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Twin Falls County and St. Luke's Health System are now arguing over funding and labor needed to remodel St. Luke's downtown clinic for county use. The health care giant, as part of the 2006 sale, agreed to \$3 million for in-kind help in the remodel — a number now in dispute. These papers, a contract and several invoices submitted to Twin Falls County by Philadelphia law firm Duane Morris LLP, show some of the \$270,000 the firm has been paid since October 2005 for services related to the sale of the then-Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The hospital's buyer, St. Luke's Health System, reimbursed much of the total to the county in 2006. The firm was hired for its expertise regarding hospital sale agreements. But on Friday, two and a half years after Duane Morris was retained, county officials announced they had hired a local attorney to represent them as well.

Faced with a complicated hospital sale, Twin Falls County officials turned to the East Coast for help

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

Two and a half years ago, as Twin Falls County officials discussed selling the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to a non-profit corporation in Boise, a deal was struck.

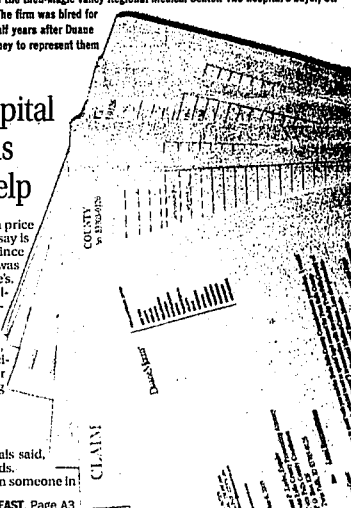
Facing high-powered lawyers hired by St. Luke's Health System and a lack of experience in the complex world of hospital sales, County Prosecutor Grant Loeb and county commissioners quickly hired Duane Morris LLP of Philadelphia to handle the 2006 sale — and its continuing dispute.

The firm came at a price that county officials say is worth it, especially since much of the cost was paid by St. Luke's. Regardless of the dollars involved, questions remain about the way Duane Morris was hired, and whether the decision was legal under Idaho's open meeting law.

The players

A local firm, officials said, just wasn't in the cards. "It might have been someone in

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Out of tune

Jazz in the Canyon attendance down

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

Jazz in the Canyon hit all the right notes.

It was the attendance that was a little flat.

The three-day event, held earlier this month in Twin Falls, was considered a success by organizers. But they noted attendance for Saturday's events at the Centennial Waterfront Park in the Snake River Canyon was a little lower than expected, due to several reasons.

Saturday's activities — with main events held from noon to 9 p.m. — saw about 785 tickets sold, along with about 30 to 40 vendors attending, said Stacey Madsen, executive director of the Magic Valley Arts Council. She said the figure was likely lower

than last year, but did not have specific numbers for comparison.

"I would assume it was a little bit down," she said. "We're certainly very pleased with the turnout and hope it will continue in the future."

The goal would be to have 1,000 people, Madsen said, adding such a figure was "very obtainable."

Jazz and Wine, held Friday at Kimberly Nurseries, had about 200 people and sold out, organizers said. Figures for Sunday's Father's Day brunch at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center were not kept, Madsen said.

The Twin Falls Rotary Club and Blue Lakes Rotary Club of Twin Falls, which organized the event since it began 10 years ago, transferred organizational control to the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and Magic Valley Arts Council.

"Those of us that were

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People gather to listen to jazz at Centennial Waterfront Park for the Jazz in the Canyon event held June 14 in Twin Falls.

Idaho spud farmer returns to roots to help Afghans

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — To help poor Afghani villagers make money on potatoes instead of opium poppies, Idaho farmer Pat Rowe borrowed a root cellar design common across his home state's famous potato country in the 1930s and 1940s.

The 68-year-old Rowe, whose family raises tubers and wheat on 2,000 acres near American Falls, went to the country as part of a \$6.4 million U.S. Department of Agriculture program meant to fill gaps in Afghanistan's food supply chain and develop agriculture to compete with the forbidden poppies that fuel the country's heroin trade.

As part of his work in Bamyan, located about 100 miles west of Kabul, Rowe said it was important his potato sheds not be too sophisticated. They had to be built with materials readily available in the impoverished

valley between the Hindu Kush and the Koh-i-Baba mountains with only dirt roads, a gravel runway, scant trees and almost no electricity.

Before leaving, he took notes from neighbors on Idaho's Snake River plain who had an old root cellar on their property.

"You look at what people are using and see what they are doing," Rowe said last week, of his trip. "You don't want to be a crazy foreigner with all these ideas. You've got to be practical with the application."

Rowe's work in January 2006 won mention earlier this month by first lady Laura Bush.

She was in France for the International Conference in Support of Afghanistan on June 12 when she brought up Rowe's root cellars in a speech before an audience that included French President Nicolas Sarkozy.

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T.F. July 4 fireworks show ready to explode

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

Let freedom ring — and let it ring loudly.

The annual July Fourth fireworks show in Twin Falls — this year called The Freedom Celebration Fireworks Display — is in its final stages of planning, and organizers are promising a no other blowout.

