make drastic changes or deal with some unexpected opposition.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Home is where the heart is. Family members and home-based activities may bring the greatest joy as this week unfolds. An attempt on your part to prove your independence could cause a reversal of fortune.

# Clinton

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the first black to secure a presidential nomination, represent.

Children today will grow up taking for granted that an African-American or a woman can, yes, become the president of the United States," she said.

For Clinton and her backers, it was a poignant moment, the end of an extraordinary run that began with an air of inevitability and certain victory. About 16 million people voted for her; it was the closest a woman has come to capturing a nomination.

"Although we weren't able to shatter that highest, hardest glass ceiling this time, thank you, it has about 10 million cracks in it and the light is shining through like never before," she said in a speech before cheering supporters packed into the ornate National Building Museum, not far from the White House she longed to occupy, as president this time.

Indeed, her speech repeatedly returned to the new threshold her candidacy had set for women. In primary after primary, her support among women was a solid bloc of her coalition. She noted that she had received the support of women born before women could even vote.

But her main goal was to heal the rift in the party — one that cleaved Democrats in part by class, by gender

and by race.

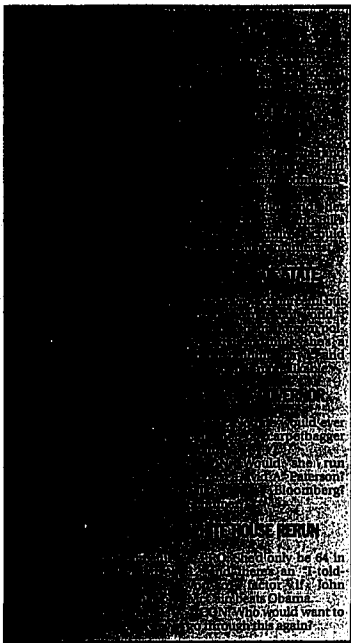
"The way to continue our fight now to accomplish the goals for which we stand is to take our energy, our passion, our strength and do all we can to help elect Barack Obama, the next president of the United States," she said.

"Today as I suspend my campaign, I congratulate him on the victory he has won and the extraordinary race he has run. I endorse him and throw my full support behind him and I ask of you to join me in working as hard for Barack Obama as you have for me," the New York senator said in her 28-minute address. Loud boos competed with applause.

With that and 13 other mentions of his name, Clinton placed herself mildly behind her Senate colleague from Illinois, who awaits Arizona Sen. John McCain in the general election. "We may have started on separate journeys but today our paths have merged," Clinton said.

Obama, in a statement, declared himself "thrilled and honored" to have Clinton's support.

"I honor her today for the valiant and historic campaign she has run," he said. "She shattered barriers on behalf of my daughters and women everywhere, who now know that there are no limits to their dreams. And she inspired millions with her strength, courage and unyielding commitment to the cause of working Americans."



A supporter of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton wipes away tears as she listens to the candidate speak at a rally in Washington Saturday.

# Push

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Colner revisited the site last month with a group of Centennial High School students on a field trip, the culmination of several weeks the students spent studying the World War II internment camps such as Minidoka.

They found a broken-down rest cellar and a few barrels, the remnants of one of the more darker chapters in Idaho history, as the state hosted one of the largest of the 10 camps the U.S. government built to detain Japanese Americans during the war.

Colner is among those supporting early efforts by the Friends of Minidoka non-profit group to bring a comprehensive history of the World War II internment camp into Idaho public schools.

As of now, students are being taught little, if anything, about the history of the site and what took place there, said Friends of Minidoka board member Steve Thorson.

"There isn't a broad understanding of what happened," Thorson said.

The camps were created after President Franklin Roosevelt signed Executive Order No. 9066 on Feb. 19, 1942, declaring the West Coast a forbidden zone to those with at least one-sixteenth Japanese ancestry.

The organization was founded six years ago to preserve the history and advance the education of the Minidoka site, which held an estimated 10,000 Japanese Americans at one point and designated a national monument in 2001.

But the initiative to build a statewide curriculum based on the internment camp, a proposal the Idaho

Department of Education has agreed to consider and former detainees support, could be complicated because the development of the monument is still in early stages.

Plans for a visitor center at Minidoka are targeted for 2010, said National Park Service education specialist Annette Rousseau.

"That's one of the difficulties of going out there," Rousseau said. "There's not a lot to see."

The agency is also working with various historical societies to preserve the memories of the surviving Minidoka detainees, also a difficult task.

In the decades following their release, many Japanese Americans remained largely silent about their experience in the camps, which operated in the western United States and Arkansas between 1942 and 1946.

"There was almost nothing about this in the history books," said Robert Sims, a Boise State University emeritus professor who researched the camps extensively.

Nick Wassner, a 14-year-old from Boise, was among the Centennial High School students who visited the Minidoka site in May along with his mother, Andrea Wassner, 45, who grew up in California and learned from an early age about Mauizan Internment camp, north of Los Angeles.

Her son stood on the concrete base of a former warehouse at the Minidoka camp and said he didn't know anything about the site before his class began his project.

"Romeo and Juliet, yeah, that stuff you have to learn," he said. "But this stuff hits home a lot better."

The program Centennial

High School teacher Gena Marker designed prompted the Friends of Minidoka to pitch a statewide version. Thorson said his proposal could be modeled after a similar curriculum adopted in Washington state.

Densho, a Seattle-based nonprofit, founded to preserve the history of the camps, was awarded a state grant last year to build the Washington state curriculum.

The teaching materials include videos and oral histories, lessons and are designed for elementary, middle, and high school students. The materials meet statewide curriculum standards and are now available to Washington state teachers for use in the classroom, said Patricia Kiyono, a spokeswoman for Densho.

"We're working hard to market these pieces," Kiyono said. "There's an increasing demand."

The group is now creating Minidoka educational materials for the National Park Service, Kiyono said.

Thorson has plans to hammer out the details of a

statewide curriculum with the Idaho Department of Education, such as how much implementation would cost and how it would fit in with current statewide standards for history education.

"We're willing to talk about it," said department spokeswoman Melissa McGrath.

While the initiative is still taking shape, the initial steps to ensure students know what happened to Japanese Americans during the war are necessary, said Oregon resident Joe Saito, 90, who fought in the mostly Japanese-American 442nd Regimental Combat Team during the war. Saito came to Boise last month to meet the Centennial High School students. Because he was in the military, he was never detained in the camps like his family and the woman he would later marry.

Teaching younger generations about what happened is the only way to ensure it never happens again, Saito said.

"It's part of our history," said Saito, "what one group of people in our country had to go through."

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On page 3 of the 6/8 Best Buy® ad insert, we mistakenly stated "Geek Squad" setup is included when you buy any HDTV, plus get free delivery and recycling." The ad should have read "Geek Squad setup is included when you buy any DLP HDTV, plus get free delivery and recycling." This offer is only available for DLP HDTV purchases. We are sorry for any problems and regret the error.

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# Fight

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 Of. But the criminal investigation that followed months later dug up much more than a dispute among county law enforcement employees.

Since the female detective who allegedly struck Quigley was also her live-in girlfriend for about a year, the case went into their troubled domestic partnership and her own ambivalence about it. She said she's willing to discuss the events now because she feels she has no other legal recourse.

The couple's relationship, which they kept secret at work for about a year, along with the alleged violence associated with it, surfaced on the same day — July 24, 2007.

According to the Idaho State Police, two witnesses saw Detective Kris Johnson strike Quigley, leaving a red mark on Quigley's face. Co-workers told ISP investigators, however, that the two deputies appeared to be consensually rough-housing, county prosecutor Calvin Campbell said.

Meanwhile, Quigley told police that in the privacy of their Gooding home, Johnson's physical domination ranged from Johnson choking Quigley twice, striking her with the teeth-side of a garden rake and a wire coat hanger, forcing her to eat and dog feces into Quigley's mouth.

Quigley left Johnson in October, moving in with her sister. Quigley said she would have left earlier, but feared exacerbating what she felt was a violent situation with Johnson.

Her aunt then tipped off Wendell Police, which turned over the case to Idaho State Police.

It was a watershed moment for Quigley, who says she recognized for the first time that she was in an abusive relationship. Sheriff Shaun Gough, citing confidentiality surrounding personal issues, declined comment on the closed case that culminated with Johnson leaving the department and marked the beginning of Quigley's discomfort at her job.

Gough has in recent months faced other problems at the jail, including a September incident when an inmate escaped twice in one night.

Johnson declined to speak with the *Times-News*. Before she left the sheriff's office she told investigators the incident never happened, according to the ISP report. She also said any violence between her and Quigley was playful and innocent.

A battery case was the last way Quigley wanted to reveal her sexual orientation, she said.

The couple met in August 2005, when Johnson accepted a job at the department. Quigley had started work there only a few weeks earlier.

Their relationship, lasting roughly a year, was marked by what seemed to be playful physical contact, Quigley said. The pair would routinely grapple, put each other in head locks and pinch each other on the job and elsewhere.

The wrestling sometimes left Quigley with bruises, witnesses told investigators.

Gooding County Prosecutor Calvin Campbell declined to file charges against Johnson in April. He said neither the witnesses to the July incident nor Quigley could convincingly distinguish battery from consensual roughhousing. Nor was there enough evidence to support charges based on any other alleged battery.

"There were no charges or anything like that," he said. "It turned out to be more an internal thing," said Idaho State Police Detective Jim Hopkins. "I can just tell you to see if there was any criminal activity. We were not able to find any."

According to the ISP report, Quigley "explained the physical abuse occurred so often that it no longer mattered if it happened at home or at work, she learned to block it out."

Campbell said a lack of specifics made prosecution impossible. "Those general-

ized statements (about abuse over time) are a concern," Campbell said. "When you are doing a prosecution you are not prosecuting a series of events. You are asking: Did a battery occur? When did it occur? And does it meet the elements of a crime? And in the specific instances that we were aware of, we couldn't establish a case beyond a reasonable doubt to take to the jury."

Quigley said that after the

investigation ended she felt like a pariah at work. She began to feel humiliated and excluded. Quigley claims that her sexual orientation and inferior rank to Johnson also defined the course of the investigation.

"You can't trust law enforcement," Quigley said. "It's supposed to be a brotherhood. It just depends what brotherhood you're in. She's a detective. I'm just a jailer." After the July incident both

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Hear Gooding County Sheriff's Detention Deputy Jennifer Quigley discuss her experiences after Idaho State Police investigated her altercation with another deputy.

women took time off, then returned to work. The sheriff's office initiated a formal internal investigation three months after the incident. Quigley faults Gough, saying that she perceived that

he was contemptuous of her and Johnson's sexual orientation. After Johnson left the department, she said, Gough told her that he didn't want that "kind" of person working for his department. "I know that's what he meant," Quigley said. Johnson's attorney, Tony Valdez said in an e-mail, "Kris cooperated fully with the investigations ... regarding the claims made by Jennifer Quigley."

"No criminal charges were ever filed as a result of those investigations. Kris is no longer with the Gooding

County Sheriff's Department and is currently pursuing employment opportunities in law enforcement outside the area."

Quigley said she now feels guilty for having a lesbian relationship that caused her family pain, and that she may never again become romantically involved. Still, Quigley is staying put. She says the only way she'll leave her job is if the sheriff fires her.

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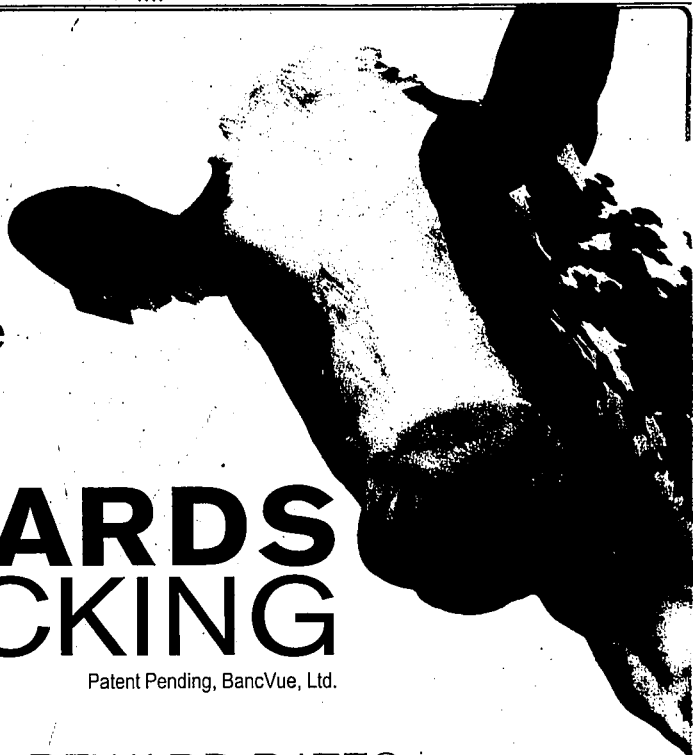
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# NOAA: Caribbean monk seal is extinct

By James Song  
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — Federal officials have confirmed what biologists have long thought: The Caribbean monk seal has gone the way of the dodo.

Humans hunting for seal products for research, food and blubber left the population unsustainable, say biologists who warn that Hawaiian and Mediterranean monk seals could be the next to go.

The last confirmed sighting of a Caribbean monk seal was in 1952 between Jamaica and Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. The National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration's Fisheries Service confirmed Friday that the species is extinct.

Kyle Baker, a biologist for NOAA's Fisheries Service southeast region, said the species is the only seal to become extinct from human causes.

The seals were first classified as endangered in 1967, and wildlife experts investigated several reported sightings over the past few decades. But officials determined they were other seal types.

The federal agency says there are fewer than 1,200 Hawaiian and 500 Mediterranean monk seals remaining, and their populations are declining.

"We hope we've learned from the extinction of Caribbean monk seals, and can provide stronger protection for their Hawaiian and Mediterranean relatives," Baker said.

The Hawaiian monk seal population, protected by NOAA, is declining at a rate of about 4 percent annually, according to NOAA. The agency predicts the population could fall below 1,000 in the next three to four years, placing the animal among the world's most endangered marine species.

"When populations get very small, they become very unstable," Baker said. "They become more vulnerable to threats like disease and predation by sharks."

Vicki Cornish, a wildlife expert at the Ocean Conservancy, said the fate of the Caribbean monk seal is a "wake-up call" to protect the remaining seal populations.

"We must act now to reduce threats to existing monk seal populations before it's too late," she said. "These animals are important to the balance and health of the ocean. We can't afford to wait."

Monk seals are particularly sensitive to human disturbance. And the sea creatures have been losing their food supply and beaches, officials say.

Once Hawaii, the Caribbean and the Mediterranean were teeming with fish, but these areas under severe fishing pressure, Cornish said. "They'll eat almost anything — shellfish or finned fish — but their food supply is waning and they're in competition with man."

The Caribbean monk seal, first discovered during Christopher Columbus' second voyage in 1494, once had a population of more than 250,000. But they became easy game for hunters because they often rested, gave birth or nursed their pups on beaches.

From the 1700s to 1900s, the seals were killed mainly for their blubber, which was processed into oils, used for lubrication and coating the bottom of boats. Their skins were used for trunk linings, clothing, straps and bags.

The Hawaiian monk seals face different types of challenges, including entanglement in marine debris, climate change and coastal development.

About 10 to 100 live in the main Hawaiian Islands and 1,100 in the largely uninhabited Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, a marine national monument.

Biologist Bud Antonelli said NOAA's Fisheries Service has developed a monk seal recovery plan for the Hawaiian monk seals.

"But we need continued support from organizations and the public if we are to have a chance at saving it from extinction," he said. "Time is running out."

As for the Caribbean monk

seal, NOAA said it is working to have them removed from the endangered species list. Species are removed from the list when their populations are no longer threatened or endangered, or when they are declared extinct.

"We hope we've learned from the extinction of Caribbean monk seals."

— Kyle Baker, a biologist for NOAA's Fisheries Service southeast region

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## Shadow market

### Housing downturn is a boon for some renters

By J.W. Elphinstone  
 Associated Press writer

Renters may be the biggest winners in the current housing slump, especially in places like Florida, Las Vegas and Southern California, that have thousands of vacant for-sale and foreclosed homes and condos on the market.

Apartment vacancies are edging up in many areas of the country as frustrated sellers instead try to rent out their homes and condos in once red-hot housing markets. And that is making it hard for landlords to raise rents. In the toughest markets, apartment owners are even offering lease incentives to snag renters.

"This 'shadow market' of investor-owned homes and condos accounts for almost half of the rental stock, and attracts displaced homeowners more often than your typical apartment renter.

"What's different now is the degree of excess homes and condos being put on the rental market. The sheer volume is creating more competition for traditional rental markets," said Hessaam Nadjji, managing director at Marcus & Millichap Real Estate Investment Services, which analyzed the data for The Associated Press.

After staying relatively flat last year, apartment vacancies bumped up in the first quarter from the end of last year, the research showed. The vacancy rate is expected to rise by a half-percent this year to 6.1 percent as the market absorbs about 3.3 million more rental home and condo units.

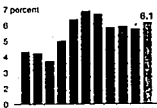
Nadjji also predicts rent growth nationwide will slow to 3.5 percent from 4.6 percent.

The national trend, however, belies what's happening in the country's most belea-

### Empty apartments

This year is expected to have the highest percentage of vacant apartments since 2004.

#### U.S. apartment vacancy rate



SOURCE: Marcus & Millichap Research Services, Falls

gured housing markets. Areas that experienced explosive condo development and conversions of apartments into condos for sale are finding those units unloaded onto the rental market because developers can't sell them.

Sharp increases in vacancy rates plague most Florida markets where condo development was rampant. In Jacksonville, for example, rental vacancies spiked to more than 10 percent in the first quarter, up from 5.8 percent in the prior year. Orlando and Ft. Lauderdale had the next biggest gains in vacancies.

"As the sale activity for condos and single-family homes declined over the last 24 months, investors decided to rent them instead of trying to sell them at reduced prices," said Ron Shuffield, president of Estlinger-Wooten-Maxwell Realtors Inc. in Miami.

Since the beginning of the year, the number of rentals on the Miami and Ft. Lauderdale markets combined has risen more than 11 percent to 10,000 from 9,000.

"Our rental activity is about three times what it was three years ago," Shuffield said.

"Today for the first time ever for the firm, we're renting more properties than we're selling."

# Women's Wages



Carol Vanhoover, a counselor with the College of Southern Idaho Career Counseling Services, talks Thursday about options for finding a career in Twin Falls.

## Their pay still hasn't caught up to men's

By Blair Koch  
 Correspondent

It's been 45 years since the Equal Pay Act of 1963 was signed into law by then-U.S. President John F. Kennedy. At the time, women were earning 58 cents to every dollar earned by a man.

The new law made it illegal for employers to pay unequal wages between the sexes for those performing substantially equal work.

While the gap has closed somewhat, results from the 2006 Census Bureau indicate men still out earn their female counterparts by nearly 25 percent. According to the census, on the national average, full-time working women earned just 77 cents to every dollar earned by men.

The disparity is even wider for minority women. African American women earned 66 cents and Hispanic women earned 54 cents for every dollar paid to men.

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Jan Roesser, regional economist with the Idaho Department of Labor, said the disparity likely isn't discriminatory.

"It's there but not obvious," she said.

According to data analyzed by the department from the 2006 census, however, the wage gap is indeed a serious concern for some.

In Twin Falls County, full-

time working men on average brought home \$30,801 a year while women on average earned \$22,209 annually, meaning women made just 72 cents for every dollar earned by men.

The trend continues for those with a college education. In Twin Falls County men with a bachelor's degree earned an average of \$38,256 a year. Women with similar degrees earned \$34,094, meaning women earned just 89 cents for every dollar made by a man.

The problem, nor the solution, is as simple as passing legislation. Personal choice, rather than discrimination or sexism, does play a role in what a woman's paycheck will be.

Revis Turner, coordinator with the College of Southern Idaho's Center for New Directions (CND), explained a few factors behind the wage gap.

Typically, a woman is responsible to care for children, spouses and aging par-

ents. In turn, women are more likely to take a lower-paying job that offers flexibility, Turner said.

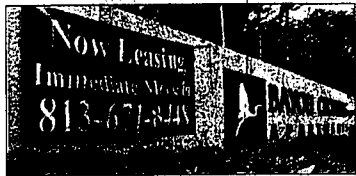
In the past, women have found gainful employment — but with lower pay — in retail, office or care-giving environments.

"The role models women have had and the options they see ... as careers are in those 'traditional' gender occupations," Revis said. "The challenge is expanding our thinking to see beyond those roles, to have women see they can perform other jobs needing comparable education, like truck driving, construction or being a carpenter. Those jobs pay more."

The college, through the CND and Career Counseling Services, offers tools to turn this tradition on its head.

CSI counselor Carol Vanhoover assists students, both men and women, as they explore alternative

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A leasing sign for a low-income apartment complex in Riverview, Fla. Renters may be the biggest winners in the current housing slump, especially in those areas hardest hit by foreclosures and skyrocketing inventory.

# Fast food goes organic

## Putting healthy food on the fast track

By Michael S. Rosenwald  
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The history of the demand for organic food starts where you would expect: at a little farm in the country, with a farmer picking his way through his field.

That's nice and quaint, but not business for the masses.

Co-ops brought the food to more people. Farmers markets took on, even block, driving traffic on busy streets in big cities like New York and Washington. Whole Foods transplanted the idea into corporate America, helping the growth of vast fields of organic produce throughout California.

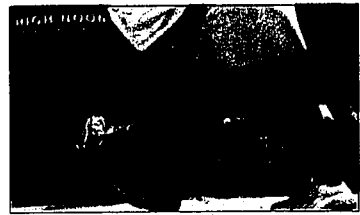
Now there is organic fast

food, and the options for it are about to grow. Organic To Go, a Seattle company founded in 2004, said this week that it has purchased D.C.-based High Noon's four cafes, as well as its catering operation, and plans to turn the lunch hot spots into places where office workers can see their cubicles and devour a meatloaf sandwich

made with organic beef.

"We're trying to get more food that is of higher quality from organic and natural producers in the path of where people work, and that will in turn help to grow our company," said Jason Brown, Organic To Go's founder and chief executive.

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A Seattle company called Organic To Go is taking the Whole Foods prepared-food concept out of the grocery store and into places where people work and spend their days. In the D.C. area, it has purchased High Noon's four cafes.

The week ahead in Washington

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 Treasury bill auction.  
 TUESDAY  
 Commerce Department reports on April international trade.

WEDNESDAY  
 Treasury reports on the federal budget for May; Federal Reserve releases survey of regional economic conditions.

THURSDAY  
 Commerce Department reports on retail sales for May; Labor Department reports on weekly jobless claims; Commerce Department reports on business invento-

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 FRIDAY  
 Labor Department reports on consumer price index for May.

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### Law officers complete handgun training

Snake River Metal of Filer congratulates the following law enforcement officers for their successful completion of defensive handgun training.

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Their training, sponsored by Lonnie Brutke Jr. and Sr. of Snake River Metal, included more than 40 hours of range training, classroom lectures and skills testing. All officers graduated at the top of their class, with high honors going to Brett Reid, which received a Distinguished Graduate Certificate and was also able to clear the timed shooting test with a perfect score of 125 out of 125 along with a perfect score during the malfunction drills.

Snake River Metal will be conducting more training opportunities at Front Sight for local Magic Valley officers in the future. If you are in



2008 graduating class of the Defensive Handgun Course held in Pahrump, Nev., May 16-19. Include, from left, Arnold Morgado, Duane Rublik, Brett Reid, Ben Stairs (sight instructor), Mike Wiggins, Jack Johnson, Lonnie Brutke and Brent Wright.

local law enforcement and interested in a sponsored opportunity, contact Lonnie Brutke Jr. or one of the officers for more information on this community sponsored program. Brutke also graduated from the class and was able to experience the quality of officers here in the Magic Valley.

### State Farm wins Brightest Star award

BOISE — Governor C.L.

"lutch" Otter and first lady Lori Otter recently recognized State Farm as a Brightest Star Grand Prize winner. The Brightest Star Awards recognize individuals and organizations that display extraordinary efforts in giving back to their communities.

State Farm was nominated by Helen Savage of Orofino. "For over 50 years, State Farm has served local communities in Idaho," Savage said. "I have had only excellent experiences with State Farm."

The company was given the award for their efforts in building safer, stronger, and better-educated communities. State Farm has supported free child safety seat inspections, teen driver safety campaigns, teacher professional development, and first-time home buyer education seminars.

"This is a wonderful honor for State Farm to receive this award from the Governor and first lady," said local State Farm agent Matt Stokes.

## CAREER MOVES

### Women's Council of Realtors

The local officers of the South Central Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors attended the mid year meeting in Washington, D.C., May 15-18. Attending were Bonnie Becker, president;



Becker

Linda Eken, president elect; Tonya Backer, vice president of membership and Tracey Miller, secretary. With over 800 in attendance, this was a mega networking and educational conference composed of learning labs educational sessions and an awards banquet. Idaho Women State Chapter of the year and South Central Chapter won the Gold Excellence Award. Women's Council provides educational programs to help and encourage personal and professional success.

### Kristina Krahn

Kristina Krahn of Laura Drake Insurance and Financial Services of Twin Falls, has successfully completed the Certified Insurance Counselors Agency Management Course held at the Hilton Garden Inn in March. The course was one of the five parts offered by the PIA Western Alliance.



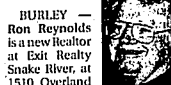
Krahn

After the successful completion of all five courses covering all major areas of the insurance field, and five comprehensive examinations, Krahn will be awarded the CIC designation by the National Alliance for Insurance Education and Research, the nation's foremost provider of professional insurance education.

Krahn has lived in the Magic Valley for most of her life and has been licensed as an insurance agent since February 2006. She has worked in the insurance industry from the age of 15, starting as a file clerk, moving to assistant underwriter with Twin Falls Mutual, and now

working with Laura Drake Insurance and Financial Services at 1201 Falls Ave. E., Ste. 16. She resides in Twin Falls with her husband John and her two children.

### Ron Reynolds



Reynolds

BURLY — Ron Reynolds is a new Realtor at Edix Realty Snake River at 1510 Overland Ave., Burley. Reynolds was born in Halley and raised in Bellevue. He served in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam. He moved to Las Vegas in 1958 where he worked as a mechanic for the Metro Police Department in Las Vegas for 33 years. He moved back to Idaho in 2002.

### Crystal Dalesandro

Jensen Jewelers is proud to announce the graduation of Crystal Dalesandro from the "Master Jewelry Salesman" program.

Dalesandro, an employee of Jensen Jewelers in the Magic Valley Mall, has completed the required eight week course and has received certification.

The course involves extensive training in all aspects of fulfilling customer needs in the areas of diamonds, gemstone stones, watches, and all facets of jewelry making and repair.

### Cricket Stirling

ARLINGTON, Va. — The Leading Producers Round Table of the National Association of Health Underwriters announced that Cricket Stirling of Premier Insurance in Twin Falls has qualified to receive the association's Eagles Award.

The Eagles Award is bestowed upon individuals who have demonstrated professional excellence in the sale of health and disability income insurance.

The National Association of Health Underwriters represents 20,000 professional health insurance agents and brokers who provide insurance for millions of Americans.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### WAL-MART



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Rob Parsons, store manager of the Jerome Wal-Mart presents Steve Hoffman, City of Jerome Arborist, with a check for \$2,000. This will allow the City of Jerome to purchase and plant new trees within the city limits in its ongoing beautification project. The money was raised by Wal-Mart associates volunteering their personnel time during the annual cleanup day. Wal-Mart Corporation offers its associates a chance to give back to their community through the Volunteerism Always Pays Program.

### Maier wins drawing for savings account

KETCHUM — Rachel Maier won the regional drawing for a \$150 scholarship savings account from Zions Bank's Pays for As program. Maier received the news about the scholarship from Zions Bank's Wood River Valley branch manager, Lanianna Nigra on May 23. Open to all Idaho and Utah students in middle school, junior high or high school, Zions Pays for As now offers cash incentives for good grades. Teen students simply take their most recent term-end report cards from the current academic year into any Zions Bank location.

They'll receive \$1 per "A" deposited into their TeenGreen savings accounts

or 50 cents per "A" if they opt for cash. Plus, students can enter a drawing for scholarship money when they receive one contest entry form for each of their "As."

Earlier this year, Maier brought her report card with at least one "A" grade into Zions Bank's Wood River Valley branch. Her name was selected randomly in a drawing among entrants throughout the Southern Idaho region.

Students have until July 7 to submit their final term report cards from the current 2007-2008 school year and enter the statewide drawing for the grand prize \$1,000. Students need not be customers of Zions to participate. More information: [www.zionsbank.com/pays4as](http://www.zionsbank.com/pays4as).

### WELLS FARGO FOUNDATION



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Wells Fargo Foundation recently donated \$5,000 to South Central Community Action Partnership for its Transitional Housing Program. The funds will help with operating expenses related to the transitional housing units. This program provides transitional housing for homeless families with children for up to two years. The agency owns six scattered site houses and a duplex and leases three bedroom apartments, totaling eleven units for homeless families. The program is currently assisting ten families with applications in progress for an apartment in Twin Falls. Pictured from left, Leanne Trappan, SCCC community service director; Jerry Ott, Wells Fargo vice president, manager; and Ken J. Robinette, SCCC executive director.

### U.S. BANK



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South Central Community Action Partnership thanked U.S. Bank recently for their donation of \$1,000 to support SCCC's Second Annual "Community Partnerships in Action" event that will take place September 20 at the Twin Falls City Park. This contribution will assist them in bringing 10 to 80 booths from non-profit organizations and financial institutions that will provide information to more than 3,500 people about services that are available to low-income individuals and families across the Magic Valley. Other providers such as disaster relief, child education, job training, drug prevention and sight and hearing screening and many other service providers will be present. Through federal, state and local partnerships such as US Bank, allows SCCC to continue serving those who are in need of assistance, by empowering and providing avenues to obtain food, education, employment, housing, and a sense of achievement. Pictured from left, Ken J. Robinette, SCCC executive director; Jeff Wade Jr., U.S. Bank branch manager; and John Stott, U.S. Bank regional president.

## Levitating train from L.A. to Las Vegas gets boost

WASHINGTON (AP) — Plans for a levitating train from Las Vegas to Disneyland can move forward under a transportation bill signed by President Bush on Friday that frees up \$45 million for the futuristic project.

Derided by critics as pie in the sky, the train would use magnetic levitation technology to carry passengers from Disneyland to Las Vegas in well under two hours, traveling at speeds of up to 300 mph. It would be the first Maglev system in the U.S.

The money is the largest cash infusion in the project's nearly 20-year history. It will pay for environmental studies for the first leg of the project.

The money had been delayed by a drafting error in Congress' 2005 highway bill, which was corrected along with some other changes by

the legislation signed Friday by Bush. The delay had allowed competing and cheaper diesel-electric plan to emerge as an alternative, but with the money now freed up supporters hope to move forward with the Maglev plan.

The train is meant to ease traffic on increasingly clogged Interstate 15, the main route for the millions of Southern Californians who make the 250-plus-mile drive to Las Vegas each year. There is no train on the route — Amtrak's Desert Wind' between Los Angeles and Las Vegas was canceled in 1997 because of low ridership.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., praised passage of the law, saying the Maglev project "will safely and efficiently move people" between Southern California and Las Vegas.

## Wages

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Typically, women who work their communication with men and are a team player with great cooperation, the ones that don't have anything to prove but just want to make a living, are fully accepted into the workplace.

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# FTC to investigate Intel practices

By Jim Puzangher  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — After sitting on the sidelines while regulators across the globe investigated allegations of improper business practices by Intel Corp., U.S. officials have decided to join in.

Under the leadership of a top chairman, the Federal Trade Commission has launched a formal investigation of how Intel wields its power as the world's largest maker of semiconductors, the company said Friday. The move set the stage for the lengthy battle between Intel and smaller rival Advanced Micro Devices Inc. to come to a head. But it still might be years before the disputes are resolved.

Advanced Micro has alleged that Intel used steep discounts and other tactics to bully computer makers into using its microprocessors, the brains inside PCs. Intel sold about 80 percent of the world's computer chips in 2007, while Advanced Micro had about 13 percent of the market, according to iSuppli Corp.

"An awful lot is at stake," said Bart Foez, president of the American Antitrust Institute, a consumer-focused advocacy group partially funded by Advanced Micro that has urged the commission to start a formal inquiry.

With microprocessors important not just in computers but in a host of other devices, shoppers should be concerned about the competitive dynamics of the market place, he said.

"If it's competitive, they'll pay less," he said. "It's dominated by one company, they'll pay more."

Intel and Advanced Micro said they had received subpoenas from the commission, which had declined to escalate an informal inquiry under its previous chairwoman, Deborah Platt Majoras.

Intel shares dropped 97 cents, or 4 percent, to \$22.90 Friday. Advanced Micro was off 35 cents, or 4.5 percent to \$7.43.

The FTC inquiry comes as European regulators work to finish their own investigation into allegations that Intel

abused its market dominance. Advanced Micro's complaints of anti-competitive behavior by Intel are also the subject of a continuing private lawsuit in Delaware, an investigation by New York state officials and completed antitrust investigations in Japan and South Korea.

Intel said it had received a subpoena from the FTC on Wednesday. The Santa Clara, Calif.-based company promised to "work cooperatively" with the FTC, as it said it had done since the agency started the informal inquiry in 2006. Intel said that it welcomed the investigation and that its practices were legal. The company predicted vindication.

"These investigations all stem from the same core set of complaints by AMD. It's not that we're fighting different fires on different fronts — we're fighting the same fire over and over again," Intel general counsel D. Bruce Sewell said. "We're certainly hopeful that at some point we get to the position as an industry where we're not spending hundreds of millions of dollars and thousands of hours dealing with complaints from one competitor about another."

But Advanced Micro said the FTC's decision to launch a formal inquiry showed that the allegations have substance.

"As the regulators have been able to obtain the evidence, they are converging on a common view of these business practices how they harm consumers, how they insulate Intel from competition on the merits and how it's harmful to the innovation process," said Tom McCoy, Advanced Micro's executive vice president and chief administrative officer.

FTC spokesman Mitch Katz said that the agency's investigations are private and that it does not comment on them.

Advanced Micro and its supporters have been pushing for several years for an FTC investigation but had been stymied under Majoras. She resigned in March and was replaced by William E. Kovacic, who has a long history on antitrust and consumer protection. Both are Republicans.

# A whole new way to surf the Web



Six-year-old Zackary Villeneuve, who is autistic, uses the 'Zac browser' at his home in Saint Remi, Quebec. The Web browser was developed by his grandfather John LeSieur for use by autistic children.

## Grandfather builds browser for autistic boy

By Brian Bergstein  
Associated Press writer

John LeSieur is in the software business, so he took particular interest when computers seemed mostly useless to his 6-year-old grandson, Zackary. The boy has autism, and the whirlwind of options presented by PCs so confounded him that he threw the mouse in frustration.

LeSieur tried to find online tools that could guide autistic children around the Web, but he couldn't find anything satisfactory. So he had one built, named it the Zac Browser For Autistic Children in honor of his grandson, and is making it available to anyone for free.

LeSieur's quest is a reminder that while the Web has created important communication and educational opportunities for some people with cognitive impairments, computers can also introduce new headaches for families trying to navigate the contours of disability.

The Zac Browser greatly simplifies the experience of using a computer. It sends off most Web sites from view, to block violent, sexual or otherwise adult-themed material. Instead it presents a hand-picked site of choices from free, public Web sites, with an emphasis on educational games, music, videos and visually entertaining images, like a virtual aquarium.

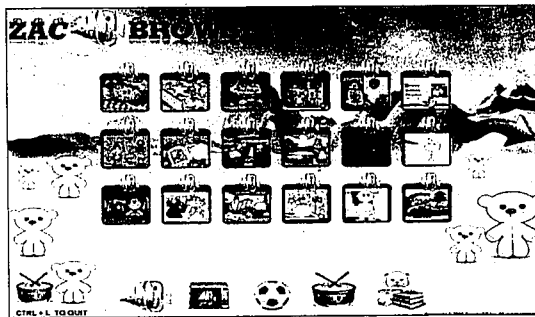
Other programs for children already offer that "walled garden" approach to the Web, but LeSieur's browser aims to go further: It essentially takes over the computer and reduces the controls available for children like Zackary, who finds too many choices overwhelming.

For example, the Zac Browser disables extraneous keyboard buttons like "Print Screen" and turns off the right button on the mouse. That eliminates commands most children don't need anyway, and it reduces the chance an autistic child will lose confidence after making a counterproductive click.

Children using the Zac Browser select activities by clicking on bigger-than-normal icons, like a soccer ball for games and a stack of books for "stories." The Zac Browser also configures the view so no advertisements or other flashing distractions appear.

"We're trying to avoid aggressive or very dark or complicated Web sites, because it's all about self-esteem," LeSieur said from Las Vegas, where he lives. "If they're under control, they will get easily frustrated."

Autism generally affects a person's ability to communi-



This photo shows the "Music" screen of the Zac Browser for Autistic Children. Unable to find tools that could guide autistic children around the web, John LeSieur built the browser and named it in honor of his 6-year-old grandson, Zackary.

cate, and Zackary doesn't speak much. But his mother, Emmanuelle Villeneuve, reports that the boy can start the Zac Browser himself. He enjoys listening to music through the program and trying puzzles — things he always liked before but hadn't been able to explore online.

She said from her family's home in suburban Montreal, while he still acts out aggressively against the TV, she doesn't try to harm the computer.

LeSieur didn't create the browser by consulting with people who are considered experts in disorders on the autism spectrum. The small software company he runs, People CD Inc., essentially designed the Zac Browser to meet Zackary's needs, and figured that the approach would likely help other autistic children. Early reviews have been positive, though LeSieur plans to tweak the program so parents can suggest new content to add.

Several autism experts were pleased to hear of LeSieur's work, and not surprised that he had not previously found anything suitable for Zackary.

After all, the autism spectrum is so wide that a particular pattern of abilities or impairments experienced by one autistic person might be reversed in another. In other words, creating software that would work for huge swaths of autistic children is a tall order.

Indeed, the Zac Browser might do nothing for another autistic child. "That said, however, LeSieur's approach of limiting distractions and using the software as a confidence-boosting tool "is a

very good idea," said Dianne Zager, director of the Center for Teaching and Research in Autism at Pace University. She said many autistic students tend to do best with educational materials that make unnecessary stimuli fade from view.

"Some parts of the Web have so much extraneous material that it can be distracting, and for the nonverbal child, there might not be an ability to negotiate that information," added Stephen Sheinkopf, an autism researcher at Brown University.

This is not to say the Web is necessarily barren for autistic children. James Ball, an autism-education consultant in New Jersey, said many children he works with enjoy Webkinz, where kids care for virtual pets. Others find chat rooms and instant-messaging a lower-anxiety way of socializing

than talking to someone in person, he said.

But the Zac Browser might turn out to be the rare tool that can be configured to strike a chord with a wide range of autistic students, said Chris Vacek, chief innovation officer at HeartSpring, a special-education center in Wichita, Kan.

Vacek is considering using the Zac Browser at HeartSpring.

One huge advantage is that "the browser is free, while many assistive technologies cost upward of \$5,000 and work only on specialized devices. But Vacek, himself a parent of an autistic child, said the Zac Browser's best credential is that it appears to pass what he calls HeartSpring's "acid test": It has a high chance of increasing a child's ability to do things independently.

"Let's hear it for grassroots innovation," Vacek said.

## Organic

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The company is taking the Whole Foods prepared-food concept out of the grocery store and into places where people work and spend their days. With High Noon, Organic To Go gets locations in busy business downtown corridors.

The average lunch customer is probably different from a decade ago, when standard fast-food fare would have done just fine. People who eat meals out increasingly want more nutritious food.

More than 76 percent of the people in a recent poll by the National Restaurant Association said they are trying to eat out more healthfully than they were two years ago. Another survey by the organization, this one of U.S. chefs, showed the No. 2 and No. 3 hottest trends were locally grown and organic produce, respectively — after bite-size dining. These healthy eating trends are bumping into the quick-service segment of the restaurant industry, which is expanding faster than traditional table-service restaurants, according to Hudson Dick, senior vice president of research for the National Restaurant Association.

Valerie Killifer, the editor of Fast Casual magazine, which focuses on restaurants serving quick meals, says consumer interest in eateries that serve nutritious food fast is poised to expand quickly. "Right now it's just on the ground level," she said, "but the opportunity is only going to get bigger."

Organic To Go opened its first cafe three years ago in a small strip mall in Issaquah,

Wash. The four High Noon restaurants — three in D.C. and one in Virginia — bring the business to gourmet grocery stores, including outlets in and around Seattle, San Diego and Los Angeles. Organic To Go, though not profitable, gets about half of its revenue from its cafes and grab-and-go stations. The other half comes through catering to corporations and universities.

High Noon was founded by Mark Ordan, who took to the business in a gourmet grocery store after he sold his Fresh Fields grocery chain to Whole Foods in 1996 for \$150 million. Ordan, with the backing of Bear Stearns Merchant Banking, later purchased the gourmet grocery chain that ultimately became Balducci's, trading High Noon into the fold.