Shipping woes cut Chinese fireworks exports.

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Approximately 30-minute show will begin Friday at sundown, probably around 10 p.m., said Olivia Rowe, one of two people leading organization for the show. The show is co-sponsored by the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors and Bishop's RV.

Rowe said the most exciting place to see the fireworks

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is on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho. The fireworks are shot off just north of North College Road where the college is planning to expand.

"To get the full impact of the huge shells they shoot off, being right there on campus on the north side is the best place to be," Rowe said.

There are almost 6,000 aerial shells planned, plus other pyrotechnic displays, Rowe said. The \$30,000 production will be subsidized with \$8,000 from the city of Twin Falls, \$1,500 more than the city gave last year. The rest is from donations, which are still being accepted, Rowe said.

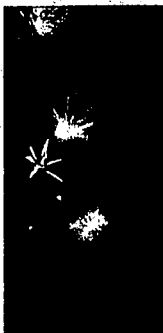
"We're going to do a big

spectacular fireworks display again," said Rowe, a retired realtor. "It's a monster thing."

About an hour before the show — likely 9 p.m. — police will close portions of the immediately surrounding roads: Washington Street North, Falls Avenue West and North College Road, said Twin Falls Police Capt. Matt Hicks. He said they are expecting thousands of people in attendance, and after the show it will take one hour for vehicles to leave campus.

The Twin Falls City Band will perform a concert on the CSI campus at about 7 p.m.

Organizers will go before the Twin Falls City Council tonight for a special events permit. Overtime costs for the TFPD to work the event are estimated at \$2,560 and are included in its overtime budget, according to a staff report.



The Elite Pyrotechnics fireworks display, as seen from the College of Southern Idaho campus last year in Twin Falls.



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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

"The Phantom of the OpTy," presented by Mt. Harrison Heritage Foundation, 8 p.m., Wilson Theatre, Rupert, \$7 for adults and \$3 for children, 878-8688.

GOVERNMENT

- Lincoln County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111 W. B. Shoshone, 886-2173.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, Burley, 878-7302.
Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 150 S. Fourth E., Mountain Home, 587-2129.
Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main, 934-4841.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700.
Mindoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 G St., Rupert, 436-7111.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7274.
Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N., 726-7801.
Halley City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall, 115 Main St. S., 788-4221.
Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 324-9116.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

- Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc., 301 Main St. N., Kimberly, no cost, 737-5989.
Starbreakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.
Chances for Recovery, a non-traditional, 12-step spiritual program open to all faiths, issues and addictions, 4 to 5:30 p.m., at conference room, Minnikoia Memorial Hospital, Rupert, no cost, 431-3741.
Recovery for Life: "Find Help, Discover Hope, Experience Healing," includes Co-dependency for Women and 12-Step HOPE (addiction recovery), 6 to 6:45 p.m., meal served and 7 p.m. meetings, Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Ave. N., (corner of Grandview Drive North and Pole Line Road), 733-6128.

LIBRARY

Brunch Bunch Storytime, bring a brunch and blanket for story reading, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 733-2964 ext. 109 or jhills@lib.tffid.org.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Crowne by e-mail at showbiz@timesnews.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.

ON THE AGENDA

TUESDAY

- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley, 788-5500.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, 644-2700.
Albion City Council, 7 p.m., community center, 124 S. Main, 673-5352.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave., 878-2224.
Jerome City Council, 5:30 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.
Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4154.
Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St., 436-9600.
Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Roll St. W., 886-2030.
Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St., 326-5000.

WEDNESDAY

- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 820 Eld Highway, 30, 366-7436.
Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 191 State St. N., 837-6636.

THURSDAY

- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar, 788-2128.
Kimberly Public Library Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 Madison W., 423-4556.
Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St., 536-5161.

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DEPRESSION HISTORY

Finding the remnants of the CCC's southern Idaho construction. Tuesday in Country Roads



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MISSOURI

Residents of river towns ponder their futures after floods

MOBILE — Once the Mississippi River starts to recede this week from another great flood, the tiny river towns that dot its banks in Missouri and Illinois will once again face the question: return and rebuild, or relocate?

It's a tough choice in places like Foley, a hamlet of fewer than 300 people an hour's drive northwest of St. Louis. Normally, the Big Muddy swims by at a comfortable distance. But for the second time in 15 years, a wet spring bleeding into a wet spring pushed the river well past its banks, causing a summer flood that swamped dozens of low-lying houses and forced residents to flee.

Barring any major storms, the river was expected to crest in St. Louis on Monday and Cape Girardeau in southeastern Missouri on Wednesday. Cape Girardeau is expected to see a crest of 42.5 feet, well above the flood stage of 32 feet. At that level, some residents will have to leave and thousands of acres of farmland will be flooded, the National Weather Service said.

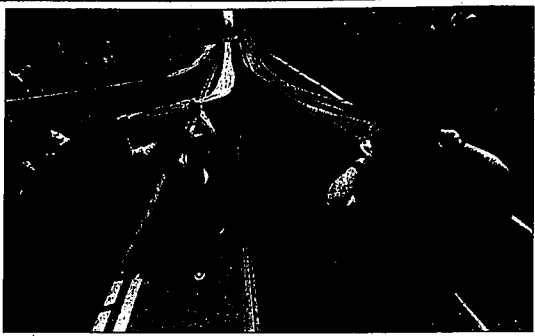
With the river still running high, the shock and pain of the flood make it hard to think about whether to leave, said Foley Mayor Bill Thornhill. But in a town where no one is rich or a stranger, economics and a strong sense of belonging are prompting most to say they'll stay.

AFGHANISTAN

Afghan civilian deaths up 60 percent in first half of 2008 to almost 700

KABUL — The number of civilians killed in fighting between insurgents and security forces in Afghanistan has soared by two-thirds in the first half of this year, to almost 700 people, a senior U.N. official said Sunday.

The figure is a grim reminder of how the nearly seven-year war has failed to



Elizabeth Rivera, left, carries part of a rainbow flag during San Francisco's 38th annual gay pride parade on Sunday. (See story below.)

stabilize the country and suggest that ordinary civilians are bearing a heavy toll, particularly from stepped-up militant attacks.

John Holmes, the world body's humanitarian affairs chief, said the insecurity was making it increasingly difficult to deliver emergency aid to poor Afghans hit by the global food crisis.

"The humanitarian situation is clearly affected and made worse by the ongoing conflict in different parts of the country," Holmes told reporters in Kabul during a multi-day visit.

CALIFORNIA Firefighters make slow progress against blazes

SAN FRANCISCO — Firefighters in Northern California battled more than a thousand wildfires to a stalemate by Sunday, but forecasters said dangerous conditions would not relent anytime soon.

No new major fires had broken out by Sunday morning as fire crews inched closer to getting some of the largest blazes surrounded, according to the state Office of Emergency Services.

But a "red flag warning" — meaning the most extreme fire danger — was still in effect for Northern California until 5 a.m. Monday. And the coming days and months are

expected to bring little relief. Forecasters predicted more thunderstorms and dry lightning through the weekend, similar to the ones that ignited hundreds of fires a week ago. Meanwhile, a U.S. Forest Service report said the weather would get even drier and hotter as fire season headed toward its traditional peak in late July and August.

Annual gay pride parade held

SAN FRANCISCO — A lesbian motorcycle group dressed in wedding gowns and wearing bridal veils lent a matrimonial touch to San Francisco's gay pride parade Sunday as revelers celebrated their newfound freedom to marry.

The riders tossed bouquets as they led the city's 38th annual gay pride parade down Market Street. Some of the motorcycles were adorned with signs that read "Just Married."

Huge crowds lined the route as city tourism officials predicted the largest turnout yet for the parade, which typically draws tens of thousands.

The county clerk's office was busy Friday handling out marriage licenses and handling wedding ceremonies. Same-sex marriage has been legal in California since June 16, after a state Supreme Court decision.

NEW YORK

Recipes get overhaul as NYC whacks artery clogging trans fats

Making cannoli is serious business in New York. It's a dessert so tempting that even a hit man in the "Godfather" couldn't leave a box behind.

But even the most respected chefs of this and other pastries are being ordered to make changes by Tuesday — the day New York's trans fat ban takes full effect.

New York is the first American city to adopt such a stringent rule. Starting this week, the ban extends to almost all prepared food in restaurants, bakeries, cafeterias, salad bars and food carts. There will be a three-month grace period before big fines are slapped on violators. The artery-clogging substance was first banned from cooking oils last year.

Chefs who relied on trans fats to make their pie crusts flaky, their crackers crispy and their muffins moist have worked overtime finding substitute ingredients. They have burned through hundreds of gallons of oil, shortening and margarine trying to retool old recipes without damaging flavor, texture or color.

— The Associated Press

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, June 30, the 182nd day of 2008. There are 184 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: One hundred years ago, on June 30, 1908, the Tunguska Event took place in Russia as an asteroid exploded above Siberia, leaving 800 square miles of scorched or blown-down trees.

On this date: In 1859, French acrobat Blondin (born Jean Francois Gravelet) walked a tightrope above the gorge of Niagara Falls as thousands of spectators watched.

In 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt signed the Pure Food and Drug Act and the Meat Inspection Act.

In 1921, President Harding nominated former President Taft to be chief justice of the United States, to succeed the late Edward Douglas White.

In 1934, Adolf Hitler carried out his "blood purge" of political and military rivals in Germany in what came to be known as "The Night of the Long Knives."

In 1936, the novel "Gone

with the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell was published in New York.

In 1958, the U.S. Senate passed the Alaska statehood bill by a vote of 64-20.

In 1986, the Supreme Court, in Bowers v. Hardwick, ruled 5-4 that states could outlaw homosexual acts between consenting adults.