Terms of the deal with Organic To Go were not disclosed. Burrito chain Chipotle was perhaps the first big quick-service food outlet to catch on in the mainstream by using natural foods. The company is the country's largest restaurant buyer of naturally raised meats. The sour cream thrown onto burritos is free of synthetic growth hormones. "They are setting the bar very high," Killifer said.

Other chains popping up include Evox, a Tampa company with fast-food outlets in several states offering soy burgers and air-baked fries. Gusio Grilled Organics' flagship restaurant is in midtown Manhattan and serves eat-in, takeout, or delivery — steak sandwiches, empanadas, pizzas and more.

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# America: At the edge of history once again?

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—This latest chapter of "The Measure of a Nation," a yearlong series of multimedia story packages about the presidents and the 2008 election as seen through the prism of the culture, explores the role history plays in the campaign — both for voters and the candidates themselves.

By Todd Anthony  
Associated Press writer

One day this past January, Mary Kim Tilda's parents left their home on the San Carlos Apache Reservation in southeastern Arizona and drove across the desert to Phoenix with a single purpose in mind — getting an up-close glimpse of a long shot named Barack Obama.

With them they brought two things: handmade signs that said "Apaches for Obama" and their grandson, Tilda's nephew, a third grader. Carefully, they told him why he was there that day.

"This man," they told the little boy, "is going to make history."

Across the republic, we're hearing it everywhere in recent months, weeks and particularly in the days since Barack Obama became the presumptive Democratic nominee in America, people say, the winds of history are blowing. And many are excited.

"This is one of the most significant moments in American history," says Francine Childs, who in July 1956, at 14, sat at a Dalry Queen window every day for 30 days until she was served ice cream at the whites-only counter.

Obama is the most obvious historical figure. But he, John McCain and Hillary Rodham Clinton have each spent months vehemently rejecting the old ways, promising that change is at hand. Obama has professed to be the one to maneuver us through what they all call a pivotal point in history.

"America, this is our moment," Obama said last week as his winning delegate count became apparent. "This is our time — our time to turn the page on the politics of the past."

Historic moments have everything to do with history — both what has happened in the past, and the instant or era when things change. And each of the major candidates this year is deeply connected with some unhappy aspect of our past, and the urge to move on.

For Barack Obama, it is the American tradition of racial discrimination and finally being lifted. For Hillary Rodham Clinton, it has been gender inequity — and the promise of a woman in the White House. For John McCain, it is the legacy of Vietnam.

In American history, certain years — 1776, 1865 and 2001 among them — have revealed themselves as obvious crossroads. But not since 1968 we've had a presidential campaign and candidates that summon so many of our fundamental tensions of our history.

So it's worth asking amid the sense of wonder: Is this election year a pivotal point? When we talk about making history, can we really ever learn from our yesterdays? Are there lessons from the past for the candidates to carry into the fall campaign and the administration beyond?

"The past is never dead," William Faulkner, one of America's greatest writers, once wrote. "It's not even past."

And so it is in America in 2008. We are riding history's unpredictable currents — no matter how passionately we want to move on, no matter how much we think we think we have, no matter how loudly our would-be leaders insist that tomorrow is where our priorities lie.

## Triumphant history

What is happening in American politics this year is linked, in the oddest of ways, with Commonwealth of Kentucky Death Certificate No. 26469, a bare-bones



Supporters wear flags as they await the arrival of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., for a primary night rally in St. Paul, Minn., Tuesday.

account of the Nov. 4, 1930, gunshot murder of a 60-year-old "colored" carpenter named Ed Doneghy.

Ed Doneghy, killed at Louisville by the Chicago Defender, a black newspaper, reported a couple of days later.

Today, the Rev. Martin McMeikle, 59, of Shaker Heights, Ohio, cannot stop looking at the smeared ink of the words on that death certificate. When McMeikle was doing his family history several months ago, he learned of his link to Doneghy and followed up. He found out that the man was killed for trying to register to vote.

And in August, 78 years after a lethal gunshot at a Kentucky poll killed a man who wanted to vote, Doneghy's relative, Martin McMeikle — minister, teacher, civil rights activist — will travel to Denver as a delegate to cast a vote for Obama as the Democratic nominee for president.

A pivotal point in history? You bet. And not just because of Obama's triumph, either. To McMeikle, this is a historic moment because of Clinton and McCain, too.

On Clinton: "I'm also mindful that my mother, who was born in 1914, was born into a country where women did not have the right to vote."

On McCain: "The whole idea that a person who is a senior citizen but has the energy and the vigor to sustain so far the primary campaign and is on the verge of beginning the general campaign says an awful lot about senior citizens and about when people ought to consider their active life has ended."

"So," McMeikle says, "I think there's a wonderful biology in all three of them that can be instructive for the broader public: voting rights for African Americans, voting rights for women in America, and the importance of people continuing to live long, beyond the artificial time lines of 65 or 70."

This sense of something special about is part of why people who have had a public which with history feel a sense of right now.

"We have had candidates who are not well known. We've had candidates who are African-American. We have had women. We have had a public which is dissected from politics. But we've never had them all together. And in that sense, I think that makes it historic," says Natalie Davis, a political scientist who ran for U.S. Senate in 1995.

David Anderson says history provides us all with tangible, valuable tools. It offers reserves of strength for a candidate, particularly one like

Obama, who owes it to America to be a man of color rather than downplaying his race, Anderson says.

Anderson, 78, the great-grandson of an Alabama slave, spends his days portraying Frederick Douglass, the iconic 19th-century abolitionist, in Rochester, N.Y. History, insists Anderson, is not a burden. Just the opposite.

"You don't leave it behind," Anderson says. "It's NOT baggage. It is strength and it is essential knowledge. And the more you know of it, the better you can understand who you are and what you're capable of."

After visiting West Africa several years ago, Anderson decided to add something to his name — "Sankofa," a word from the Akan language that translates loosely to "go back and take." Anderson interprets it to mean this: "Retrieve from the past that which you can use to frame the future."

Learning from history, in other words.

## Uneasy history

History, of course, can be a burden. Because the past is not even past. It's still with us. Most prominently, Barack Obama faces the heritage of three torturous centuries of racial uneasiness and injustice — and continuing racism in some quarters.

For months, Hillary Clinton grappled with the benefits and detriments of being a female front-runner. John McCain faces a nation increasingly obsessed with youth and detached from military culture that wonders whether, at 71, he can govern robustly — and how relevant his Vietnam POW experience is to today's discourse.

More generally, America and its past have always had an uneasy relationship.

We fashion elegies to a simply, more unified and politically pure past yet often find our real history alive in the name of an optimistic, forward trajectory that is part of the basic American DNA. We are quick with the word "we" and using it for everything from celebrity trials to new-and-improved snack foods, but rarely do we pause to consider what something historic really is.

The candidates don't always help, either.

"You see history abused so much in the political process," says Seth Masket, who spent part of the Clinton administration answering letters sent to the president and fashioning his written communication — the written equivalent of a speechwriter.

"A lot of these historical metaphors are strained, a lot

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— David Anderson, 78, the great-grandson of an Alabama slave

are inaccurate," says Masket, who now teaches political science at the University of Denver. People's relationship to history, he says, is visceral: "It's an exciting time to be alive, but it's also very scary. People who like the idea of tradition aren't sure what to cling onto anymore."

Then, there is the uncomfortable feeling that no matter what we do, we can't quite shake off the past. Andros Killen, for example, surveys 2008 and sees 1973, all over again.

The themes in Killen's 2006 book, "1973: Nervous Breakdown: Watergate, Warhol and the Birth of Post-Sixties America," sound familiar today: an unpopular president presiding over a divisive war; a country full of malaise and nervous energy trying to make sense of the civil rights and women's movements; rising gas prices, a faltering economy and an expanding unease about the government and the American message.

A generation later, every single item in that list weighs upon Barack Obama and John McCain.

"There have been many moments over the past few years when I've felt like we were reliving the early 1970s," Killen says.

The heritage of the early 1970s — war, malaise — could hamper the next administration, "no matter how much of a mandate for change that president has," Killen says. History isn't always willing to let go.

Sometimes the intricacies of history can be summed up succinctly. Consider: Mary Ann Vecchio, 52, who earned a place in the national consciousness at age 14 in 1970 when her cry of anguish during the National Guard shootings at Kent State was captured by a photographer's lens.

Her message to the candidates of 2008 is brief. And potent, too.

"What can they learn from the past?" she says. "Don't repeat it. Don't repeat it."

## Opportunities from history?

In the end, there is this, too: We are raising a generation less mindful of the American past and its messages than any that came before.

According to the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank, students can graduate from the nation's top 50 colleges and universities without ever taking a course in U.S. history. And the National Geographic-Hopew Survey of Geographic Literacy found in 2006 that only 37 percent of young Americans can find Iraq on a map.

The Baby Boomers were forced as college students to take Western Civilization to take American history. This new generation never had to do any of that," says Davis, who teaches undergraduates at Birmingham-Southern College in Alabama.

"These folks are in the moment. They cannot line up three presidents in the 20th century in terms of order," she says. "They are absolutely ahistorical. ... It's about them looking at the world that surrounds them at that moment. And there's no looking back because they don't know what to be looking for."

And of course there is that nagging thing Americans

have to deal with every day — the numerous best-cast of the present.

"We care about politics. On the other hand, we're not going to spend that much time worrying about it," says John Flinsburg, a historian at Lebanon Valley College in Pennsylvania. "We're worried about \$4 a gallon gas and what's going on in our kids' lives. It's intensely interesting to certain groups, but a lot of it is just not what we do all the time."

And yet ... there are times when Americans make histo-

ry or at least appreciate that they are witnesses to it. Times like 2008.

"The United States of America is an extraordinary country," Condoleezza Rice said at the State Department the other day, reacting to the flurry of Obama news. "It is a country that has overcome many, many, many years, decades, actually a couple of centuries of trying to make good on its principles. And I think what we are seeing is an extraordinary expression of the fact that 'We the people' is beginning to mean all of us."

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# Women reflect on an almost presidential candidate

By Cathleen Decker  
Los Angeles Times

Susie Wilson has spent hours each day calling strangers, all over the country, to ask them to vote for Hillary Clinton. She traveled to three states, knocking door-to-door. In Lancaster, Pa., she stood on a street corner with her sign: Honk for Hillary. And they did.

Susie Wilson is 78 years old. The odds of her working in another campaign to put a woman in the White House are "slim to none," she says. So Saturday, as Clinton brings the longest and most successful such effort ever by an American woman to its not-successful-enough close, Susie Wilson and others like her are wondering.

Did Clinton's roller coaster ride from inevitable nominee to indebted also-ran shatter stereotypes that had kept women from the height of American politics, or not? Did the insults that accompanied her run — the shouts of "Irony my shirt," the Hillary character, the mocking T-shirts — lay bare a vein of sexism that many people had considered long gone, or were they anomalies? What exactly did it all mean for the next one?

Susie Wilson offered the lesson she learned: "Be

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— Patricia Schroeder, a former Colorado congresswoman

strong. Don't let people put you down. You keep going. That's a good message for women," she said.

For others who have worked for years to elect a female president, the larger answer is more complicated. Clinton's bid, most of them believe, certainly made things easier for the next woman to run for president — whether that is the New York senator again or someone else.

But, as one said, close your eyes and imagine a president, and the figure that pops into view is male. Even one of Clinton's own supporters, introducing her in Indiana at the height of her springtime strength, felt compelled to declare why Clinton should win. She said, "testicular fortitude."

And then there is the question of who would succeed her. Only two dozen women serve as governors and senators, the traditional entree to a presidential campaign, noted Ruth Mandel, a founder in 1971 of Rutgers University's Center for American Women and Politics, and its director for 24

years. "Hillary Clinton is not at the head of a line. She is the line," Mandel said.

Patricia Schroeder, the former Colorado congresswoman who toyed with a run in 1987, put it more bluntly. "The White House is still a great big tree house with a 'no girls allowed' sign on it," she said. "And it is going to take a while."

"The campaign was not merely a national referendum on a female president, to be sure. The crosscurrents were fierce and contradictory."

Clinton was running to become the first president of her gender, the Democratic victor, Illinois Sen. Barack Obama, to become the first nonwhite chief executive. Women were split beyond the usual Democratic-Republican schisms: younger women embraced Obama more readily than their elders. Class and race, as much as gender, determined loyalties in many states.

The candidates, too, forwarded mixed messages. It was Clinton who was knocking back shots, talking tough

about duking her political opponents and "obliterating" Iraq. It was Obama who distained such approaches as "cowboy" diplomacy, and promised to be more embracing and conciliatory — the very tactics women had said they were stock in trade.

"The irony here is that Barack has some of those qualities," Wilson said. "He has more of a feminine side than he shows."

But that was not a luxury allowed Clinton, said people who have strategized for a female president. If Clinton had run her campaign as Obama ran his, Schroeder said, "She would have been attacked — 'Now, there, see, this is what they did' ... Maybe now it's OK for both men and women to be

more feely-touchy." I hope so."

After playing out for 17 months in America's living rooms, it is hard to remember how revolutionary Clinton's candidacy was. Despite the reality — Obama won, she didn't — Clinton succeeded beyond the wildest imaginings of those who preceded her. The last four decades have offered up less than a handful of serious contenders, none of whose efforts ended well.



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## Veep hunt now tops summer to-do list for Obama, McCain

By Libby Quaid  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Finding a running mate tops the summer to-do lists of John McCain and Barack Obama, and each needs to decide what he wants as much as who he wants.

Are they out to offset their own perceived weaknesses, or influence an area of strength? Are they looking for someone from a particular region or demographic niche? How much should personal chemistry count in the equation? It's all about achieving balance.

The end of the Democratic primary season this past week touched off considerable debate about the relative merits of an Obama-Clinton ticket. Obama could decide to pick vanquished rival Hillary Rodham Clinton on the strength of her campaigning skills, or steer clear of the political baggage she and her husband would bring. He could view adding her to the ticket as a way to reach out to women and unify the party, or see her as a divisive figure who might turn away general-election voters.

A similar balancing act will play out on the Republican side. McCain, 71, could try to use his running mate to bulk up the ticket's economic credentials, for example, or to inject some youthful vigor.

There are names afloat for just about any scenario, and Clinton's is surely one of the most buoyant.

"She is hardworking she is tough. She is very smart," Obama said recently. "So I think she'd be on anybody's short list of the vice presidential candidates, but beyond that, I don't want to offer an opinion."

If Obama wants to amplify the Democratic ticket's sense of history by adding a woman, Clinton is not the only choice. Also on the list of potential candidates are Govs. Janet Napolitano of Arizona and Kathleen Sebelius of Kansas and Missouri Sen. Claire McCaskill.

Obama could pick a Clinton backer, such as Gov. Ted Strickland of Ohio or Gov. Ed Rendell of Pennsylvania, to attract her supporters. These governors offer another advantage; they know how to connect with people in the industrial Midwest, where Obama has struggled to address the economic anxieties of white, working-class voters. Former Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina also has working-class appeal, but Clinton insists he doesn't want a sec-

ond try at the vice presidency.

People are also worried about the Iraq war and national security matters, and if Obama wants that kind of experience on his ticket, he might pick former Sen. Sam Nunn of Georgia, a longtime Armed Services Committee chairman, or one of his former presidential rivals, New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, a former UN ambassador, or Sens. Joe Biden of Delaware or Chris Dodd of Connecticut.

Obama might seek an unconventional running mate, such as New York Mayor Mike Bloomberg, a Democrat-turned-Republican-turned-independent, or Nebraska Republican Sen. Chuck Hagel, a critic of the Iraq war. Both flirted with presidential bids last year.

Governors have an edge over other contenders; they have actually run governments, while Obama and McCain, both senators, lack executive experience. A governor can also be viewed as an outsider to a senator's Washington insider.

If Obama picks a governor from a competitive state — such as Tim Kaine of Virginia, where Democrats have made gains in recent years — he would have an outsider with executive experience who might help expand the electoral map.

"It's a very complex balancing act, kind of a Rubik's Cube, trying to find that combination that's going to get you to the White House," said Paul Light, a government professor at New York University.

Obama recently began looking in earnest, asking Caroline Kennedy, daughter of the late President John F. Kennedy; former Deputy

Attorney General Eric Holder, and Jim Johnson, the former Fannie Mae CEO, to start the vice presidential vetting along with a tight circle of advisers.

For McCain, there are fewer Republican governors and fewer GOP lawmakers in Congress to include in the mix. Reagan administration hand A.B. Culvahouse is advising McCain on the process, according to Republicans close to the campaign.

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EDITORIAL

# What, exactly, defines a dangerous pit bull?

The pages of every newspaper in America are full of horror stories about the damage that pit bull terriers do. Many communities have imposed bans on the dogs — some patterned after Denver's 19-year-old city ordinance, which has survived court challenges.

Even Ingrid Newkirk, founder of the strident animal-rights group People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, thinks animal shelters should euthanize pit bulls and supports outlawing the breed. (The Humane Society of the United States, by contrast, opposes breed-specific bans.)

"People who genuinely care about dogs won't be affected by a ban on pitbull breeding," Newkirk wrote in the San Francisco Chronicle. "They can go to the shelter and save one of the countless other breeds and lovable mutts sitting on death row. We can only stop killing pits if we stop creating new ones."

Now it's Burley's turn. The City Council voted last week to authorize a draft ordinance that would prescribe pit bulls within city limits.

As with the Denver law, pit bulls would be seized and killed unless the owner can convince shelter manager that the dog will immediately leave the city.

But what's a pit bull and what's not?

Only purebred animals are subject to breed-specific laws such as pit bull bans. A dog may carry a genetic mixture even more volatile than that of a purebred pit bull, but a prohibition on pit bulls would have no effect on it.

The logical standard would be that of the American Kennel Club, but south-central Idaho is a little short on expert witnesses with the specialized knowledge to determine which animals meet the AKC rules.

The Denver ordinance uses the eyeball test: American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers are not allowed, nor are any dog displaying the majority of physical traits of any one or more of these breeds.

"In Denver, you can probably find somebody to do that," Burley City Attorney Randy Stone said. "I don't think you could find somebody to do it here."

We're not so sure. Veterinarians and well-schooled dog breed characteristics, even if animal-control officers and the animal shelter staff are not.

But City Councilman Jay Lenkersdorfer got it right when he observed that the true value of the ordinance might be deterrence: Banning pit bulls may force owners to take their dogs out of town.

In the United States, pit bulls make up 1 to 3 percent of the overall dog population and cause more than 50 per cent of serious attacks.

This ordinance is needed to protect the other 97 to 99 percent of dogs in Burley — and its 9,200 people.

**Our view:**  
Burley's city council has every right to consider a ban on pit bulls, but enforcement won't be easy.

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



# The hole in the middle of U.S. politics

Voter turnout this primary season has been setting records. With interest so high, some analysts are predicting another blockbuster general election in November. But can American democracy survive all this heightened interest in the political process?

Half a century ago, political scientist Paul Lazarsfeld became one of the first scholars to document the link between political participation and partisanship. He discovered that partisans voted more regularly and with greater enthusiasm than those who resided in the ideological middle. Although most experts then and now agree that high voter participation is generally a good thing, Lazarsfeld observed that partisan-driven turnout also has its dark side.

"Extreme interest goes with extreme partisanship," he wrote in 1954, "and might culminate in rigid fanaticism that could destroy the democratic processes if generalized throughout the community." Therefore, he concluded that a "lack of interest by some people is not without its benefits too."

In other words, a healthy democracy needs the fence straddlers and the apathetic as much as the firebrand activists. Indeed, in a nation so torn by the passions of partisans, it is those of us who aren't all that enamored of either side who



GREGORY RODRIGUEZ

give politicians the room to compromise, which, of course, is the art that politics is supposed to be all about.

In these days, skeptics and the uncommitted are becoming few and far between. The number of voters in the middle has become smaller and smaller, and hence there are fewer people willing to hear what both sides have to say. In the 1980s, maybe 25 percent of voters could be persuaded to vote for either major party. According to one estimate, that number might have dwindled to less than 10 percent today. The squeezing out of moderates in the electorate has since led to the decline in the number of moderates (and by that, I mean members willing to work with the other party and maybe even vote with it occasionally) in 10 House of Representatives, where they held 37 percent of the seats in the mid-1970s but only 6 percent in 2005.

Some have blamed the rise of right-wing media for the polarization of America. Others point to the hyper-partisan districts that House members now draw each

decade to protect their incumbency. But according to journalist Bill Bishop, who just published "The Big Sort: Why the Clustering of Like-Minded America is Tearing Us Apart," there's something more profound and far-reaching going on. Given all the media choices they have, Americans are increasingly segregating into "gated" communications communities, choosing to read and hear only the things that bolster their worldview. More important, Bishop (along with sociologist and statistician Robert G. Cushing) found that Americans over the past 30 years also are literally, physically segregating themselves by ideology — they have begun to migrate to certain cities, counties and neighborhoods so they can spend their daily lives around people who live and think just like they do. This self-selected migration might not be consciously political, but it has real-life political consequences, the worst of which is an ideological feeding that is creating a dangerous distance between Americans who hold opposing worldviews.

As many of the 10 million Americans who move from one county to another each year choose to live in narrowly defined "communities of interest," the nation's counties became more politically segregated and increasingly less politically competitive. In only 30 percent of counties had a partisan

spread larger than 20 percentage points; in 2004's astonishingly close election, more than 60 percent of U.S. counties saw landslides.

And homogeneity breeds more homogeneity. Political minorities in landslide counties tend to vote less and even withdraw from other forms of civic life, while political minorities vote more. In any given lopsided locale, the vibrant majority opinion holders — the blues become bluer and the reds redder — and cross-party communication stops. And when communication stops, each side begins to view the other as more extreme. According to one study, fewer than 25 percent of Americans have regular discussions with people they disagree with politically. The more educated the Americans become, the greater the distance. Americans who hold graduate degrees live the most homogeneous political lives.

What this all means, Bishop argues, is that as Americans separate themselves into ever-narrower communities, our votes are becoming "more of an affirmation of the group than an expression of a civic opinion." As we cluster ourselves in like-minded enclaves, we're finding it harder to reach a national consensus.

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# QUOTES OF THE DAY

"We're ... somewhat off the map as far as historical precedents are concerned."  
— Jim Ritterbusch, president of energy consultancy Ritterbusch and Associates in Galena, Ill., on the surge in oil prices

"He's just the coolest horse that ever lived."  
— Rick Dutrow Jr., trainer of Big Brown, before the colt finished last on Saturday in the Belmont Stakes, losing its bid to become the first Triple Crown winner in 30 years

# As our Web site evolves, so must Times-News

One of the best things about the Internet is that it is wide open, an endless free-for-all where anything goes.

One of the worst things about the Internet is that it is wide open, an endless free-for-all where anything goes. But even the Internet has to mature some time.

Back in the dawn of the 'net — last Tuesday, I think — our [MagicValley.com](http://MagicValley.com) digital edition allowed anyone to anonymously post anything.

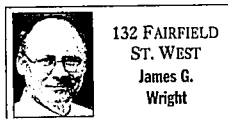
Have you ever noticed how invitations like that bring out the worst in people?

Complaints about extreme snarkiness soon led to a rule that people had to register and identify themselves. The only way to enforce this was to add old-fashioned software — Steve Crump, Version 1.0 — to make sure commentators use their names and to reject posts deemed racist, obscene, abusive or legally questionable.

Crump estimates that he rejects about 5 percent of all comments, usually because the author showed no taste or wrote something that could see us sued silly.

In the just-concluded primary election season we heard from a few commentators who challenged a rejection or after it made it onto the Web. A few complained that we weren't letting them say something vicious about someone but we allowed someone else to be equally vicious on some other occasion. This has prompted a tweak of our policies and procedures.

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hear from you — even if you're critical of us. We want to have an active forum where people feel free to comment on just about anything of public interest.

However, we expect you to interact with a tone and words that you would feel appropriate when talking to your mother, or perhaps someone who was nicer to you when you were a child.

It's OK to make pointed or sarcastic remarks, but if Steve feels you've crossed the line he'll send your comment to the round file and maybe even report it to your mother.

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We're happy to post most comments about Times-News articles, but we expect you to be civil and to address the facts. For example, if you didn't like Steve's editorial calling for capital punishment, or cow tipping, stay on point and stick to the truth. Don't accuse Steve of being a lactose-intolerant Communist from the planet Zirkon. Not without some evidence, at least.

Speaking of messages from outer space, we sometimes receive posts that are impossible to understand. So we're adopting another rule of thumb: If we

can't tell what it means we won't post it. I'd like to say this is a request from Homeland Security aimed at preventing dissemination of Al Qaeda's coded messages, but I'm really just reluctant to waste time and cyberspace on insane rambles other than my own.

If you think you have a great point to make, but can't seem to find the right words, don't throw the mess your way and expect us to pretty it up. We don't have the time to edit comments. A posting is either a yes-or-no proposition.

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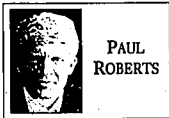
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From our end, we'll promise to post comments in a timely fashion, but please be patient. Steve's no spring chicken, you know. And we'll always let you know via email when we reject a posting, which has not been the case in the past. We'll also post a succinct explanation of our policies and standards on [MagicValley.com](http://MagicValley.com) for easy reference.

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# Why American home cooking is becoming a lost art

If Americans are feeling frustrated about food, who can blame us? It's not just the bugs in the burger or the hormones in Chinese seafood — or even the skyrocketing prices. It's that most of us feel powerless to fix things. We may be a part of the 10-to-15 millioners when it comes to debt repair or tax returns, but even as our industrial food system grows less reliable, our reliance on that system has never been higher.



PAUL ROBERTS

What's the done? Growing our own isn't a solid option anymore. Beyond the occasional backyard garden, few of us have the capacity to produce our own food. But until the past few decades, most Americans still exercised a lot of control over the quality and cost of the food entering our home. We cooked almost every day. We bought ingredients and turned them into meals; we planned menus and stocked pantries, all of which required thinking about, and being connected to, our food.

Today, despite a mania for cookbooks, celebrity chefs and 24-hour programming on the Food Network, cooking is a dying art. According to the Department of Agriculture, half of our food dollars are spent on items cooked outside the home, and almost half of the meals served in the average U.S. household lack even a single from-scratch item.

Marketing surveys blame our crowded schedules, our "time poverty." The average American can spare just 30 minutes a day for the kitchen. But the sad truth is, many of us no longer know what that room is for.

Yet if we're serious about reclaiming control of our food — and if we're tired of waiting for Washington to fix things for us — the kitchen

is where we have to start.

Declaring independence from the industrial food chain won't be easy, not least because it means rewriting one of America's most successful economic stories. Between 1900 and 1970, as consumers increasingly outsourced cooking to food companies, our daily kitchen time dropped from four hours to one. And if the food industry profited handsomely, consumers did too.

But by the 1970s and '80s, we had discovered some darker truths about the trade-off. Large-scale, high-speed manufacturing not only damages the nutritional quality of food, it makes it harder to control food-borne illnesses. And for all the benefits of convenience, the ability to eat anything at

any time bore no small connection to our expanding waistlines.

And now we've found that "added value," the very core of the modern food business, isn't such a good deal either. A model based on selling ever more convenience requires either that consumers keep getting richer or that food keeps getting cheaper — conditions that are, suddenly, no longer assured.

Food companies are trying to keep the natives calm. They're cutting costs by replacing expensive ingredients, such as butter in cookies and crackers or cocoa butter in chocolates, with cheaper ones, such as hydrogenated vegetable oils. They're combining the planet for cheaper suppliers

(although the Chinese food scandal points up the limits of that strategy). And some are considering bringing out less-expensive products to appease budget-conscious consumers.

But mainly food companies are doing what they've always done, quietly passing on cost increases to us because, as far as they can see, we've got nowhere else to go.

They have a point. As a culture, we're so divorced from our food that we're not only cooking less, we often can't even recognize food when we see it. More and more of us accept what's house-ripped fruit as real; we have refined flours to whole-grain; we reject meats that aren't fattened on grain and pumped with artificial juice and flavor enhancers. But adversity is the mother of invention. If we lost our kitchen skills and our connection to food, both can be regained. Schools are bringing back home economics classes. Cooking classes are gaining in popularity, and some cookbook

publishers are simplifying recipes to help novices find their way.

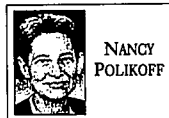
Yes, we've heard about kitchen renaissances before. But this one comes with a potent incentive: We've done it thoughtfully, home-cooked food is not just healthier, safer and better tasting but much cheaper than the factory version.

Granted, there's still one minute for the kitchen to be for change, we're still juggling work, family and errands. But let's be honest: We may be a busy nation, but the same "average" American who has just 30 minutes for the kitchen is somehow finding 240 minutes each day to watch TV. Some of that programming may even involve a celebrity chef. But if we're going to give food the priority it deserves, we'll need to spend a little less time watching someone else do the cooking.

*Paul Roberts is the author of "The End of Food." He wrote this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.*

# Quiet revolution in 1968 gave equal rights to children of nobody

If it's the 1968 revolution you never heard of. Forty years ago this month, tucked in between the assassinations of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy, a U.S. Supreme Court ruling reversed centuries of settled law by granting constitutional recognition and protection to a previously outcast group: children born outside of marriage and their parents.



NANCY POLIKOFF

The cases arose out of two private tragedies in Louisiana. Minnie Glona's 19-year-old son was killed in a car accident. Louise Levy, a mother of five who worked as a domestic, died after a doctor failed to diagnose her hypertension uremia. Glona sued for wrongful death; so did Levy's children.

This family-law apartheid in Louisiana law had ancient roots. Under common law, a child born outside marriage used to be "filius nullius," the child of no one. In the Middle Ages, it was even a lesser crime to kill a person who had been born to an unmarried woman. In the U.S., well into the 1960s, such a child's birth certificate might be stamped "bastard."

In such a climate, it's no wonder that "shotgun weddings" resulted that many children conceived outside marriage were nonetheless born to a married couple. For those women who did not marry, more than 25,000 a year went to more than 200 "homes for unwed mothers," where they gave birth secretly and usually relinquished

their babies for adoption. Few admitted women who were black, however. And mothers who did keep their children faced social stigma, discrimination in access to public benefits and laws like those in Louisiana marking the family as second-class.

By the late 1960s, the sexual revolution was well under way. The birth control pill made it practical for women to separate sex from childbearing, and sex without marriage set its own precedent. As the Vietnam War dragged on, "make love, not war" became one of the most resonant slogans of the decade.

Nevertheless, Louisiana fiercely defended its statutes. In its brief to the Supreme Court, it maintained that it was not trying to punish or

discriminate against anyone. It declared: "Louisiana's purposes ... are positive ones: the encouragement of marriage as one of the most important institutions known to law, the preservation of the legitimate family as the preferred environment for socializing the child. ... Since marriage as an institution is fundamental to our existence as a free nation, it is the duty of ... Louisiana to encourage it. One method of encouraging marriage is granting greater rights to legitimate offspring."

The Supreme Court rejected this reasoning. It refused to penalize either the Levy or the Glona families with the loss of financial compensation simply because the children were born outside of

marriage. Encouraging marriage and expressing disapproval of nonmarital sex were no longer constitutionally sufficient reasons to deny equal rights to children or to their parents.

Over the next several years, the Supreme Court reinforced this position, requiring states to take nonmarital families access to public benefits and giving all children a right to financial support from their parents.

When Joan Stanley died and Illinois sought to take custody of her three children away from their father, Peter, because Joan and Peter had never married, the court ruled that all fathers, not just married ones, had a constitutional right to a relationship with their children. And although that result must seem obvious today (how could it be good for grieving children to automatically remove them from their surviving parent?), it was so revolutionary in 1972 that it required every state in the country to overhaul their statutes — more than had to

do so after the landmark *Bow v. Wade* abortion decision the following year.

Like other civil rights, this quiet revolution of 1968 is incomplete. Levy's children, were entitled to compensation for her wrongful death, but in many states today her unmarried partner still receives nothing. Although same-sex couples may marry, as California will after last month's state Supreme Court ruling and as Massachusetts has for years, does nothing to erase the distinction between married couples and everyone else.

Those who defend such distinctions may assert that they do not intend to punish or discriminate but simply want to promote marriage. It's an argument that rings as hollow in 2008 as it did in 1968.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Galena cell tower is the wrong fit for Sawtooths

The following vigorously oppose the proposed Galena cell tower. I, retired Sawtooth National Recreation Area land manager, the Sierra Club, the Sawtooth Society, the Galena Backcountry Skiers association, the Galena Area owner and two retired SNRA landscape architects. The National Environmental Policy Act requires analyzing all potential future impacts of many more towers to come. That has not been done! The Blaine County commissioners stated to supervisor Jane Kollmeyer: "We urge you to avoid segmented, unique decisions i.e., one application at a time."

The issue far transcends a disingenuous attempt to disguise a 90-foot tower as a tree. The real issue is that Galena Summit is absolutely the best location designated in a forest plan amendment as an official communications site. I do not believe such a plan amendment would survive a legal challenge.

Approximately 5,000 skiers per winter ski by the site. Public Law 92-400 creating the SNRA and specific forest visual policy puts an absolute premium on protecting the SNRA visual resource. A 34-year veteran SNRA landscape architect flatly stated that the tower — and especially the site — would be visually unacceptable.

Sawtooth National Forest officials have expended a plethora of tax dollars wringing their hands and

over-analyzing this issue with expensive staff time, meetings, consultations, etc., when the simple answer should have been an upfront no. It would be tragic if approval were given. Appeals are certain and a full-blown lawsuit a distinct possibility. Tens of thousands more taxpayer dollars with expensive government lawyers would be thrown at this mess trying to defend an indefensible legal position. Rapidly advancing cell technology is headed toward all cells operating soon from satellites.

Please contact Supervisor Kollmeyer and urge her to deny (jkollmeyer@s.fed.us). The visual integrity of the SNRA is infinitely more important than big business corporate profits. It's your taxpayer money and your SNRA.

SCOTT PHILLIPS  
Huller  
*(Scott Phillips is the chairman of the Sawtooth Chapter of the Northern Rockies Chapter of the Sierra Club, and a member of the retired SNRA Land Manager Coalition.)*

### Twin Falls needs fair dose of tolerance for diversity

I was disturbed to see how many people in this town are in denial. The people of this town still seem to live in this bubble where they think that they and only true Idahoan natives live in. Just like this world we live in, you will find that there is more fish in the sea than just the ones we have in our own fish bowl. If people think that they are not going to intermingle

with different nationalities, cultures and organizations, then they are sadly mistaken. Just like I, as a non-believer, I tolerate their religious ways, they and everyone around, should learn to tolerate those ways of others. Everyone has a right to believe what they want to believe or live the lifestyle they choose, and it is the utmost ignorance of the people in this town to think that their offspring should grow up discriminating against others.

I may seem to be ranting, but enough is enough. We live in a free country yet, this town still dictates everything that goes on from what is shown in the theaters or which they make us to be shown in to what time the liquor store closes. There are towns that are only within minutes from ours that are more liberal than Twin Falls. It's time that we make changes and stop letting the close-minded people of our town dictate how we live our lives!

P.S. People should stop raising ignorant children and start teaching their children to be more tolerant of those who are not just like them. If we all had to be the same all the time, then this world would be one boring place to live in. The beauty is that we have choices.  
SHARON BARKER  
Twin Falls

### Cost of bluebird house is less than article said

Thank you, Arle Hansen, for the great write-up on your trip to our South Hills Mountain Bluebird nesting

box trail. My wife exclaimed, "It's a wonderful piece of writing — like poetry." Justin Jackson gets praise, too, for the marvelous photography job he did.

While the article noted that John Meyer, our bluebird mentor, stated it cost \$100 to \$120 to build and erect a nesting box, those costs were what to charge someone who was apprehended stealing or damaging a box and included such things as materials, labor, mileage, etc. The actual cost of a box is what you pay for five feet of 1-by-6 lumber, a 7-inch piece of 1-by-8 for a

roof and a handful of screws and/or nails.  
You can get even cheaper! I am currently building nesting boxes with scrap wood. My only expense is for screws and nails. Old cedar fence boards or barn boards make good nest boxes. They do not need to be fancy — they just want a place to nest.

Sometimes, organizations will supply funding for materials. Posts for the boxes can be purchased at auctions at low cost or sometimes people donate old fence posts. Also, if you belong to an IHS recognized bluebird organi-

zation like Mountain Bluebird Trails, your building and travel expenses are tax deductible. (Membership is only \$10 a year.)

If you would like to get involved in Mountain Bluebird conservation or would like a speaker for a club or classroom Mountain Bluebird program, call me at 734-1109. I also have boxes, plans and mentoring guides available at little or no cost. There's no room in the hills for more bluebird nesting box trails. Make a difference! Get involved!  
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Twin Brothers Kaleb, right, and Kyle Walden, 16, take their bikes alongside Shane Spurgeon, 11, left, who swims in a flooded street in Franklin, Ind., Saturday. Storms dumped as much as 10 inches of rain on soggy central Indiana on Saturday, threatening dams, inundating highways and sending the Coast Guard to rescue residents from swamped homes.

tornadoes ripped through parts of Wisconsin. The powerful storms swept across central and southeastern Wisconsin on Saturday with baseball-size hail and high winds. Authorities say roofs were blown off homes and trees and power lines were toppled. Flash flooding was also reported in areas. Wisconsin emergency management spokeswoman Lori Getter says five people suffered minor injuries north of Madison. Local authorities confirmed tornado touchdowns. The National Weather

Service is assessing those reports.

FLORIDA

Officials: 4 dead, 2 injured in shootouts

TAMPA — Authorities in Florida say four people have been killed and two deputies have been wounded in the Tampa area. Hillsborough County sheriff's spokesman J.D. Callaway says deputies investigating a report of gunfire at a residence Saturday morning pursued a vehicle that left the scene.

The two deputies exchanged shots with the driver of the car and both deputies were wounded. Callaway says a third deputy then killed the gunman. Callaway says a woman and

a man were found dead in the residence, and another woman from the house died at a hospital. One wounded deputy was in critical condition. — Wire reports

INDIANA

Rain inundates Indiana, forces evacuations

FRANKLIN — Storms dumped as much as 10 inches of rain on soggy central Indiana on Saturday, threatening dams, inundating highways and sending the Coast Guard to rescue residents from swamped homes. No injuries were reported. The National Weather Service issued flash-flood warnings in 15 counties, saying record flooding was possible. Water had reached the first floor of Johnson Memorial Hospital in Franklin, county Commissioner Tom Kite said, and cars were submerged up to their windshields in the county government building parking lot. "We have dams failing in the Prince's Lakes area," threatening the town of Nashville about 30 miles south of Indianapolis, Kite said. The Indiana National Guard helped with rescues in Morgan County, southwest of Indianapolis. Johnson and Morgan were among four counties in central Indiana where emergencies were declared, and shelters were set up for hundreds of residents forced from their

homes by rising water. Indiana State Police reported evacuations in the Lake Lemon area about 10 miles northeast of Bloomington. Dams near Gold Point were close to collapse, police said. Interstate 70 was closed in Clay County in west central Indiana, and Interstate 65 and another major route, U.S. 31, both were closed near Franklin. Residents of Helmsburg, about 40 miles south of Indianapolis, were loaded onto buses and taken to a YMCA in Nashville. Brown County Red Cross Chairman Wayne Freeman said. In western Indiana, water more than a foot deep surrounded homes on Terre Haute's east side. J.D. Kessler, deputy director of the Vigo County Emergency Management Agency, said more than 200 people had to be rescued from their homes, vehicles and nursing homes there. "The ground is just saturated. When you get this much rain, it's flash flood time," Kessler said.

WISCONSIN

Damaging tornadoes injure at least five

RIO — At least five people are injured after damaging

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## HIV charges dropped against suspect in violence case

By Cassidy Friedman  
Staff writer

Call it both a victory and a loss for Nicholas Spellmeyer. He's still in jail after a jury on Jan. 4 found him guilty of multiple felonies for beating his wife, for which he faces a June 23 sentencing. But allegations that Spellmeyer knowingly attempted to transfer his HIV virus to his wife have been dropped. The Twin Falls County

Deputy Prosecutor Julie Sturgill dismissed the felony charge in a motion filed April 18 without any explanation. This week, county prosecutor Grant Loebbs declined comment. Nicholas Spellmeyer moved to Twin Falls to marry Cheryl Spellmeyer — who is infected with Hepatitis C — and to help raise their teenage son. On May 12, 2007, their relationship broke down and, after Cheryl

tossed a tall can of soda at him, Nicholas attacked Cheryl with a remote control, brandished a knife and threatened to cut her. Nicholas was charged two days later with domestic violence and aggravated assault. Then on May 25, when a magistrate ordered Cheryl to bring her husband's backpack to the jail, she said she discovered Nicholas was HIV-positive through docu-

ments and medication in his bag. That triggered the final felony. The move to drop that charge came after public defender Marilyn Paul argued Nov. 14 that at a probable cause hearing Sturgill failed to sufficiently show the elements of the crime. "We believe that there was not probable cause to bind Mr. Spellmeyer to district court," Paul argued.

Two days later, 5th District Judge Randy Stoker ruled the prosecutor had not shown probable cause of "intentional transfer of fluid" but did show probable cause "as to actual transfer." Stoker nevertheless did not cancel the trial or dismiss the case. In Idaho, potential passage of HIV to another who does not know you have it is a chargeable felony. But one who carries the Hepatitis C virus is not legally required

to inform a sexual partner of the infection. Nicholas had said after he was charged from the jail that Cheryl knew he had HIV and that they both ran a shared risk of contracting each other's virus. He said he has documents signed by her to prove she knew of his condition. Cassidy Friedman can be reached at 208-735-3241 or cfriedman@magicvalley.com.

## A viking feast



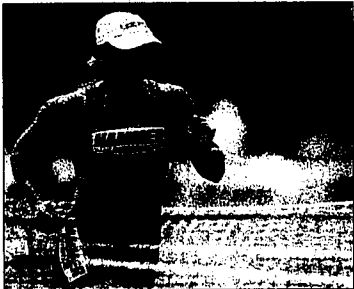
Jilissa Stoker of Burley performs a Scandinavian folk dance with her partner Zach Carson, also of Burley, during the Skandi Dag Festival Saturday afternoon in Heyburn.

## Festival goers enjoy Skandi Dag despite wind

By Rich Greene  
Staff writer

HEYBURN — From the food and crafts to the music and dancing, every aspect of the Skandi Dag Festival, held at Riverside Park, is carefully planned to bring visitors a traditional Scandinavian experience. What wasn't planned this year, however, was the weather.

With wind gusts up to 35 mph, for which the festival Saturday resembled a brisk northern European day and wreaked havoc on the competitors of the Viking Man Triathlon, which for the second year ran parallel to the Skandi Dag Festival. "The river was like a washing machine, the bike was like a hurricane and the run wasn't so bad," Viking Man Triathlon winner Jay Marshall said. The Billings, Mont., resident won the race despite a time 16 minutes slower than



Kay Libel of Kallispell, Mont., completes the Viking Man Triathlon as the top female finisher Saturday afternoon in Heyburn.

his fifth-place finish last year. While last year's race was run during extreme heat, much of this year's course was run through strong head winds. Marshall said the swim

portion was much more difficult than he was accustomed to. "The state of Montana swept the race, as Kayleen Libel of Kallispell, Mont., was the top female finisher and placed eighth overall among all athletes. "You just had to totally pace yourself today," she said. There were 350 participants registered for this year's race, which along with Skandi Dag, raises money for the American Heritage Academy school in Burley. Students from the school entertained festival-goers with traditional Scandinavian dances throughout the afternoon. Scott Pettigill and Ben Brown, who both graduated from the school this year, said it only took a couple of lessons before they were ready to perform in front of the crowd. Children were entertained by activities such as viking spear throwing and horse and carriage rides. Organizer Scott Ganoe said he was happy with the turnout despite the windy weather. "We've been fortunate up until this year that the weather has been great all of the years," he said.

## LURES, TACKLE AND TALES

Free-fishing day brings families out for some cheap fun

By Blair Koch  
Correspondent

HAGERMAN — Give a person a fish and he'll eat for a day, it's been said. Teach a person to fish and he'll eat for a lifetime. Aiming to turn first-time anglers into lifelong lovers of fishing, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game hosted anglers Saturday at Riley Pond at the Hagerman State Fish Hatchery and at Gaver's Lagoon at the Hayspur Fish Hatchery near Pocatello.

Fish and Game officials were on hand to help novices bait their hooks and reel in trout. "In life, any skill is good to learn. But really, we want to instill an excitement for fishing into kids," said Kim Christensen, field supervisor at the Burley/Hupert area office, who attended the Riley Pond event.

The weather was breezy and cool, but that didn't stop hundreds of visitors from making their way to the hatchery. Children dipped their fishing lines into stocked ponds, learned to clean their catches, participated in craft activities, won raffle prizes and were treated to a hot-dog lunch. Fishing poles and essential tackle, such as bobbers, swivels and hooks, were available to those without gear.

The event was held in conjunction with a statewide day to fish without a license. With resident adult licenses costing \$25.75 and junior licenses (for those 14-17) costing \$13.75, Saturday provided a cheap way to reap a lot of fun. Seven-year-old Emma Doshier of Twin Falls won a pink fishing pole during last year's event, and couldn't wait to pull it out for use again this year.

"It's fun," said Doshier, who caught three fish in the stocked hatchery pond. "I like being out here with my family. Once you catch a fish, it's exciting. I don't like being patient, that's the hard part." Excited youngsters lined shoulder-to-shoulder, casting their lures to the yellow and rainbow trout that could be seen just below the water's surface. "When you get a fish biting, and on your hook, it feels like they're tugging so hard, they'll pull you in," said Cordon Lauser, 7, of Middleton. "I want to get a humongous fish." Lauser, watching intently as his grandfather Jay Lauser baited his hook with a fresh earthworm, said he was working on hooking a fish. "I get so excited that I pull (the pole) up so fast that I sometimes lose the fish," he said. After casting, the freckled youngster soon perked up, yelping, "I've got one, Grandpa. I've got one!" The line's bobber danced on the water and the pole arched into a half-circle, jerking the pole toward the sky. Lauser's eyes shot wide open as he caught a glimpse of the large golden trout at the end of his line — and then, splash! "Oh, it got away," he said. Shrugging, his disappointment quickly turned into anticipation, thinking the next cast would be the one to land him a fish.



Emma Doshier, 7, of Twin Falls helps haul out her family's catch of golden trout after a morning of fishing. Doshier's family participated in free-fishing day events Saturday at Riley Pond at the Hagerman State Fish Hatchery.

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## Times-News, South Idaho Press win awards

SPokane, Wash. — Three staff members of the Times-News Utah-Idaho-Spokane

Associated Press Association competition for newspapers of 10,000 to 50,000 in circulation. Former sports writer and current assistant city editor Eric Larsen received a second-place award for sports column. Assistant features editor Ariel Hansen placed third in feature stories. Photo director Ashley Smith received a third-place award for spot news photography.

The South Idaho Press, a Times-News sister paper, received 11 awards in the competition for news, feature articles and photographs published in a newspaper of less than 10,000 circulation in 2007. Staff writer Sven Berg took first place for spot news, and two second-place awards for beat reporting and spot-news photo. Staff writer Rich Greene placed first in beat reporting

for his coverage of local education and third in feature photography. Sports writer Zach Kyle took first in sports column and second for sports feature. Staff writer Laurie Welch won first for a portfolio of photographs and second for a series of articles or special project. Former SIP sports editor Chuck Nunn received two second-place awards, for sports column and for sports photo.

## Wendell resident calls for robust noise ordinance

By Blair Koch  
Correspondent

WENDELL — Yes, Harvey Parrish can hear you now. In fact, he heard you five blocks ago. The Wendell resident said Thursday that the city's lack of an ordinance limiting noise disruptions is being taken advantage of by city motorists

with loud stereo systems. During Thursday's council meeting Parrish requested the city create an ordinance to keep people from blaring their car stereos. "Sometimes, I can hear the music as far as five blocks away, even over my TV," Parrish told the Times-News. Please see NOISE, Page C3

**No Crump**  
Steve Crump is on vacation. His column will return Wednesday.



### Mary E. Walker

Mary Ellen Fallon Walker was born in New York City on Jan. 26, 1928. Mary passed away quietly on June 5, 2008, in Kimberly.



The daughter of Francis Patrick Fallon and Mary Nora Curry Fallon, hard working Irish immigrants, Mary was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. She attended Midvale High School and received her diploma in 1946. As a child, Mary discovered her love of music, particularly singing, and took voice lessons as a child. Mary soon developed a beautiful, classically trained soprano singing voice. In the fall of 1946, Mary began attending the prestigious Julliard School of Music as a voice major. She studied music for a year and a half, when the bright lights of Broadway beckoned. Along with her great singing ability, Mary also possessed physical beauty and that dark auburn red hair only the Irish possess seem to possess. It is no wonder then, that she soon found success on the Great White Way. Mary had the good fortune to commence her career during the heyday of musical comedy. On Broadway she played in "Brigadoon," "Arms and the Girl" and "Allegro." Mary was also a favorite in summer stock and regional theatre from Cape Cod to Atlanta. She played many of the lead roles in "Finian's Rainbow," "Carousel," "Sweethearts," "Guys and Dolls," "Connecticut Yankee," "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" and "Courtin' Time." For seven years, Mary made a living in this notoriously tough industry.

In late 1950, while playing a show in Boston, Mary met the love of her life, Lloyd J. Walker. A Halley native, Lloyd was a recent graduate of Harvard College and was beginning his first year at Harvard Law School. Mary and Lloyd quickly fell in love, and were married on April 25, 1952. During their engagement, Lloyd was drafted into the Army and sent to Germany. After their wedding, they joined him there and studied at the Baden Conservatory of Music.

After his discharge, Lloyd and Mary lived in Boston. While Lloyd finished law school, Mary worked in the infant television industry and sang on a local live TV show. But when Lloyd finished his law degree in 1955, they left for Twin Falls, Idaho, and started his career in law and politics. Mary was a lady of her time, and she believed that family was the most important part of a person's life. So she willingly left her career in New York and moved to Idaho to support her husband in his career and have a family. The mid 1950s were heady times for young people. Mary and Lloyd were soon totally involved in Democratic politics, working first on Sen. Frank Church's initial senatorial campaign and later on both Kennedy campaigns. Mary was a delegate to the 1992 Democratic convention and remained active in politics her entire life.

Mary never lost her love of music, acting and singing. After moving to Twin Falls, she and other young musicians /actors founded the Dilettantes, a theatre company that continues to perform annual musicals to this day. Mary played lead roles in "Annie Get Your Gun," "South Pacific" and "My Fair Lady." Also, Mary sang lead roles in the operas "La Boheme" in Boise and "Carmen" in Twin Falls. She also sang recitals and other musical events at the College of Southern Idaho. During the 1970s, Mary served on the Idaho Arts and Humanities Commission. She also opened her own studio in her home, and taught voice to young people for many years.

Mary was the mother of four children. Lloyd William was born in 1956, Francis Patrick in 1958, Mary Nora in 1964 and Marjorie Ann in 1968. Mary was an excellent cook and loved to entertain her friends with fantastic dinners.

A very important part of Mary's life was her religion. She was a devout Catholic, and sang in the St. Edward's choir.

Mary is survived by her brother, Francis Edward Fallon; her children, Lloyd Walker (Barbara), Frank Walker (Ann Cosho), Nora Kestler (Michael) and Marjorie Hansen (John); and her five grandchildren, Lane Elizabeth Walker, Francis Patrick Walker II, Lloyd Julius Walker II, Marilyn Kate Walker and Joseph Lloyd Hansen.

A prayer vigil with rosary will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, June 9, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. The funeral Mass will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 2 p.m. Monday until the time of the rosary service at Reynolds Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mary's name to the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers and the CSI Foundation, Music Department.

### Frank Howard Spencer

BOISE — Frank Howard Spencer, 88, formerly of Burley, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2008, at the Northern Nevada Medical Center in Sparks, Nev.

A memorial service for Frank H. Spencer will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 14, at the Cloverdale Memorial Park, 1200 N. Cloverdale Road in Boise.



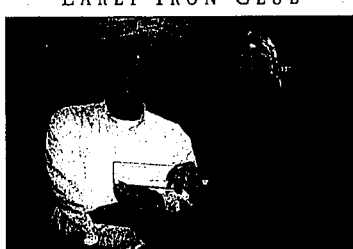
### SERVICES

Colton Roger Keller of Kimberly, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at Parke's

Magie Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### EARLY IRON CLUB



Magie Valley Early Iron Club president, Bob Wildman, right, presented a check for \$750 to Sam Fowler, left, the executive director of the Boys and Girls Club. The money was raised at a car show held during Oktoberfest.

### Karen L. Cotten

BURLEY — Karen Lynn Cotten, a 57-year-old resident of Burley, died Wednesday, June 4, 2008, at the Cassin Regional Medical Center in Burley.



She was born Jan. 7, 1951, in Carlisle, Pa., the daughter of Jack and Dorothy Mroz Williams. She married David A. Cotten at Fort Lewis Army Base in Washington on Sept. 15, 1972. Karen graduated from Western Washington State in Bellingham, Wash., with a degree in speech. She worked as a legal secretary in Alabama. Karen especially enjoyed the warmer weather so she could drive her car with the top down.

She is survived by her husband, David of Burley; two sons, Daniel Cotten of Boise and Andrew Cotten and his wife, Mallory of Twin Falls; one daughter, Amy Hanes and her husband, Jeff of Twin Falls; two brothers, Jack and Brian Williams, both of Washington; one grandson. She was preceded in death by her parents.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 10, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Pastor Brian Livermore officiating. Cremation will follow the funeral. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the funeral Tuesday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home.

### Dolly Smith

Dolly Joy Smith, 77, passed away peacefully on Monday, June 2, 2008, at Heritage Retirement Home in Twin Falls.



Dolly was born in Hailey, Idaho, on April 6, 1931, to fletcher and William Chess. She attended schools in Salmon, Twin Falls and Business College in Salt Lake City. Dolly married Cleo (Clem) Smith on Jan. 7, 1951, in Fairfield, Idaho, and had five children. Dolly and Clem lived in Fairfield and Wendem until moving to Paul in 1966. Dolly worked part-time for Milkcrest Dairy for many years.

Dolly was preceded in death by her husband and her sisters, Donna Blackburn and Ruth (Walter) Browne, both of Lewistown; her brother, Bob (Marge) Eskridge of Milwaukee, Ore; her children, Joy (Mike) Gamble of Homedale, Idaho, Lloyd

(Sandy) Smith of Rupert, Ralph Smith of Rupert, Norman Smith of Pocatello and Sherri (Mary) Summers of Filer; 15 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Dolly will be remembered for always having an open kitchen with a hot cup of coffee or a glass of iced tea for anyone who stopped by. Her grandchildren especially enjoyed her "candy drawer." She loved to read and enjoyed playing pinochle with family and friends. Dolly was a loving wife and mother with a nurturing spirit; always giving, forgiving and caring for family. Mom, we love and miss you. We are comforted knowing that you and Dad are together with God.

The family would like to thank the staff at Heritage Retirement Home and to Hospice Visions for all their kind care.

There will be a private family memorial held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magie Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

### Melvin R. 'Mick' Laughlin

GOODING — Melvin R. "Mick" Laughlin, 71, of Gooding, passed away Thursday, June 5, 2008, after battling a short struggle with cancer, with his brother and sisters by his side.



Mick was born Aug. 10, 1936, in Gooding, to Gerald and Myrtle Laughlin. He was raised and educated in Gooding. He joined the National Guard before enlisting into the U.S. Navy. After boot camp, he was assigned to the USS Forestal, biggest aircraft carrier in the world and Mick was a plank owner. He finished his tour of duty at Fallon Naval Air Station in Fallon, Nev., serving from 1955 to 1959, and was honorably discharged. He then went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad in Idaho on the section gang. Later, he worked as a lineman for the Western Union Telegraph out of Oakland, Calif., for three years, which covered 11 Western states. He also was employed at the Beacon Bean Company in Gooding.

Cars were the love of Mick's life, starting early in childhood, making wheels out of Hollyhock centers, later advancing to a '34 Chevy coupe and to his '72 Nova

Eventually working and developing friendship with Boyd Coddington.

Mick is survived by his brothers, John (Betsey) Laughlin of Spokane, Wash.; sisters, Lorraine (Fred) McCloud of Wendell and Virginia (Bill) Harding and Sandra Caster, all of Gooding; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father and mother and brother-in-law, Danny J. Caster.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 12, at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Idaho, with Demary Funeral Service of Gooding in care of arrangements. Family members and friends may visit from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

### DEATH NOTICES

#### Grace Durfee

ALMO — Grace Afnon Rooker Durfee, 97, of Almo, died Friday, June 6, 2008, at her daughter's home in Smithfield, Utah.

The funeral will be held at noon Saturday, June 14, at the Almo LDS Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 13, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 11 to 1:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

#### Jeana Petersen

BURLEY — Beba Jean Petersen, 77, of Burley, died Friday, June 6, 2008, at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

#### Vera P. Richman

BURLEY — Vera P. Richman, 92, of Burley, died Saturday, June 7, 2008, at Highland Estates in Burley. Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

#### Zachary H. Mahan

Zachary Harrison Mahan, infant son of Dale and Lorene Mahan of Twin Falls, died Saturday, June 7, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magie Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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#### FIVE GENERATIONS



Five generations gathered recently, from left, back row, Helen Brown, great-grandmother; Shelli Mason, grandmother; Neil Mason, mother; front row, Ruth Schoessler, great-great-grandmother and baby, Tiana Peraz-Mason.



AG SCHOLARSHIPS



Middlekauff Auto Group's Second Annual Ag. Appreciation Scholarships were awarded to 18 Magic Valley High School seniors. The youths applied for the scholarships through their school counselors' office. Every October during their Ag. Appreciation Sale, \$50 from each vehicle sold is donated by Middlekauff and used to fund these scholarships. This year's winners include: Dale Butler and Logan Scott of Bliss High School; Emily O'Connor and Patrick Osterkamp of Buhl High School; Terna Williams of Filer High School; Christine Ragnier of Hagerman High School; Justine Jackson of Jerome High School; Sarah King of Kimberly High School; Michelle Rossborough of Murtaugh High School; Morgan Hubsmith of Rickfield High School; Leslie Molyneux of Shoshone High School; Ashley Kwanick, Kamela Dolcheck, and Emma Ward of Twin Falls High School; Lisa Rimer of Valley High School; and Angela DeVries, Kevin Nunes, and Cody Siede of Wendall High School.

Kimberly library offers bonanza of new books

New materials that arrived at the Kimberly Public Library in April include:

- "Adult Fiction"
- "Where are you Now?" by Mary Higgins Clark;
- "Compulsion" by Jonathan Kellerman; "Deep Dish" by Mary Kay Andrews; "Charlie's Well" by Fiddling "Gully" by Karen Robards; "Winter Study" by Nevada Barr; "The Stranger" by Joan Johnston; "Dead Time" by Stephen White;

- "Leadville and Lore" by Douglas H. Rhoades; "The Shungie-La Diet: The No Hunger, Eat Anything, Weight-Loss Plan" by Seth Douglass Roberts; "Indian Sign Language" by William Tomkins; "Betty Crocker Annual Recipes 2008" by Betty Crocker.

- "Juvie fiction"
- "Warrior's Refuge" and "The Lost Warrior" by Erin Hunter; "Quests" by Angie Sage; "Reddy or Not" by Meg Cabot; "Blades of Fire" and "The Cry of the lecmark" by Stuart Hill; "The Final Warning" by James Patterson; "Dark Day In The Deep Sea" by Mary Pope Osborne; "Summer Ball" and "Miracle on 49th Street" and "Heat" and "The Big Field" by Mike Lupica; "The Battle for Skandia" by John Flanagan; "It's Earth Day" by Mercer Mayer; "The Missing Beach Ball" by Norman Bridwell; "Pappy's Handkerchief" by Davin Scilliani; "Three Pirates and You" by Lisa Vischer; "The Big Sleepover" by Doug Peterson; "The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything and Me" by Michael Nawarek; "Brown Bear's Wonderful Secret" by Caroline Camp; "The Star Who Fell Out of the Sky" by Ian Robertson.

- "Christian fiction"
- "A Touch Of Grace" and "Dakota" by Lauraine Snelling; "Never Look Back" by Kathy Herman; "The Perfect Life" by Robin Lee Hatcher; "A Lady of Hidden Gaden Foley; "And then He Kissed Her" by Laura Lee Guhrke; "A Dangerous Man" by Candace Camp; "Lord Sin" by Kalen Hughes.

- "Adult non-fiction"
- "The New Victory Garden" by Bob Thomson; "Labels,

- "Juvie non-fiction"
- "Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot" by Margot Tois Raven; "I Can Read About Whales and Dolphins" by J. L. Anderson; "I Wonder Why Snakes Shed Their Skins and Other Questions About Reptiles" by Amanda O'Neill; "Dinosur Treks: Magnificent Mazes" by Douglas Palmer; "Glaciers" by Michael George; "Derek Jeter" by Aaron Frisch; "Christopher Columbus" by Stephen Krensky.

Idaho denied fresh start on No Child Left Behind

BOISE (AP) — The U.S. Department of Education has rejected a request from the Idaho Board of Education to ease hundreds of public schools another chance before facing sanctions under the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

The board asked the federal agency in May to erase student progress measurements that were taken between 2002 and 2005, the years for which the sanctions are based, and allow Idaho public schools a new time frame for meeting proficiency standards under the No Child Left Behind Act.

The board argued Idaho students weren't prepared to meet the federal standards because of poor statewide education standards exams, and board director Mike Rush asked that Idaho schools be measured beginning with 2007 statewide test results, exams taken after the state improved its testing system.

The U.S. Department of Education has denied the request in writing.

"We do not believe that 'restarting' Idaho's timeline... would either increase the quality of instruction for students or improve the academic achievement of students," wrote Kerri Briggs, U.S. Department of Education assistant secretary.

The state will now consider asking for more time to bring Idaho students up to federal proficiency levels.

Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna told the Idaho Statesman he wasn't surprised the request was denied. "We at the State Department of Education will continue to offer schools

and districts the support and technical assistance they need to raise student achievement," Luna said.

About 30 percent of the nation's schools aren't making adequate yearly progress — mostly because students didn't make steady gains in required math and reading exams given in grades three through eight and again in high school. About two-thirds of Idaho schools have fallen short of meeting some No Child Left Behind benchmarks.

Thirty two Idaho schools could face some of the toughest sanctions under the federal law if they fail to meet academic standards for the most recent school year, prompting the state to intervene. State board of education officials have argued that they should be given leniency considering the U.S.

Department of Education declared the statewide testing system in Idaho inadequate three years ago.

The state was fined \$103,000 in 2005 after the federal agency determined the Idaho testing system wasn't competent in measuring school performance. The board argued that if the previous system was considered inadequate, then state schools shouldn't be held accountable for test scores gathered during under it.

Board officials said they'll now consider asking the U.S. Department of Education to give them a year to before they have to meet benchmarks under No Child Left Behind for the number of students who must be on grade level, giving schools more time to acclimate to a new statewide testing system that was introduced in 2007.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Volunteers — Idaho Farm and Ranch Museum needs retired farmers and ranchers to assist in light clean up, building repairs and old machinery restoration at the farm museum in preparation for Live History Day on Saturday. The museum is northeast at the junction of U.S. Highway 93 and I-84. Information: Jim at 736-8696.

looking for volunteers to tutor English as a second language or to be a social and cultural ambassador to a new family. Bring donated items to the office at 1526 Highland Ave. E. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.). Monday through Friday. Information: Shannon, 736-2166; scptstove@pro.net.

Volunteers — Hospice Visions Inc. is in need of volunteers to assist with office work, patient assistance, fundraising, grocery shopping, yard work (at both Hospice Visions Home and office) and grant writing. Information: Flo at 735-0121.

Want to help? This public service column is designed to match needs in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, contact the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday for Sunday publication. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

Donations/volunteers — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Program is in need of summer clothing in all sizes, linens, pots and pans, kitchen items, iron, clocks, lamps, phones, vacuum cleaners and household furniture. The center also is

Drivers — Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center needs drivers to deliver hot meals to the homebound. Volunteers can drive one day a week or more. Information: Karen, 734-5084.

Volunteers — South Central Public Health District needs volunteers to lead the

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise classes in the Twin Falls, Burley and Albion areas. Volunteers will be trained. Information: 737-5904.

Noise

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"Currently, the only thing one can do is cite people themselves. The cops here can't do anything."

Parrish delivered a petition with several residents' signatures who want the city to get a handle on overly-loud situations.

"We want your help in curbing noise to where it doesn't disturb people in their homes," Parrish said.

Wendell Mayor Rick Cowen told Parrish it isn't that simple.

By state law, Cowen said, an officer can't ticket someone for an infraction they don't witness first-hand.

"You, as the complaining witness must go to court," Cowen said.

While the council told Parrish they'd investigate the matter further, Councilman Jason Houser expressed concerns with how to fairly enforce noise control and how the city would deem some noise inappropriate while allowing other noise to

go unchecked.

"My main concern ... is that sometimes you can hear the car itself from blocks away," he said.

In other council news, Earl Fitzpatrick, with the city's chamber of commerce, requested a special permit to allow for the set-up of a beer and wine garden in City Park during the planned Country Music Festival in September.

Under city code, no alcohol is allowed in the park, but Fitzpatrick said beer and

wine sales during the festival would help generate income for the chamber.

He said the garden would be restricted to the tennis courts and no one would be allowed to leave the area with alcoholic beverages.

The council made no decision at the meeting but said it would take the request under consideration.

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With Love,  
Ethel, Howard  
(Lucky & Carolyn), Helen, Annie and Marty

# Farmworker's death prompts calls for Calif. reform

By Garance Burke  
Associated Press writer

LODI, Calif. — The death of a pregnant teenager pruning grape vines in 100-degree heat has outraged the farmworking community and sparked calls for safety reforms as laborers prepare for the long summer harvest.

On Wednesday, 500 farmworkers and their advocates capped a poignant, four-day march to the statehouse demanding safer conditions on thousands of vineyards and orchards.

Authorities in California — the only state with a heat-illness standard — suspect Maria Isabel Vasquez Jimenez, a 17-year-old undocumented Mexican immigrant, collapsed last month because her employer denied her water, during a march to protest her death, near Thornton, Calif., June 2.

Roman Catholic bishop said a prayer. "Farmworkers like Maria Isabel are not agricultural implement to be used and discarded," said Arturo Rodriguez, president of the United Farm Workers, which organized the trek. "They are important human beings. Important to their loved ones. Important because of the work they perform in feeding



Josefina Flores, right, carries a photograph of Maria Isabel Vasquez Jimenez, an undocumented farm worker who collapsed and died in a vineyard last month because her employer denied her water, during a march to protest her death, near Thornton, Calif., June 2.

all of us."

Those at the head of the mass threading its way through backroads toward Sacramento this week held up three caskets: one symbolizing the death of Vasquez Jimenez, one for the fetus she carried, and the third for other victims of heat-related illness.

Sun Joaquin County authorities are considering whether to pursue criminal

charges against Vasquez Jimenez's employer, Merced Farm Labor, which was issued three citations in 2006 for exposing workers to heat stroke, failing to train workers on heat stress prevention and not installing toilets at the work site.

The Alwater company has yet to pay the \$2,250 it owes in fines.

A spokesman for state Labor Commissioner Angela Brudstreet said Wednesday that information investigators shared about conditions at the vineyard on May 14 and the company's failure to correct previous worker safety violations prompted the decision to revoke the contractor's license.

The firm's attorney said in a statement he expected Merced Farm Labor would "be completely exonerated of any fault or wrongdoing," but did not address the proceedings.

State regulations require farms and contractors to give workers water and breaks, have shade available and have an emergency plan in place to help those suffering from heat exhaustion.

The rules implemented on an emergency basis in 2005 were intended to protect the 450,000 seasonal workers who pick and sort much of the nation's plums, peaches and other crops during summer's peak.

Rodriguez says they're routinely violated on farms across the state.

The 62 inspectors tasked with overseeing health and safety in agriculture and other low-wage industries make enforcement a priority, said Dean Fryer, a spokesman for the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health. Inspectors have investigated 23 suspected heat-related fatalities since 2005, he said.

Carl Borden, an attorney with the California Farm Bureau Federation, says most farmers safely adhere to the rules and make a conscious effort to inform workers about how to stay healthy on the job in both Spanish and English.

"California farmers are already subject to the most stringent requirements in the nation," he said. "If they were not being followed, there would be many, many more tragic incidents than what's been reported."

On the day Vasquez Jimenez died, relatives say she was making \$8 per hour on a 9.5-hour shift — more than four hours over the state limit for minors working during business days.

After she collapsed, her fiancé, Florentino Bautista, 19, said the foreman recommended she rest in a hot van and be revived with rubbing alcohol before he could take her to a local medical clinic, almost two hours later. Doctors later realized she was two months pregnant.

# Utah proposes expansion of smog-reduction measures

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah regulators want to get more aggressive in cutting smog-producing pollutants across the state.

The Utah Division of Air Quality is proposing new requirements for underground fuel storage tanks to help cut down on vapors that escape and contribute to smog.

The steps have been used for years along the Wasatch Front but officials say more is needed.

"The time has come to extend it to the rest of the state," says Cheryl Heying, director of the air quality division.

Part of the reason is that new Environmental Protection Agency limits on ozone pollution will be difficult for the state to meet. State officials say at least six counties need to find additional ways to reduce smog-producing pollution.

One way is to reduce the vapors that mix with other chemicals in the air that, once mixed with sunlight, become the smog that impairs the view and makes it more unhealthy to breathe.

The state wants to attach "vapor recovery" equipment on underground fuel tanks at up to 560 gas stations across the state and possibly onto delivery trucks. The cost would be around \$676,000.

The Utah Petroleum Association and the Utah Petroleum Marketers and Retailers Association have approved the change.

John Hill, executive direc-

tor of the group of marketers and retailers that represents about 110 gas station owners and distributors, says the group has asked state officials to look at Utah's underground storage tank fund as a possible source for low-interest loans to help foot the bill.

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## Mormons to mark 30 years of blacks in priesthood

By Jennifer Dobner  
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Thirty years have passed, but Heber G. Wolsley still cries when he recalls the day the Mormon church abandoned a policy that had kept black men out of the priesthood.

"It was one of the greatest days of my life," said Wolsley, who was head of public affairs at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

On June 8, 1978, Wolsley was called to a secret rendezvous with N. Eldon Tanner, a member of the church's First Presidency, in a tunnel beneath the Salt Lake City temple.

He was handed a slip of paper: "The long-promised day has come when every faithful, worthy man in the church may receive the holy priesthood... without regard for race or color."

"I started to bawl," Wolsley recalled, his eyes again welling with tears. "It's something we'd all been praying for a long, long time."

Latter-day Saints will mark the 30th anniversary Sunday with an evening celebration of words and music in the Salt Lake City Tabernacle.

Heralded as a revelation from God to church President Spencer W. Kimball, the four-paragraph statement gave blacks full membership in the church for the first time after nearly 130 years.

Some say it was the most significant change in church policy since Mormons abandoned polygamy in 1890 to gain statehood for Utah.

Unlike other religions, the Mormon priesthood is not a set of trained clerics. It is a lay status granted to virtually every Mormon male at age 12, allowing them to bestow blessings and hold certain church callings.

Until 1978, black men could attend priesthood meetings but could not pass sacraments or give blessings, even on their own families.

They could not enter Mormon temples for sacred ceremonies, including marriage.

"I left you on the outside," said Darius A. Gray, who is black and joined the church as a young man in 1964.

Gray said he learned about the restriction the day before his baptism. He was raised to value his race, and the policy went against that. But prayer and study had left him with a belief in the church that he couldn't ignore.

"So you go forward and walk through the darkness in faith," he said. "I never knew if the restriction was of God, or if it was of man, if it was just or unjust."

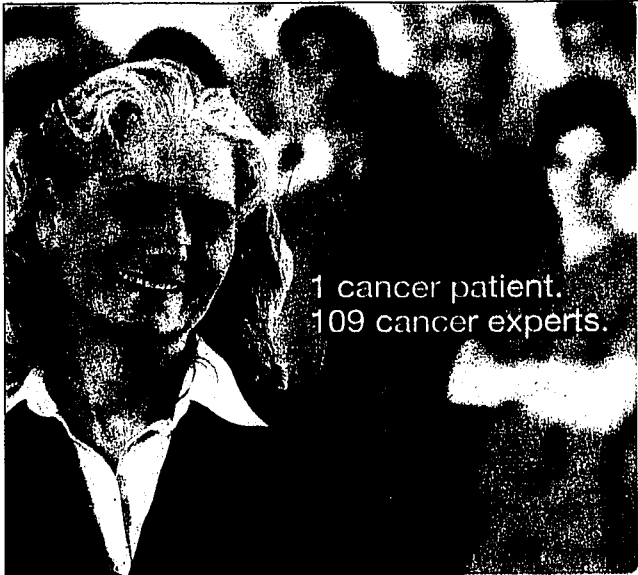
Early teachings and sermons by church founder Joseph Smith don't reflect a racist stance. Blacks were not denied membership, baptism or the priesthood under his leadership. Smith ordained the former slave Elijah Able to the priesthood in 1836 and sent him on a proselytizing mission.

But after Smith's death, Brigham Young reversed the policy, declaring in 1852 that blacks were the unworthy descendants of Cain and could not hold the priesthood, Mormon historian Newell Brighamurst said.

"Brigham Young cites divine sanctification and that's pretty hard to refute," said Brighamurst, who is white and the co-editor of the book "Black and Mormon."

Although Young's policy was never considered doctrine, his teachings left the church so entrenched that it was unable to change, even during the civil rights era of the 1960s and despite pressure from inside and outside the faith, Brighamurst said.

"It's a tragedy in a way," said Brighamurst, who left the Mormon church partly because of its stance on blacks. "There was this missed opportunity in the 1960s where they could have easily changed."



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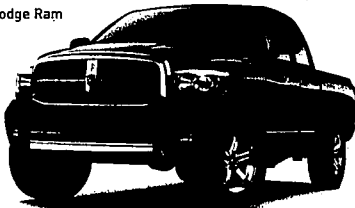


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# Unknown problem interrupts Phoenix Mars lander's task

By Bob Christie  
Associated Press writer

PHOENIX — The first sample of Martian dirt dumped onto the opening of the Phoenix lander's tiny testing oven failed to reach the instrument and scientists said Saturday, they will devote a few days to trying to determine the cause.

Photos released by the University of Arizona team overseeing the mission showed a scoopful of dirt sitting on and around the open oven door after being dumped by the craft's 8-foot robot arm. But none of it made it past a screen and into the tiny chamber, one of eight on the craft designed to heat soil and test gasses for signs of water or organic compounds that could be building blocks for life.

Nothing seems to be wrong with the dirt delivery by the lander's robot arm, said William Boynton of the University of Arizona in Tucson, who is overseeing the oven experiments. The dirt landed properly and instruments show a vibrator on the screen designed to help shake soil into the chamber was working.

However, an electronic eye positioned to detect dirt falling into the chamber didn't report any particles.

"We think everything is working correctly,

although we don't really know for sure," Boynton said Saturday in a teleconference news briefing from Tucson. "We're a little bit concerned about this but we have some other things to check out."

The teams overseeing the experiments plan to spend the next several days going over possible reasons for the apparent fail-

ure, Boynton said.

It could be that the dirt is too dense or compacted, to make it past the screen, which is there to allow only small particles into the oven. Or, it could be that incorrect readings from the vibrator made it look like it was working when it was not.

Even if this oven turns out to be unusable, the seven

other ovens would be available for the mission's primary experiments.

In the meantime, scientists will turn their attention to using the arm's backhoe-like arm to take close-up photos of the surface and do additional digging.

Phoenix landed in Mars' northern plains on May 25 for a three-month mission.



This image provided by NASA shows astronaut Mike Fossum, participating in the mission's second scheduled session of extravehicular activity as construction and maintenance continues on the International Space Station.

## Shuttle astronauts prepare robot arm for first use

By Juan A. Lozano  
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — Astronauts debuted the international space station's newest piece of equipment Saturday during a successful but very limited test.

Space shuttle Discovery crew members Akihiko Hoshide and Karen Nyberg moved two of the six joints on the Japanese Kibo lab's robotic arm for the first time, maneuvering them very slightly with a series of commands.

The very first maneuver was completed successfully, Hoshide told Japanese flight controllers near Tokyo.

Full deployment of the 33-foot arm will be done after Hoshide leaves the station next week. However, it won't be used for any actual work until after the launch into orbit next year of the billion-dollar lab's third and final section — a "porch" for exterior experiments — and a second, smaller robotic arm.

After he and Nyberg finished testing the robotic arm, Hoshide reflected on what Kibo means for Japan.

"It's a big milestone. We have our own house here now," Hoshide said during a series of media interviews Saturday.

The initial deployment of the robotic arm provides room for astronauts Michael Fossum and Ronald Garan Jr. to finish some final outfitting of the lab on Sunday during their third and final spacewalk of the current shuttle mission.

On Saturday, Fossum and Garan got word that an extra task had been added to the spacewalk.

Fossum will collect samples of grease and small amounts of debris detected on a solar wing rotating joint on the space station's left side.

The grease and debris will be analyzed by engineers back on Earth to see if it can help them figure out what caused a similar joint on the right side of the station to be clogged with metal shavings.

The right side joint has been used only sparingly since last fall, hampering energy production. The joints enable the space station's solar arrays, which provide electrical power, to rotate and track the sun.

The left side joint is working normally, but engineers are trying to prevent it from experiencing problems, as well, Fossum said he wasn't worried about the joint.

It "looks to be in pretty darn good shape," he said.

Fossum and Garan also planned to replace an empty nitrogen gas tank during Sunday's spacewalk.

Kibo, Japanese for hope, was delivered by the shuttle and installed on the space station this week.

The attic — a 14-foot shed, or closet, for spare tools and equipment — was put atop the 37-foot lab on Friday. It

had been in a temporary location at the space station since being delivered by another shuttle crew in March. Kibo is the largest of the nine rooms now at the space station, including the two other labs, belonging to NASA and the European Space Agency.

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# Status of female security officers is less than secure

By Alexandra Zavis  
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD — The two women couldn't be less alike: Melah Dulaini is a single woman in her mid-30s who wears a knee-length skirt, strappy sandals and refuses to cover her hair. Leena Mohammed is a retiring widow draped in a navy blue veil and concealing robes.

But when the U.S. military advertised for women to join its neighborhood guard program last fall, both answered the call.

"Iraqi women are the same as Iraqi men," said Dulaini. The businesslike leader of 42 female security guards in Baghdad's "blast-scarred Adhamiya section" "We want to take back our neighborhood."

The women work in pairs, frisking female visitors for weapons and explosives at schools, hospitals, banks and government offices.

The program was set up to counter a growing threat of female suicide bombers. But even as the response from women has been enthusiastic, it has faced assistance from tradition-bound community leaders who believe that fighting insurgents is men's work.

So far 500 women have joined, the more than 30,000 men. The U.S. military guard force that helped drive out insurgents from some of the country's most dangerous areas. Unlike their male counterparts, the new recruits of Iraq do not carry weapons, and they operate in just a handful of places in Baghdad, south of the capital and in Anbar province.

U.S. commanders are keen to expand the program, but still face some resistance. It indicates negotiations with the communities where the women would operate. And the Iraqi government has made it clear that it has no intention of retaining female

recruits when U.S. forces eventually hand over responsibility for the neighborhood guards.

Army Lt. Col. Jeff Broadwater, who commands the U.S. troops in Adhamiya, a walled-in Sunni enclave surrounded by Shiite Muslim neighbors, would like to assign women to checkpoints and markets, which are among the favored targets of suicide bombers. But neighborhood leaders say those places are far too exposed.

"In our culture, we can't have women standing in public on a checkpoint," said Riyadh abu Mohammed, deputy commander of Adhamiya's B43 Sons of Iraq. "It isn't good for us, for her or her family."

Although Dulaini says her two brothers encouraged her to join, other members do not hide their displeasure at the idea of female recruits.

"A woman can't do this work," snapped one of Abu Mohammed's deputies, who gave his name as Sabbah. "It is dangerous."

U.S. commanders have encountered similar obstacles when they have asked the Interior Ministry to hire more policewomen. Critics blame the rise of religious conservatives for the government's apparent reluctance to tackle the threat of female suicide bombers.

There have been at least 21 such attacks since November, according to U.S. military figures, including coordinated bombings at two pet markets and a mall in Baghdad in February. The U.S. military believes insurgents are turning to women because they raise less suspicion and cannot be searched by men in an Islamic society.

Army Lt. Gen. Lloyd I. Austin III, commander of day-to-day operations in Iraq, says diplomatic about the frustrations expressed by some of his officers. "It is a cultural issue," he



Members of the Daughters of Iraq collect cell phones from visitors at a hospital in Baghdad's Adhamiya neighborhood last month.

said. "It'll be one of these things that will take some time to work through. They're a little slow in letting women be able to do some jobs. We've got to break through some barriers."

Adhamiya was once one of the most progressive Baghdad neighborhoods. It is populated largely by retired military officers and other professionals who made up the elite of Saddam Hussein's secular Baath Party.

Many of its women were once employed as teachers or administrators in government offices across the city. But when the bombing of a revered Shiite shrine in Samarra unleashed revenge killings against Sunnis in 2006, most retreated to their homes, too afraid to leave the neighborhood.

For more than a year, the tortured bodies piled up. When the old graveyard behind Abu Hanifa mosque was full, a new one was carved

out of a park where families had once picnicked and children had played soccer.

Mohammed's husband is buried there. A taxi driver, he was pulled over one day by gunmen in a Shiite neighborhood. Five days later, his body turned up at the morgue with a single shot to the head. Mohammed was left to support five children on her own. She said her job searching women at a busy hospital had provided her "a good opportunity to help my family and my country."

Other Adhamiya men lost their lives fighting U.S. forces, or were killed by fellow Sunnis from the militant group al-Qaida in Iraq, which imposed a reign of terror in the neighborhood. Officials say they have lost count of neighborhood widows, who make up many of the Daughters of Iraq. Others signed up because their husbands were disabled or lost jobs in the fighting.

Hannah's husband was abducted by Sunni militants, who beat him so badly that he was left with a permanent quiver and can no longer work. Shiite militiamen shot and killed her brother, leaving her to support his five children, in addition to three of her own.