Ten years ago: Linda Tripp, whose tape-and-tell friendship with Monica Lewinsky spurred a White House crisis, spent six hours testifying before a grand jury

in Washington. Five years ago: Israeli and Palestinian commanders shook hands as bulldozers dismantled checkpoints and Palestinian traffic flowed freely in the Gaza Strip.

One year ago: Two men rammed a jeep loaded with gasoline canisters into the main terminal at Glasgow Airport in Scotland, failing to set off an explosion, but seriously burning one of suspects; the attack came a day after two cars rigged as bombs were found in London.

HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

IF JUNE 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your street smarts and business acumen will guide you to success for the next several weeks.

During August and September, you've got the word of the tall and can swing it any way you wish. Your confidence, optimism, wisdom and leadership abilities will be recognized and appreciated, but you can afford to rest on your laurels, too. February is the best time meet people who are good for you or to start any key project and put crucial plans into motion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do not pardon the interrup-

tion. Remain focused on your appointed tasks and avoid the temptations to be sidetracked into other endeavors. Avoid engaging in confrontations or offering criticisms.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Lead by example. Stay on the ball and show others how to do it. Take charge of the team and don't be afraid to give constructive criticism. Open your mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't let your imagination get the best of you. Problems you presently may have more to do with your point of view than with reality. Keep an open mind and try to view matters

as those around you do. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Dig deep to discover a revelation or disclosure that will shed new light on a nagging situation and allow you to solve the problem with ease.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Give someone the benefit of the doubt. Forgive past transgressions, but don't enter into any new agreements or sign binding contracts. Make sure the goal you're working toward is worth your while.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Slow and steady always wins the race. Stick to your guns regarding work and relationships and do not undertake any new responsibilities. Adhere to the usual routine for the next several days.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may feel the need to tell others what they are doing wrong. Be sure your

own affairs are in apple pie order before sticking your nose into the business of others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Avoid stating the obvious. In matters of love and money, others will be on the same page and no discussion is necessary. Keep the checkbook closed and hold off on making any major purchases.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): One must be a friend first before becoming a lover. Be careful not to misinterpret a potential love interest's intentions and rush into a relationship. Stay casual and let the chips fall where they may.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your mind is a sponge; absorb new ideas. You may find a new perspective by following the example of someone who goes against the flow. Focus on work and keep romantic aspirations on the back burner.

Jazz

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there had a great time," said Shawn Barigar, head of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. Madsen and Barigar

chalked up Saturday's low attendance to weather—the previous week was rainy and jazz in the Canyon was held the first comfortable weekend.

Given the first year of the organizing effort, Madsen said she and her colleagues

chose to cut back a little bit on events, choosing to pass on Jazz About Town, an event with jazz acts playing outside the canyon, including on Main Avenue.

"This year we scaled it back slightly because it was new for us and we didn't want to

make it too big for us to manage," Madsen said.

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Twin," said Tom Mikessel, the only current commissioner who was then on the board. "But we felt it best to get someone with a lot of experience."

The county and St. Luke's each hired large firms with offices worldwide that handle complex legal-medical cases. Leading a small army of Duane Morris lawyers are Donald R. Auten and Matthew C. Jones. They don't work cheap: Auten initially billed out at \$465 an hour, and later raised his rate to \$575. Jones billed at \$330 when first hired and at \$400 now, according to the county records.

Top Twin Falls lawyers typically bill at \$300 per hour, but Auten, speaking from Philadelphia, said his fee is comparable to what his peers at other firms would charge. All told, Duane Morris has been paid at least \$270,000, according to invoices obtained from the county under the state public records law. Under terms of the sale agreement, St. Luke's covered as much as \$241,400 of the county's bill leading up to the July 1, 2006, sale date, though only \$230,356 is listed under legal expenses in a St. Luke's summary at closing.

Since then, Twin Falls County has paid its own way—nearly \$31,000 and counting—as relations between the county and St. Luke's soured and the two began bugging over who should pay to remodel the downtown clinic at 660 Shoshone St. N. Duane Morris is paid by Loeb's out of a special fund for lawyers, Mikessel said, to try to keep the commissioners from worrying how much the services cost the county. That way, he said, they can focus on ensuring quality representation for county residents.

The deal

The county went to an outside firm when it became clear that the hospital sale would be complex, said Loeb's, who represents the commission on less difficult issues.

Spud

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United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and Afghanistani President Hamid Karzai.

Afghan potato farmers in Bamian have learned storage methods from an Idaho potato farmer that are making their crops more profitable," said Bush, who had made an unannounced trip to Bamian four days earlier.

Paul Sippola, the Central and South Asia program officer for private Washington, D.C.-based non-profit development outfit CNFA, which ran the Department of

"It's something that most people don't handle ever in a lifetime," said Loeb's.

The experts mostly belong to national firms such as Duane Morris, which serve a very narrow specialty, agreed Joe Lupica, president of Stroudwater Capital, a Phoenix-based health care advisory firm. The county paid Lupica \$270,000 during six months by St. Luke's, with commissioners, the hospital, doctors and the public to determine health care needs and options leading up to the sale. Lupica's fees were also reimbursed by St. Luke's. The prosecutor said he asked Lupica and others for advice and narrowed the list to two or three "highly recommended" firms whose representatives, including Auten, flew to Twin Falls for extensive interviews.