"This job saved my life," she said the soft-spoken woman wrapped in pastels, who, like many people interviewed, did not want her last name published.

The female recruits undergo the same background checks as their male counterparts, and their details are entered into the same database. Their

salary is also the same, about \$300 a month.

Part of the women's U.S.-provided training included weapons familiarization, during which they learned to take apart an AK-47 and put it back together again. But they do not carry guns on the job, a restriction that is beginning to change.

"Al-Qaida is still here, so we need weapons to protect ourselves — and Adhamiya," said Alam, a formidable woman in a powder blue suit and leopard-print veil.

Alam's husband used to work at a medical laboratory but quit after receiving threats from Shiite militiamen in the neighborhood where it is located. The money she earns conducting searches at a school pays the couple's rent and supports their two children. But she has no idea how long the job will last.

The Shiite-led government was slow to embrace the male neighborhood guards, who include many former insurgents. Under U.S. pressure, Iraqi officials agreed last year that they would gradually take responsibility for the Sons of Iraq. But a senior U.S. military official said the government was not willing to take on their female counterparts because of "cultural norms regarding the employment of women in dangerous jobs."

U.S. commanders expect to continue the program at their own expense for a year or two. But that is small consolation for the Daughters of Iraq. "We help our families, our community and the American forces," Alam said. "So we want the government to give us real jobs."

# Oil producers urged to boost output as prices soar

By Joseph Coleman  
Associated Press writer

AOMORI, Japan — Leading energy-consuming nations urged oil producers Saturday to boost their output to counter soaring prices threatening the world economy, while they pledged to develop clean energy technologies and improve efficiency.

The five nations — the United States, China, Japan, India and South Korea — differed, however, on how urgently oil subsidies should be phased out, with Washington and the U.S. movement while India and China warned of political and economic instability.

Cabinet ministers from the five countries, which account for more than half the world's consumption of energy, agreed that the sharp surge in oil prices was a menace to the world economy, and that more petroleum should be produced to meet rising demand.

"It's not good for producing nations to see the U.S. struggling economically. They depend on us to be a significant engine in world economic activity," U.S. Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman said. The current president of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, Chakib Khelil, has said that the cartel will make no new decision on production levels until its Sept. 9 meeting in Vienna.

Oil prices made their biggest single-day surge on Friday, soaring \$11 to \$138.54 on the New York Mercantile Exchange, an 8 percent increase. That followed a \$5.50 in the day before, taking oil futures more than 13 percent higher in just two days.

World oil production has stalled at about 85 million barrels a day since 2005, while global economic growth — boosted by spectacular surges in China and India — has pushed demand to unprecedented levels.

Analysts also have cited the decline of the U.S. dollar, fears about the long-term supply of oil and aggressive speculation as factors in rising prices. The five consumer countries, meeting before an energy conference of the Group of Eight industrialized nations and Russia today, argued that the unprecedented prices were against the interests of both producers and consumers, and imposed a "heavy burden" on developing countries.

The ministers also vowed to diversify their sources of energy, invest in alternative and renewable fuels, ramp up cooperation in strategic oil stocks in case of a supply shortage, and improve the quality of data on production and inventories available to markets.

The group diverged somewhat over oil subsidies. The International Energy Agency has estimated that oil subsidi-

es in China, India and the Middle East totaled about \$55 billion in 2007.

The United States, which has its own energy subsidies, urged countries such as China to lower its oil supports, which enable domestic consumers to enjoy cheaper gasoline. Subsidies shield consumers from higher prices, meaning consumption does not decline despite rising expenses.

But China and India, while signing onto a statement recognizing the need to eventually phase out such subsidies, argued that removing such supports quickly could trigger political and economic instability.

"We are taking very precise, and delicate measures so we will not destabilize the government," said Zhang Guobao, China's delegate. "If we face such problems in a country such as China, with a large population ... there would be adverse impacts felt throughout the world." India is already facing such effects. The government on Wednesday hiked gasoline and diesel prices, triggering protests by angry consumers who blocked rail tracks and roads and shut down businesses.

There were also differences of opinion over the cause of

the wild rise in oil prices. Bodman argued the surge was largely a simple problem of supply and demand.

"We're in a difficult position where we have a lid on production and we have increasing demand in the world," he told a small group of reporters before the meeting, dismissing the idea that speculation was fueling price increases.

China, however, insisted that rising demand largely fueled by its own dramatic economic growth was not the sole factor driving prices. Zhang said hedge funds and "hot money" were flooding into the energy sector, distorting the market.

Underlying the meeting was growing concern about the effect of rising prices on the economy. The U.S., for instance, reported on Friday its unemployment rate rose to 5.5 percent in May, a monthly rise of half a percentage point, the biggest in 22 years.

Bodman conceded that even quick action would not pull down prices immediately. "There are relatively few things we can do short term," he said. "This has been a long time in coming ... this is going to take a long time to accomplish."

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# Debt in Venice: Harry's Bar caters to 'American victims'

By Tracy Wilkinson  
Los Angeles Times

VENICE, Italy — To "the American victims" of the global financial crunch, as the sign outside Harry's Bar puts it, a little relief is on order. Arrigo "Harry" Cipriani, the dapper 76-year-old proprietor of one of Venice's most famous watering holes, has taken pity on dollar-burdened American tourists. Exchange rates being what they are, that

15-euro Bellini now costs an American nearly \$24, which probably works out to about a dollar a sip of the fizzy peach-flavored aperitif. And so Harry is offering Americans a 20 percent discount on their bills — sorry, drinks not included — to ease them to fiscal recovery. Rejoice! That 37-euro (\$56) hamburger will set you back only 30 euros. It's sympathy, yes, but also business. His American client-

ele has fallen off substantially since the dollar began plummeting faster than a pigeon diving for a piece of bread in nearby St. Mark's Square. "Europe has always been a wonderful place for Americans, the place they want to come for vacation," said Cipriani, whose father in 1931 opened the bar, which later became a haunt of Ernest Hemingway and legions of literati and glitterati. "But now it's expensive

for everybody." The weak dollar and especially strong euro have spurred American buying power in Europe. And Venice, the historic city of canals that attracts 20 million visitors a year, is one of Italy's most costly places. So people are looking for deals. They are picnicking in the piazzas, despite a city ban on what it considers such indecorous behavior, and shortening their stays.

(Overheard: two young American women deciding that a gondola ride, which can cost a couple of hundred bucks, was really not worth it — unless you were getting a marriage proposal.) "Truth be told, visitors who dine at Harry's Bar either aren't too worried about their finances or aren't too aware of just how high its prices are. They come for the celebrity quotient, maybe the impeccable service, certainly the spec-

tacular panoramic views of the sparkling Venice lagoon. Janet Spina, who works in pharmaceutical sales, and Larry Rutzka, vice president of a marketing company, are veteran travelers, and they knew what they were getting into when they came to Venice. "We're buying less, definitely," said Spina, of Freehold, N.J. They are being selective, buying only the "beautiful things we can't get at home," she said.

## AROUND THE WORLD

### CHINA

#### Water drains from earthquake-formed lake

MIANYANG — Water poured from a massive lake formed by China's deadly earthquake in a carefully engineered diversion Saturday to ease the threat of flooding for a million people in the sprawling disaster zone. After two weeks of frantic work by engineers and soldiers, waters flowed into the hurriedly built spillway, but at a rate too slow to cause the lake's level to drop. Military engineers dynamited boulders and soldiers used excavators to deepen the channel to accelerate the flow, state media said.

"The lake was still dangerous despite the draining," the official Xinhua News Agency quoted Minister of Water Resources Chen Lei as saying late Saturday.

The Tanglashan lake, created when a landslide dammed the Tongkou River, has become a priority for a government, hoping to head off another catastrophe even as it cares for millions left homeless from the May 12 quake that killed nearly 70,000 people. More than 1.3 million people live down river from Tanglashan, 250,000 of them have been evacuated.



Explosives are set off at the dam of the Shibangou quake lake in Qingchuan County, southwest China's Sichuan province, on Wednesday. The lake, threatening the safety of thousands of people downstream, was formed here by landslides triggered by the powerful May 12 earthquake in Sichuan province, Xinhua said. (Story at left)

urday for talks that are expected to focus on a proposed U.S.-Iraq security agreement that Iran fears will keep the American military in neighboring Iraq for years.

The deal, which the Iraqis and Americans hope to finish by midsummer, would establish a long-term security relationship between Iraq and the United States. But critics say it will allow the U.S. to set up military bases across Iraq and allow it to use the country as a launching pad for military attacks in the region. Washington and Baghdad

are also negotiating a parallel agreement to provide a legal basis for keeping U.S. troops in Iraq after the U.N. mandate expires at the end of the year.

The talks on the security plan are secret, and neither Baghdad nor Tehran has confirmed it would be addressed in al-Maliki's meetings. But ahead of the two-day visit, the prime minister's party sought to calm worries by insisting that the deal would not allow foreign troops to use Iraq as a ground to invade another country — a clear reference to Iranian fears of a U.S. attack.

### ISRAEL

#### Israelis, Palestinians to start writing peace pact

JERUSALEM — Israel and the Palestinians have agreed to start drafting sections of a proposed peace accord that address the main issues of their conflict, the chief Palestinian negotiator said.

Ahmed Qureia, the veteran negotiator heading the Palestinian team, said the decision did not mean agreement had been reached on the major issues that have tormented peace talks for years: final borders, the status of disputed Jerusalem and the fate of Palestinian refugees.

But it is the first time since negotiations resumed more than six months ago that anything will be put to paper on these divisive questions.

"We agreed with the Israelis to begin writing the positions," Qureia told reporters late Friday. He did not say what issue the two sides would start with.

Israeli government officials declined to comment. Should negotiators agree on an issue, they will then draft a single provision, Qureia said.

If not, they will lay out on paper their divergent views, he added. On Saturday, he said negotiations were "going through a difficult period" because of tense discussions on Jerusalem and Palestinian refugees.

### IRAQ

#### Car bombings leave at least six dead

BAGHDAD — A suicide car bomb and another car packed with explosives targeted Iraqi police patrols Saturday on opposite sides of Baghdad, killing at least six people, police said.

The suicide attacker rammed into a police patrol mid-afternoon in Nisoor Square on the capital's west side, killing a civilian and a policeman, police said. Another five people were wounded.

The other explosion took place near simultaneously across town at a crowded bus stop where passengers were lining up to catch rides to eastern Shiite neighborhoods, though police said the target was the passing convoy of a top Iraqi police general.

Four people were killed and 18 wounded, Brig. Gen. Nazar Majeed among them, said an officer on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to media. Three of the dead were policemen, he said.

### MYANMAR

#### 1.5 million survivors still without shelter

YANGON — A severe shortage of housing has left hundreds of thousands of cyclone

survivors in Myanmar exposed to heavy rain as the monsoon season begins, aid agencies said Saturday.

The United Nations and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies said there was an urgent need for tarpaulins to provide temporary shelter to an estimated 1.5 million homeless survivors. Otherwise, the threats of hunger and disease could intensify, they warned.

"Exposure to the elements five weeks after a disaster of this magnitude has to be a major concern," said John Sparrow, a spokesman for the IFRC. "People are in a weakened condition. They are sick; they are hungry. Without shelter, their whole situation is seriously exacerbated."

Sparrow estimated that only a quarter of those who need shelter materials have been reached.

The U.N. estimates 2.4 million people were affected when Cyclone Nargis hit May 2-3, and warns that more than 1 million still need help, mostly in the hard-to-reach Irrawaddy delta.

John Holmes, the U.N. undersecretary-general for humanitarian affairs, said "relatively few" of those survivors who were badly affected by the storm have not received any sort of aid. But he said the U.N.'s effort needs to be stepped up because many survivors still need help and supplies.

— Wire reports

### IRAN

#### Iraqi PM talks with Iranian leaders

TEHRAN — Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki was in Tehran Sat.



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## Big Brown falters in Triple Crown bid

### Long shot Da' Tara wins

By Beth Harris  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — When Big Brown turned for home, something wasn't right.

Jockey Kent Desormeaux knew the big bay colt was finished. Trainer Rick Dutrow Jr., who guaranteed racing's first Triple Crown in 30 years, knew it, too.

Bloodstock agent Frank Lyons, left, and owner Michael Favaro hug Big Brown following the 140th Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y. on Saturday.

Big Brown straggled home Saturday, losing the Belmont Stakes to 38-1 long shot Da' Tara, who led wire-to-wire. Eased up in the homestretch, the 1-4 favorite was so far behind at the end that his margin of defeat wasn't even charted.

"He was empty. He didn't have anything left," Desormeaux said. "There's no popped tires. He's just out of gas."

Big Brown arrived at Belmont Park undefeated in five starts, winning all of them by a combined 39 lengths. His path to history seemed even more certain when unbeaten Casino Drive was scratched in the morning because of a bruised left hind hoof.

But he ran third most of the way until Desormeaux asked him for one of his explosive runs on the far turn of Belmont's 1 1/2 miles, the longest and

toughest of the three classics.

"I had no horse," Desormeaux said, in stark contrast to Dutrow's unabashed pronouncements that a Triple Crown was "a foregone conclusion."

Instead of becoming the 12th Triple Crown winner and first in 30 years, Big Brown was the first horse going for a Triple to finish dead last, stunting 94,476 fans who braved the unseasonable 88-degree heat and oppressive humidity.

"He wasn't himself," winning trainer Nick Zito said. "Things happen for a reason."

Big Brown was running on a quarter crack in his left front hoof that wasn't patched until Friday, but Dutrow insisted even on the way to the starting gate

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## ROCHA Baseball

Scarce does the consummate "glue guy" double as a team's best player. But that's exactly the dual role Wendell senior Joey Rocha played for the Trojan baseball team this season.

Not only did he provide the invaluable senior leadership a comparatively young team needed, he also was at the fore of offensive and defensive efforts for the club.

With a bat in his hands, Rocha hit .482 with three homers and knocked in 25 runs. With his glove, he was 6-2 as a pitcher, with a 2.32 ERA and 72 strikeouts in 48 1/3 innings pitched.

### Best of the rest

Others in the conversation for Times-News baseball MVP:

- Daric Broadhead, Minico
- Remington Pullin, Twin Falls
- Cody Wirmill, Minico
- Galge Owen, Buhl
- Jacob Coats, Twin Falls

In a two-team conference in which the Trojans needed to win just two out of three at the end of the season in order to qualify for state, it would have been easy to plod along in the regular season and try and turn it on at the end when it mattered. But that wasn't the case with the Wendell squad, and it particularly wasn't the case with Rocha.

Wendell had plenty of players to do their part to help the team be successful, but there's little doubt that the Trojans would not have ordered a 10-year state tournament drought, would not have brought home the Class 2A third-place trophy and would not have finished with a 14-5 record without the services of their super senior.

Due in no small part to his performances, Wendell lost just two games against Class 2A opposition — both to eventual state runner-up Nampa Christian. The other three defeats came at the hand of Class 3A state qualifier Buhl, twice, and Kimberly.

For all the gaudy stats, it's what Rocha meant to Wendell's fortunes this season that cements him as our District IV baseball player of the year.

—David Bashore, staff writer

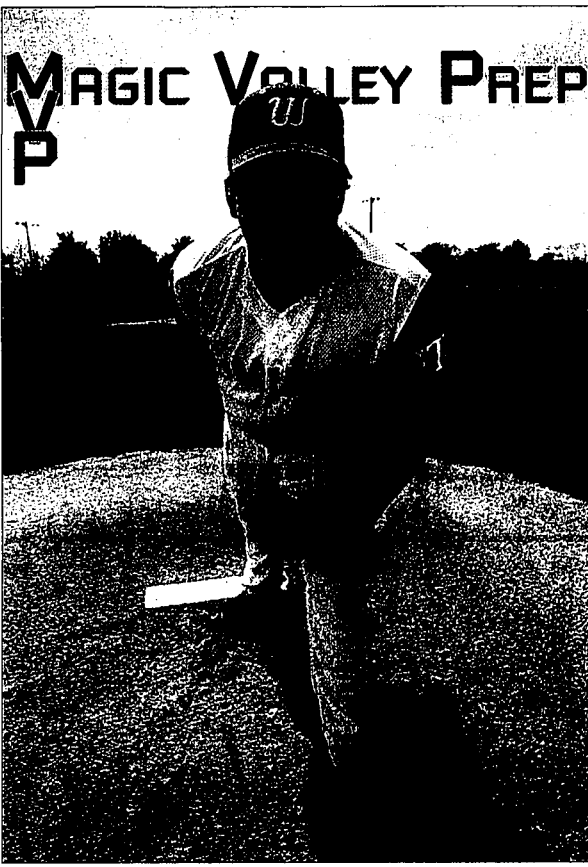


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## PREP RODEO Wilson, Eames ready for state

By Diane Hibbin  
Staff writer

With a total of 28 wins between them in the just completed rodeo season, Kindee Wilson and Cy Eames will lead a strong group of competitors from the Magic Valley at the 2008 Idaho High School Rodeo Finals at Banuock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello, Monday through Saturday.

Filler's Wilson competes in District VI, while Eames of Gooding rodeos in District V. Each was the all-around winner in their respective districts.

Wilson qualified for state in all five of her events, including goat tying, breakaway barrels, pole bending and team roping with partner Kyle Woody. She also placed in the top six in cutting and will also vie in that event.

Her favorite event is goats where she and her 27-year-old gelding, Soupy, finished with eight wins. The two also recorded the fastest time of the season with a run of 6.74 seconds. With the exception of pole bending, Wilson also recorded two wins in each of her other events.

"I am extremely excited for state," said Wilson. "I really want it to get here. I've been practicing and trying to fit everything in to an entire day so I am feeling pretty exhausted and need some sleep. Paige Fore told me she thought I should take a break. I'm also really excited for Kyle I think he has grown about a foot."

Wilson went to state a year ago in her freshman year and learned the toughest part of state is having zero to get enough rest.

Once the cutting kicks off Monday morning, Wilson might find rest hard to find with her events continuing Tuesday through Friday, both morning and evening.

"With all the events, you get pretty stressed out and start to freak out and then you get worn out. I have a

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### Idaho High School Rodeo Finals

**When:** Monday through Saturday  
**Where:** Banuock County Fairgrounds, Pocatello  
**Notes:** Cutting is at 9 a.m., Monday. The first go is Tuesday and Wednesday while the second is Thursday and Friday. Performances will be at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. each day. The Top 20 finals are slated for 10:15 a.m. Saturday.

## WHERE'S THE HEAT?



Photo by MICHAEL THOMPSON

## Breezy temps at Summer Heat Meet

The Third Annual Summer Heat Meet kicked off Saturday at the Twin Falls YMCA City Pool. The two-day event, featuring swimmers from Idaho and northern Nevada, continues today with swimming set to begin at 10:30 a.m. Pictured, Carl Miranda, a Magic Valley Marlins swimmer, comes up for air during the girls 15-19 50-meter freestyle swim event Saturday morning. For complete Day 1 results, see page D2.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

### Can a non-BCS team reach BCS title game?

By Olin Buchanan  
Rivals.com

Perfection isn't always good enough.

In fact, three times it wasn't.

During the 10-year span of the BCS system, three teams from outside the "Big Six" conferences have finished the regular season with a perfect record but were not given the chance to compete for the national championship.

That mites this question: Can a team outside the "Big Six" realistically hope to get a shot at the national title?

Some say yes. Others aren't so sure. Both sides agree it would require jumping through a series of hoops that include:

- Going undefeated.
- Conference brethren having strong seasons.
- Beating a couple of suc-

cessful "Big Six" teams. • No more than one "Big Six" team finishing unbeaten. Better yet, none do.

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The five non-BCS teams that could make the most noise this fall.

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"I think we could play for a national championship," Thompson said. "But it would take a couple of factors. We've had five teams in nine years go undefeated in conference play. That's the first absolute ... you have to go undefeated. We've had only one team in nine years go undefeated in conference and non-conference — Utah

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# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

AL EAST		AL WEST	
Team	W-L	Team	W-L
Baltimore	10-1	Los Angeles	10-1
Boston	9-2	Oakland	9-2
NY Yankees	8-3	San Diego	8-3
Tampa Bay	7-4	Seattle	7-4
Washington	6-5	San Francisco	6-5

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## GAME PLAN

### TV SCHEDULE

Time	Network	Matchup
5:30 p.m.	ESPN	Philadelphia at Atlanta
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# Dixon wins IndyCar Series race at Texas, besting Andretti in late going

FORT WORTH, Texas — Scott Dixon required the lead a lap before a crash behind his closest competitors and crossed the finish line under caution to win the IndyCar Series race at Texas Motor Speedway.

On the 22nd lap, Dixon drove under Marco Andretti coming out of the third turn to get in front.

But the same spot a lap later, Ryan Hunter-Reay was on the bottom of the track trying to get past Andretti. But Hunter-Reay's car suddenly darted up into Andretti, sending both of them into the wall.

IndyCar Series crews were unable to get the race cleared for the 22nd lap race.

Dixon was the 13th career victory for Dixon, and third this season for the Indianapolis 500 champion and series points leader.

## BROADCASTING

### Sportscaster Jim McKay dies at 86

NEW YORK — Jim McKay elegantly covered competitions from badminton to barrel jumping. Yet he may best be remembered for that grim day at the Munich Olympics when he broke the news with three simple words: "They're all gone."

The groundbreaking sportscaster died Saturday of natural causes at his farm in Monkton, Md. He was 86.

McKay was the one who spanned the globe to bring television viewers the constant variety of sports on ABC's influential "Wide World of Sports," where he led of the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat.

A far different kind of agony awaited in 1972 when world came down in Munich that Palestinian terrorists had kidnapped 11 Israeli athletes. McKay was summoned from a day off, hurriedly putting clothes over a bathing suit to anchor ABC's coverage of the drama as the games stood still.

The commando raid to free the hostages ended awfully. McKay told the world. Later, at the closing ceremony, he read a poem by A.E. Housman, "To An Athlete Losing a Victory."

"I had to control myself," he later recalled. "I was full of emotion. But when you are a profes-

## Sports Shorts

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### MAGIC VALLEY

#### CSI volleyball tests camp sign-ups

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho volleyball program is currently accepting registrations for its summer camps. Three individual camps and one team camp will be offered from June 30 to July 12. Visit http://athletics.csi.edu/volleyball/camps.asp for registration forms.

Due to gymnasium floor resurfacing at CSI, space will be limited to the first 60 applicants to register. For more information, contact head CSI volleyball coach Heidi Carlisser at 732-6495.

#### Burley holds four-person scramble

BURLEY — Burley Golf Course will hold the "It's Almost Summer" four-person scramble Saturday, June 14. The event is open to all golfers with a handicap. Entry fee is \$45 per player and includes lunch. Car fees are

## Magical Valley Open tournament set

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Tennis Association will host its annual Magic Valley Open Tennis Tournament June 27-29. The tournament includes singles and doubles events for men and women from 2.5 to open level players and mixed doubles events for 6.0 to open level combined team rating. Each player is limited to two events and players must be USA members. The entry fee is \$15 per person for doubles events and \$20 per person for singles events. Registration forms are available picked at the Twin Falls YMCA or Hometown Sports. Registration deadline is 6 p.m. Saturday, June 21. For more information, contact David Brush at 731-4660.

## Jackpot holds ladies best-ball tournament

JACKPOT, Nev. — Jackpot Golf Course will hold its 10th ladies best-ball tournament June 25-26. The entry fee is \$100 per team and includes green fees. Special room rates are available at Cactus Pete's, which sponsors the tournament. There will be a 2 p.m. shotgun start June 25 and an 8 a.m. shotgun start June 26. For more information, call the pro shop at 775-755-2260.

## PGA Golf

### St. Jude Championship

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The St. Jude Championship will be held at the Memphis Golf Club from June 27-29. The tournament is a 72-hole stroke play event for men and women. Entry fee is \$1,200. For more information, visit www.stjudechampionship.com.

## NASCAR

### Keselowski wins in Nashville

GLADEVILLE, Tenn. — Brad Keselowski raced to his first NASCAR Series victory Saturday night, passing Clint Bowyer with six laps to go and easily holding off his closest rivals at Nashville Superspeedway.

Keselowski, riding for Dale Earnhardt Jr., became the seventh first-time winner in 15

## Transactions

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— Compiled from staff and wire reports



# Braves' Chipper Jones still hitting above .400

ATLANTA (AP) — Bobby Doerr had the best seat in the house for the last player to hit .400, and he was still around as a coach when the most enduring run at the hallowed mark came up short.

Now, from his home in Oregon, the oldest living player in the Baseball Hall of Fame is rooting for Chipper Jones.

"I hope he can go ahead and do it," the 90-year-old Doerr said, reached by phone between fishing trips. "That would be good for baseball."

The Atlanta Braves third baseman is off to the best start of his career, going into Saturday night's game against Philadelphia with a staggering .421 average.

But it's only June, so Jones refuses to get too excited.

"I don't think anybody can do it," he said bluntly.

Still, the very fact that Jones has made it this far — the deepest into the season anyone has been at .400 in eight seasons — is enough to at least stir the memories of Ted Williams, the last player to average four hits for every 10 at-bats, a milestone that's stood the test of time for 67 years.

Jones, the son of a coach, was virtually unheard of in his hand. He knows what he's up against.

"The simple fact of the matter is that no one has done it in a very, very long time," he said. "And we're talking about maybe the greatest hitter ever to step on the field is the one who did it. Man, I just don't see myself in the same league as him. I really don't."

Four-hundred. Think about it. It's a sport that cherishes numbers. .400 is one that stands like a beacon for a shore — in sight but out of reach, a rare nugget in a Holy Grail of remarkable feats (Cy Young's 511 wins, Hack Wilson's 191-RBI season)



Atlanta Braves star Chipper Jones bats against the Pittsburgh Pirates May 10 in Pittsburgh. It's not that often that someone reaches the heat of summer with his average still above .400.

that supposedly can't be duplicated in this modern era.

Doerr, a teammate and good friend of Williams, remembers that 1941 season as if it were yesterday. The Splendid Splinter went into the final day with an average that would have rounded up to .400 — enough, ahead of his time as always, he didn't think that was good enough.

(The Elias Sports Bureau says he was right on the mark; it wouldn't consider .3996, his average going

into that last day, to be a .400 season.)

Boston Red Sox manager Joe Cronin gave Williams the option of sitting out a doubleheader at Philadelphia to protect his average. Williams wouldn't hear of it, deciding to play both games. As any long-time fan of the game can testify by heart, he went 6-for-8 that day, finishing with a .406 average.

"There was no way he was going to sit that out," Doerr said. "I didn't want to be a .400 hitter that way."

Doerr, who was referred to as "the silent captain" of the Red Sox by Williams, provides some insight into the sort of mind it takes to hit .400.

"I fished with Ted. I was with him for years, since he first broke into baseball. We were close friends," Doerr recounted. "Anything he did was a challenge. I think Chipper Jones is the same way. It probably has that makeup to handle it better than a lot of players."

Although the laid-back Jones doesn't have Williams' fiery personality, they certainly took the same studious approach onto the field. Williams was one of the first players to use a lighter hat, and he swapped knaves in the ground in the spring because he feared it would soak up moisture and become slightly heavier.

"He knew half an ounce made a big difference," Doerr said. "That's

how sharp Ted was. He used to have a scale in the clubhouse to weigh his bats. He would bone them down to get the handle just like he wanted. He was so ahead of everybody on things like that, the little detail things."

Between at-bats, Jones can often be seen in the dugout thumbing through scouting reports. He always goes to the plate with a purpose.

"The game situation dictates what I'm trying to do," he said. "If I lead off the inning and we're down by two runs, I'm not trying to go deep. I'm trying to get rally started. If the game is tied in the eighth inning and the offense is struggling, that might be the time to try to juice the ball."

"Sometimes," Jones continued, "I let the game dictate what I'm trying to do up there. There's a lot of those gimmick defenses. If the second baseman is playing me in right field and the shortstop is playing me behind second base, I feel like I can guide the ball up the middle of the field or through that hole at short-stop to get a base hit."

According to Elias, Jones is the first to be at .400 this late in the season since a pair of players in 2000, Cal Ripken Jr. and Ichiro Suzuki, stayed there through June 10, while Nomar Garciaparra of the Red Sox led on until July 20. Both finished with .422 averages to win the batting crowns in their respective leagues.

## Damon swings Yankees to wild win

NEW YORK — Johnny Damon went 6-for-6 with a game-winning single in the bottom of the ninth inning, leading the New York Yankees to a wild 12-11 victory Saturday over the Kansas City Royals.

New York overcame a pair of four-run deficits and a huge game by Kansas City's Jose Guillen, who hit a tiebreaking grand slam in the seventh and matched a franchise record with seven RBIs.

After David DeJesus put the Royals ahead 11-10 with a home run on the first pitch from Mariano Rivera (2-1) in the top of the ninth, Jorge Posada connected against reliever Joakim Soria with one out in the bottom half to tie it.

With two outs, Wilson Betemit walked and Melky Cabrera reached on an infield single. Damon pulled a 1-1 pitch from Soria (0-1) into the right-field corner for his sixth hit, setting a career high and equalling Yankees record now accomplished three times.

Myril Loag also went 6-for-6 on June 6, 1934, at Boston, and Gerald Williams got six hits in a 15-inning game May 1, 1996, at Baltimore. Omar Vizquel is the only player besides Damon to get six hits in a game at Yankee Stadium, accomplishing the feat for Cleveland on Aug. 31, 2004.

**WHITE SOX 11, TWINS 2**  
CHICAGO — Joe Crede hit two homers for the second straight game and had six RBIs to lead the White Sox to their fifth straight win.

Crede, who went 4-for-4 with two solo drives Friday night after missing a game with a sore wrist, had a pair of three-run homers as Chicago moved 4½ games ahead of the second-place Twins in the AL Central.

**PHILLIES 6, BRAVES 2**  
ATLANTA — Chase Utley's eighth-inning triple drove in Shane Victorino with the go-ahead run and Philadelphia hit three home runs to beat Atlanta.

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**ROCKIES 7, BREWERS 2**  
DENVER — Brad Hawpe hit a grand slam. Tim Stewart launched a solo homer into the third deck and Greg Reynolds got his first major league win in Colorado's victory over Milwaukee.

Reynolds (1-3) fanned hitters all evening, limiting Milwaukee to two runs and four hits over six innings. Reynolds, the second overall pick in the 2006 draft, had his sinker working, breaking four Brewer batters as he picked up



New York Yankees batter Johnny Damon reacts to his game-winning single against the Kansas City Royals during the ninth inning at Yankee Stadium in New York, Saturday.

### RED SOX 11, MARINERS 3

BOSTON — Manny Ramirez hit his 50th career homer and Tim Lincecum baffled most of Seattle's hitters for seven innings to lead the Red Sox over the Mariners.

Boston rebounded from Friday's 8-0 loss to Seattle for its seventh victory in nine games, and 16th of 18 at Fenway Park.

Ramirez tied Eddie Murray for 23rd on the career list with a two-run drive over the Green Monster seats. J.D. Drew homered, tripled and singled.

**TIGERS 8, INDIANS 4**  
DETROIT — Edgar Renteria's grand

slam keyed a six-run eighth inning and Detroit ended a four-game losing streak with a win over Cleveland.

Zach Miner (3-3) pitched two innings in relief of starter Kenny Rogers. Todd Jones got the final out for his ninth save.

Masa Kobayashi (3-3) lost for Cleveland, which fell to 4-5 on an 11-game road trip.

### ORIOLES 5, BLUE JAYS 5

TORONTO — Jay Payton had five RBIs, Jeremy Guthrie tossed seven strong innings and Baltimore earned its third straight win.

Guthrie (3-6) allowed one run and six hits to win for the first time since May 13 against Boston. He struck out six and walked none.

**RAVS 5, RANGERS 4**  
AHLINGTON, Texas — Willy Aybar hit a tiebreaking two-run double in the eighth inning and Tampa Bay held on to beat Texas for the second straight night.

Rangers reliever Joquin Benoit (3-2) allowed two runs and two hits with two walks in one inning for the Rangers, who've lost five of their last seven.

**ANGELS 5, ATHLETICS 3**  
OAKLAND, Calif. — Jon Garland allowed two runs in seven-plus innings, Maicer Izturis hit a leadoff homer for the second straight game, and the Los Angeles Angels extended their lead in the AL West with a 5-3 win over the Oakland Athletics on Saturday night.

Garland (6-3) gave up five hits in seven innings with eight strikeouts and one walk to remain unbeaten in his last seven starts. The eight strikeouts were two shy of Garland's career-high.

— The Associated Press

## Kemp's 3-run homer lifts Dodgers past Cubs

LOS ANGELES — Matt Kemp capped a five-run seventh inning with a three-run homer, Russell Martin also went deep and the Los Angeles Dodgers beat Carlos Zambrano and the Chicago Cubs 7-3 on Saturday.

Martin finished with three RBIs as the Dodgers sent Zambrano to his first loss in 11 starts. Derek Lowe (4-5) allowed three runs and six hits through seven innings striking out four and walking two.

Lowe pitched no-hit ball through the first four innings in a rematch of his head-to-head duel with Zambrano on May 28 at Wrigley Field, when he tossed seven scoreless innings and Zambrano held the Dodgers to one run over eight. Neither got a decision in the Cubs' 2-1 victory.

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**MARINERS 8, REDS 7**  
MIAMI — Cody Ross hit a two-out, two-run homer in the ninth inning and Florida came from behind to beat Cincinnati.

Ross's homer run, off closer Francisco Cordero (2-1), came on an 0-1 pitch and landed in Dan Uggla from first. The Marlins started the inning down 7-5, and closed within a run when Jorge Cantu scored on a sacrifice fly by Luis Gonzalez. Cantu had doubled to lead off the inning.

**DIAMONDBACKS 4, PIRATES 3**  
PITTSBURGH — Chris Snyder hit a home run to lead off the ninth inning, giving Arizona a victory over Pittsburgh.

The Arizona catcher hit a 1-1 pitch into the left-field seats off reliever John Grabow (4-2) for his sixth home run of the season. The Diamondbacks, who love a 3-0 lead, beat Pittsburgh for the second

straight night.

**CARDINALS 8, ASTROS 4**  
HOUSTON — Adam Wainwright shut down Houston before leaving with a sprained finger and Ryan Ludwick hit a three-run homer to help the Cardinals beat the Astros.

Troy Glaus also homered and Skip Schumaker had a single, double and two strikes out four in seven innings. Rich Aurilia finished with three hits for San Francisco, reeled on a big inning for the second straight night to again subdue the Nationals.

— The Associated Press

## Major League Baseball

Table with columns for League (American, National), Division (East, Central, West), and individual team statistics (W, L, Pct, GB, L10, Sfr, Home, Away, Infr, Int).

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Friday's Games: Seattle 8, Boston 0; Kansas City 2, N.Y. Yankees 1; Tampa Bay 12, Texas 4; L.A. Angels 3, Oakland 1.

Saturday's Games: N.Y. Yankees 12, Kansas City 11; Boston 11, Seattle 3; Chicago White Sox 11, Minnesota 2; L.A. Angels 5, Oakland 3.

Sunday's Games: Cleveland (5:05 PM) at Detroit (Galarraga 2-0), 11:05 AM; Kansas City (6:15 PM) at N.Y. Yankees (Chamberlain 1-2), 11:05 AM; Baltimore (6:15 PM) at Boston (Matsuzaka 0-0), 11:14 AM; Seattle (6:40 PM) at Boston (Matsuzaka 2-0), 11:35 AM; Minnesota (5:25 PM) at Chicago White Sox (Hofstadter 6-3), 12:05 PM; L.A. Angels (5:30 PM) at Oakland (Garland 6-3), 12:05 PM; Tampa Bay (6:45 PM) at Texas (Martinez 1-1), 3:05 PM.

Monday's Games: Kansas City at N.Y. Yankees, 11:05 AM; Detroit at Cleveland, 5:05 AM; Seattle at Toronto, 5:07 PM.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Friday's Games: Cincinnati 11, Florida 3; San Francisco 10, Washington 1; Colorado 6, Milwaukee 4; L.A. Dodgers 3, Chicago Cubs 0.

Saturday's Games: L.A. Dodgers 7, Chicago Cubs 3; St. Louis 8, Houston 3; San Francisco 6, Atlanta 2; Colorado 7, Milwaukee 2.

Sunday's Games: Cincinnati (6:15 PM) at Florida (Basham 1-3), 11:0 AM; Philadelphia (6:20 PM) at Atlanta (Cuddeback 2-0), 11:35 AM; Arizona (6:25 PM) at Houston (Rodriguez 2-0), 11:35 AM; St. Louis (6:25 PM) at Pittsburgh (Rodriguez 2-0), 11:35 AM; Milwaukee (6:45 PM) at Colorado (Frazier 2-5), 1:05 PM; N.Y. Mets (Martinez 1-0) at San Diego (Ledezma 0-2), 2:05 PM; Chicago Cubs (Marquez 3-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Perry 5-7), 6:05 PM.

Monday's Games: Arizona at Pittsburgh, 10:35 AM; Cincinnati at Florida, 5:10 PM; San Francisco at Washington, 5:10 PM.

# Celtics Pierce: 'I'll be ready' for Game 2

**BOSTON (AP)** — In the past two days, New England's most celebrated athlete — and to this point, the focal point of the NBA finals — has been encased in ice, undergone electrical stimulation therapy, even had lasers fired at it.

Paul Pierce's knee has been primped, prodded and pampered like never before.

It's not 100 percent, but it's good enough.

Pierce, who sprained his knee and made a dramatic return in Boston's series-opening win over the Los Angeles Lakers after being carried off the floor in the second half, said Saturday that he will "definitely" play in Game 2 on Sunday.

"Once those lights come on and the popcorn starts popping, I'll be ready," declared the Celtics' All-Star forward and captain.

Wearing a black elastic brace and white sleeve over his injury,

Pierce reported that his knee was less swollen. He's still not able to bend it the way he'd like, but Pierce feels with another 24 hours of rest and treatment that he'll be able to start.

How effective he'll be is another story.

"Knowing my Lakers at Celtics Game 2 7 p.m., ABC



Lakers at Celtics  
7 p.m., ABC

finally joined his teammates on the floor. Pierce grabbed a foul and was soon being playfully guarded by teammate Sam Cassell, who jammed his forearm into Pierce's back and dared him to shoot.

"You gonna talk all day?" Cassell chirped, "or are you gonna ball?"

Pierce's playing status, and skepticism about the severity of his injury, have been the dominant topics of conversation in the renewed rivalry between the Lakers and Celtics, who are meeting in the finals for the first time since 1987.

On Friday, Los Angeles coach Phil Jackson raised a few eyebrows by wondering if Pierce had been overly dramatic about the injury.

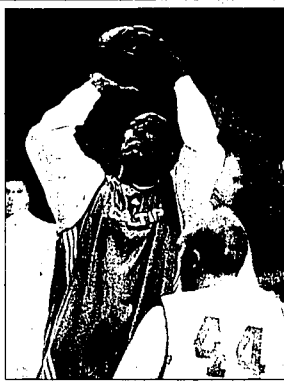
Moments after he was lifted from the floor by teammates and placed in a wheelchair,

Pierce jogged back out of the tunnel to a thundering ovation and quickly made consecutive 3-pointers as the Celtics took control and went on to a 98-88 win. Jackson dismissed comparisons between Pierce's comeback and one made by Willis Reed in the 1970 NBA finals, and even joked that noted faith healer Oral Roberts must have been in Boston's locker room to perform a miracle.

Jackson said he had not received any negative feedback about his pithy conversation, which he hoped were being taken in the proper vein.

"Well, we really should have a lot of fun about this this is sports, after all," Jackson said. "These are fun and games. I kid the NBA about taking the fun out of the finals, but this is still fun. We try to make this fun."

Fun? The Lakers and Celtics? They're supposed to feud and fight, right?



Boston Celtics forward Paul Pierce shoots over Brian Scalabrine (44) during practice Saturday in Boston. The Celtics host the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 2 of the NBA basketball finals tonight.

## GOLF ROUNDUP

# Ochoa stumbles, Lee leads at LGPA

**HAVRE DE GRACE, Md.** — Still in the heat of the Bullie Rock into an oven cooked up quite a surprise Saturday in the McDonald's LGPA Championship — a rare stumble by Lorena Ochoa, Annika Sorenstam in the hunt and a one-shot lead for Lee Young Lee.

Lee, one of the longest hitters on the LPGA Tour, played her final four holes in 4-under par and surged into the lead with a 7-under 65. She was a shot ahead of Maria Hjert of Sweden, another big hitter, who did most of her work early and also shot 65.

What looked like smooth sailing for Ochoa and her big drive straight into a hole, a detour when she nearly whiffed on a wedge in the rough, went eight holes before making a birdie and had to rally for an even-par 72. Even so, she was only two shots behind and tied for third with Sorenstam, who shot a 68.

It could have been a dream scenario at Bullie Rock with Sorenstam and Ochoa playing together in the second-to-last group. But LPGA officials, fearful of more fog that delayed the start of the third round, decided on three-somes for the final round.

That puts Sorenstam in the final group with Lee and Hjert, her best chance to win a major, since she won the U.S. Women's Open at Newport two years ago. Sorenstam could tie the record with a fourth LGPA Championship, which would be even more meaningful because she has announced that she will retire at the end of the year.

Ten players were within five shots of Lee, who was at 12-under 204.



Annika Sorenstam pumps her fist after putting on the No. 9 green during the third round of the LGPA Championship at Bullie Rock Golf Course in Havre de Grace, Md., Saturday.

three birdies and an eagle on his final five holes to take a two-stroke lead.

On a day that started with six players tied for the lead, Clark's 5-under 205 total held up as he looks for his first PGA Tour victory.

Clusting winds that had made for a valuable score through the first two rounds eased enough to make club selection a bit easier, but the wind often came up or changed directions at the wrong time. With the greens remaining firm, scoring consistently remained a problem with 15 players under par through 54 holes.

Clark will play in the final round today with countryman Trevor Immelman, the Masters champ. Immelman had his own opportunity to grab a share of the lead but heged No. 10 to finish with a 67. He was tied at 207 with Bill Haas (67), Alex Cejka (69) and two of the second-ranked leaders in four rookie Mark Turnesa (70) and Gavin Coles (70).

Vijay Singh (70), 2005 winner Justin Leonard (67), Stephen Ames (68) and Dean Wilson (71) were three strokes back at 208.

— The Associated Press

## FRENCH OPEN

# Ivanovic sweeps Safina for title

**PARIS (AP)** — At last, Ana Ivanovic overcame her stage fright.

In two previous major finals, Ivanovic was so overwhelmed by the setting, so shaken by the stakes, that her focus fell apart and her shots went awry.

Not on this day.

Already assured of rising to No. 1 in the rankings for the first time, Ivanovic collected Grand Slam title No. 1 by beating Dina Safina 6-3, 6-3 in the French Open final Sunday.

Rather than erasing the memories of those lopsided losses in championship matches against Justine Henin at Roland Garros a year ago and against Maria Sharapova at the Australian Open in January, Ivanovic used the bitterness to help her.

"Many, many people ask me, 'Oh, you want to forget last year's final? But I don't, because it was a great learning experience,'" said Ivanovic, a 20-year-old from Serbia.

She won only three games against Henin, then eight against Sharapova, and said of the latter defeat: "I had a few sleepless nights after that."

But in the months since, Ivanovic realized this: Part of her difficulty in those matches rested with either looking ahead — "I'm, maybe I can actually win this thing," she was thinking — or looking behind — failing to put a few key points out of her mind against Sharapova.

Ivanovic lost two consecutive matches on Monday before she beat Safina, and she knew she had to change something. She credits her strength and conditioning coach, Scott Byrnes, with helping find what she called a "tool" to make sure she stays focused on the court.

And it couldn't be simpler: Take the time to pause and breathe.

"My personality is I tend too much to think about what will be, and try to think too much in advance, which is definitely not too good," Ivanovic said. "So I found that breathing helps me to go back in a moment and just enjoy that very moment."

That's what carried her through the tightest of times against the 13th-seeded Safina, the younger sister of two-time major champion Maria Sharif.

In the men's final Sunday, No. 1 Roger Federer will meet No. 2 Rafael Nadal in their third consecutive title match at Roland Garros. Nadal seeks a fourth French Open championship, and Federer is hoping to complete a career Grand Slam.

Ivanovic was a point from taking a 5-1 lead in the first set when Safina showed some spark, using a running forehand winner and a swinging volley, winner to get to break point. Ivanovic



Ana Ivanovic holds up the trophy after defeating Dina Safina in the women's final of the French Open tennis tournament in Paris on Saturday.

## Borg: Federer 'greatest' if he wins men's final

**PARIS (AP)** — Bjorn Borg has no doubt that it would mean if Roger Federer finally manages to beat Rafael Nadal in the French Open final.

"He definitely will be the greatest player ever to play the game," Borg said Saturday, a day before No. 1-ranked Federer meets No. 2 Nadal in their third consecutive championship match at Roland Garros.

Although Borg preferred not to make a prediction, he does expect a tight contest.

"A lot of people, they say no one can beat Nadal tomorrow, the way he's been playing," Borg said. "But I think Roger has a really, really good chance."

Borg plans to be present Sunday, watching in person as Nadal tries to equal the Swede's mark of four consecutive titles

at Roland Garros. Just as, last year, he sat in the front row during the Wimbledon final and watched Federer beat Nadal to equal Borg's mark of five consecutive titles at the All England Club.

**Men's final**  
Federer vs. Nadal  
7 a.m., NBC

"They produce the best tennis you can play," said Borg, who won 11 Grand Slam titles and was only 25 years old when he played his last major in 1981 before retiring. "It's like two artists playing out there, both of them."

Nadal is 10-6 against Federer — including 8-1 on clay and 3-0 at the French Open — making him the only active player to have faced the Swiss star more than four times and completed a winning record against him.

# Pocono under attack for today's Sprint race

**LONG POND, Pa. (AP)** — Jeff Gordon says it's outdated. Jimmie Johnson believes it produces bad racing. And Kyle Busch fears today's event is going to be downright boring.

Pocono Raceway is officially under attack, and the assault comes as its owners ardently defend its future on the NASCAR schedule.

Bruce Smith, the billionaire owner of Speedway Motorsports Inc. wants desperately to purchase the mountain track from owners Joseph and Rose Mattioli. But the Mattiolis are adamant the track is not for sale and will be one day handed down to their grandchildren.

Even if Smith were to prevail, he has no plans to purchase the facility that serves the New York and Philadelphia markets. Instead, he'd pick one or perhaps even both of its Cup Series dates and move them to SMI-owned facilities.

The battle for ownership of the Pocono track comes in the wake of a crash against the 1.5-mile tri-oval.

Gordon, the four-time series champion, was the first to fire when he openly



noon, TNT

wondered how the "outdated" track has held on to its two Cup dates, despite needing a "ton of upgrades."

"I'm shocked that this is a track that's held on for as long as they've had," Gordon said during testing here two weeks ago. "I'd be surprised if it stayed that way in the future."

Back for Sunday's race, Gordon hasn't retreated from those comments.

"I'm shocked that this is a track that needs some upgrades, and I still believe that," he said. "At this day and time with this series at the level it's at ... it's only being constructive criticism as to what upgrades I think they need to have, especially if they want to continue to stay on the circuit going forward."

The Mattiolis have listened to criticism before — improving the garages

and creating lounges for the drivers in 1995. And when he noticed a chunk of asphalt coming loose after the race here last August, 83-year-old Joseph Mattioli was on the spot on the track and found baseline cracks in a 15-foot-wide section between Turns 2 and 3.

He had the section filled with a new asphalt that's created a patch drivers are raving about this weekend.

But the patch is the only positive they've heard.

"At 500 miles, drivers have long complained the race is way too long. If NASCAR surveyed the garage, series officials would be hard pressed to find a single person who doesn't want the race shortened to 400 miles."

"I think if you ran 400-mile races, that would be better," Busch said. "There would be more racing throughout the event than just riding around for however many miles because you have so long to go."

But what he expected out of today's 500-mile, the series points leader said "a boring race" with little passing.

"That's a big concern," Busch said.

# Kyle Busch wrecks car in last Pocono practice

**LONG POND, Pa. (AP)** — NASCAR points leader Kyle Busch wrecked his car during practice Saturday at Pocono Raceway and had to go to a backup.

Busch lost control of his Toyota as he apparently headed toward pit road with just about two minutes left in the first practice session. The car spun down the service road and tugged the inside retaining wall.

The crumpled car pattered back to the garage, where his Joe Gibbs Racing crew was already on top of the team transporter pulling out a backup. Busch, who qualified fifth and posted the third-fastest speed of the practice session, briskly headed inside the track and stayed inside

while his crew prepared the new car.

Because he's switching to a backup car, he must drop to the rear of the field at the start of today's race.

"It's just part of racing," crew chief Steve Addington said. "The car got a little bit loose off, and then he tried to just turn down pit road and spin out and there the front end up on the car. It's no big deal. These guys will dig in, and we'll have a good car for the race."

Once the backup was ready, Busch took it out on the track and posted the 17th fastest speed of the final practice session. His new Toyota is a brand new car that was the backup in the second and ran a portion of the test at Pocono two weeks ago.

# 3 QBs compete for Miami job

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Three quarterbacks were the field at the Miami Dolphins training facility Friday, each vying for the starting gig. One was Josh McCown, who is on his fourth team since turning pro in 2002.

For Dolphins fans and Marino, it seems awfully familiar.

McCown, John Beck, and rookie Chad Henne are all aiming to become the latest in a string of starting quarterbacks for Miami since Dan Marino retired after the 1999 season. The Dolphins have had 12 since then — including Beck, Trent Green and Cleo Lemon last season and have missed the playoffs for six seasons.

Miami opened its three-day minicamp Friday, and the team renewed its latest attempt to find a starting quarterback.

"I put you in a mind-set that you have to be on order to be good in the NFL — on edge and expecting to be perfect every time," McCown said of the competition. "Every play you get up and you're like 'I have to make this play.' Because in order to win this competition, you have to make every play."

Quarterbacks coach David Lee called McCown a "natural leader," but said it was tough to evaluate a quarterback outside of game time situations.

"There's people in the stands and they're cursing at him and throwing ice and cutting him down over his head in the huddle," Lee said. "That's when you've got to evaluate the quarterback. This is important. We're watching and evaluating here daily, but



Miami Dolphins quarterbacks Chad Henne (7) and Josh McCown (4) watch as fellow quarterback John Beck (9) looks for receivers during the Friday mini camp football practice in Davie, Fla.

I've had guys who could really practice and get to the game and spit out the bit."

The Dolphins — who went 1-15 last season — opened camp with the No. 1 overall pick, Jake Long, sharing the field with Henne, his former Michigan teammate. The 2002 NFL rushing champion Ricky Williams was there, trying to bounce back from a chest injury that ended his season last year, shortly after he returned from a suspen-

Six-time Pro Bowl defensive end Jason Taylor, who competed this year on "Dancing with the Stars," has already missed optional team activities this summer and was not expected at the minicamp this weekend. When asked whether Taylor's absence from the practice was excused, coach Tony Sparano signaled for another question as he deadpanned, "What else?"

Sparano said he is in no rush to select his starting quarterback.

"I think you know when you want to," he said. "You have to see the information. You have to see all the information unwind. We have to see it in games. We have to see what they do in critical situations and then you get a pretty good feel and that's the way you go."

McCown competed with former Miami quarterback Daunte Culpepper for the starting spot with the Raiders. He started nine games last season, throwing for 10 touchdowns with 11 interceptions. Now with the Oakland Raiders, Culpepper's former teammate, McCown said he doesn't enjoy the uncertainty of the competition, but said it has made him a better player.

"In order to be good, in this league, at that position, you have to come out every snap and you have to be on edge," McCown said. "You have to believe that it's the snap that's going to make the difference in the game. When you're competing out there, especially when you're competing with two other guys ... your reps are precious. You can't miss."

And Beck was on the field, looking to redeem himself from last year's dismal season. "Right now, it's competition. I think last year the chances that I got were because they wanted to see what I could do as a rookie. But now, we're competition to see who is going to be the guy," said Beck, who was a second-round pick last year. "It's going well. Each day, I feel like I'm improving."

# Bears' Benson charged with drunken driving

The Associated Press

Cedric Benson's rocky relationship with the Chicago Bears got murkier Saturday after the running back's arrest on a drunken driving charge in Austin, Texas, his second arrest in little more than a month.

Bears officials said they would treat the matter seriously. Benson's attorney said the former Texas star had a few drinks with dinner but didn't think he was intoxicated, and cooperated with police.

Still, attorney Sam Bassett acknowledged, "He's probably in trouble with his team for breaking curfew and having anything to drink under the circumstances." Authorities said Benson was arrested early Saturday after he failed a field sobriety test. The former first-round draft pick was charged with driving while intoxicated and released on bond.

The arrest comes a month after Benson was charged with boating while intoxicated and resisting arrest. He has said neither charge is true, and those cases are pending.

At a fan event at Soldier Field in Chicago on Saturday, Bears general manager Jerry Angelo said he'd not spoken to Benson but called the situation unfortunate.

"Disappointment is too much an often-used word when we're talking about Cedric, and the number one lesson for every player is protect your job," Angelo said. "So we're all held

accountable for our actions."

Asked if the new arrest will weigh against Benson, Angelo said: "Well, it doesn't weigh very well. And it's

unfortunate. We will deal with it when we know everything."

Austin police spokeswoman Venca

Aguiñaga said Benson, who was pulled over for running a red light, refused to take a breath test or provide blood samples Saturday.

Bassett said Benson thought the light was yellow when he went through around 2 a.m., though he stopped immediately when police appeared. Bassett said Benson told him he wasn't speeding or driving recklessly.

"He doesn't feel like he was intoxicated," Bassett said. "He said he had two or three drinks the whole night with dinner."

Bassett said Benson's girlfriend was with him at the time. The two had dined at a Japanese restaurant earlier. The running back was in Austin for his mother's birthday this weekend, Bassett said.

Coach Lovie Smith said he was inclined to give Benson the benefit of the doubt "like everyone else in society gets."

"That's what we'll do with this thing," Smith said.



Benson

# Williamson gets second chance with Jags

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Receiver Troy Williamson was the last player on the field during minicamp Saturday, spending extra time with his position coach.

He wasn't doing any speed drills. He wasn't working on getting off the line of scrimmage. And he wasn't running routes.

He was catching passes — the thing that haunted him in Mississippi and caused him to seek a fresh start with the Jacksonville Jaguars.

But guess what? Williamson, caught them all. In fact, he has caught just about everything thrown his way during Jacksonville's two-day camp and since the team began offseason workouts last month.

"It's just a big weight lifted off him, all that pressure," receivers coach Ted Linder said. "It's still early, but we've been pleasantly surprised."

The Jaguars traded a sixth-round draft pick for Williamson, the seventh overall pick in the 2005 draft. Jacksonville coach Jack Del Rio figured he was taking a



Jacksonville Jaguars receiver Troy Williamson, right, catches a pass behind safety Gerald Sensabaugh during a mini camp practice session on Friday in Jacksonville, Fla.

low-risk chance on a player with proven speed who might just need a change of scenery. Now the Jaguars might just have the kind of legitimate deep threat missing since Jimmy Smith retired two years ago.

"He looks like a heck of a sixth-round pick," Del Rio said. "He's really had a good

offseason for us. Obviously, we got him here with lowered expectations. He can just come in here and play football and have fun."

Williamson didn't have much fun in Minnesota. He was supposed to be the heir apparent to Randy Moss after the Vikings traded Moss to Oakland in March 2005.

But Williamson struggled. He had 79 receptions for 1,057 yards and three touchdowns in three disappointing, drop-filled seasons. He had hoped to turn things around last year. He visited a vision specialist and caught an estimated 20,000 balls in the offseason.

Although the Vikings were pleased with his work ethic, it never paid off. Williamson finished with 11 receptions for 240 yards and had more glaring gaffes. The most notable one came in the season finale against Denver when he misjudged what would have been a 42-yard score and dropped the ball without a defender in sight.

Minnesota traded him three months later, seemingly willing to unload him for just about anything.

Williamson was relieved. "I'd say it was very important because it was getting very intense up there as far as me and the head coach and some of the other coaches," Williamson said. "I feel like I just need to play football, be me and be comfortable."

# BCS

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In 2004.

"So, you've got to be 8-and-0 in conference, undefeated in non-conference and also dependent on playing good people like Texas A&M and North Carolina (which Utah did in '04) and some teams that could be ranked high. Lastly, you've got to have a little bit of luck. The year Utah was undefeated, so were Auburn and two others."

USC and Oklahoma played for the 2004 national title.

Perception is a huge obstacle facing the Mountain West and other conferences of that ilk, like the Western Athletic Conference. Their best teams are seen as big fish in small ponds and therefore, the perception goes, they don't endure the grind that "Big Six" teams endure. That criticism seemed valid in 2005, when TCU opened with an upset of No. 7 Oklahoma, then lost to SMU the next week.

But the Mountain West last season at least appeared to come out of the shadows. Boise and ACC in non-conference games against "Big Six" opponents. MWC teams were 8-10 (a .444 winning

## Five non-BCS teams that could win it all

Team	Must win game	Other hurdles
vs. UCLA, Sept. 13	at Washington, at Utah	
at Michigan, Aug. 30	vs. Oregon State, vs. BYU	
at Oklahoma, Sept. 27	vs. BYU, at Utah	
vs. Wisconsin, Sept. 13	at Rutgers, at UCLA	
at Oregon, Sept. 20	at So. Miss., vs. Fresno State	

percentage), identical numbers to those posted by the Big East. ACC teams were 13-16 (.440).

The MWC was 4-1 in bowls, while the ACC was 2-6 and the Big East was 3-2. Of course, the argument can be made that the ACC and Big East faced more difficult postseason competition.

Still, that should provide some encouragement to teams in the lower-profile conferences.

"This year, if there are a bunch of one-loss teams, a 12-0 (Mountain West) team would absolutely be in contention for the national championship," Thompson said.

A bowl official speaking on condition of anonymity isn't so sure.

"I think it's certainly possible, but I don't know how plausible it is in a sense that it's always about competition and who you played throughout the season," he said. "A non-BCS team obviously has the deck stacked against them."

"It boils down to the weight of the schedule. Unless the non-conference schedule is stacked with top-tier ICS-level teams, they're not going to get enough marquee wins to overcome their conference schedules."

In that case, the teams that seem most likely to crush the

BCS party this season would be BYU of the Mountain West and Fresno State of the WAC, with the MWC's TCU and Utah and the WAC's Boise State also capable of making things interesting.

BYU has more cachet than perhaps any other non-Big Six team because it won a national championship in 1994 and has a history of knocking off respected programs, including UCLA and Oregon in bowl games the past two seasons. The Cougars haven't lost a conference game in two years, and this season face Washington and UCLA in non-conference play.

Boise State's best chance for a splash comes Sept. 20 when the Broncos visit Oregon. A win there would get BSU in the ICS discussion, and the rest of the schedule is manageable.

Fresno State, generally regarded as the WAC favorite this season, plays Rutgers, Wisconsin and UCLA in non-conference games, giving it a chance to put together a strong resume, too.

But even then, that might not be enough.

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## BOWLING

### BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS TUES. NO TAP

**MEN'S SERIES:** Maury Miller 714, Jerry Seabolt 681, Victor Hagood 641, Con Moser 610.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Maury Miller 260, Blaine Ross 236, Jerry Seabolt 263, Victor Hagood 219.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Mona Nell 694, Linda Vining 600, Jeanne Miller 594, Janet Browning 560.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Mona Nell 276, Jeanne Miller 275, Linda Vining 227, Judy Boren 211.

### THURS. NO TAP

**MEN'S SERIES:** Mike Starr 662, Ian DeVites 637, Dennis Seckel 572, Mike Andrade 551.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Mike Starr 256, Ian DeVites 226, Dennis Seckel 218, Mike Andrade 211.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Michele Seckel 630, Ann Shepherd 521, Gall Knight 505, Tahna Cooper 456.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Michele Seckel 245, Gall Knight 197, Ann Shepherd 184, Tahna Cooper 175.

### MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS ADULT/YOUTH

**MEN'S SERIES:** Kent Stowe 600, Joe McClure 491, Dan Churchman 371.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Kent Stowe 226, Joe McClure 203, Dan Churchman 144.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Julie Gallely 332.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Julie Gallely 157.  
**BOY'S SERIES:** Kyle Mason 586, Michael Jenkins 403, Cody Gallely 341, AC Stowe 194.  
**BOY'S GAMES:** Kyle Mason 210, Michael Jenkins 209, Cody Gallely 118, AC Stowe 72.  
**GIRLS' SERIES:** Ali Churchman 320.  
**GIRLS' GAMES:** Ali Churchman 118.

### SUMMER TUES. MIXED 5/13/08

**MEN'S SERIES:** Norm Hatke 648, Joe McClure 639, Sonny Miller 542, Tim Craig 532.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Joe McClure 246, Norm Hatke 231, Sonny Miller 190, Tim Craig 189.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Kathy McClure 531, LaDonna Molslee 519, Georgia Randall 518, Traci Hanson 485.  
**LADIES GAMES:** LaDonna Molslee 225, Georgia Randall 195, Kathy McClure 188, Traci Hanson 187.

### TUES. MIXED 5/20/08

**MEN'S SERIES:** Joe McClure 686, Norm Hatke 612, Roy Molslee 560, Sonny Miller 547.  
**MEN'S GAMES:** Joe McClure 258, Norm Hatke 208, Roy Molslee 196, Sonny Miller 192.  
**LADIES SERIES:** Georgia Randall 554, Traci Hanson 478, Kathy McClure 447, Melody Hatke 416.  
**LADIES GAMES:** Georgia Randall 204, Kathy McClure 171, Melody Hatke 155, LaDonna Molslee 152.

## YOUTH SOFTBALL



The Magic Valley Sooners U16 softball team took first place in its division at the Diamond Bandit Showdown May 31-June 1 in Nampa. Team members include Nellie Makings, Arerla Schroeder, Whitney Carlton, Jade Jackman, Alex Pfeiffer, Mikki Corder, Courtney Azevedo, Mollie Bourner, Katie Williams, Mariah Boone, Kenz Jasper, Kyle Kneet and T.J. Surraze. The team is coached by Jamie Carlton.

# Sooners unbeaten at Nampa tourney

### Staff report

The Magic Valley Sooners U16 softball team opened its 2008 season by going unbeaten at the Diamond Bandits Showdown in Nampa May 31-June 1. The Sooners claimed six wins in two days of play on their way to first-place honors in the U16 division. The Sooners won the U14 state and regional championships in 2007. In Nampa, Magic Valley opened with a 10-

0 win over the Idaho Express as Nellie Makings struck out 10 and allowed just one hit. Makings threw another one-hitter in a 6-0 win over the Golden Gloves. Jade Jackman recorded eight strikeouts and surrendered one hit in a win over the Diamond Bandits, while Makings went 3-for-4 at the plate. The Sooners beat the Twin Falls Terror 6-3 in their fourth game as Makings totaled nine strikeouts and Jackman went 3-for-3 at the plate.

Kenz Jasper capped an 8-0 win over the Diamond Queens with a walk-off grand slam. A second game against the Diamond Queens saw T.J. Surraze and Whitney Carlton each finish for 2-for-3 in a 10-5 win. Kylee Kuest's three-run double invoked the mercy rule to end the championship win. The Sooners played at the Copper Classic tournament Friday and Saturday.

## Rodeo

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"mess around" mode and a "serious" mode I know tons of kids from other districts so I kind of do my own thing to relax. I'm a busy bee and I just can't stay calm."

Eames' finals won't begin until Tuesday morning where he opens with calf roping, the first of his five events, and continues non-stop through the week with steer wrestling, saddle bronc, bull riding and team roping with teammate, Justin Parke.

"Last year I played a lot," said Eames. "This year, I'm going up there to take care of business."

"Is the state rodeo just another rodeo?"

"You kind of have to take it that way," said Eames. "You just can't put too much pressure on yourself. You have to rope every steer and ride every horse and bull you get on. My goal is to bring home the state all-around saddle seat. I think my chances are real good."

The cutting competition opens the action at 9 a.m. Monday. The first go round is Tuesday and Wednesday with performances at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. each day. The second go is Thursday and Friday with performances at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. The queen coronation is at 10 a.m. Saturday with the Top 20 performance to follow at 10:15 a.m.

**District V state qualifiers**  
 Goat tying: 1. Mattie MacGregor, Valley, 80 points; 2. Katie Hall, Valley, 77; 3. Cheyanna Robinson, Gooding, 51; 4. Jori Fleming, Wendell, 50; 5. Mackenzie Stevens, Gooding, 48; 6. Kourtney Agrenbroad, Gooding, 42.  
 Calf roping: 1. Justin Parke, Gooding, 71 points; 2. Ty Webb, Wendell, 67; 3. Rusty Gill, Gooding, 58; 4. Cy Eames, Gooding, 55; 5. Gary Kuhn, Jerome, 52; 6. Justin Hickman, Jerome, 50.  
 Steer wrestling: 1. Rusty Gill, Gooding, 68 points; 2. Cy Eames, Gooding, 59; 3. Gary Kuhn, Jerome, 48; 4. Ty Webb, Wendell, 42; 5. Tommy McMurdie, Gooding, 31; 6. Luke Hubert, Dietrich, 24.  
 Barrel racing: 1. Kish Wilson, Gooding, 59 points; 2. Jordan Gill, Gooding, 57; 3. J2 Bridges, Valley, 18 (qualified but will not compete); 4. Kolton Hubert, Dietrich, 16.  
 Barrel racing: 1. Jill Georgio, Jerome, 73 points; 2. Samantha Logan, Jerome, 71; 3. Cheyanna Robinson, Gooding, 68; 4. Chancee

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— Cy Eames, on the Idaho High School Finals Rodeo

Axelson, Hagerman, 57; 5. (tie) Jamie Lancaster, Valley, and Kaycie Smith, Jerome, 48.  
**Breakaway roping:** 1. Cheyanna Robinson, Gooding, 79 points; 2. Kourtney Agrenbroad, Gooding, 64; 3. Chayna Jones, Jerome, 52; 4. Jamie Lancaster, Valley, 42; 5. Jori Fleming, Wendell, 39; 6. Katie Hall, Valley, 37.  
**Pole bending:** 1. Cheyanna Robinson, Gooding, 60 points; 2. Samantha Logan, Jerome, 52; 3. Jill Georgio, Jerome, 49; 4. Kaycie Smith, Jerome, 47; 5. Mackenzie Stevens, Gooding, 45; 6. Kayla Christopheron, Wendell, 41.  
**Saddle bronc:** 1. (tie) Montana Barlow, Valley, and Cy Eames, Gooding, 39 points; 3. Zach Bay, Wendell, 19; 4. (tie) J2 Bridges, Valley, and Ryley Palmer, Richfield, 10; J2 Bridges qualified but will not compete.  
**Bull riding:** 1. Montana Barlow, Valley, 72 points; 2. (tie) Cy Eames, Gooding, and C.J. Santana, Shoshone, 45; 4. J2 Bridges, Valley, 21 (qualified but will not compete); 5. Brian Arterbound, Hagerman, 16; 6. (tie) Kyle Brooks, Carey, and Jesus Gomez, Gooding, 15.  
**Team roping:** 1. Cy Eames and Justin Parke, Gooding, 81 points; 2. Zach Bay, Wendell, and Cadee Roberts, Glenns Ferry, 62; 3. Justin Hickman and Jate Ruby, Jerome, 54; 4. Kade Gill and Rusty Gill, Gooding, 43; 5. Ty Webb, Wendell, 41, and J2 Bridges, Valley, 34; 6. Whit Bingham and Luke Hubert, Dietrich, 35.  
**Girls cutting:** 1. Jarmie Lancaster, Valley, 89 points; 2. Danielle Shubert, Gooding, 88.50; 3. Chelsey Jones, Richfield, 72; 4. Hanna Thacker, Wood River, 61.50; 5. Kaycie Smith, Jerome, 58; 6. Cally Anderson, Jerome, 39.  
**Boys cutting:** No boys entered from District V.  
**District VI state qualifiers**  
 Barrel racing: 1. Tyler Hansson, Minico, 40 points; 2. Travis Clelland, Riler, 28; 3. Brody Osterhout, Declo, 24.  
**Goat tying:** 1. Kindee Wilson, Filer, 129 points; 2. Sammy Naveran, Buhl, 93; 3. Paige

Yore, Declo, 90.50; 4. Megan Crist, Kimberly, 81; 5. Kelli Kindig, Minico, 80.50; 6. Katie Vierstra, Filer, 68.  
**Calf roping:** 1. Cody Wadsworth, Kimberly, 98 points; 2. Jarrett VanBiezen, Filer, 94; 3. Tyler Wadsworth, Kimberly, 74; 4. Chisum Hughes, Filer, 73; 5. Chase Brice, Declo, 70; 6. (tie) Brock Caspersen, Kimberly, and Wyatt Holtman, Ratt River, 65.  
**Breakaway roping:** 1. Amanda Coats, Kimberly, 96 points; 2. Kindee Wilson, Filer, 90; 3. Megan Crist, Kimberly, 77; 4. Megan Egbert, Filer, 65; 5. Alyssa Koch, Filer, 59; 6. Paige Yore, Declo, 51.  
**Saddle bronc:** 1. Bailey Tubbs, Filer, 100 points; 2. Tegan Navaraz, Minico, 38; 3. Brady Manning, Oakley, 37; 4. Lane Wilferth, Minico, 10.  
**Steer wrestling:** 1. Wyatt Holtman, Ratt River, 120 points; 2. Cody Wadsworth, Kimberly, 107; 3. Jarrett VanBiezen, Filer, 81; 4. Raul Hurtado, Oakley, 72; 5. Kord Whiting, Declo, 58; 6. Chisum Hughes, Filer, 51.  
**Barrel racing:** 1. Amanda Coats, Kimberly, 117 points; 2. Kindee Wilson, Filer, 90; 3. Sammy Naveran, Buhl, 83; 4. Alyssa Koch, Filer, 70; 5. (tie) Jesse Kack, Filer, and Katie Vierstra, Filer, 65.  
**Team roping:** 1. Kyle Woody and Kindee Wilson, Filer, 78 points; 2. Brock Caspersen, Kimberly, and Tyler Stradley, Filer, 67; 3. Scott Perkins, Castletford, and Jarrett VanBiezen, Filer, 64; 4. Randall Anderson, Oakley, Brogan Parkin, Minico, 54; 5. (tie) Dustin Adams, Ratt River, and Chase Brice, Declo, and Colton Bedke and Spencer Peterson, Oakley, 50.  
**Pole bending:** 1. Megan Crist, Kimberly, 125 points; 2. Kindee Wilson, Filer, 82; 3. Paige Yore, Declo, 68; 4. Amanda Coats, Kimberly, 67; 5. Jesse Kack, Filer, 59; 6. Josie Peterson, Filer, 52.  
**Bull riding:** 1. Cody Wadsworth, Kimberly, 88 points; 2. Brody Osterhout, Declo, 83.50; 3. Riggall Maier, Minico, 56.50; 4. Colton Bedke, Oakley, 46.50; 5. Jace Hutchison, Ratt River, 36.50; 6. Tyler Wadsworth, Kimberly, 21.  
**Girls cutting:** 1. Tianna Stimpson, Minico; 2. Kindee Wilson, Filer; 3. Sammy Naveran, Buhl; 4. Erica Farnsworth, Filer; 5. Alexus Jones, Filer; 6. Dakotah Hoogland, Castletford.  
**Boys cutting:** 1. Cody Rowe, Kimberly; 2. Ben Taylor, Kimberly; 3. (tie) Jonathan Cain, Twin Falls, and Brady Manning, Oakley; 5. Mat Jones, Filer.



The Magic Valley Explosion U10 all-star team won its division at the Diamond Bandit Showdown in Nampa May 31-June 1. Pictured, from left, front row: Lindsay Huddleston, Kasie Kobosumi, Dani Taylor, Regan Harr, Madison Fox, Katie Tolbert and Maddie Aardema; second row: Kaylor Detmer, Taylor Johnson, Skylar Call, Brooke Swafford and Ashlyn Aardema; back row: assistant coach Mike Aardema, head coach Lyle Huddleston, assistant coach Laura Detmer and assistant coach Steve Call.

### Explosion wins title in Nampa

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. It will be partly cloudy today and tonight. Monday holds a very slight chance for a shower or two as temperatures slip a few degrees.

Map of Idaho showing weather forecasts for various regions including Boise, Twin Falls, and the Snake Valley. Includes temperature and precipitation data for different areas.

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Table showing moon phases for June 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

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CANADIAN FORECAST. Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Yesterday. Lists cities like Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver with their respective weather forecasts.

WORLDWIDE NATIONAL MAP. Map of the United States with weather icons and a legend for Fronts, Cold, Warm, Stationary, and Occluded.

Belmont

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that it was a "non-issue." Nevertheless, it cost the colt three days of training between the Penstock and the Belmont. Desormeaux said Big Brown "was in no way, shape or form lame or sore. But there's something amiss, probably just tired."

Big Brown's defeat extended the Triple Crown drought that began after Affirmed completed the elusive sweep in 1978.

"I feel for them. It doesn't always go the way you want," Steve Caution, who rode Affirmed, said by telephone from his Kentucky home. "I think someday a horse will come along and do it. One day it will happen. I really thought this was the horse."

Clearly, so did Dutrow. "The veteran trainer didn't speak when the race ended, walking quickly through the crowd with his eyes focused straight ahead as he tried to reach the track. Later, as Big Brown walked around the barn, Dutrow leaned on a wood railing, his head down, his blue dress shirt soaked with sweat, a look of disbelief on his face. Exercise rider Michelle Nevins stood silently next to him.

"Something has to be right" for him to be pulled up in a race, so I have to try to find out what it was," he said. "I'm sure it's not the horses fault, so there's nothing to be done on him."

Big Brown, eager in the early going, ran up on Da Tara's heels heading into the first turn — the first indication it wasn't going to be his coronation day.

Then Desormeaux tried to swing Big Brown wide to the outside and bumped Tale of Ekati in the turn.

"Ridden by Alan Garcia, Da Tara had the lead down the backstretch, with Tale of Ekati second and Big Brown third on the outside with a clear path. This was Big Brown's moment, and Desormeaux asked him to go. "When I got outside going into the first turn, I said, 'This is it. The race is over. I got it.'" Desormeaux said.



Da Tara's owner Robert LaPenta holds the trophy high after his horse won the 140th Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y., on Saturday.

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# OH BABY, BABY, BABY



Crystal Olson kisses one of her triplet daughters, Madalynn, at their Twin Falls home.

Staff photos by ANNELYN SMITH

## Forget color coding

### No simple solution for chaos with triplets

By Melissa Davlin  
Staff writer

Move over, Olsen twins. The Olson triplets are in town. And, like the "Full House" stars, they're darn cute.

Identical triplets Melya, Madalynn and Makenzie Olson were brought home to Twin Falls on May 19, two weeks after their birth at St. Luke's Boise Medical Center. Although born premature, the girls are healthy and have been breathing on their own since the May 3 cesarean birth.

Since the triplets' release from the hospital, parents Marcus and Crystal Olson have struggled to find a balance between caring for the babies and keeping their sanity.

"Not everything has gone as planned."

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Marcus, a first-time father of newborns, had to catch on quickly to infant care.

"This whole experience is a learning process," he said while feeding Madalynn in his living room chair in late May.

"He's doing OK, though," Crystal said.

Crystal, who has two children from a previous marriage, is also learning. The basics are the same, she said — just multiplied by three. Feed the baby, burp the baby, change the baby, put the baby down, repeat until all babies are asleep. A white board on the wall helps the parents keep track of which girl was fed when.

"We were forgetting to feed babies and feeding babies more

than once," Marcus said.

After just a month, caring for the triplets is now routine, but the Olsons have found that people around town are fascinated with the novelty of triplets. On a recent trip to Target, heads swiveled and customers stared as the couple cleaned the store out of preemie-sized diapers. And in late May, Marcus' mother, Judy Olson, was given money for diapers by a stranger while shopping at Costco Wholesale.

The Olsons understand the attention and have answers prepared for the standard inquiries: How many diapers do you go through? (About 20 a day.) Can

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## Baby, baby, baby

Times-News reporter Melissa Davlin and photographer Ashley Smith followed the Olson family of Twin Falls this spring through the preparations and the triplets' birth. The identical triplets were conceived without fertility aids, beating odds of one in 2 million to one in 200 million, depending on the source. This is the final installment in the reporting team's project.



Melya Olson, foreground, and her identical sisters Madalynn and Makenzie rest in their crib.



Emily Lewis, 5, talks with her 3 1/2-week-old sister Melya Olson at their Twin Falls home in late May. "I'm gonna teach them how to walk and talk," Emily says of the triplets. But she refuses to teach them how to say brother Ethan's name, she says.



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Watch the Olson family at home in our video story.

### Follow the family

Read Marcus and Crystal Olson's blog at [Magicvalley.com/blogs/familylife](http://Magicvalley.com/blogs/familylife), post comments and leave questions for the couple.

# SENIOR CALENDAR

## Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Chicken and noodle. Wednesday: Potato/ham casserole. Friday: Meatloaf. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Nu-2U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome. Wednesday: Nu-2U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m. Friday: Nu-2U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Foot clinic. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinocle, 1 p.m.

## West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$3.50, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday. **MENUS:** Monday: Vegetable soup and sandwich. Tuesday: Ham and beans. Wednesday: Cook's choice. Thursday: Chicken fried steak. **ACTIVITIES:** Today: Roast beef dinner, 1 p.m. Idaho Old Time Fiddlers. Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m. Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Saturday: Super Saturday

## Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Roast turkey. Tuesday: Cheeseburger. Wednesday: Orange chicken or pork roast. Thursday: Baked ham. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Pinocle, 12:30 p.m. Wild one, 6 p.m. Tuesday: Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m. Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Pinocle, 7 p.m. Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pinocle, 7 p.m.

## Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed internet.

## Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **MENUS:** Tuesday: Meatloaf. Wednesday: Polish sausage. Thursday: Roast pork. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Foot clinic, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

## Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-service salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4,

seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Chicken and noodle. Wednesday: Potato/ham casserole. Friday: Meatloaf. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Nu-2U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome. Wednesday: Nu-2U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m. Friday: Nu-2U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Foot clinic. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinocle, 1 p.m.

## Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Massage, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m. Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John Pinocle, 7 p.m. Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club, 7 p.m. Thursday: Board meeting, 10 a.m. Foot clinic, 1 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m. Pinocle, 1 p.m. Father's Day Dinner. Saturday: Pick up pie orders, 11 a.m.

## Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 p.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday. **MENUS:** Tuesday: Chicken sandwich. Thursday: Chicken fried steak. **ACTIVITIES:** Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

## Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch



Janet Coats, an instructor for an exercise class at the Ageless Senior Center in Kimberly, leads her class May 27 in low-impact exercises to improve strength and flexibility to help them avoid life-threatening injuries that may occur from falling down.

puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. **ACTIVITIES:** Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday. **MENUS:** Tuesday: Chicken strips. Wednesday: Bean soup. Friday: Potato bar. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m. Pinocle at Gooding, 1 p.m. Bingo. Wednesday: Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Friday: Pinocle, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pancake breakfast

## Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailcy. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. **MENUS:** Tuesday: Meatloaf. Wednesday: Chicken casserole. Friday: Father's Day lunch, roast pork. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Twin Falls trip, 8:30 a.m. Salad and soup bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Step it Up Walking Club, 9 a.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Walking club, 9 a.m. Foot clinic, 10 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

## Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. **MENUS:** Monday: Sweet-and-sour chicken. Tuesday: Chef salad. Wednesday: Hot cheese burger. Thursday: Enchiladas. Friday: Chicken, fish or enchiladas. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Pool, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at

## Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, non-seniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Sweet-and-sour chicken. Tuesday: Chef salad. Wednesday: Hot cheese burger. Thursday: Enchiladas. Friday: Chicken, fish or enchiladas. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Pool, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at

at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. **MENUS:** Monday: Liver and onions. Thursday: Cheese sandwich and soup

## Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Sweet-and-sour meatballs. Tuesday: Soup and sandwich. Wednesday: Birthday/anniversary dinner. Thursday: Quiche. Friday: Salisbury steak. **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Pool. Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

## Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. **MENUS:** Monday: Hot turkey sandwich. Tuesday: Beans and ham. Thursday: Baked chicken. **ACTIVITIES:** Tuesday: Quilting, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Birthday bingo, 2 p.m. Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m. Cardio, 1 p.m.

## Golden Heritage Senior Center

436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 677-4872 for appointments. Friday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

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# Keep your pet's mouth and teeth healthy with brushing

**The Washington Post**  
Pets get plaque build-up on their teeth just as humans do, but the amount varies in each cat or dog. Your pet should have a professional examination of its teeth once or twice a year, according to veterinary professionals. But in between, brushing is highly recommended. If you see broken teeth, inflammation around the gums or notice bad breath in your dog or cat, it's important to have this checked out by your vet. According to Steven Holmstrom, a veterinary dentist in California, home care of a pet's teeth is vital to overall well-being. He has

these tips for daily brushing, which he feels is a must for all dogs and cats.  
• Use either child-size toothbrushes with soft bristles, or a specially sized pet toothbrush.  
• Human toothpaste is not appropriate for pets and may give them an upset stomach because they are likely to swallow some of it. Instead, buy pet toothpaste available in flavors such as

seafood for cats and chicken for dogs.  
• Holmstrom recommends an online video from the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine that details the importance of brushing a cat's teeth and includes a four-week plan to introduce brushing to a reluctant pet. Check it out at <http://partners.vet.cornell.edu/pet>, search on "brushing teeth."

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# Triplets

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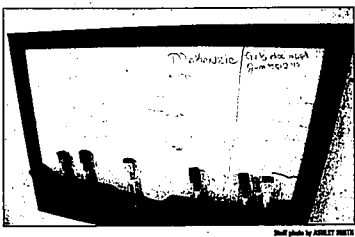
you tell the triplets apart? (Marcus can't yet.) How much sleep do you get? (Not much.)

Marcus and Crystal weathered the first couple of weeks well. At first, the babies were colicky and spent a few days crying uncontrollably. Sister Emily Lewis, 5, claimed they "kept her up all hours of the night," Crystal said.