Though the commissioners participated in the interviews and seem to have made a decision regarding the contract, they a record can produce no record or notice of any meetings on the subject. Under state law, commission meetings are supposed to be announced to the public and open to all, unless closed by a recorded vote citing a narrow list of exemptions. None of those requirements were followed.

Loeb's said Thursday that he may have discussed the matter with the commissioners as a group or individually, but he isn't sure if they ever voted. Loeb's, as county prosecutor, is responsible for enforcing open meeting laws. Former commissioner chairman Gary Grindstaff said he recalls the decision to hire Duane Morris, and said having Loeb's handle the process allowed them to keep it quiet.

"That way it was a legal thing that we could do without being in the public eye," Grindstaff said. "And it was a big decision," he added later.

The deal became official sometime after Oct. 6, 2006, when Loeb's signed a short letter of engagement from Auten that covered fees, billing procedures and other details. The county had no previous ties to the firm, Loeb's said, and was unfamiliar with Auten and his peers.

None of the attorneys in his office do outside legal or consulting work and none had ties to the firm, he said.

Quiet moves

While county officials maintain that hiring the Philadelphia firm was the right thing to do, they never made mention of it in public—though Mikessel recalls officials mentioning outside counsel at meetings related to the sale.

In May, Twin Falls attorney Gary Slette filed a public record request asking for the law firm's invoices. In a request he expressed concern that "wise men from the East" were needed for an Idaho case.

The county rejected most of Slette's first request citing attorney-client privilege and calling the bills "work product" prepared in anticipation of litigation, among other exemptions to the state records law.

After repeated requests filed by Slette and the Times-News, the county released the bills. Loeb's said the reversal came when commissioners decided that telling the public about the expenditures would do no harm and would show the county had chosen wisely when selecting a law firm.

Loeb's said he disagreed. "I don't believe that (Slette) actually has, nor do I believe you actually have, a clear right to those," Loeb's told the Times-News.

Having St. Luke's pay county legal costs was negotiated as part of the sale of what Mikessel calls a \$142 million asset. Loeb's said it was appropriate because St. Luke's got a bargain.

St. Luke's will finance a \$20 million health grant fund for the county, and paid off \$19 million in county hospital debt. It also is building an all-new, \$220 million hospital.

Common threads

History is about to repeat itself in Bannock County, where the county-owned Portneuf Medical Center will likely be put up for sale this year. Bannock County Commission Chairman Larry Ghan said officials studied

countries including Egypt, China and Zimbabwe to help promote new agricultural techniques.

Farmers in Bamian, an ancient village on the Silk Road that spent 1,500 years in the shadow of two huge Buddha statues before they were dynamited by the Taliban in 2001, had no efficient way to store potatoes following their harvest, leading to drastic food-price increases and shortages.

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the Twin Falls sale, and that his office also took Stroudwater Capital's advice when it hired a lawyer from Chicago.

Loeb's said Bannock County is following the right path.

"This is way too complex and way too important for anyone to handle who doesn't have a firm grasp of this kind of law," Loeb's said.

Yet hiring out-of-town specialists is no guarantee of smooth sailing. The county and the St. Luke's are now arguing over the remodel of St. Luke's downtown clinic for county use—part of the sale agreement.

After years of paying Duane Morris, the county announced Friday it has retained local attorney Laird Stone of Stephan, Kramvig, Stone & Trainor to help coordinate the case as it goes to mediation. Stone and his partners charge \$200 per hour.

Local representation, Stone said, ensures the county has outside help licensed to practice in Idaho—something rare among Philadelphia lawyers.

Mikessel said cost was an issue, especially considering the cost of air travel.

"Having a local attorney will help us understand the issues quicker without having to pay," he said.

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Days of oversized airline carry-ons limited

By Chris Kahn
Associated Press writer

"They're in such trouble."

— Honor Guthrie, 45, an American Airlines passenger on airlines' current financial situations

PHOENIX — Admit it. That chunky carry-on bag of yours would never fit into the sample box displayed outside the airport gate.

Don't expect that bag to get a free ride for long.

Checked bags are now a moneymaker for US Airways, American Airlines and United Airlines, and officials say they're going to keep a closer watch on how much you take on board as they begin their new baggage fees.

"We're planning on having extra staff where possible, especially at peak times at busy airports," US Airways spokesman Morgan Durrant said.

The airlines point out that the carry-on policy came from the Federal Aviation Administration, not the industry, and they have an obligation to keep people from sneaking bulky bags onto planes to avoid fees. Not only is it unfair to the honest, fee-paying traveler, they say, but it would also overload the

overhead bins and force gate crews to delay takeoffs while they checked excess bags.

But the added scrutiny means something else as well. Every passenger — even those not used to checking bags — is going to have to start following the rules.