But the babies, have calmed down and sleep about 18 hours a day. When one wakes up, Marcus and Crystal rouse the other two. Having them awake at the same time makes things easier. Even if they have to juggle three babies at once, the parents get longer breaks when the girls sleep.

Still, sometimes it's hard to coax the girls back to sleep at night. "They're little rock stars," Marcus said. "They parry all night and sleep all day."

The girls slept in the car on the way back from the Target trip, but Makenzie started fussing soon after returning



Dad Marcus Olson made this board to help organize the triplets' daily activities, including feeding and diaper changes.

home. Crystal swaddled the infant and left feeding her, but not before Meiya and Madalynn awoke and begged for attention.

Marcus grabbed Madalynn — or wons it, Meiya — and put the youngest girl in a bouncer seat. Crystal changed Makenzie's diaper and switched her out for another baby.

Sometimes, they try to care for all three at once.

"She'll do one. I'll do one and between the two of us we'll hold a bottle for the third one," Marcus said.

The color system they had carefully set up — pink for Meiya, yellow for Madalynn, purple for Makenzie — lasted less than a day. Donated clothes were mostly all pink. The girls wear tiny color-coordinated bows pasted to their heads and snuggie assigned blankets; other-

wise, they wear whatever clothes their parents throw on them.

Ethan Lewis, Crystal's 6-year-old son, is aware of the mischievous possibilities of having identical triplet sisters.

"Sometimes, I'm going to distract my mom, and I'm going to switch their blankets," Ethan whispered while his mom wasn't listening.

It wouldn't be too hard for Crystal, anyway) to figure out the mix-up. Meiya has more hair than Madalynn, and Makenzie's head is longer.

The girls also have different personalities. Makenzie is "chill," Marcus said, while Meiya is fussy. And when Meiya gets fussy, all the girls get fussy.

It's crazy, but Marcus and Crystal wouldn't give it up for anything.

"We'll keep 'em," Marcus said.

Melissa Davlin may be reached at 208-735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.

# Farm Safety Day registration extended

Staff report

Safe Kids Magic Valley extended the registration deadline for its 2008 Farm Safety Day Camp until Tuesday.

Farm Safety Day, limited to 125 participants, is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the Filer fairgrounds' Merchant Building No. 2. Children ages 8-14 can have hands-on training in agriculture safety, health and first aid. The fee of \$10 includes a T-shirt and lunch. Register: 737-2433.

# Make sure the shoe fits, especially for kids

The Washington Post

child is standing.

Phillip Wilson, an orthopedic surgeon at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, tells parents to allow for half the length of an adult thumbball between the tips of the toes and the front of the shoes. If there's less space, buy new. Infants generally don't need shoes except in cold weather.

Check your children's shoe fit frequently to avoid foot problems. Children's feet often grow faster than parents expect, and tight shoes can lead to lasting foot problems. Make a point of checking shoe fit every few weeks, experts recommend.

Check shoe fit while a

# Wedding-gown preservation: protecting your investment

By Samantha Critchell  
Associated Press writer

You wouldn't throw \$1,056 out the window — not even if you're a delightfully happy newlywed, right?

That's the average gown price in the 2006 American Wedding Study, the most recent survey available by Brides magazine. After the wedding, many of those gowns don't get cleaned, thus garishly diminishing their chances of ever being worn again.

"Brides don't sleep on their gowns but they don't understand that they're not protecting their investment if they don't clean them. They'll wait two, three, four, five years before they start asking about cleaning, but the problem is some of the stains have started to oxidize," says Joe Hallak, co-owner of The Hallak Cleaners stores in New York and New Jersey.

There is a direct relationship between time passed and the ability to clean a stain, he says.

A wedding dress doesn't have to go to the cleaners straight from the reception hall; bringing it in within a few weeks would do.

The actual cleaning is just as important as the preservation process, says John Hallak, Joe's brother and a partner in the business. "One of the bigger misconceptions out there is that the box the gown is preserved in is the important part, but the box can only preserve the reality you put into it."

The most common stain on wedding dresses is wine, according to the Hallaks. White wine and champagne, which make less noticeable stains initially, are just as damaging as red-wine stains over time.

The typical cleaning process involves spot cleaning, machine cleaning and

steam cleaning. Then gowns are pressed and put in a box to help control humidity.

Wedding gowns also typically have hem soil, especially if it was an outdoor wedding. "Soil has a lot of different components," Joe Hallak says. "It's not just dirt or grease in soil, fertilizer in soil."

Those are things that eat away at the fabric.

Another common wedding stain is lipstick, though Hallak says it's unlikely to set permanently.

The Hallaks also treat gowns with a process aimed at neutralizing sugar residue, including stains from wine or cake frosting.

Once you've got the gown in its box, they recommend shifting it around slightly every few years so certain parts don't fade or develop permanent creases. Wear rubber gloves, though, because fingers are greasier than you'd think, they say.



Maritzbel Uzuriaga and Joseph Hallak wear white gloves as they prepare a cleaned wedding dress for boxing at his Hallak Cleaners on Hackensack, N.J.

# Study: More women are contending with diabetes during pregnancy

By Shari Roan  
Los Angeles Times

Caution was the watchword for Grace Montoya's first pregnancy eight years ago.

The Valencia, Calif., resident had been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes when she was a teenager. As a registered nurse trained in pregnancy and diabetic care, she knew her pregnancy would have to be closely managed if she and her baby were to remain healthy. Before becoming pregnant, she switched from insulin shots to an insulin pump to better control her blood sugar. She tested her blood eight to 10 times a day, ate six small meals with frequent snacks to stabilize her blood sugar, watched her weight to avoid gaining too much and saw a doctor almost every two weeks in the first half of the pregnancy.

"It was a lot of hard work," she says. "It was a constant worry. But being in the health profession, I knew what could happen with my health and my baby's health if I wasn't careful."

Her son was born healthy. Many women that ever are experiencing the conflicting worlds of pregnancy and diabetes. A study from Kaiser Permanente published in April found that births to women with diabetes doubled between 1999 and 2005. The increase spanned every age, racial and ethnic group. But unlike Montoya, most won't have the information or high-quality health care that can help them manage diabetes and preg-

nancy so successfully.

Now some health experts are proposing that teenagers and young women who are diabetic or because of obesity, are at risk of becoming diabetic should be counseled about pregnancy — even when pregnancy is the furthest thing from their minds.

"We're seeing children as young as 10 developing Type 2 diabetes," said Jean Lawrence, the lead author of the study and a research scientist at Kaiser Permanente's Department of Research and Evaluation. "That means it's never too early for young women to know about their health as it relates to future childbearing."

Pregnant women with diabetes are at greater risk of suffering a miscarriage or stillbirth. Babies born to diabetic mothers are at higher risk of being premature and having birth defects. And a growing body of research suggests that babies born to diabetic mothers have an increased risk of becoming overweight or developing diabetes themselves.

Kaiser scientists found the rates of preexisting diabetes in pregnant women rose from 8 per 1,000 in 1999 to 18 per 1,000 in 2005. The rate increased the greatest among teens ages 13 to 19 — a fivefold jump over seven years of the study. The study, published in Diabetes Care, sampled 175,000 ethnically diverse women who gave birth in Southern California Kaiser hospitals.

The widespread trend toward obesity among all age groups, even children, is most likely to blame for the

shift, Lawrence says.

Preconception care — seeing a doctor before becoming pregnant to prepare for a healthy pregnancy — has been recommended to U.S. women for almost 20 years. But federal, state and local governments have focused largely on ensuring medical care for women who are already pregnant, says Dr. Peter Bernstein, a maternal-fetal medicine specialist at Montefiore Medical Center and Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City.

"But with all those programs, what we found is that the number of preterm births and number of low birth-weight babies is going up, not going down," Bernstein says. "That got people thinking about 'Is prenatal care making a difference?'"

Some maternal- and fetal-health experts suggest that focusing on good health care for reproductive-age women before pregnancy may yield better benefits. Studies suggest that having proper insulin control and maintaining a healthy weight before pregnancy and in the early weeks of pregnancy can greatly influence the health of the fetus. That would require making sure all reproductive-age women are prepared for pregnancy — whether or not pregnancy is on the agenda.

"It's a tough nut to crack because, in the United States, 50 percent of pregnancies are unintended," Bernstein says. "Simply saying 'Let's have a preconception care visit' isn't the solution."

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# Friend's foul language causes welcome mat to be withdrawn

**DEAR ABBY:** My mother is very strict about the use of obscenities, so I don't use them at home. However, I have become close friends with "Mallory" and cuss words are part of her normal speech.

I have been to Mallory's house where swear words are normal among her parents and siblings. If her parents are worse than she is in this regard, I know it's not right, but it's the way she has been brought up.

Recently, Mallory spent the night here, and my mother heard her cuss. My younger sister was in the room. After Mallory left, my mother said she will not tolerate such "filth" and said Mallory is no longer welcome in our home, especially because she thought nothing of exposing my sister to such language.

Abby, Mallory is a loyal, caring friend. Her behavior is the result of her upbringing. I don't think it's fair to ban her from our house. I would ask her not to talk this way in our



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

home, but I think she might slip up, and sometimes forget. Have you any suggestions?

— TARZANA, CALLIE, TEEN

**DEAR TARZANA TEEN:** While I understand your mother's point, if she thinks banishing Mallory will prevent foul language from reaching your sister's tender ears, she doesn't know what kids are saying in the halls of many schools today.

If you haven't already done so, level with Mallory. Tell her how you offended your mother was at the language she used. It's important for your friend to know that while profanity may be acceptable in her home, there are places where it is deeply offensive, and

your home is one of them. Then ask Mallory to call your mother and apologize. If she does, your mother may relent.

**DEAR ABBY:** A friend and I went to dinner at a local restaurant last night with our three young children. The oldest is 16, the other two are babies. We were seated next to a boisterous group of young women. As if their noise level wasn't enough, they proceeded to discuss certain bodily functions that are not appropriate for the dinner table, let alone a public place.

Needless to say, the impressionable 8-year-old got an earful and began asking questions. I had no idea how to answer him or to get the women to lower the noise level. How should I handle the situation should it arise again?

— OFFENDED IN THE DESERT

**DEAR OFFENDED:** You should get up, ask the host or

hostess to seat you as far from the "distraction" as possible, and explain why. That way no more parties that include children will be seated next to them.

**DEAR ABBY:** I was held back a year in junior high school. Two years later I went and earned my G.E.D.

If I had stayed in school and not been held back, I would have graduated in 1981. (The extra year would put my graduation in 1982.) Which high school reunion should I go to? Or am I excluded from attending any reunions because I didn't officially graduate? Where do I fit in?

— MYSTIFIED IN OHIO

**DEAR MYSTIFIED:** Rather than asking where you fit in, consider in which class you had the most friends — because that's the reunion you should attend. That gathering is where you will be more welcomed, even though you did not "officially" graduate with them.

## STORK REPORT

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

Shelby May Ward, daughter of Nicholas and Lindsey Ward of Burley, was born May 22, 2008.  
Aurora Alyssa Sylvester, daughter of Ron and Misty Sylvester of Burley, was born May 23, 2008.

### St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

Kasen Dean Davis, son of Teela Kristine Sunday and David Dean Davis of Twin Falls, was born May 14, 2008.

David Christopher Schmitz, son of Jennifer Elaine Losardo of Twin Falls, was born May 20, 2008.

Kaydence Jean Davis, daughter of Ashley Ann Davis of Twin Falls, was born May 21, 2008.

Madi Michele Lynn Andersen, daughter of Melissa Dee Rovig of Jerome, was born May 21, 2008.

Theodore James Dalesandro, son of Rachel Leah Spafford and David Michael Dulesandro of Twin Falls, was born May 22, 2008.

Fernando Ibarra Gutierrez, son of Ana Gutierrez Medrano and Jesus Ivarra Carlos of Jerome, was born May 24, 2008.

Zachary Louis Richardson Donabedian, son of Kayla Rae Richardson and Aaron Zachary Donabedian of Twin Falls, was born May 24, 2008.

Breah Lynn Kay, daughter of Tracy Lynn Thomas of Twin Falls, was born May 24, 2008.

Annalise Marie Von Berndt, daughter of Lynn Marie Von Berndt and Michael Patrick Yundt of Hollister, was born May 25, 2008.

Aidan Michael Lee Rodriguez, son of Trisha LeAnne Hall and Aaron Rodriguez of Twin Falls, was born May 26, 2008.

Brady John Anderson,

son of Carissa and Ryan James Anderson of Kimberly, was born May 26, 2008.

Cameron Nicole Francis, daughter of Amber Nicole and Chad Cameron Francis of Twin Falls, was born May 28, 2008.

Arabella Amber Marie Rose McLaughlin, daughter of Shonika Marie and Eugene McLaughlin of Twin Falls, was born May 28, 2008.

Sophy Hazel Boyd, daughter of Dana Marie and Eric Michael Boyd of Jerome, was born May 29, 2008.

Kelsie Marie Legg, daughter of Charlene Marie and Matthew Sterling Legg of Twin Falls, was born May 29, 2008.

Kaydence Jean Davis, daughter of Kortnee Glenn and William Shane Pulsipher of Jerome, was born May 29, 2008.

Bayler Ryan Harcourt, daughter of Darcy Dawn and Letoy Leslie Harcourt of Kimberly, was born May 30, 2008.

Kora Lynne Parke, daughter of Jessica Spaulding and Darin Douglas Parke of Carey, was born May 30, 2008.

Bryce Young Thomas, son of Jessica Kathryn and Tyson Flanders Thomas of Wendell, was born May 30, 2008.

Mala Lou Olmsted, daughter of Kenna Lee and Dallas Wayne Olmsted of Paul, was born May 31, 2008.

Tristan Michael Antonio Chapman, son of Heather Michelle and Steven Robert Chapman of Jerome, was born May 31, 2008.

Timothy Isalah Millwee, son of Michelle Anne and Bruce Daniel Millwee of Kimberly, was born June 1, 2008.

Angela Sauri Vera, daughter of Armidia Ramirez and Jose Jesus Vera of Twin Falls, was born June 2, 2008.

Marshall Dee Savage, son of Amy Marie and Otho Michael Savage of Jerome, was born June 2, 2008.

# Greater expectations: Luxury services for pregnant women are booming

By Monica Hesse  
The Washington Post

Women get pregnant. This is how civilized it moves forward. After centuries, somebody has figured out how to fully monetize this process.

At Becoming Mom in Mason, Ohio, pregnant realtor Amanda Grimm is helping a pregnant client decide between the nursing cream and the Mama Mio Tummy Rub butter. In the back, a pregnant Claire Schwab is getting a prenatal massage from the recently pregnant Jennifer Reisenberg, and a very pregnant Jackie Miller is giving a pedicure to Leah Swallinger, who just had a baby.

Miller and Swallinger are talking about raging hormones, a common topic of conversation at Becoming Mom, a spa devoted to pampering soon-to-be and new mothers. "That, and double strollers," says Swallinger, a family therapist. "We talk a lot about double strollers." Next to her sits a half-eaten chocolate bowl of chocolate mousse, part of her "cravings" pedicure. Her feet are coated in paraffin that looks like Hershey's syrup.

These conversations are squeezed between the "Yummy Tummy" belly facials, and the "Perfect Pregnancy" massages, and the manicures using "pregnancy-appropriate" essential oils and polishes. The treatment rooms smell like arnica. It's all glowy and expectant, chatty and Zen and oozing maternal, as if the lavender walls may start lactating.

There are no male employees here, no men at all except for the dads-to-be who occasionally slink in, drop \$200 on a "Baby Me" package, slink out.

Pregnancy used to be

"Women are looking at pregnancy more as a special time in their lives. It's about them as much as it's about producing the baby."

— Kate Ward, editor of TheNestBaby.com, the MySpace of pregnant women

something camouflaged and endured, nine months of achy backs and euphemisms and elastic waistbands with a 7-pound, 9-ounce reward at the end.

Not anymore. For a certain kind of mom with a certain kind of priority, pregnancy is a heady blur of spa visits and personal pregnancy cheifs, of baby planners and "babymoms." Pregnancy is not a journey. Pregnancy is a destination, a showplace.

About 60 percent of U.S. spas now offer pregnancy massages along with regular services, according to the International Spa Association, and maternity-specific spas are gestating all over the country. Dawn Bierschwal opened Becoming Mom near Cincinnati in 2004. It quickly drew clients from Dayton, Kentucky and Indiana. Now, she is consulting on five other locations. Edamame, owned by the same corporation that owns A Pea in the Pod and Destination Maternity, has in-store spas down the East Coast.

New books like "The Hot Mom to Be Handbook" encourage expectant moms to think of their pregnancies, which used to be opportunities to have babies, as "opportunities to take a tour of your senses, with special attention to taste, smell and touch." Do aromatherapy, the handbook suggests. Make "Mojito Mamas."

The pampered pregnancy is not just a rite of the rich. Bierschwal estimates that 50 percent of her prenatal massage clients had never had a rubdown

before their pregnancies.

"Women are looking at pregnancy more as a special time in their lives," says Kate Ward, editor of TheNestBaby.com, the MySpace of pregnant women. "It's about them as much as it's about producing the baby."

"Pregnancy is not the most gorgeous thing ever. Every time you do anything your ankles swell. It's so 'X-Files.'"

Allison Taylor, 35, is the face and belly of the pampered pregnant. She's had at least four prenatal massages, plus manicures, pedicures and a babymom to the Dominican Republic, where she spent a week sipping virgin cocktails and taking water aerobics. Today she's off to Midtown Manhattan for a full day of grooming at Edamame, including a swelling-reduction thing for the ankles. It's a gift from her husband, Gordon, who buys financial data for Bear Stearns.

The couple is working with a jeweler to design a "push present," a ring Gordon will give to Taylor after their child's June birth.

"The one thing I'm really splurging on is a baby nurse," Taylor says — one who will stay with them in their four-story Upper East Side apartment for 10 days, \$250 a day.

She has no idea where this pregnant princess persona came from. Pre-conception, she was a DIY kind of girl, who redid bathrooms and planted 2,000 flower bulbs at her Connecticut weekend home. She launched her own housewares company a few months before learning she was pregnant.

But then came the plus sign on the pregnancy test. And then came the luxury. "I ran the New York City Marathon. I'd get a massage for sure," she reasons. "And pregnancy is really a stretched-out marathon." A spa treatment or babymom "is like stopping at the water table on the way." A necessity.

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## ENGAGEMENTS

### BOHRN-GRANSBURY

Tim and Shari Bohrn of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Staci Lynn Bohrn, to Brogan Lee Anthony Gransbury, son of Ron Gransbury and Tairne and Andy Watkins, all of Burley. Bohrn attended Twin Falls High School and works at Conagra Foods. Gransbury is a 2005 graduate of Minico High School and works at ConAgra. The wedding is planned for 4 p.m. Saturday, June 14, at the home of Allen and



Brogan Gransbury and Staci Bohrn Bobbi Jo Hall, 2664 E. 4256 N. in Twin Falls. A reception will follow. The couple will reside in Twin Falls.

### WALKER-NICHOLS

Paul and Jeanne Walker of Butte, Mont., announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Walker, to Jacob Nichols, son of John and Julie Nichols of Rupert and Shirley Nichols of Mountain Home. Walker is a graduate of University of Montana-Western in Dillon; she works at Dworshak Elementary School in Burley. Nichols attends the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls and works at Chadwick Grille in Burley. The wedding is planned for



Jacob Nichols and Melissa Walker Friday, June 13, in Butte. A reception will follow at 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

## WEDDINGS

### POND-DAVIS

Emily Camille Pond and Jared R. Davis were married June 7 at the Denver LDS Temple. A reception followed in Berthoud, Colo.

The bride is the daughter of Stan and Marie Pond of Berthoud. The groom is the son of Denny and Jan Davis of Oakley.

The bride is a graduate of Berthoud High School and will pursue a fine art degree in illustration at Brigham Young University-Idaho in the fall.

The groom is a graduate of Oakley High School, College of Southern Idaho and BYU-Idaho. He received a fine art degree in graphic design and is a freelance graphic designer. He served in the Australia



Emily and Jared Davis Perth Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-days Saints.

A reception will be held 6-8 p.m. Saturday, June 14, at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, 355 N. Center St. The couple will reside in Berthoud this summer and Redburg in the fall.

### BROWN-ALKEMA

Keith and Debbie Brown of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsey Marie Brown, to Shaun Steven Alkema, son of Steve and Cody Alkema, of Fallbrook, Calif.

Brown is a 2006 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She attends Brigham Young University-Hawaii majoring in elementary and special education.

Alkema is a 2003 graduate of Fallbrook High School in California. He attended Palomar Community College and BYU-Provo, and attends BYU-Hawaii majoring in international business.

He served in the Italy Milan Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The wedding is planned



Shaun Alkema and Lindsey Brown for Saturday, June 21, at the San Diego LDS Temple.

A joint reception will be held that evening for the couple and his sister, Britney, and Eduardo Miramontes at the Alkema residence in Fallbrook.

A Hawaiian luau will be held 6-8 p.m. Saturday, June 28, at the Brown residence in Twin Falls. The couple plans to reside in Laie, Hawaii.

## ANNIVERSARIES

### THE KOEPPNICKS

Jim and Betty Koepnick of Rupert will celebrate their 50th anniversary Sunday, June 8.

They have lived in the area for 50 years. They have four children, Kenny (Tammy) Koepnick,

Kevin (Rebecca) Koepnick, Kelly (Kim) Koepnick and Ronnie (Scott) Stirling; 18 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

The couple will celebrate at a family campout at Lava Hot Springs.



John and Donald MacRae

### THE MACRAES

Donald Dean and JoAnn Macrae of Heyburn will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 15, at First Baptist Church of Paul, 25 N. Fourth E.

Donald Macrae and JoAnn Williams were married June 15, 1958, in Burley. They have

lived in Heyburn all their married lives. They own and operate Macrae Custom Farming. They are active in First Baptist Church of Paul and Snake River Flats. Their children are Naomi Macrae and Laurie (Howard) Schmitt, all of Heyburn, and the late Sharon Macrae. The couple has two grandchildren.

### MCKNIGHT-BROWN

Kenny and Emily McKnight of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsey McKnight, to Dane Brown, son of Reed and Leslie Brown of Jerome.

McKnight and Brown are graduates of Twin Falls Christian Academy and attend the College of Southern Idaho. Brown is a self-employed farmer.

The wedding is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, July 19, at RL Brown Farms. A recep-



Lindsey McKnight and Dane Brown tion will follow at 12:30 p.m. at the Risk in Jerome.

### MUELLER-LEONHARD

Lynnn and Arlis Mueller of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Catrina Mueller, to Mitchell Leonard, son of Robert and Carolyn Leonard of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Mueller is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and attended College of Southern Idaho until she joined the Navy in 2005. Leonard is a graduate of North High School in Des Moines, Iowa, and attended Marshalltown Community College until he joined the Navy in 2004. The wedding is planned



Catrina Mueller and Mitchell Leonard

for Saturday, June 14, at the rose garden at CSI. A reception will follow at The Ballroom in Twin Falls.

The couple will be stationed at Naval Air Station in Lemoore, Calif.



### THE PETERSONS

Oralee and Fred Peterson Jr. of Jerome will be honored at an open house for their 60th wedding anniversary. Family and friends are invited from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 14, at the Jerome First Baptist Church, 308 First Ave. E.

Fred "Bud" Peterson and Oralee Moore were married June 20, 1948, in Jerome. They have lived and farmed southwest of Jerome for 60 years. They have been active



Oralee and Fred Peterson Jr.

in square dancing with Magic Squares, a neighborhood pinocle club; Canyonside Grange; and the College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit exercise class. They are members of the First Baptist Church.

Their children are Larry (Diana) Peterson of Boise and Becky (Mike) Showalter of Rupert. The couple has four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

### SCHAAL-CLAASEN

Mark and Pam Schaal of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Brytany Michelle Schaal, to Paul Theodore Claassen, son of Randy and Carla Claassen and Gael Nwaefulu, all of Brownsville, Ore.

Schaal is a 2002 graduate of Twin Falls High School. Claassen is a 1993 graduate of Ketchikan High School in Alaska. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 14, at Redfish Lake, with a recep-



Paul Claassen and Brytany Schaal tion following 4-8 p.m. The couple will reside in Twin Falls.



### THE SNOGRASSES

E.L. "Verne" and Janice Snodgrass of Twin Falls will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday, June 10. A family celebration is planned.

Verne Snodgrass and Janice Schmecke were married June 10, 1958, at United Methodist Church in



Janice and Verne Snodgrass

It was employed by a local potato processing company for 40 years. She is a homemaker.

They have two children, Michael (Deborah) Snodgrass of Twin Falls and Theresa (Scott) Snodgrass Guthrie of Spring Creek, Nev. The couple has two grandsons.

### GRINDLE-HURLBUTT

Grethen Grace Grindle and Bryan Jack Hurlbutt were married May 31 at Redfish Lake Lodge in Stanley. The Honorable Daniel C. Hurlbutt Jr., father of the groom, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mimi and Michael Lett of Madison, Wis., and Byron Grindle of Portland, Ore. The groom is the son of Daniel and Barbara Hurlbutt of Ketchikan and formerly of Twin Falls.

Rose Grindle, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Julie Hurlbutt, sister of the groom, and Yvoni Fullmer, Barkley Christiansen and Angenie McCleary, friends of the bride.

Zachary Thompson, friend of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Steve Michener, Adam Paxton, Ryan York and Luke Gall, friends of the groom. The bride is a graduate of



Grethen and Bryan Hurlbutt

Lincoln High School in Portland and Colorado College. She is a financial adviser at Merrill Lynch in New York City and recently ran in the Olympic Marathon Trials in Boston.

The groom is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Colorado College. He recently completed his first year at Columbia Law School and will work as an intern at Riverkeeper, an environmental organization investigating river pollution. The couple resides in New York City.

### WHITELEY-MURPHY

Mendi Kaye Whiteley and Joshua Daniel Murphy were married Oct. 6 at CW Moore Plaza in Boise.

Officiating was his friend, Jeff Garringer, ordained for the occasion.

The bride is the daughter of Tammy Whiteley of Emmett and the late Kevin Whiteley. She graduated from Emmett High School and Boise State University. She works at University of Phoenix in Meridian, while pursuing a master's degree in business.

The groom is the son of Steve and Nancy Murphy of Burley. He graduated from



Joshua and Mendi Murphy Burley High School and BSU. He is a lending specialist with First Horizon Home Loans in Eagle.

After a honeymoon in Jamaica, the couple resides in Meridian.

### HARMON-BUSH

Jeffrey and Cynthia Harmon of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Harmon, to Theodore Bush, son of Linda Vining of Jerome.

Harmon is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Boise State University. She is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at BSU and is a transportation engineer with CH2M Hill in Boise.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 21, at St. Edwards Catholic Church. A reception will follow at Blue Lakes Country Club.



Ted Bush and Jenny Harmon bridge engineer with HDIT Engineering in Boise.

## A few tips for getting your new puppy adjusted to your home

The Washington Post

A new puppy means big changes at home. The frisky newcomer needs a place that is safe for him to live and play in, and the owners need to minimize potential destruction from a high-energy young animal. Here are a few

tips on getting the house ready for all concerned:

- When puppy-proofing your home, imagine that anything on the floor might become a potential chew toy.
- Consider putting baby gates in front of rooms that are off limits.
- Make sure trash cans or

cleaning products are not accessible.

- Put safety plugs in electrical outlets.
- Check out the list of plants that are poisonous to dogs by going to www.aspcap.org and clicking on Animal Poison Control Center.

- If you plan to put the pup in a crate at night, consult a vet or breeder about what size is right for your dog and discuss crate training methods.

• Make an appointment with your veterinarian to check out your new puppy within a day or two of bringing it home.

## On the case ...

By Emily Messner  
Special to The Washington Post

Think you're food- and nutrition-smart? Here's a pop quiz:

• Which is better for you: broiled chicken or fried chicken?

- True or false: French fries and baked potatoes have the same amount of calories.
- True or false: Dark-colored veggies contain fewer vitamins.

Answers: Broiled. False (a medium order of fries has more than 400 calories; a baked potato about 150). False (dark green and orange veggies are especially good for you).

So, how'd you do?

If you could use a refresher course, or if you're just starting to learn about what is healthy to eat, help is just a click away, with the online Amazing Food Detective game.

Emily, Althea, Enrique and five of their virtual friends are waiting for you at [www.kp.org/amazingfooddetective](http://www.kp.org/amazingfooddetective) with games, quizzes, charts, experiments, recipes and other useful tools.

At the start of the game, players are given eight cases to solve (in English or Spanish). Each case features a kid with a problem. Matthew, for instance, is tired all the time. Cole pigs out on junk food. Emily eats good food but too much of it. Enrique has weak bones and teeth.

It takes some basic detective work to find the foods or actions to fix each problem. Once you solve the case, there are more activities and games (including a surprisingly tough challenge involving filling milk bottles with the right kind of milk).

There also are activities to print out — good for long car trips this summer.

The information is geared to kids ages 9 to 11 and is being used with lesson plans developed by Scholastic at an estimated 8,000 schools nationwide. Kids who complete the lesson plan receive silver badge stickers.

Some of the earliest online detectives were fifth-graders at Wilson Elementary School in Washington.

On the day we visited, Montel Adams watched as Devin Daniels racked up a high score in one of the games. "If you get hit by three pounds of junk food, you lose," Devin explained. Devin hadn't been hit with much junk food, so he kept playing.

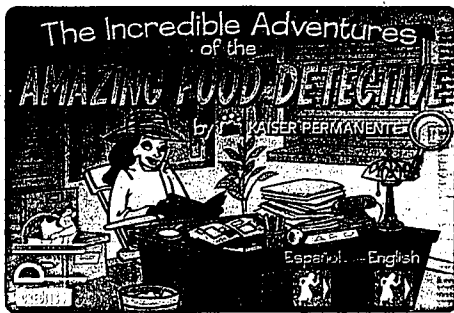
But you can't play for too long. After 20 minutes, the game shuts off automatically and the Amazing Food Detective tells you to go do something active — 100 pushups, maybe? — and come back in an hour.

At another computer, fifth-graders Brianna Brett, Shantisa Brooks and Michon Curtis were busy solving the case of

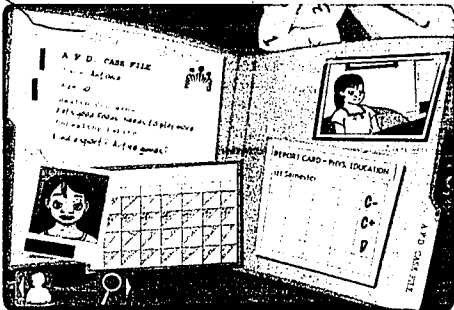
Matthew, who was in the gym doing jumping jacks but very slowly. The solution? A big machine nearby. With each click of the mouse — zap! — the machine made Matthew exercise faster. The girls agreed they probably wouldn't want to be zapped into doing faster jumping jacks.

The Amazing Food Detective was created and launched last fall by Kaiser Permanente, a large organization of hospitals, doctors and other health-care professionals.

The game definitely guides you along. Older kids who might not find it challenging enough can try playing in Spanish. Buena suerte!



The Amazing Food Detective online site was created and launched last fall by Kaiser Permanente, a large organization of hospitals, doctors and other health-care professionals. The detective needs help solving the cases of a lineup of eight kids who have problems related to the foods they do or don't eat.



### Healthy snack recipe

#### Carrot & Raisin Salad

- 2 large carrots, shredded (be very careful with the shredder, or get an adult to do it)
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/4 chopped walnuts (this is optional; and walnuts can be bought already chopped, so you don't have to use a sharp knife)
- 1/4 cup honey mustard dressing

Combine carrots, raisins and walnuts in a bowl. Pour on dressing, then stir or toss until everything is well mixed. For best flavor, wait about 30 minutes before eating.

## BOOK REVIEWS

### Histories of Titanic

The Washington Post

"Titanic," by Jim

Pipe, for ages 9-12

"Titanic: Disaster at

Sea," by Martin

Jenkins and Brian

Sanders, for ages

9-12

Ninety-six years ago, RMS Titanic, the largest and arguably most elegant passenger ship in the world, was steaming toward New York on its first voyage when it struck an iceberg in the North Atlantic and sank less than three hours later. More than 700 people survived, but nearly 1,500 did not. Among those who died was John Jacob Astor IV, one of the wealthiest Americans of his day.

The story of the Titanic (pronounced tie-TAN-ick), the pride of the White Star Line shipping company, has fascinated people ever since, and not just because the ship was designed to be nearly unsinkable.

Why did the captain not heed warnings of icebergs in the area that night? Why were there not enough lifeboats for everyone on board, and why

were some of the 20 lifeboats the ship did have lowered into the water half full?

Why, when the Titanic sent out frantic distress signals, did the closest ship not respond?

Not all questions are answered in these two books (some answers likely will never be known), but that just makes the fate of the Titanic an even better story, one that shows no sign of fading from interest almost a century after it happened.

### 'Donavan's Double Trouble'

The Washington Post

By Monalisa DeGross, for ages 7-10

For a fourth-grader, Donovan has some fairly big problems weighing on his mind.

For one thing, he's struggling with math.

He tries, but he just doesn't get it. Worse, his little sister, Nikki, is a whiz with numbers. He doesn't mind it too much when Nikki helps him with his math homework, but what if the guys found out?

Then there's the problem of Uncle Vic. He was Donovan's hero, a talented high school and college basketball player.

But now that his life has been upended by a severe war injury, Uncle Vic seems different, and Donovan isn't sure how to act around him.

At school, everyone is busy planning Heritage Month activities. Donovan's family wants Vic to go and show his wood carvings.

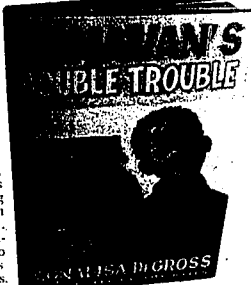
But Donovan is afraid that his uncle will feel out of place and be pestered with stupid questions about his disability.

So Donovan tries to make sure his uncle won't be invited to Heritage Month, while Vic sets about trying to help Donovan with math.

Can these problems possibly result in a happy ending? You'll have to read the book to find out.

Author Monalisa DeGross lives in Baltimore and has two children — Donovan and Nikki.

If you enjoy this book, try "Donovan's Word Jar," her first children's book.



### 'Toby Wheeler,' 'Game'

The Washington Post

"Toby Wheeler:

Eighth-Grade

Benchwarmer," by

Thatcher Heldring,

for ages 9-12

"Game," by Walter

Dean Myers, for

ages 12 and older

Toby Wheeler is a hoops gym rat, but when he joins his school team it's almost as if he has never played basketball before. The new coach rides him pretty hard, making Toby the last guy to come off the bench in a game.

It doesn't help that Toby has fallen for the coach's daughter or that his best friend, the team's star player, seems to have lost interest in both basketball and their friendship.

Toby has a lot to learn — about basketball, teamwork, friendship ... and girls. Read this book and you might learn something about those things, too.

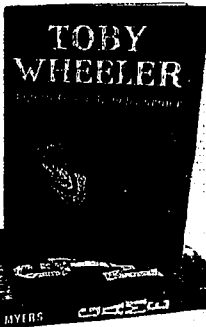
For older readers, "Game" tracks fall a season with Drew Lawson, a high school

senior in New York City who has big-time college and NBA dreams.

Other teens he knows have ended up hanging out on the streets of Harlem or flirting with jail time.

Drew is determined not to be like them, and he seems to have the skill — and confidence — to succeed. But when a talented white player from the Czech Republic joins Drew's previously all-black team, his "game" — on the court and off — is in for a shake-up.

Realistic play-by-play descriptions put you in the middle of the action.







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# Rock 'n' roll, Legos, and the Simpsons

## Theme parks offer thrills and family fun

By Beth J. Harpaz  
Associated Press writer

**N**EW YORK — It's a big year for fans of theme parks and roller coasters all over North America. The long list of new attractions includes the rock 'n' roll-themed Hard Rock Park in Myrtle Beach, S.C.; the Nickelodeon-themed park at Minnesota's Mall of America; Toy Story Mania! at Disney's The Simpsons at Universal; and enough new thrill rides to literally make your head spin.

The coasters include Behemoth, Canada's longest, fastest and tallest coaster, opening at Canada's Wonderland near Toronto; Fahrenheit at Hersheypark in Pennsylvania, and The Dark Knight Coaster at Six Flags in New Jersey and near Chicago, based on the upcoming Batman movie "The Dark Knight." There are also new Tony Hawk-themed rides opening at several Six Flags, a water ride at Dollywood where you shoot giant soakers at other riders and interactive targets, and new children's areas at SeaWorld San Diego, Cedar Point and other parks.

"There are new thrills and exciting family adventures from coast to coast at America's theme parks this summer," said David Mandt,

speakman for the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions. "Everything from thrilling roller coasters to action-packed dark rides to whimsical children's areas and a number of new water park attractions. There's something for everyone."

Mandt said that most Americans are within a "one-tank drive to a local theme park," making the parks a good family destination even in a slow economy. And while theme-park admission can be pricey for a family of four, Mandt mentioned a couple of ways to save. Tickets bought online are often cheaper than at the gate; parks sometimes offer deals or discount coupons on

soda cans, milk cartons or other items; and some employers offer theme-park discounts as a benefit. Also, if you're likely to go a couple of times, a season pass will typically pay for itself in less than three visits," Mandt said.

Here are some of the new parks and attractions in the U.S. and Canada. A few opened earlier this spring; most but not all will open by Memorial Day. Check with parks for specific opening dates.

### In California and Florida:

**THE SIMPSONS RIDE,** Universal Orlando, Orlando, Fla., www.universalorlando.com and at Universal Studios Hollywood, Los Angeles, universalstudioshollywood.com, The Simpsons Ride, a simulator ride that's part thrills, part TV show, replaces Back to the Future at Universal in Hollywood and Orlando.

**TOY STORY MANIA!** Walt Disney World, Lake Buena Vista, Fla., disneyworld.com and Disneyland, Anaheim, Calif., disneyland.com. Interactive ride where you shoot at virtual targets, inspired by the "Toy Story" movies. Opens at Disney World in Florida May 31 and at Disney's California Adventure June 17. Mandt said the ride is a good example of the interactive trend

hitting theme parks: "You first ride and second ride are different, and you actually have a role to play in the outcome." Also new at Disneyland in Anaheim.

**INNOVATIONS DREAM HOME** in Tomorrowland, a 21st-century redesign of the classic House of the Future, and Pixar Play Parade at California Adventure with characters from movies like "Toy Story," "Monsters, Inc." and "Cars" on giant floats.

**JUNGALA,** Busch Gardens, Tampa Bay, Fla., jungala.com. Interactive animal park, where you can watch white-checked gibbons up close, observe an orangutan paint, and experience tug-of-war with a froggy ally. Geared to families with children ages 6-14.

**AQUATICA,** SeaWorld, Orlando, Fla., aquatica.seaworld.com. Water park adjacent to SeaWorld, with waterfalls, racing slides, a raft ride, wave pools, caves, lagoons, a beach and 36 slides. The park is also home to dolphins, birds and fish.

**Sesame Street Bay of Play,** SeaWorld, San Diego, Calif., seaworld.com/sandiego. Themed kiddie park with Sesame Street characters, three rides and live show.

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**BOTTOM LEFT:** Visitors fill the park at the March 15 grand opening of the Nickelodeon Universe, the new amusement park at the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn.

**RIGHT:** Jack Jack, from Disney Pixar's "The Incredibles", rides atop the Omnidroid during a March 13 rehearsal for the new Pixar Play Parade at Disney's California Adventure Park in Anaheim, Calif.

**BELOW:** The Behemoth roller coaster at Canada's Wonderland in Vaughan, Ontario.



**ABOVE:** The entrance to the new Simpsons Ride at Universal Studios is shown in Orlando, Fla., April 30.

**LEFT:** People are shown under a waterfall floating down Roa's Rapids, at Sea World's Aquatica water theme park in Orlando, Fla., May 16.

# More airline fiascos and how they affect passengers

By Cindy Loose  
The Washington Post

The stranding of thousands of American Airlines passengers this spring raised anew a critical question: Since the problem was caused by the airline as it scrambled to make sure its planes met Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards for airworthiness, what are passengers owed?

Not much. FAA rules state that passengers are entitled to refunds if flight schedules change "substantially," but that doesn't get you where you want to go.

Other than that, an airline owes you only what it promises in its contract of carriage. America's contract states: "American will endeavor to carry you and your baggage with reasonable dispatch, but times shown in timetables or elsewhere are not guaranteed. American is not responsible for or liable for failure to make connections, or to operate any flight according to schedule, or for a change to the schedule of any flight. Under no circumstances shall American be liable for any special, incidental or consequential damages arising from the foregoing."

On its Web site last week, American said it was "actively working to re-accommodate our affected passengers," adding that customers stuck overnight "may e-mail American Airlines customer relations to request information about compensation."

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Airline service has been on the decline for years, so it's no surprise that statistics show it was worse in 2007 than in 2006. But does that justify all the hand-wringing by the media at the release of the 2008 Airline Quality Rating? Here are two ways of looking at it.

1. Complaints to the Department of Transportation increased by about 60 percent.

2. The rate of complaints increased from 0.06 per 100,000 passengers to 1.32 per 100,000 passengers.

Airline expert Terry Trippler says that although "airline service ... has been going in the wrong direction for way too long," some people are going overboard in interpreting the report's stats.

The airlines are also mis-handling more baggage than ever: 7,011 passengers per 1,000 walk away from carousels without their bags, up from 6.5. Not good, but chances are you'll travel with your bags — unless you're flying British Airways into the troubled Terminal 5 at London's Heathrow airport.

On-time performance, another criterion in the study, dropped from 75.5 percent in 2006 to 73 percent in 2007. Check a flight's on-time record at flightstats.com before buying a ticket. See the airline quality report, which is written annually by industry experts at the University of Nebraska and Wichita State University, at [www.aqr.aero](http://www.aqr.aero).

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The domino-like collapse of Aloha Airlines, ATA and Skybus within a matter of days might have rattled the already jangled nerves of airline passengers. High fuel costs, which contributed to the demise of the three carriers, are putting pressure on all that remain.

However, don't worry about a major U.S. carrier suddenly ceasing operations: Companies with hundreds of millions in assets don't suddenly pack up and turn off their lights. They do, however, "have to get a handle on fuel costs, either by raising fares or cutting services," says airline expert Jerry Chandler, who writes an airline column for Cheapflights.com, a discount ticket site. So far, the airlines have responded to

fuel costs by tacking on fuel surcharges and raising fees.

Small airlines and other travel providers are at risk of sudden closures. Critical countermeasures: Always pay by credit card so you can apply for a refund.

You can also buy travel insurance to cover defaults, but be careful: Three pieces of advice from John W. Crook of quotewright.com, a travel insurance comparison site: • Buy from an independent source. Policies sold by tour

operators, cruise lines and airlines often don't cover their own default.

• Make sure the policy covers your travel provider. One major company, Access America, lists companies it will cover if they suddenly

default. Travel Guard and Travelix lists troubled companies they will not cover.

• Know that default protection must be purchased within a given period after an initial trip deposit, generally 10 to 21 days.

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## Idaho's Silver Rapids water park opens

**KELLOGG** — Skiing and strolling overlapped for a weekend at the Silver Mountain Resort, as the ski season ended June 1 and the new Silver Rapids Indoor Waterpark opened May 30.

The 42,000-square-foot indoor water park includes a Flowtiller Surf Wave surfing machine, a family raft ride with a water slide, two enclosed tube slides, a lazy river, a spray deck for toddlers, an activity pool with

basketball hoops, a water obstacle course, and a multi-level play structure with a giant tipping bucket.

The ski resort also offers outdoor summer activities, including downhill mountain biking.

Concerts scheduled for summer include Ted Nugent on July 27 and Corbin Blue from "High School Musical" on Aug. 2.

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# Parks

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**PACIFIC WHEEL**, Santa Monica Pier, Calif., [pacpark.com](http://pacpark.com). This new \$1.5-million Ferris wheel with 15,000 lights replaces the old Ferris wheel, which recently sold on eBay to a buyer from Oklahoma.

**LAND OF ADVENTURE**, Legoland, Carlsbad, Calif., [legoland.com/california.htm](http://legoland.com/california.htm). A new area of the park with attractions that include a dark ride, Lost Kingdom Adventure, and Pharaoh's Revenge, where you shoot foam balls. New Sea Life Aquarium expected to open in July.

**FIREBALL**, California's Great America, Santa Clara, Calif., [cagreatamerica.com](http://cagreatamerica.com). Thrill ride that flips and turns riders through the air and water effects.

**PONY EXPRESS**, Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, Calif., [knotts.com](http://knotts.com). A launched coaster that travels through 60-degree turns and maneuvers.

## In Canada, the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic:

**BEHEMOTH**, Canada's Wonderland, Vaughan, Ontario (near Toronto), [canadawonderland.com](http://canadawonderland.com). Canada's tallest, tallest roller coaster, with a 230-foot first drop followed by seven more out-of-your-seat drops.

**NAGARIN FERRY**, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, [niagaraferry.com](http://niagaraferry.com). High-tech attraction telling the story of the creation of the famous falls. Centrepiece of renovated Table Rock observation site.

**MIDCOASTER**, Darien Lake, Darien Center, N.Y., [golaridienlake.com](http://golaridienlake.com). New ride design intended to simulate a motorcycle, with 12 motorcycles on a figure-eight layout. 44 feet tall, at speeds up to 40 mph.

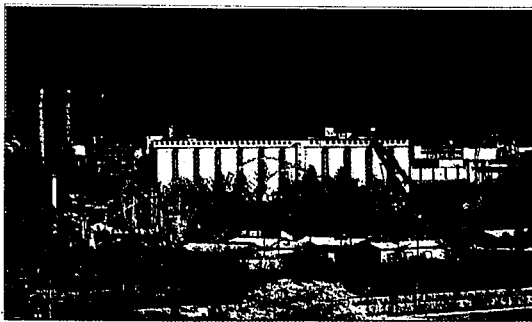
**VERTICAL**, Hersheypark, Hershey, Pa., [hersheypark.com](http://hersheypark.com). Vertical lift inverted loop coaster, up to 50 mph, 2,700 feet of steel track. Also new at Hershey, the Flowler ride, with sphere-shaped cars that rotate at a 20-degree angle, creating a "tornado-like" experience.

**WHIRLY**, Dorney Park, Allentown, Pa., [dorneypark.com](http://dorneypark.com). Inverted steel coaster that ascends 185 feet up, launches forward and backward, twists 300 degrees and rockets riders up to 70 mph.

**DOMINATOR**, Kings Dominion, Doswell, Va., [kingsdominion.com](http://kingsdominion.com). Floorless roller coaster with two inversions, said to have the world's largest vertical loop. The coaster comes to Virginia from Geauga Lake in Aurora, Ohio, which is now a water park. Geauga Lake's Wildwater Kingdom, wild water park.

## At Six Flags parks:

**DARK KNIGHT**, Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson, N.J., and Six Flags Great Escape in Gurnee, Ill., near Chicago, [sixflags.com/greatadventure](http://sixflags.com/greatadventure) and [sixflags.com/greatamerica](http://sixflags.com/greatamerica). Indoor roller coaster with hairpin turns, drops into darkness, and video for the opening Batman movie, "The Dark Knight."



The roller coaster 'Fahrenheit' at Hersheypark in Hershey, Pa.

**TONY HAWK'S HALFPIPE**, Six Flags America, Bowie/Mitchellville, Md., [sixflags.com/america](http://sixflags.com/america). Water slide designed to evoke skating a halfpipe.  
**TONY HAWK'S BIG SPIN**, Six Flags Over Texas, Arlington, Texas, [sixflags.com/over-texas](http://sixflags.com/over-texas) and at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo, Calif., [sixflags.com/discoverykingdom](http://sixflags.com/discoverykingdom). Built to resemble a skate park, with cars that twist, turn and spin.

**GO! IT!**, Six Flags Fiesta Texas, San Antonio, Texas, [sixflags.com/fiesta-texas](http://sixflags.com/fiesta-texas). Inverted coaster that suspends riders from an overhead track and goes 50 mph.

**MAGIE MOUNTAIN**, Valencia, Calif., [sixflags.com/magie-mountain](http://sixflags.com/magie-mountain). This is a redesign on an existing coaster, with new visual, auditory and sensory effects.

**YULE KNIGHT**, Six Flags St. Louis, Taneyka, Mo., [sixflags.com/st-louis](http://sixflags.com/st-louis). Wooden coaster with a 2,700-foot track, 30-foot drop, and double 55-foot drops. Expected opening late June.

**THOMAS TOWN**, Six Flags Over Georgia, Austell, Ga., near Atlanta, [sixflags.com/over-georgia](http://sixflags.com/over-georgia). Play area for younger children themed on Thomas the Tank Engine.

## In the South:

**HARD ROCK PARK**, Myrtle Beach, S.C., [hardrockpark.com](http://hardrockpark.com). New rock 'n' roll themed park with coasters named for Led Zeppelin and the Eagles, plus a groovy dark ride based on the Moody Blues' "Nights in White Satin."

**ROVER BATTLE**, Dollywood, Pigeon Forge, Tenn., [dollywood.com](http://dollywood.com). Water adventure ride with time rails. Each raft holds eight people armed with soaker guns taking aim at each other and more than 100 interactive targets, including

slashing beavers, skunks, otters, and bears.

## In the Midwest and West:

**PLANET SNOOPY**, Cedar Point, Sandusky, Ohio, [cedarpoint.com](http://cedarpoint.com). New children's play area with seven rides, plus a new Snoopy-themed restaurant and ice show.

**SKY RIFLER**, Challenge Park at Cedar Point, Sandusky, Ohio, [cedarpoint.com/public/park/challenge](http://cedarpoint.com/public/park/challenge). A thrill ride that spins like a propeller with open cars 16 stories off the ground. Expected opening June.

**THUNDERBOLT**, Michigan's Adventure, Muskegon, Mich., [midwestentertainment.com](http://midwestentertainment.com). The 105-foot tall inverted roller coaster flips riders upside-down five times. Located from Geauga Lake in Aurora, Ohio, which is now a water park.

**REX TIME COY**, Gurnee, Ill., [kaytimecoy.com](http://kaytimecoy.com). New water park with wave pool, body slides, lazy river, activity pool for water sports.

**KIMA BAY**, Holiday World & Splashin' Safari, Santa Clay, Ind., [holidayworld.com](http://holidayworld.com). New monkey-themed water park attraction at Splashin' Safari.

**NICKEL OBEON UNIVERSE**, Mall of America, Bloomington, Minn., [nickelodeonuniverse.com](http://nickelodeonuniverse.com). Nickelodeon, the children's cable network, has had Nickel-branded zones in theme parks before, but this park, which opened in March, is the company's first stand-alone theme park. Rides include SpongeBob SquarePants Rock Bottom Plunge roller coaster.

**OWNSEA**, Lagoon Park,

Farmington, Utah, [lagoon-park.com](http://lagoon-park.com). Interactive family water ride with flying fish-shaped gondolas that can be navigated to avoid getting sprayed by water from other cars.

**AFTERSHOCK**, Silverwood Theme Park, Athol, Idaho, [silverwoodthemepark.com](http://silverwoodthemepark.com). New 191-foot bumperang-like inverted steel roller coaster with two towers, 90-degree inclines and a 177-foot drop. Expected opening July.

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# Cruises charging more for fuel

By Cindy Loose  
The Washington Post

Pondering a Disney Cruise? The fee for cruises booked after May 27 is \$8 per passenger per day for the first two passengers in a cabin and \$3 per day for additional passengers in the same cabin.

Disney was the last of the major cruise lines to respond to higher fuel prices with surcharges. Most imposed them

late last year and topped the amount recently. First time around, some lines ran afoul of the Florida attorney general by imposing the fee on passengers who had booked before the surcharge was announced. Those passengers are owed refunds of the surcharge amount.

All of the lines set a surcharge cap for long cruises: Disney's surcharge, for example, is capped at \$142 for each

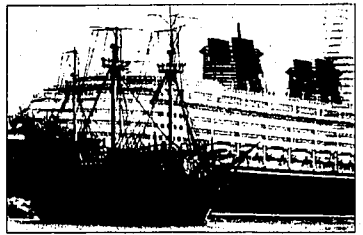
of the first two passengers in a cabin (\$224 per couple) and \$42 for each additional roommate. In all cases, the surcharge is less for the third person in a cabin.

A quick rundown: • Celebrity and Royal Caribbean increased their fuel surcharges from \$5 to \$8 per person per day. If you booked a 2008 cruise before the announcement of a surcharge on Nov. 16 and

paid the extra fee, ask for a surcharge refund.

• Norwegian increased its daily fuel surcharge from \$7 to \$9 per person.

• Carnival, Costa, Cunard, Holland America, Princess and Seabourn recently raised their fuel surcharges from \$5 to \$7 per person per day. If you booked a 2008 cruise before the announcement of the surcharges on Nov. 7 and paid the fee, ask for a refund.



Disney is charging cruisers \$8 extra per day to help cover fuel costs.

## New Mexico CulturePass

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — The state of New Mexico's Department of Cultural Affairs and Tourism has partnered with Travelocity to produce the New Mexico CulturePass.

For \$25, the pass provides admission to 14 state-run museums and monuments, a 50 percent savings over what it would cost if you visited them all and paid full-price. The pass is good for a year.

The pass covers the New Mexico Museum of Space History in Alamogordo in the southern part of the state; the National Hispanic Cultural Center and the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque; the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum in Las Cruces; and the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture, the Museum of International Folk Art, the New Mexico Museum of Art, and the Palace of the Governors/New Mexico History Museum in Santa Fe.

The monuments included in the pass are Bosque Redondo Memorial at Fort Sumner, Coronado State Monument, El Camino Real International Heritage Center, Fort Sedon State Monument, Jemez State Monument and Lincoln State Monument.

Details at newmexicoculture.org. You can obtain the pass at any of the 14 museums and monuments or online at newmexicoculture.org. To buy the pass through Travelocity, select "activities" from the Web site home page and enter New Mexico as your destination.

Also in New Mexico, ART Santa Fe is scheduled for July 10-13. The contemporary art fair has taken place every other year since it started in 1995, but it's going annual this year after last year's turnout of 5,000 people in four days. Galleries from around the world exhibit at the fair. Details at artsantafe.com.

## WEB BUZZ:

### ForestCamping.com has the camping facts

By Vanj Rangachar  
Los Angeles Times

Camping season is upon us. ForestCamping.com may help you find your spot among the trees, birds and bees.

What's hot: The site is researched by a husband-and-wife team who say they have visited most of the 160 national forests listed. You'll get just the facts: how many RV and campsites the campground has, whether they have flush toilets, campground elevation, directions etc. It has a searchable database.

What's not it's not comprehensive (e.g., no listings for Alaska and Kansas) and it's unsophisticated. More campgrounds are mentioned in the Western states. Photos don't accompany the listings, and you have to click through to different pages to see them.

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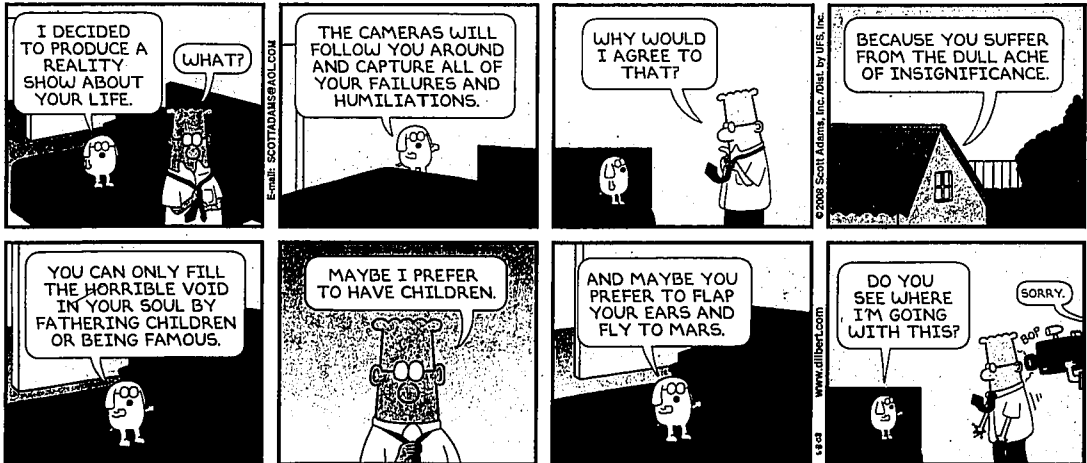
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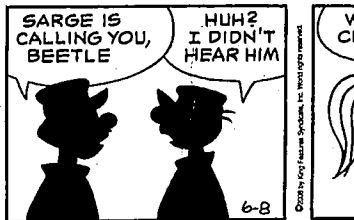
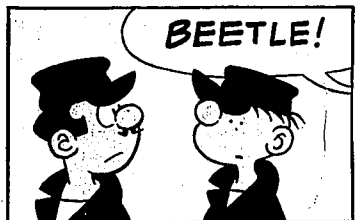
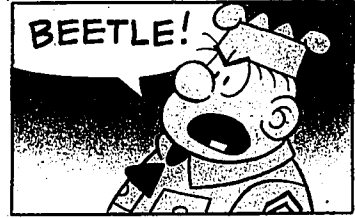
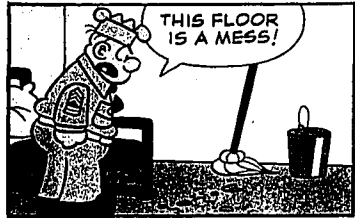
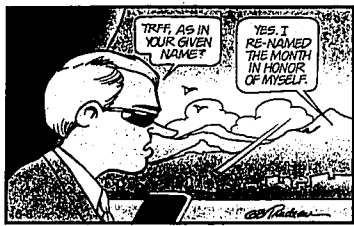
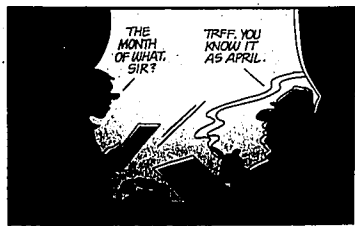
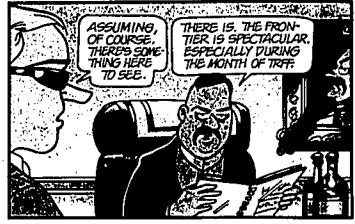
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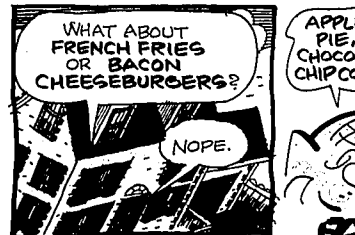
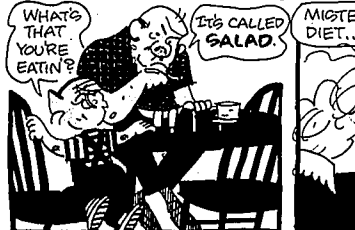


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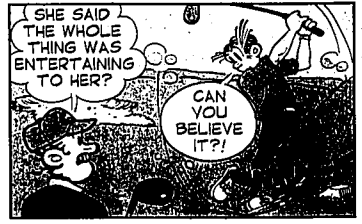
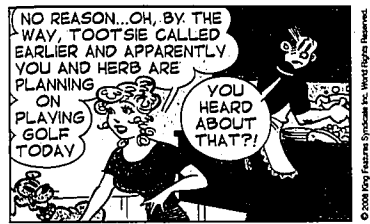
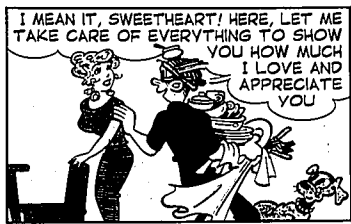
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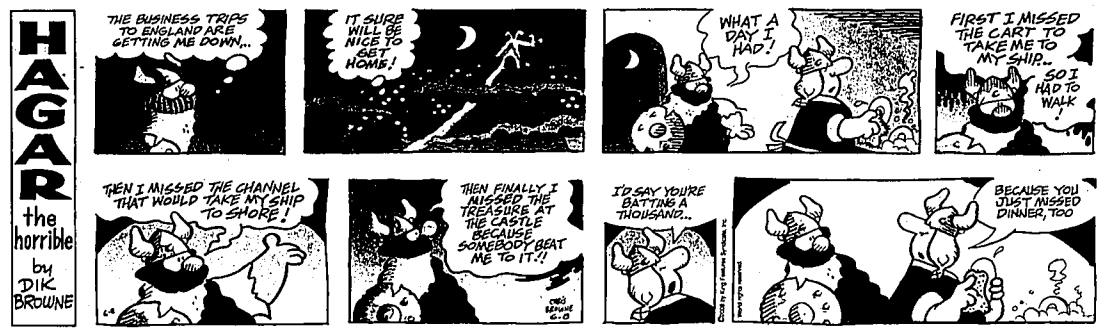




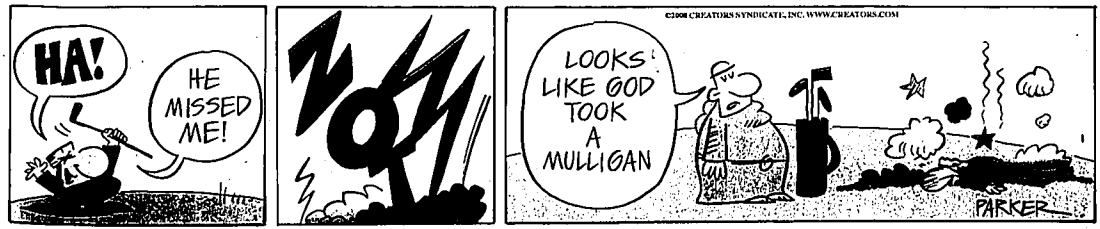
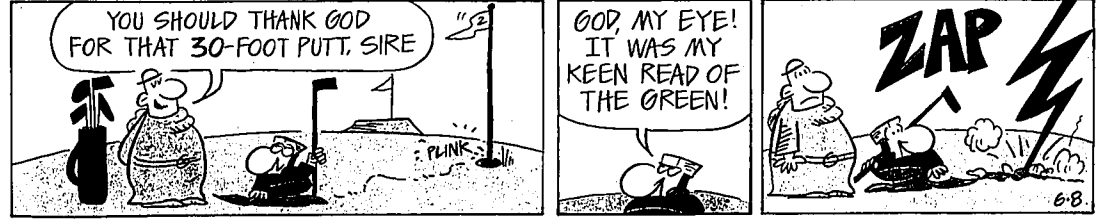


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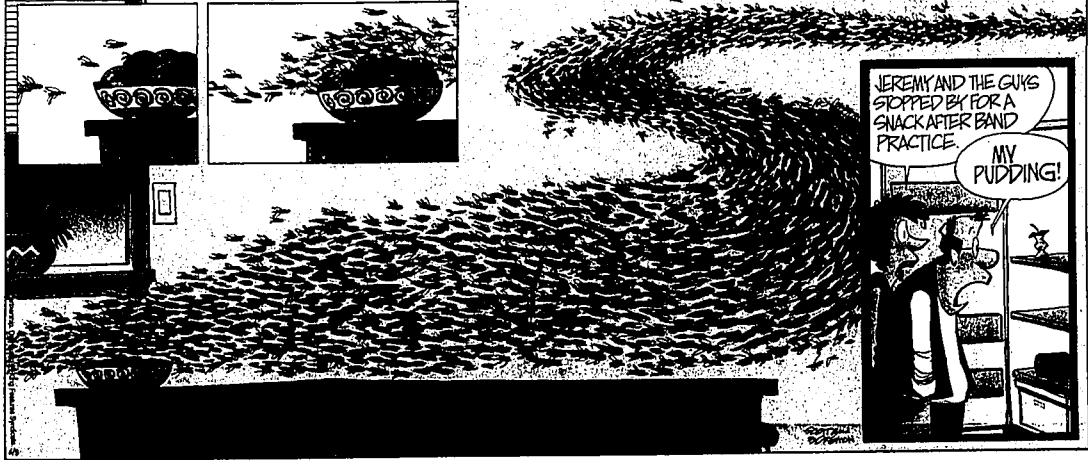
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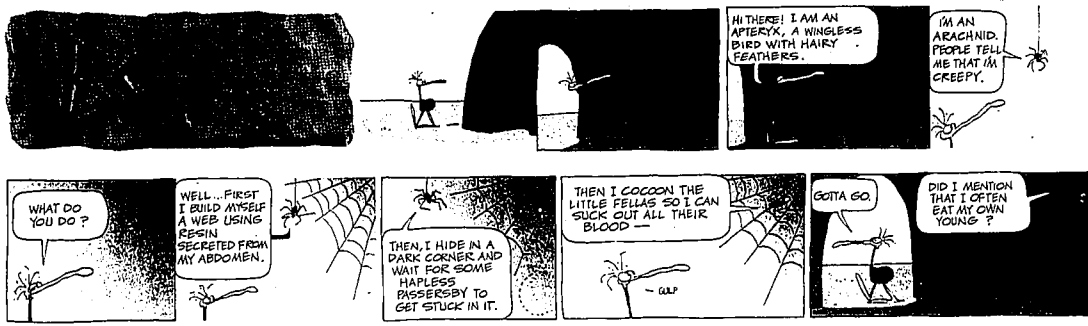
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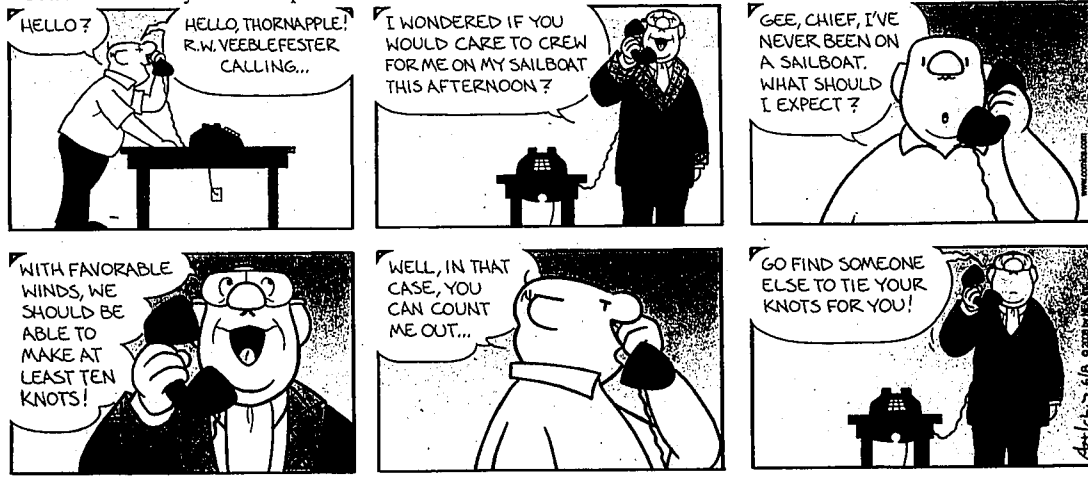
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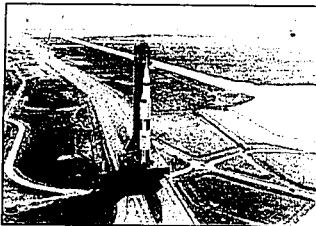
# Discovery launches epic journey into NASA's history

Nothing since the original launches into space and the moon landing has evoked our collective television interest the same way.

Sure, the twins slicing across the *Twins Towers* kept us glued to the set. That night, however, we watched out of fear and self-defense. What was next?

The original rocket launches, however, represented boundless optimism. People gathered around television sets and counted backward from 10 for liftoff. Watching the men land on the moon remains one of those defining moments when people can tell you exactly why they were there when Neil Armstrong took those first steps on the moon.

Discovery Channel attempts to recapture some of that magic with the series *When We Left Earth: The NASA Missions*, a three-part series beginning Sunday, June 8, and continuing the next two Sundays. Gary Sinsce ("Apollo 13") narrates the six hours, told chronologically with 50 years of NASA footage that



**'When We Left Earth: The NASA Missions' airs Sunday on Discovery Channel.**

the cable network transferred into high definition.

Though Discovery is to be commended for undertaking such an ambitious project, this comes across as propaganda for NASA, unquestioning in whatever the space agency did. It fails to put the missions in the context of their times.

"We are not trying to tell a history of NASA," Bill Howard, executive producer, says. "We are trying to tell an adventure

story through the firsthand accounts of the astronauts themselves."

Before men went into space, Ham the Astrochimp did. Highly trained astronauts followed, among them Buzz Aldrin, who was in the third group of men selected.

Aldrin established a record for extravehicular activity, or spacewalking, and he was the second man to walk on the moon.

Imagine taking a walk at night, gazing at the moon

## Cover story

### Show time

**What:** "When We Left Earth: The NASA Missions"  
**When:** Starts Sunday, June 8, 10 p.m.  
**Channel:** Discovery

and knowing you walked there. Aldrin is one of a dozen who can.

"It's the same moon you see on route until you get very close," Aldrin says. "And then it's a very rough, crater-pocked moon, especially with the back side. The third moon is the one you touch down on and exit and walk around on the surface. It's a very desolate moon — magnificent desolation."

Aldrin still sounds amazed as he talks about the progress and excitement of mankind to a remarkable point where we could build the rockets and spacecraft and leave the bounds of Earth with rocket travel. What a magnificent achievement for man."

No one could argue

that, though Congress and citizens have questioned the billions spent on the program. NASA's budget, long a flashpoint for controversy, is not explained. Aldrin maintains it's critical to keep the space agency funded.

"The future of the USA in the world standing," is the best argument for funding NASA, Aldrin says. "We clearly established a tremendous leadership in the world in advanced technology through the Apollo program of exploration. And we haven't advanced it that much with the shuttle and space station.... We are in a very critical transition period where we can become lackadaisical about our future and fitter away our leadership that we have right now."

"Any budget number is intrinsically a big number," former astronaut Kathryn Sullivan says. "NASA gets less than one penny of every tax dollar."

Space exploration is a wonderful way to remind us what we have in common, and I cent on

the dollar is a small price to pay, she says.

As the first American woman to walk in space, Sullivan explains what it was like packed into that 350-pound space suit, floating in zero gravity.

"I always thought of it as the universe's most amazing jungle gym," she says. "It reminded me of crawling on monkey bars as a kid. The spacewalk is a terrible misnomer. Except for the 12 guys who walked on the moon, the rest of us are doing jungle gym maneuvering."

Talking about her 532 hours in space, Sullivan says, "In every case, even on the engineering demonstrations, you are not doing it for fun; it's an important path and milestone. Quite a large team of engineers put a substantial task in your hands that needs to be done. I was never unaware of how amazing it was to be there, and fabulous and really special. But also very aware that we have stuff to do that has got to be done. There is no moon or dad or Maytag repairman to make sure you got it right."

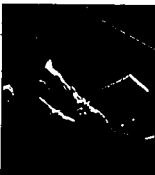
## 'Celebrity Circus' flies high — and falls hard

This spring, seven celebrities ran away to join the circus. They were never got farther than Burbank.

But that's all right, since an empty stagecoach on a small studio lot near the airport in the Southwestern California commutes the just where they need to be. Within its confines, they learn new skills, find inner strength, challenge fears, and wind up with a few fresh bruises and even a broken bone.

On Wednesday, June 11, on NBC, viewers get to see both the painful journey and the high-flying competition it's leading up to, with the 90-minute premiere of "Celebrity Circus."

The ringmaster of this extravaganza is former 'N Sync member Joey Fatone, who did his own stint as a celebrity competitor on



**Christopher Knight performs on 'Celebrity Circus' Wednesday on NBC.**

ABC's "Dancing With the Stars." But on this early May day, the celebrities are still a long way from competing in front of an audience for votes.

Acton Antonio Sabato Jr., Christopher Knight and

### Show time

**What:** "Celebrity Circus"  
**When:** Wednesday, June 11  
**Channel:** NBC

Stacey Dash, singer Blu Cantrell, model Rachel Zoe and actor Alan Cumming (also an alumna of "Dancing With the Stars"), TV host and skateboarder Jason "Wee Man" Acuna, and gold medal-winning Olympic swimmer Janet Evans are hard at work with their trainers, led by former Canadian Olympic gymnast Philippe Chartrand, who has also worked with Cirque du Soleil.

"We're training five days a week, eight, nine hours a day," says Sabato (who on this day looks quite superheroic in a skintight red shirt and black pants). "We have a half-hour, 45-minute lunch, then we

keep training. It's brutal."

Over the course of an afternoon, Sabato works with a trainer to scramble up a pole; Evans hangs from silk ribbons; Hunter works at entwining herself in a fabric pouf; Knight (who broke his elbow the first week and wears a brace) walks on a wire; Acuna flies from straps attached to his wrists; and Cantrell is flat out on the floor.

"I'm exhausted," she says. "I'm antemic, and when I'm here, it takes so much of my energy, I need to eat more. I'm so lacking in the iron department."

"I don't even go out at night. I do nothing but go straight home, pass out, sometimes in the same clothes I've been in for six hours and wake up in the morning to an alarm saying it's time to do it all over again.

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## MONDAY

5:00 a.m. (AMC) COCON \*\*\* (1985, Fantasy) Don Ameche, William B. French, 722084  
(MUSICAL) YEATS, \*\*\* (1983, Musical) Burt Lancaster, Michael Redford, 722084  
5:15 a.m. (SHOW) SLIDING DOORS \*\* (1998, Romance Comedy) Sandra Bullock, John Hannah, # 6726703  
(TM) THE GROOMSMEN \*\*\* (2007, Comedy) Gerard Butler, Britney Murphy, 6823277  
5:30 a.m. (CINE) IN HARLEM'S WAY \*\* (1998, Drama) John Wayne, Kirk Douglas, # 30140533  
5:30 a.m. (CINE) THEY WON'T BELIEVE \*\*\* (1997, Crime Drama) Robert Young, Susan Hayward, 3073420  
5:45 a.m. (BIB) HAIRSPRAY \*\*\* (2007, Musical Comedy) John Travolta, Nikki Blonsky, # 152970  
6:35 a.m. (ENCORE) PULSKY \* (2006, Horror) Hoston Dalt, Tom Sommers, # 645145  
6:45 a.m. (STARZ) THE INVINCIBLE \*\*\* (2007, Suspense) Justin Chwin, Margulita Leveina, # 6343708  
7:00 a.m. (TM) WORLD TRADE CENTER \*\*\* (2006, Action) Nicolas Cage, Michael Peña, # 2029410  
(TM) GIRLS ON PARADE (1936, Crime Drama) Jack Bryan, Ronald Reagan, 102134  
7:05 a.m. (SHOW) THE FUTURE WE WILL CREATE: INSIDE THE WORLD OF TED 2007. Documentary) # 5051580  
7:20 a.m. (CINE) EDDIE AND THE CRUISERS I: EDDIE LIVES! \*\* (1989, Musical) Michael Falch, Marina Orlov, # 501379  
7:30 a.m. (CINE) THOM FROM THE TRAIN \*\*\* (1987, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Day Crystal, 159422  
8:00 a.m. (CINE) REVERETS! \* (1986, Action) Robert F. Young, Russel Hurl, (TVPG) # 455220  
(CBS) UNDERCLASSMAN \*\* (2005, Comedy) Nick Cannon, Shaquille O'Neal, 472199  
8:10 a.m. (CINE) SUNSET BOULEVARD \*\* (1950, Drama) Billie Holiday, Gloria Swanson, 7095800  
(ENCORE) STRANGER THAN PARADISE (2006, Comedy) Will Ferrell, Maggie Gyllenhaal, # 3666538  
8:30 a.m. (CINE) HERBIE HANCOCK: POSSIBILITIES \*\*\* (2006, Documentary) # 6726703  
(CINE) DEADLINE AT DAWN \*\* (1946, Mystery) Susan Hayward, George E. Stone, 7278207  
8:35 a.m. (CINE) MAD CITY \*\* (1997, Drama) John Travolta, David Goldman, Promos, # 492737  
9:00 a.m. (CINE) RELATIVE STRANGER (2006, Comedy) Ron Livingston, New Campbell, 6489  
9:10 a.m. (CINE) DEATH BECOMES HER \*\*\* (1992, Fantasy) Meryl Streep, Bruce Willis, # 842255  
9:15 a.m. (CINE) METALLBLAS \*\* (1979, Drama) Ed Murray, Chris Haddock, # 554789  
9:30 a.m. (CINE) MR. WARTHAM: THE DON RICKLES PROJECT

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(2007, Documentary) # 206575  
(AMC) ALL THE RIGHT MOVES \*\*\* (1983, Drama) Tom Cruise, Greg T. Nelson, 731915  
10:00 a.m. (SHOW) NOTTING HILL \*\*\* (1999, Romance Comedy) Julia Roberts, Hugh Grant, # 1621724  
(CINE) YOU WOUND ME: YOU CHUCK AND LARRY \* (2007, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kumi Gohara, # 202721  
(LIFE) AMERICA'S PRINCE: THE JFK STORY \*\*\* (2006, Biography) Kristopher Zeigler, Porcia de Rosa, (TVPG) 3003273  
(TM) AGA \*\*\* (1981, Drama) James Earl Ray, Dean Cain, 6452448  
10:10 a.m. (ENCORE) A HOME OF OUR OWN \*\*\* (1956, Drama) Jack Ruby, Edward Furlong, # 4059273  
10:30 a.m. (VHD) ROAD HOUSE \*\*\* (1989, Action) Patrick Swayze, Holly Lynch, # 613713  
10:40 a.m. (STARZ) THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS \*\*\* (2006, Drama) Will Smith, Jason Patric, (TV) # 3077115  
(CINE) NACHO LIBRE \*\* (2006, Comedy) Jack Black, Ana de la Reguera, # 5501890  
11:00 a.m. (CINE) BERNARD AND DOORS (2006, Doodadrama) Susan Sarandon, Ralph Fiennes, (TV14) # 1414002  
(USA) TRAFFIC \*\*\* (2006, Crime Drama) Michael Douglas, Don Cheadle, 90464  
(CINE) SPIDER-MAN 2 \*\*\* (2004, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst, 127969  
(CINE) MR. WRONG \*\* (1956, Drama) John Hodiak, DeLores, Bill Paulsen, # 1407712  
11:30 a.m. (CINE) STAND BY ME \*\*\* (1986, Comedy-Drama) Wil Wheaton, Robert Prohman, 152800  
12:00 p.m. (CINE) TRANSFORMERS \*\*\* (2007, Action) Shia LaBeouf, Tinsy Brown, # 181002  
(LIFE) PRIME \*\* (2005, Documentary) # 6726703  
(CINE) THE RAFTER ROMANCE \*\*\* (1986, Drama) Ginger Rogers, Norman Foster, 126183  
(ENCORE) PLATOON \*\*\* (1986, War) Tom Berenger, William Dalton, # 6747912  
12:15 p.m. (CINE) THE TWILIGHT OF THE GODS \*\*\* (1957, Drama) Jennifer Bach, Jan Torny, (TVPG) # 3007820  
12:25 p.m. (TM) THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE (1996, Drama) Michael Maddox, Chris Penn, # 6012408  
12:45 p.m. (CINE) MICHELLE \*\*\* (1996, Drama) John Travolta, Aniea MacDonaw, # 6343073  
(CINE) WASHINGTON \*\*\* (1984, Comedy) Sylvester

Stallone, Dolly Parton, # 9101907  
12:50 p.m. (STARZ) L.A. COOL \*\*\* (1997, Crime Drama) Kevin Spacey, Russell Crowe, Promos, # 6815070  
1:00 p.m. (DISH) GET A CLUE (2006, Comedy) Lindsay Lohan, Bug Hall, (TV) # 3077115  
1:15 p.m. (CINE) LADY OF THE THROPS \*\*\* (1943, Adventure) Robert Taylor, Hedy Lamarr, 9431673  
1:30 a.m. (CINE) TEEN WOLF \*\* (1985, Comedy) Michael J. Fox, James Hampton, 305697  
2:00 p.m. (SHOW) ILLUMINATA \*\*\* (1995, Comedy) John Turturro, Katherine Kordecki, # 324420  
(ENCORE) STAY ALIVE \*\* (2006, Horror) Frankie Muniz, Adam Goldberg, # 8697529  
2:15 p.m. (CINE) CRASH SEXY (2004, Comedy) Jason Lee, Craig Glover, # 4926293  
2:30 p.m. (CINE) TRUST THE MAN \*\* (2005, Romance-Comedy) David Duchovny, Julianne Moore, # 952002  
(CINE) KUFFERS \*\* (1992, Comedy) Christian Slater, Tony Goldwyn, # 6504409  
2:45 p.m. (PLEX) EDDY \*\*\* (1999, Comedy) Matthew McConaughey, John Elinan, # 3829270  
3:00 p.m. (CINE) SOLOMON AND SHEBA \*\*\* (1959, Historical Drama) Yul Brynner, Gene Tierney, 5278889  
(CINE) A LADY WITHOUT PASSPORT? \*\* (1950, Drama) Bette Davis, John Hodiak, 3840002  
3:15 p.m. (STARZ) THE BABY-SITTERS CLUB \*\* (1985, Drama) Schuyler Fisk, Die Blatz, 455220  
3:30 p.m. (AMC) WARGAMES \*\*\* (1983, Suspense) Jason Bateman, Dabney Coleman, 656977  
(ENCORE) STRANGER THAN PARADISE (2006, Comedy) Will Ferrell, Maggie Gyllenhaal, # 1534118  
3:40 p.m. (CINE) WORLD TRADE CENTER \*\*\* (2006, Drama) Nicolas Cage, Michael Peña, # 3040180  
4:00 p.m. (SHOW) DEAR FRANCIS (2005, Documentary) # 324420  
4:15 p.m. (CINE) WHITE CARGO \*\*\* (1942, Drama) Hedy Lamarr, Robert Flanagan, 2712172  
4:30 p.m. (CINE) I NOW BELIEVE \*\*\* (1997, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James, # 4507150  
4:45 p.m. (CINE) LARRY THE BIRD \*\*\* (1996, Comedy) Drew Carey, Cory Feldman, # 5057180  
5:00 p.m. (STARZ) CATCH AND RELEASE \*\*\* (2004, Drama) Jennifer Garner,

Timothy Olyphant, # 9026644  
5:15 p.m. (SHOW) THE COUPLE \*\*\* (2004, Drama) Maria Landau, Judy Partiti, (TV) Promos, # 2451660  
5:30 p.m. (BIB) READY TO RUMBLE \*\* (2000, Comedy) David Aronoff, Drew Pinsky, # 656010  
(CINE) THE HEAVEN PLANET (1903, Comedy) Adam Goldberg, Judy Greer, 455220  
(ENCORE) THE MIGHTY DUCKS \*\* (1992, Comedy) Emilio Estevez, Jess Ackland, # 1192924  
5:55 p.m. (TM) OUT OF SEASON \*\*\* (2004, Suspense) David Koper, Gina Gerson, # 7125718

## TUESDAY

5:00 a.m. (SHOW) FARCE OF THE REVERENDS (2007, Comedy) Views of Christina Applegate, Louis Brock, # 9458145  
(CINE) THE MILLION DOLLAR HOTEL \*\*\* (2000, Drama) Jeremy Davies, Milla Jovovich, # 287830  
(PLEX) INTERIORS \*\*\*\* (1978, Drama) Gene Keaton, Catherine Piper, 26400  
5:30 a.m. (TM) SISTER STREET FIGHTER: THE RETURN OF SISTER STREET FIGHTER (1950, Action) Estako Shalom, Anne Kavanagh, Promos, 253749  
5:35 a.m. (ENCORE) AMERICAN PIE \*\* (1999, Comedy) John D'Ang, Shannon Elizabeth, # 3478942  
6:00 a.m. (CINE) LISTEN TO ME... DARLING \*\*\* (1939, Comedy) Judy Garland, Mery Astor, 502430  
6:05 a.m. (CINE) INTERSECTION \*\*\* (1994, Drama) Richard Gere, Steve Strasser, # 3078740  
6:15 a.m. (CINE) ABSENCE OF MALICE \*\*\* (1981, Drama) Paul Newman, Sally Field, 5278889  
6:25 a.m. (SHOW) NOTHING HILL \*\*\* (1999, Romance-Comedy) Julia Roberts, Hugh Grant, # 455220  
6:30 a.m. (STARZ) THE BABY-SITTERS CLUB \*\*\* (1985, Drama) Schuyler Fisk, Die Blatz, 455220  
6:45 p.m. (CINE) THE HEAVEN PLANET (1903, Comedy) Adam Goldberg, Judy Greer, 455220  
7:00 p.m. (CINE) THERE'S NO BUSINESS LIKE SHOW BUSINESS (1996, Musical Comedy) Ethel Merman, Dan D'Arcy, # 712625  
7:15 a.m. (CINE) EDUARD \*\*\* (1970, Horror) Edward G. Robinson, Barbara Hentz, Promos.