People who are accustomed to boarding with a large roller case might find themselves handing \$15 to an airline employee before they get through security.

"It's up to us to get to them before they get too far in line and say 'Ma'am or sir, you need to check that bag,'" said Mark Dupont, American's senior vice president of airport services planning.

AMR Corp.'s American Airlines, the nation's largest carrier, was the first to announce fees for the first checked bag. It started charging \$15 each way for a single bag on tickets purchased June 15 or later.

US Airways Group Inc. will match that fee for tickets booked on or after July 9. UAL Corp.'s United Airlines will follow later in the summer with the same bag fee for domestic flights as of Aug. 18.

The three airlines say they are responding to tremendous pressure to cover sky-high fuel prices that have erased profits and sunk stock values. The Air Transport Association says fuel costs will hammer the industry this year, contributing to about \$13 billion in losses.

Most airlines plan to cut back on available seats and routes in hopes of eventually boosting demand and keeping fares high. American, US Airways and United also will shed thousands of jobs to cut costs.

US Airways, which does not have an extensive network of lucrative international flights, says it will look for additional ways to raise cash. It is

already planning to increase service fees on tickets, charge for items like soda and for popular seats in coach. Along with the bag charges, the fees are expected to bring US Airways an additional \$300 million to \$400 million annually.

"They're in such trouble," said Honor Guthrie, 45, an American Airlines passenger on her way back to Chicago from Phoenix. Guthrie said she understood that fuel costs are killing the industry.

Next time she travels, Guthrie said, she will likely take something smaller than the large black roller case that she brought on the Phoenix trip.

"I'll wear the same pants a couple of days, same shirt, same skirt. I'll probably do some laundry wherever I go," she said.

Dan Weisberg, 51, also sympathized with the airlines. Weisberg, a businessman who travels a few times a month, added that he is happy the airlines are devoting extra employees to policing carry-ons.



Passengers move around Sky Harbor International Airport Monday, June 23, in Phoenix. Checked bags are now a moneymaker for US Airways, American Airlines and United Airlines, and officials say they're going to keep a closer watch on how much you take on board as they begin their new baggage fees.

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Florida prepares for first execution since foul up

By Ron Word
Associated Press writer

STARKE, Fla. — Florida's new procedure for lethal injections could be tested Tuesday when executioners strap down a condemned inmate for the first time since a botched execution.

Mark Dean Schwab, 39, is scheduled to die exactly 16 years after he was sentenced in the 1991 kidnapping, rape and murder of 11-year-old Ritos-Martinez.

Florida officials say they believe Schwab has the most problems with the December 2006 execution of Angel Diaz when needles were accidentally pushed through his veins, causing the lethal chemicals to go into his muscles instead, delaying his death for 34 minutes — twice as long as normal. Some experts said that would cause intense pain.

"Then-Gov. Jeb Bush stopped all executions after Diaz was killed, but Florida and other states were also held up as they waited for the

U.S. Supreme Court to rule the three-drug method of lethal injection used by Kentucky was constitutional. Thirty-four other states, including Florida, use a similar method.

Florida's new procedure requires the warden to make sure the inmate is unconscious following the injection of the first drug, sodium pentothal. Then the executioner will inject pancuronium bromide to paralyze his muscles and potassium chloride to stop his heart. It also requires the warden with medical training to be involved in the process.

Schwab and his attorneys aren't so sure the problems are fixed. An analysis done for Schwab's attorneys showed that nine of the 30 mock executions performed by Florida's Department of Corrections between September 2007 and May were failures, said one of his state-paid attorneys, Mark Gruber.

The corrections department said its mock exercises have included preparation for potential problems such as a combative inmate, the incapacity of an execution team member, power failure and finding a vein.



Schwab

North Dakota town holds 'wedding' for moose mascot

ANAMOOSE, N.D. (AP) — The male moose mascot of a tiny North Dakota town has a mate, and she's the city's namesake.

Joe the Moose has long been the mascot on the sign leading to Anamoose, in north-central North Dakota. But officials of the town of about 260 decided to give him a mate, Ana, and held a mock wedding Saturday in celebration.

Maury Becker, a resident who acted as minister of the ceremony, told the guests he was joining Joe and Ana "in

an estate of continual turmoil," and officially declared them "miserable mates."

The moose couple — Ron Cartwright as Ana and Barb Martin as Joe — cut the wedding cake and handed out what they called moose droppings.

"Really, you've got to have a little fun and live a little," said Danelle Olson, the pastor of the United Community Baptist Church of Anamoose. "It's a silly event. But, you know, sometimes you've got to act a little silly to keep your sanity in life."