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7:15 a.m. (CINE) LITTLE HELMIE KELLY \*\* (1940, Musical) Judy Garland, George Murphy, 9591  
(ENCORE) ANNIE HALL \*\*\* (1977, Comedy) Woody Allen, Diane Keaton, # 1192924  
8:00 a.m. (TBS) KING'S RANSOM \* (2005, Comedy) Anthony Anderson, Mike, 45497  
8:15 a.m. (STARZ) OPEN SEASON \*\* (2003, Comedy) Ashton Kutcher, # 4671310  
8:30 a.m. (SHOW) THE SECRET LIFE OF MEN (1948, Comedy) Diana Mack Lally, Eileen Collins, (TV) Promos, # 4748100  
(CINE) PEACEFUL WARRIOR \*\*\* (2006, Drama) Kirk Nolan, Scott MacKenzie, # 5967860  
8:45 a.m. (AMC) WARGAMES \*\*\* (1983, Suspense) Matthew Broderick, Dabney Coleman, 10963030  
8:50 a.m. (CINE) THE GREAT WHITE \*\*\* (2007, Action) Clavo Daniel Swan, Penn Jillette, (TV) # 8130774  
9:00 a.m. (CINE) THE THING CALLED LOVE \*\*\* (1993, Drama) River Phoenix, Doreen Fyfe, # 103045  
(BIB) ANNA AND THE KING \*\* (1959, Historical Drama) Anne Baker, Chew Yun-Fai, # 700132  
(CINE) STRIKE UP THE BAND (Musical Comedy) Micky Rooney, Judy Garland, 4903202  
(CINE) THE HEAVEN HAMMER \*\* (2003, Comedy) Emilio Estevez, Judy Greer, 11500  
9:45 a.m. (STARZ) MARIE ANTOINETTE \*\*\* (2006, Historical Drama) Kirsten Dunst, John Schwartzman, # 7603774  
9:50 a.m. (PLEX) EIGHT MEN OUT \*\*\* (1989, Historical Drama) John Cusack, Clifton James, 1073342  
10:00 a.m. (LIFE) PERFECT MURDER: PERFECT TOXIN \*\*\* (2006, Crime Drama) Kirk Callaghan, Mary McCormack, (TV) # 491838  
10:15 a.m. (SHOW) PUCCHI FOR BEGINNERS \*\*\* (2006, Comedy) David Spade, Elizabeth Perle, Justin Kirk, # 611229  
10:35 a.m. (CINE) LARRY THE BIRD (1996, Musical Comedy) Drew Carey, Cory Feldman, # 5057180  
11:00 a.m. (CINE) YOU, ME AND DUPES \*\*\* (2006, Comedy) Owen Wilson, Kate Hudson, # 407255  
11:05 a.m. (CINE) GOLD MOUNTAIN \*\*\* (2003, Drama) Julie Luo, Nicole Krieger, 821942

(E) THE COLLECTOR OF MY AFFECTION \*\*\* (1958, Romance-Comedy) Jennifer Aronson, Paul Rudd, 755647  
(E) BOB AND SUE \*\*\* (2005, Suspense) Robert De Niro, Dakota Fanning, 747010  
11:05 a.m. (ENCORE) FISH HOUR \*\*\* (1993, Action) Jackie Chan, Chris Tucker, 455220  
11:15 a.m. (AMC) FIRESTARTER \*\*\* (1984, Horror) David Keith, David G. Evans, 455220  
(CINE) GUY CRAZY \*\* (1943, Musical Comedy) Mickey Rourke, 1217634  
11:30 a.m. (BIB) EVENING \*\* (2007, Drama) Tom Collette, # 603300  
11:45 a.m. (SHOW) THE NUMBER ONE GUY (2005, Action) Tony Solivito, Vinno Jones, # 455220  
11:59 a.m. (STARZ) SPIDER-MAN 3 \*\*\* (2007, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst, # 3007180  
(PLEX) THE PALDBERBER \*\*\* (1930, Comedy) David Schwimmer, Gwyneth Paltrow, Promos, # 6187510  
12:15 p.m. (CINE) THE JAZZ SINGER \*\*\* (1980, Musical) Neil Diamond, Laurence Olivier, # 8950132  
12:30 p.m. (ENCORE) SLEEPERS \*\*\* (1994, Crime Drama) Kevin Costner, Robert De Niro, # 321618  
1:00 p.m. (DISH) THE EVEN STEVENS MOVIE \*\*\* (2003, Comedy) Steve Buscemi, Jack Spanio, (TV) # 354010  
(CINE) PRIMARY COLORS (1998, Drama) John Travolta, Emma Thompson, # 150767  
(CINE) THE HARVEY GIRLS \*\*\* (1946, Musical Comedy) Judy Garland, John Hodiak, 200220  
1:15 p.m. (SHOW) TWO WEEKS \*\*\* (2006, Comedy-Drama) David Spade, Ben Chaplin, 9150523  
(CINE) CHRISTINE \*\* (1983, Horror) Sissy Spacek, John Stockwell, 4192147  
1:30 p.m. (BIB) HAIRSPRAY \*\*\* (2007, Musical Comedy) Nikki Blonsky, # 855867  
(PLEX) THE HOUSE ON SWEET STREET \*\*\* (1970, Doodadrama) Tootie, Nick Mancuso, (TVPG) 474040  
2:15 p.m. (CINE) THE NOSE \*\*\* (2006, Drama) Richard Gere, Alfred Molina, # 7184294  
2:15 p.m. (CINE) GUNCRAZY \*\* (1992, Drama) Drew Barrymore, James LeGros, # 78742584

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8:30 a.m. (AMC) THE OMEN  
 \*\*\* (1976, Horror) Gregory Peck, Lee Remick, Tippi Hedren  
 9:00 a.m. (AMC) MISCED  
 MARS + 3000 Science Fiction Gary Sinise, Tim Allen  
 9:30 a.m. (AMC) BANDITS \*\*\* (2001, Comedy) Bruce Campbell, Billy Bob Thornton, 12/29/32  
 9:15 a.m. (CW) THE WORLD OF

HENRY OUCHER \*\*\* (1904, Comedy) Porter Sillers, Tippi Hedren  
 9:30 a.m. (CW) THE KARATE KID  
 (1990, Action) Ralph Macchio, Pat Morita  
 9:45 a.m. (SHOW) MISS POTTER  
 \*\*\* (2006, Biography) Felicity Huffman, Evan McGovern, 5/18/06  
 10:00 a.m. (CR) I NOW PROMISE YOU TOMBUCK AND LARRY \*\*\* (2007, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James  
 10:00 a.m. (CW) AS GOOD AS DEAD \*\*\* (1995, Suspense) Crystal Ballantine, Evan McGovern, (TVPG) 4/15/11  
 10:10 a.m. (CW) MICKELSON'S MYSTERY,

ALASKA \*\*\* (1990, Comedy) Russell Crowe, Hank Azaria, 2/25/99  
 10:45 a.m. (CW) MEE SHEE: THE WATER GIANT (CW) (1990, Comedy) George Greenwald, Daniel Margulies, 7/30/21/11  
 10:45 a.m. (STARZ) DE LA VU  
 (1990, Comedy) Daniel Margulies, Wil Melner, 6/27/84/87  
 11:00 a.m. (AMC) SHATTERED PROMISES (2005, Drama) Berger, Bob Hopkins, 1/22/49  
 (E) COVOTTE ULYSSES (2006, Drama) Penelope Ann Garcia, 7/20/27  
 (E) THE CIDER HOUSE (2006, Drama) Toby Maguire, Charlie Sheen, 1/29/43/45

11:15 a.m. (E) SHREK THE THIRD \*\*\* (2007, Comedy) Mike Myers, 7/24/25/55  
 (E) THE RAT RACE \*\*\* (1997, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Debbie Reynolds, 4/31/80  
 11:30 a.m. (E) BEAT THE DRUM \*\*\* (2003, Drama) Jerry Seinfeld, Owen Sokoloff, 6/21/01  
 (E) THE 40-YEAR-OLD VIRGIN (2005, Romantic Comedy) Cameron Diaz, 9/4/27  
 (E) COLD BRIMSTONE \*\*\* (1946, Drama) Fred Cermason, Arthur, 4/30/40  
 12:00 p.m. (E) JOHN TRUCKER MUST DIE \*\*\* (2006, Romance Comedy) Jesse Metcalfe,

Sophia Bush, 5/75/27  
 (E) PRESUMED DEAD (2005, Suspense) Steyger, Fenn, 1/4/02  
 12:10 p.m. (E) MICHIGHE PARRED TO THE MOON \*\*\* (1995, Comedy) Michele Pfeiffer, Matthew Modine, 6/14/04/06  
 12:30 p.m. (E) GROOMSMEN \*\*\* (2007, Comedy) Edward Burns, Jimmy Fallon, 2/26/27/25  
 1:00 p.m. (E) DID A GOODY MOVIE \*\*\* (1995, Comedy) Mervyn Dune, 5/2/95  
 (E) STARZ) GRIDIRON GANG (2006, Drama) The Rock, 4/24/06  
 (E) HOT SHOTS \*\*\* (1991, Comedy) Cluise W

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NEWS MOVIES THURSDAY LATE NIGHT -SPORTS KIDS

Table with columns for time slots (12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30) and rows for various TV channels (CBS, NBC, ABC, FOX, etc.) listing programs and their descriptions.

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More movies

Table listing movies with columns for title, time slot, and description. Includes titles like 'Kiss Kiss Bang Bang', 'The Invention of Solitude', 'The Runaways', etc.

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Main grid of TV channels and programs. Columns include channel number, time slot, program title, and a small icon. Rows are organized by time slots from 5am to 11:00pm.

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NEWS MOVIES SATURDAY EVENING SPORTS KIDS THE TIMES-NEWS

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14	KSWB CW	Today's Home (TVPG) 10:00	Your House (TVPG) 10:00	Monsters, Inc. (TVPG) 10:00	Monsters, Inc. (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00	A Film (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00	Armed Forces of John Goodman & his ex-wife (TVPG) 10:00
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**Q** Why don't we see photos of Halle Berry's baby girl? And did Halle have a tummy tuck to restore her figure?—*Susan Houde, Higganum, Conn.*

**A** Boyfriend, Canadian model Gabriel Aubry, 32, has not released photos of Nahla Ariela because—unlike stars such as JLo, Gwen Stefani, and Christina Aguilera—they refuse to put a price tag on images of their tot. And Halle got her body back the old-fashioned way: diet and exercise. To see pre- and post-baby photos of favorite celebs, visit [Parade.com](http://Parade.com).

**Q** Who has made more money: Michael Jordan or Tiger Woods?—*E. Holt, Ellenwood, Ga.*

**A** It's no contest. At 32, Tiger is well on his way to the \$1 billion mark in total earnings. By contrast, basketball great Jordan, 45, has scored "only" about half that amount.



Curry: Balancing family and mission

**Q** NBC's Ann Curry seems to be everywhere these days—the Today show, Dateline, guest-anchoring the Nightly News, and traveling to places like Antarctica. Does she have a life outside of work?—*Lisa Mackin, Avon, Ohio*

**A** "There are times, to be perfectly honest, when I wish I had more of a life," says Curry, 51, the wife of businessman Brian Ross and mother of teens McKenzie, 15, and Walker, 13. "But my family knows that my sense of mission requires me to say 'yes' whenever I can do something to save lives in places like Bosnia, Darfur, and Congo." Curry has become such a superstar at NBC that you can expect to see her as part of the network's election coverage this summer and fall.

**Q** Who's the familiar-looking guy in Mariah Carey's "Touch My Body" video?—*T. Afshar, Bowling Green, Ky.*

**A** The computer geek who fantasizes about a romance with the pop diva is Jack McBrayer, 35. You may know him as Kenneth Parcell, the naive NBC page on *30 Rock*. The shy Georgia native, who often appears on *Late Night With Conan O'Brien*, describes working with Mariah as surreal. He does regret one moment of the video shoot: accidentally hitting Mariah in the face with a Frisbee. Mariah and Jack: Fantasy date



Woman?—*John Foster, Roebuck, S.C.*

**A** Marvel Studios, which has *The Incredible Hulk* opening this Friday, expects to release *The First Avenger: Captain America*—but not until 2011. The last *Captain America*, with Marc Salling (son of author J.D. Saling), bombed in 1990. At Warner Bros., Joel Silver plans to produce *Wonder Woman*, while *Justice League: Mortal*—featuring Green Lantern, Wonder Woman, Superman, Batman, and other DC Comics characters—is in development. There's nothing comic about their potential box-office heroes.



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Frank and Barbara in 1976

Mrs. Sinatra, 77, now devotes much of her time to the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center for abused children.

**Q** Nicole Richie had a baby with rocker Joel Madden, and Paris Hilton is dating his twin and Good Charlotte band mate, Benji. Will these former BFFs become Sills (sisters-in-law)?—*Claire Goodwin, Los Angeles, Calif.*



Paris (l) and Nicole: Pals again?

**A** We doubt it. Paris says she and Nicole are tight again and claims Benji talks about marrying her. But becoming sisters-in-law would require a pair of weddings—Paris to Benji and Nicole to Joel. And a while back, Joel told us: "Benji and I are from a classic broken home, so we question the necessity of marriage. What is a 'union'?" Can't you have a true bond without the legality of marriage? The members of this quartet play by their own rules.

**Q** What do you make of reports that American Idol's Simon Cowell and Extra's Terri Seymour are splitsville?—*Nadine LoF, New York, N.Y.*

**A** Not trueville. A friend tells us that the two are still very much in love.

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# The War They Still Fight

By Tim O'Brien

**M**AJOR JASON Waggoner waits for me in the lobby of the Center for the Intrepid, a state-of-the-art rehabilitation facility in San Antonio, Tex. Waggoner, 39, of Puyallup, Wash, has the squared shoulders and clean-cut good looks of a man from a U.S. Army recruiting poster—every inch a soldier. After we shake hands and sit down, he taps his prosthetic leg and recounts the instant last December when he stepped on a booby-trapped mortar round in southwest Baghdad.

"The explosion," he says, "blew me up in the air, and I landed inside the crater. I just lay there thinking, 'What happened to me?' I didn't want to look at my legs. It felt like a baseball bat hit me."

He blacked out while being evacuated and woke up at Brooke Army Medical Center in Texas, having lost his left leg in an amputation. Waggoner describes this in the articulate, relentlessly upbeat tones of a U.S. Army public-affairs officer, which in fact he is. There is no hint of regret in his voice or demeanor. Plainly, he seeks no one's pity.

"I wanted to be a soldier since I was a little boy," he says, and then shrugs as if to acknowledge that he had accepted the risks from day one.

After five weeks, Waggoner was discharged from the hospital and began rehab. "For a while, it was tough keeping my balance," he says, "but I got rid of the



Staff Sgt. Shilo Harris with his daughter, Elizabeth, 5. Right: Staff Sgt. Nick McCoy with his father, Scott.

crutches after the first day." With the support of his wife, Brianna, and 22-month-old son, Nathan, Waggoner made swift progress. Just four months later, he completed 18 holes of golf. He flashes me a quick, delighted smile. "I used a cart, but even so...18 holes."

Asked about the war to which he has sacrificed a leg, Waggoner gazes down at the red, white, and blue carpet. "I didn't lose my leg to this war," he says slowly. "I lost it in support of the soldiers on my left and right. I'd do it a hundred times over."

Waggoner's conversation is peppered with military jargon such as "getting the mission accom-



## The injured rely on their families for love and support

plished" and "tactical objectives." It strikes me that nothing in his voice betrays any misgivings—no talk about weapons of mass destruction that didn't exist, about civilian casualties, about what victory might mean, or about losing his leg in a country fractured by religious and tribal allegiances.

He hopes to rejoin his unit, which is still in Iraq. "My mission right now," he says, "is to get well."

Outside the center, a dozen young soldiers cruise by in wheelchairs. Others make their way on prosthetic legs, some inching along with the aid of attendants, a few moving with the grace of Olympians. Nearby, a crowd has gathered to watch a basketball tournament—played in wheelchairs.

Built entirely from donations and then turned

over to the U.S. government, the Center for the In-trepid is a \$50 million, 65,000-square-foot rehabilitation facility that opened in January 2007. (New York real-estate developer Arnold Fisher spearheaded the project.) The center treats veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan—primarily amputees, burn patients, and those with damaged limbs—with some of the most cutting-edge technology in the world. At any one time, about 150 severely injured young men and women spend grueling hours in the center learning to walk, drive, and cope with the most basic elements of daily living.

**I**N FEBRUARY 2007 in central Iraq, Staff Sgt. Shilo Harris' vehicle rolled over an improvised explosive device. "The fireball was like a tornado," says Harris, 33, of Coleman, Tex. "I looked down and saw my body smoking."

As Harris speaks, I can't help but study his face, which is a mortled blend of purples and reds. His ears are gone. His nose is disfigured. Several fingers are missing. I'm reminded of casualties I saw as a soldier in Vietnam, most of them Vietnamese who had been charred by napalm and white phosphorus.

"Lying on the ground, looking up," Harris says, "I could see the sheer horror on my roommate's face. I knew from his eyes I was pretty messed up."

Three men in the vehicle were killed. Harris suffered burns over 30 percent of his body. Even after multiple surgeries and more than a year as an outpatient at the center, he still may need at least one more operation for the burns to his face. "For a long time," Harris says, "I couldn't feed myself, couldn't blow my nose, couldn't go to the bathroom alone. My wife, Kathryn, had to help me do almost everything." Harris pauses briefly and then looks straight at me. "My wife is my hero."

Three days a week, he engages in a rehab regimen that includes swimming, lifting weights, massage therapy, and hand therapy. "But you can't just rely on your regular therapy," he says. "I work on my own all day long, every day—stretching my lips, stretching my eyelids, stretching my hands and arms."

Like Wagoner, Harris expresses no ambiguity over serving in a confusing and increasingly unpopular war: "I was trying to get the job done," he says. Harris goes silent for a moment. "I'm determined," he says quietly. "I might want to stay a soldier."

According to Col. Jennifer Menetrez, an Army physician and the center's director, such resolve is not uncommon. "These are driven, athletic risk takers," she says, "and we try to expose them to new challenges." She gestures in the direction of the facility's swimming pool, which includes elaborate wave-riding

## Although forever changed, they express no hint of regret



Maj. Jason Wagoner on the run. Right: Playing with his son, Nathan.

equipment. In other rooms are a climbing tower, a vehicle simulator, and a firearms-training simulator.

Most impressively, the center has its own in-house prosthetics lab, where new "legs" are custom-made. The lab has the acrid, half-fleshy smell of heated plastic and looks like a body shop for humans. Scattered about are molds, metallic joints, heating ovens, and shes that will never contain feet. Jered Mikoł, a former Marine who works there, says patients occasionally request special graphics on their prostheses: the name of a fallen comrade, perhaps, or a branch of service. "It's not much to ask," he says, "and we try to oblige."

Not only are bodies rebuilt, but so too are psyches—and often the psyches of other family members. "We try to be supportive," says Menetrez, "but of course their child isn't the same, physically or emotionally."

One such family member is Scott McCoy of Reading, Pa., who quit his job in February and came here to be with his son, Staff Sgt. Nick McCoy, 24. On patrol in central Iraq in December 2006, Nick had his life changed forever by an explosive device. "There was a ball of light," he says, "and I was flung about 40 feet." After being evacuated, he was put into an induced coma—"one long dream," he says—and woke up six weeks later in San Antonio. Both legs had been amputated below the knee.

Nick has been going through rehab for over a year and lives with his father in a specially designed residence located steps away from the center. Rehab went slowly at first, but his progress has now improved. "You heal quicker with family around," says Scott. He is clearly proud of his son and yet, like everyone I've met, he speaks with no hand-wringing or dramatics. "Nick and I do pretty much everything together."

Not quite everything. Nick has begun dating again. "I was nervous at first," he says, "and self-conscious about my injuries. She's gorgeous. I'm missing my legs and have all these battle scars. What's she doing with me?"

Even so, he grins and says, "We're going out again tomorrow."

Although Nick plans to leave the military, he hopes someday to work as an advocate for veterans. "Maybe I'll go into politics," he says. "Basically, I just want to help others in my situation."

In my time at the center, what repeatedly strikes me is that these terribly maimed soldiers are all volunteers. They seem more wholly in the military and more wholly of the military than those I remember. They

talk about "getting the job done" with an unambiguous, no-shades-of-gray certitude that differs from my own combat experience.

Yet Nick McCoy touches on one constant. "Our country has mixed feelings about the war," he says, "but regardless of your opinion, if you see a wounded soldier, we appreciate it when you say, 'Thank you.'"

As I get up to leave, I ask Nick about his upcoming date. He confesses again to being nervous but says that he thinks it will go just fine.

His father Scott chuckles. "Look at the handsome face," he tells me. "Nick won't have any trouble. None at all." ■

*Tim O'Brien is the author of eight novels, including "Going After Cacciato," which won the National Book Award, and "The Things They Carried."*



# Advice To The Young Me

THERE ARE NO RETAKES IN LIFE, BUT IT'S STILL FUN TO FLASH BACK

By Jeanne Wolf

"You can't go back," they say, but what if you could? We asked some big stars what they wish they had known sooner.



## FELICITY HUFFMAN

Be grateful. It's something that I learned by getting the stuffing knocked out of me a couple of times. There's a phrase I love that says, "A grateful heart a garden is." I would have liked to instill that idea in my own heart a little earlier.



## ANDRÉ BENJAMIN

Try everything! As a kid, my mom and my dad had me dabble and dabble in a lot of things. I took piano lessons. I took tennis lessons, art classes. I went on trips. And when you become an adult, all those experiences come back in some kind of way. And they end up helping you be the person that you're going to be.

## BEN STILLER

I'd say to chill out and relax and wait until 1998, when everything will be cool. Back in 1986, I was pretty hard on myself, going, "I'm not in the Brat Pack. What's wrong with me?" Now, I'm so happy I wasn't.



## MICHAEL CAINE

I would say to myself, "Don't change a bloody thing. Because you'll screw up if you do." All I ever did was try to be better. Which is why I worked so much in the first place. I'm still here. And a lot of people I gave advice to are not.



## GLENN CLOSE

I'd tell myself to listen to my heart. Listen to that little voice that says, "Mmm, I don't think so." Because, when you override that, you basically override who you are.

## KIEFER SUTHERLAND

I'd tell myself, "Don't forget to duck."



## ADAM SANDLER

I would probably just tell myself to relax and not be so anxious. I got to go onstage. I got to meet a lot of people, and I was always thinking, "What's next? What's next? I gotta get to the next place. Stop and enjoy your life—enjoy every moment."



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Debra Ness, president of the National Partnership for Women & Families, disagrees. “Workers with paid sick days are less likely to leave their jobs, which reduces the costs of replacing them,” she says. According to a cost-benefit analysis by the Institute for Women’s Policy Research, passage of the federal sick-leave bill—called the Healthy Families Act—could save the U.S. economy \$8.1 billion a year by preventing lost productivity due to sick workers, the spread of illness to co-workers and customers, and worker turnover.

Since February 2007, businesses in San Francisco have been required to provide workers up to 72 hours of paid sick leave each year. Companies that already offer

paid time off can allocate that time as “sick days” under the ordinance. “For businesses that don’t offer paid time off, the added cost is \$15,000 to \$20,000 per location per year,” says Kevin Westbye of the Golden Gate Restaurant Association. “Everyone supports the concept of sick pay, but now it is one more cost of doing business in San Francisco.”

—Matt Bushlow



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—Sharon Male

NEWSMAKERS

# A U.S. College In Abu Dhabi

New York University will soon open NYU Abu Dhabi, a liberal-arts college campus in the United Arab Emirates. We spoke with NYU President John Sexton about why he believes American universities must become a key U.S. export.



## Why is there a need for "global universities"?

The world is getting smaller. Our students must encounter other religions, nationalities, and ideas. But we should not demand that everyone come to us. I hope that students will soon choose different continents for study, the same way they choose courses. We'll know we've succeeded when a student from the Bronx goes to NYU Abu Dhabi.

## Does the U.S. attract enough global talent?

Of the world's 50 top universities, 40 are in the U.S. Ten years ago, we had a stream of talent flowing here for higher education. Now, both among faculty and students, a smaller share of the talent is coming. Europe and Australia have pulled off students. China and India are building their own universities. And post-9/11, the U.S. has made it more difficult for foreign students to come here.

## Why put a full campus in Abu Dhabi?

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## Not all nations share the U.S. tradition of academic and intellectual freedom. How do you handle that?

In some places, carrying a book with Botticelli's "Venus" on the cover may be illegal. But NYU is committed to skepticism and a healthy disrespect for authority. Both sides recognize the importance of academic freedom to this campus' success and are committed to it. I teach a freshman class in New York on religion and politics. I will teach the exact same course once a week in Abu Dhabi next fall.

— Interview by Lyric Wallwork Winiak

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# Keep Your Family Fit

By  
Michael  
O'Shea

**W**E ALL WANT TO GIVE our kids the best life possible, but for the first time in history, their life expectancy may be shorter than ours. The culprit? Childhood obesity. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the number of overweight children has increased more than 10% since the 1970s.

There's hope, though. By making a commitment to family fitness, you can help your kids improve both their health and their confidence. Even better, you'll set them on the right course for later in life, when being fit will lessen the risk of diabetes, some cancers, heart disease, osteoporosis, and depression. There's also the added benefit of strengthening family bonds and getting yourself in shape, too. Try these tips to make fitness work for your clan.

**Limit tube time.** Consider this: One study says the average child aged 8 to 18 is exposed to 8.5 hours of screen time *daily*. That includes time spent in front of the television and the computer—time that probably also involves a lot of mindless snacking. Instead of joining your kids at the TV, set limits on how much they can watch and suggest alternative activities that will get them (and you!) out of the house—or at least off the couch. Some video games, such as “Wii Sports” and “Dance Dance Revolution,” are both fun and active.



**Go the distance.** If you drive your kids to school, park a few blocks from the entrance and walk the rest of the way with them. Not only will it get you in the habit of walking, but it also will give you a chance to catch up with what's going on in each other's lives.

**Let the good times roll.** Anyone who's tried to get their kids to clean their rooms knows that nagging doesn't work. Make exercise fun. Plan a picnic to go along with a short hike. Go to a local pool or amusement park. Drive to a nearby town and explore it on foot, or spend the day walking around a museum.

**Support each other.** Everything your family eats, but you can set a good example by sitting down to meals together and keeping healthy snacks on hand. Replace junk food with low-fat cheese and yogurt or small handfuls of raisins, and substitute water for sugary drinks.

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- 1 carton of fresh strawberries - cut into slices

How do you start? Place a dessert shell in a bowl. Add 2 tablespoons of Triple Berry topping into the shell. Let it stand for 5 minutes so the dessert shell absorbs the topping. Add a scoop (about 2 oz.) of Häagen-Dazs® to the shell. Arrange strawberries around the edges of the bowl (about 2 strawberries per dessert shell) Drizzle more Triple Berry topping on the ice cream. Garnish with Reddi Wip®. Enjoy!

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By Sheila Lukins

# A Make-Ahead Party



Nothing is more fun than a party—especially when you've prepared most of the food ahead of time. The recipes here can be made well in advance or early on the day of your gathering, leaving you plenty of time to enjoy your guests. For dessert, get everyone involved by setting up a do-it-yourself Brownie Sundae station. When a celebration is this easy, you can have everyone over more often! *Sheila*

## Farfalle Salad

When adding the pesto and hot water to the pasta, toast to get a good balance of flavor and texture.

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| 1 each yellow and red bell pepper, stemmed, cored, and sliced (1/4 inch) | 3 scallions, thinly sliced             |
| 1 medium-sized red onion, diced (1/4 inch)                               | 1/2 cup chopped pitted black olives    |
| 1 cup frozen peas, thawed and cooked in boiling water for 3 minutes      | 1 Tbsp olive oil                       |
|  | 1 pound farfalle pasta                 |
|  | 1 cup prepared pesto                   |
|  | 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese |

1. Combine the peppers, onion, peas, scallions, and olives in a bowl. Reserve.
2. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil with the olive oil. Cook the pasta according to package directions. Drain, reserving 1/2 cup of the cooking water. Remove the pasta to a bowl and toss with 1/4 cup of the pasta water.
3. Add the pesto and reserved vegetables to the pasta; toss to combine. Toss with cheese and season with salt and pepper, to taste. Let it rest at room temperature. Serve immediately or refrigerate for up to 1 day. Bring to room temperature 30 minutes before serving. Add more pesto and hot water to thin if necessary.

Serves 8. Per serving: 380 calories, 51g carbs, 12g protein, 14g fat, 5mg cholesterol.

## Spiced-Up, Oven-Fried Chicken

Easy to make ahead, this dish is great served hot or at room temperature.

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| 4 cups crushed plain cornflakes (from 8 cups whole cornflakes) | 2 1/2 tsp salt                    |
| 1 Tbsp smoked paprika, to taste                                | 1 tsp freshly ground black pepper |
|  | 3 eggs                            |
|  | 1/2 cup milk                      |

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| 3 chickens (3 to 3 1/2 pounds each), cut into 8 pieces each |
| 2 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley, for garnish                   |

1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Line two baking sheets with aluminum foil or spray with non-stick cooking spray.
2. Combine the crushed cornflakes in a large bowl with the smoked paprika, salt, and pepper.
3. Lightly beat eggs with the milk in a bowl.
4. Dip the chicken into the egg mixture, shaking off excess, and then into the crumbs, coat-

ing well. Place on the baking sheets, leaving space between the pieces.

5. Bake, in batches, for 1 hour or until golden brown and cooked through.

6. To serve, arrange the chicken on a large platter and sprinkle with parsley.

Serves 8. Per serving: 720 calories, 26g carbs, 57g protein, 35g fat, 300mg cholesterol.



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## Herbed Bean Salad

Toss beans with vinegar just before serving or they will discolor.

- 1½ pounds tender green beans, stem ends snapped
- 1½ pounds tender wax beans, stem ends snapped
- 2 Tbsp finely minced shallots
- ¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt and peppercorn to taste
- 2 Tbsp red-wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup torn fresh basil leaves

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the beans and cook until just tender, 4 to 5 minutes. Drain and run under cold water to stop the cooking process. Drain again and pat dry. Place in a large bowl.
2. Toss with the shallots and oil. Season with salt and pepper.
3. Just before serving, toss beans with the vinegar. Toss with the basil. Serve.

Serves 8. Per serving: 110 calories, 10g carbs, 2g protein, 7g fat, 0mg cholesterol.



### SHEILA'S TIPS:

- Have plenty of sparkling water and lemons and limes (cut in quarters) on hand! You can pop half a lime in the microwave on high for 10 seconds to make it more pliable.
- Making brewed iced tea? Let it cool before refrigerating, or it will cloud up.

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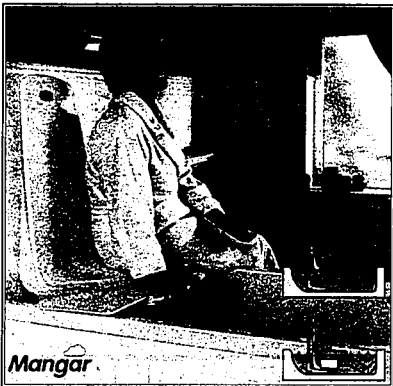


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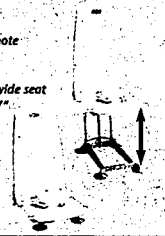
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- 2 cups peeled and diced (1/4 inch) hothouse cucumber
- 2 cups diced (1/4 inch) red bell pepper
- 2 cups diced (1/4 inch) ripe tomato
- 1/2 cup diced (1/4 inch) red onion
- 2 cups tomato juice
- 1/2 cup red-wine vinegar
- 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 dashes Tabasco sauce

1. Place all of the diced vegetables in a large bowl. Add the tomato juice, vinegar, oil, and Tabasco. Season with salt and pepper and toss.

2. Transfer half of the mixture to a blender or food processor and pulse the machine on and off to coarsely puree the contents. Return the pureed mixture to the bowl and stir to combine. Refrigerate for 4 to 6 hours before serving. You can easily double this recipe for a large party.

Serves 8. Per serving: 110 calories, 8g carbs, 2g protein, 8g fat, 0mg cholesterol.



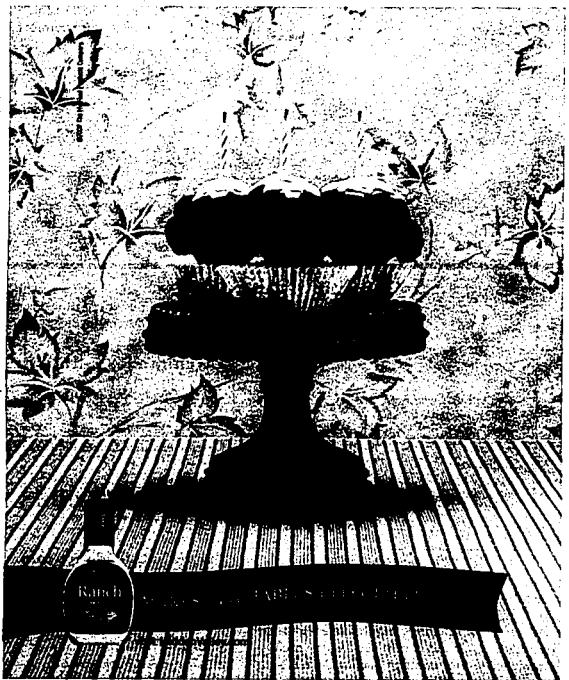
## Brownie Sundae Put out several flavors of ice cream and let guests help you by making their own desserts!

- 1 brownie, 3x3 inches, cut in half lengthwise
- 2 scoops mint chocolate chip ice cream (or other)

- 2 Tbsp chocolate sauce
- Prepared whipped cream
- 1 maraschino cherry, with stem

1. Place half of the brownie in the bottom of a small dessert plate.
2. Let guests choose one small scoop of ice cream to place on top of it. Drizzle with a tablespoon of the chocolate sauce; top with some of whipped cream.
3. Cover the ice cream with the remaining brownie half, pressing down slightly. Top with a second scoop of ice cream, chocolate sauce, and whipped cream. Finish with a cherry.

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—By Sarah Tucker

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By Marilyn vos Savant

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—PP, Los Alamos, N.M.

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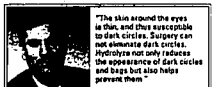
For example, should parents consider which children they like more or which need the money more? I think so, and I believe all parents should feel free to do what they wish.

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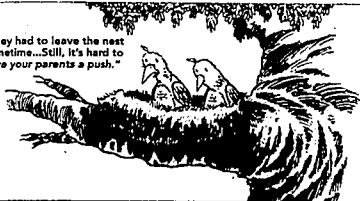
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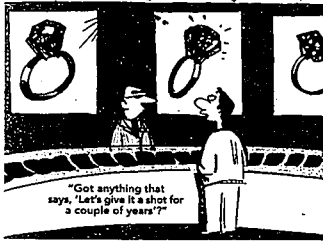
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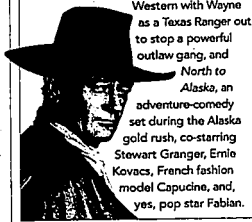
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Reviews by Sara Brzowsky, Joanna Prieco, and Sharon Witherspoon, Allison Takeda, and Jonathan Maile

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## Books Great

### Reads for Dad

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While I ate pretzels with the stage doorman and waited for Freeman to wrap up a rehearsal of *The Country Girl*, I could hear director Mike Nichols instructing the cast. "Slow down that speech, Morgan," he said. "We want a pause here." Freeman plays Elgin, a talented actor with a drinking problem. Freeman was once a drinker himself. Did he draw on that experience for his stage interpretation? "No, I was never like Elgin," Freeman told me. "I never couldn't work. But I saw I was losing control, and I didn't like that. So I quit."

The Oscar winner segues from Broadway to *Batman* to playing a bad guy with Angelina

# InStepWith<sup>®</sup> Morgan Freeman

By James Brady

**O**SCAR-WINNER MORGAN FREEMAN WAS chilling out, sipping honey for his throat in the traditionally crummy backstage dressing room of his Broadway show—a revival of Clifford Odets' *The Country Girl*. But instead of telling me how actors love the stage, he said, less romantically, "Theater paved the way, but all I wanted from the start was to be in movies."

Which is how it's working out. With his Oscar for *Million Dollar Baby*, the tall (6 feet 2), lean, 71-year-old actor has more movie offers than he has time. So his starring role in *The Country Girl*, directed by the great Mike Nichols, is for a limited run. "It's a challenge," he said. "But I wanted once to work for Mike."

Nothing is limited about his movie career. This summer, Freeman will appear in the latest Batman adventure, *The Dark Knight*, with Christian Bale, and a thriller called *Wanted*, with Angelina Jolie. "I'm a bad guy, and so is she. It's always more fun to play a bad guy, and in this one we're both assassins."

Then we'll be seeing him in *The Code*, with Antonio Banderas. "We're a couple of thieves," he said. "But he's actually an undercover cop out to get me." Then, later this year, director Clint Eastwood will fly Morgan and the cast to South Africa to shoot *The Human Factor*, in which Morgan portrays the long-time political prisoner—and eventual president of South Africa—Nelson Mandela.

Had Freeman and Mandela ever met? "Sure," he said. "The first time was at his house in Johannesburg, then in New York and D.C." And is the great statesman pleased by the idea of a movie? "Mandela is thrilled—or as thrilled as you can be at his age," Morgan said with a chuckle.

In between travels, Morgan and his second wife, Myrna, live in "a small town in Mississippi," he told me. But he knows New York. "I lived here for almost 30 years," he said of Manhattan. "It was on the Lower East Side, when I was no one from nowhere with no money." Today the superb actor is definitely someone—with plenty of money. **||**

## Personal

Born June 1, 1937, in Memphis. Married to Jeanette Adair Bradshaw (1967-79), two children; to Myrna Colley-Lee (1984-), two children.

## Why You Know Him

He won us over in films such as *Lean on Me*, *Glory*, *The Shawshank Redemption*, and *Million Dollar Baby*.

## What You Don't Know

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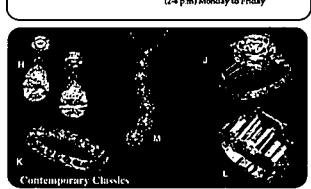
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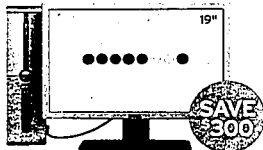
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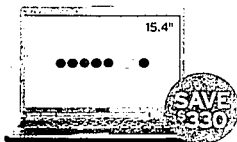
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