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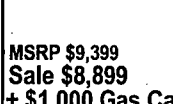
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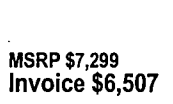
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T.F. intersections buzzing with bevy of bees

Bee specialist has couple of theories why they're flocking to busy streets

By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer

Getting held up at a red light has always been a pain. But since last week, especially in the evenings, busier intersections might actually sting you. Twin Falls motorists have been reporting surprisingly large clusters of honey bees this week, particularly around the largest thor-



oughfare intersections in town. With calls to dispatch piling up, police reached for the bee phone and dialed Vernon Adams. "He takes care of bee problems,"



ops theories about their behavior. But he wasn't about to go out killing area bees harmlessly frequenting area intersections. Police merely consulted with him about the trend and he helped answer some of their questions. The bee infestations at intersec-

sions don't immediately make sense to the layman: There's no hive at any of the three intersections cited — Addison Avenue and Washington Street; Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Addison Avenue; and Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Pole Line Road. For Hjckes, the anomalous situation reminded him of about five summers ago when the same complaints surfaced.

"We received several reports about there being large swarms of bees in public areas, usually public intersections," Hjckes said. "While we could never locate them, once

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Foraging for festivities

Hagerman mulls possible post-Fossil Days festival

By Cassidy Friedman
Staff writer

All told, about 5 percent of Hagerman's denizens turned out to discuss what celebration the city should host now that Fossil Days has officially fizzled out, the event's planner said.

But at Thursday evening's meeting, which drew about 52 people assembled in a U-shape at the Hagerman Senior and Community Center, "people weren't crying over spilled milk," said Jim "Scotty" Scott, a member of the Hagerman Chamber of Commerce.

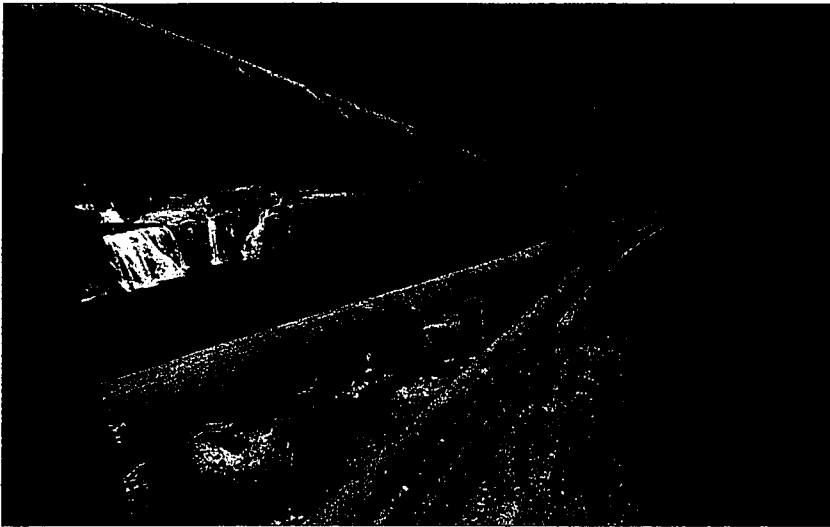
"They recognized that they weren't happy with the decision (to end Fossil Days) and that it was unfortunate, but people really didn't dwell on the past," Scott said. "All complaints were cast looking to the future."

So what is the future now that after 21 years, Hagerman's signature event held each Memorial Day weekend has ended? Many think the next celebration should still include "a link to fossil days and the Hagerman horse," Scott said, referring to an ancient skeletal horse discovered in the town's backyard.

"They feel that's part of our identity," Scott said. But not everyone voiced that opinion.

"People who didn't care said there's so much more recreation potential in Hagerman valley that they didn't want a particular focus to override the opportunity to show off the diversity," Scott said.

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A view from the Centennial Trail Friday afternoon. The Twin Falls City Council is scheduled tonight to consider the long-term Strategic Plan, a planning document that outlines ways to address city services, including expansion to the trail system.

T.F. Council to consider strategic plan tonight, Canyon Rim Trail expansion included

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

The Twin Falls City Council will consider tonight whether to adopt its Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2008 to 2012.

The plan serves as a five-year guide for the city as it plans future projects, budgets and services, and it includes general outlines for nearly all city issues, including infrastructure, law enforcement and parks and recreation. It was developed by the City Council and staff through workshops with consultants.

Among the highlights:
• Infrastructure needs include complying with federal arsenic standards and developing more wastewater treatment capacity; upgrading and widening Falls Avenue West from Washington Street North to Grandview Drive, and implementing the Transportation Master Plan.

• Public safety plans include a second phase of a cell phone system for emergency communications; reducing drug use; and developing a strategy and improving retention for police officers.

• Community-based issues include supporting plans to revitalize downtown as recommended by the Portland-based Leland Consulting Group and Mayor Lance Clow's 2010 Initiative; expanding the city's Canyon

Rim Trail as development occurs; and re-evaluating or revising the city's economic development strategy.

• Financial issues include planning conservatively and finding new tax sources, including local-option taxes, by means of incoming assistant city manager Travis Rothwell; creating proposals for possible impact fees and general facilities fees by January 2009; developing a strategy to acquire grants; and a proposal for a citizen-based finance committee by the fall.

Other scheduled business:
• Consideration of overtime funding for police for the Air Magic Valley Air Show and to allow signs for the show to be displayed in town. They are separate agenda items.

The Twin Falls Police Department estimates it will need 42 officers and five non-sworn employees for the event, including a practice show Friday evening that is closed to the public. The \$40,260 cost is not included in the budget but will be offset with air show revenue, according to a city staff report. The show is July 26-27.

On the sign item, the council will address whether signs advertising the air show would comply with city code. Staff and the city attorney decided signs to be displayed by the show's sponsors would "contain non-commercial copy" because they are advertising a

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A plaque greets visitors at the beginning of The Centennial Trail near Shoshone Falls.

Two separate crashes send two to hospital

Staff report

Two unrelated crashes Sunday in south-central Idaho resulted in at least two people with injuries, police said.

At 5:30 p.m. a one-vehicle crash at mile marker 173 on Highway 26 in Lincoln County sent one person to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. A Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center dispatcher supervisor said she did not know how the crash occurred or the extent of injuries.

The second crash was a two-car collision at about 5:38 p.m. at mile marker 205 on Highway 30 east of Buhl. At least one person was sent to the hospital. Twin Falls County was conducting the investigation, said a SIRCOMM dispatcher.

The cost of companionship

Shelters see more animals during tough times

By Brittany Rose
Correspondent

For many Magic Valley residents, ever-increasing prices of food and fuel have stretched budgets to near the breaking point. While most get by with some necessary sacrifices, some worry about the consequences that an increased cost of living brings upon our four-legged friends.

Area animal shelters are housing an increased number of unwanted animals, a trend that may indicate that tough economic times are impacting the quality of life for area pets.

Debbie Blackwood, director of the Twin Falls Animal Shelter thinks so. "Absolutely yes, and we are scared to death."

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Cassia County school district explains proposed bond

By Damon Hunziker
Staff writer

Burley High School's Little Theatre, which has a capacity for 350 people, could have been much smaller Thursday night.

The Cassia County School District Board of Trustees held a public meeting to explain plans for a bond election to renovate or replace schools across the county.

The board needs people to be aware of the bond, and Thursday night marked the beginning of a campaign to inform Cassia residents of their plans before the Aug. 28 vote.

"We hope that by Aug. 28, no one who lives here will say, 'There's a bond?'" Trustee Debbie Critchfield said.

Attendance was sparse at the meeting, with only 10 citizens who

weren't board trustees or associated with the development project.

The district intends to send flyers to homes and businesses, set up a booth at the county fair, and to tell residents over the next two months about the proposed \$44.5 million property tax increase.

A homeowner with \$100,000 of assessed property value will pay an additional \$5 per month in taxes, according to a Zions Bank estimate.

"My mom said that's like giving up one hamburger each month. I hope she remembers saying that," Trustee Mike Matthews said, sounding concerned about his mom's vote.

The reasons for the bond are myriad, but Superintendent Gaylen Smyer offered an unusual one.

"We don't often think of ourselves as an earthquake area, but

when they happen in Wells (Nev.) and Challis, you realize it's not that far away, and we want the students to be safe," he said.

It's a short amount of time to inform the public, but Trustee Steve Lynch insisted, "The main reason for the delay is very careful, extensive planning."

Lynch added that because four communities are affected — each with different needs and concerns — it was more difficult for Cassia County to coordinate a plan, as opposed to a county with just one high school such as Minidoka County.

Malta resident Ted Higley said: "I think there's a real need, and the interest rates right now make it an opportune time. A lot of our buildings are real old, some going back more than 50 years. I realize it's a lot of money, but we're investing in the

future, and our kids are the future."

Smyer wanted to assure residents that the construction is not merely cosmetic.

"This is really about needs and not much fluff," he said. "The fluff that would be there would be space for future growth."

The structures that will be either renovated or replaced are: Oakley High School, Raft River High School, Burley High School, Burley Junior High School, Cassia Regional Technical Center, Dvorshak Elementary, Mountain View Elementary, White Pine Intermediate School and all Declo schools.

Public meetings at high schools in Burley, Declo, Oakley, and Malta will be held at 7:30 p.m. July 1 and July 15. Open houses at each of the affected schools will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. July 8, 22, and 29.

Learn more
For further information on pet adoption or how you can help local animal shelters, visit www.idahohumanesociety.com.

Maudie Boyer

GOODING — Maudie Boyer, 89, of Gooding passed away June 27, 2008. Maudie was born to Wendell to Clyde and Lizzie Boyer.

Bissell on Dec. 23, 1918. Maudie married Roy Boyer on June 22, 1941. They moved north of Gooding and had two children, Carolyn and Durrell. She was a homemaker and involved in the Northern Lights Club. When Roy was alive, they would go dancing.

She never really believed that she would live to see her great-grandchildren. She was so excited when the first one was born she stayed up all night long at the hospital waiting until she was born and she was the first to see to touch her. She always loved having the girls around. She would have Enola help her with little chores, Alexia

would take her homework over to read to great-grandma and watching Asia would always put a smile on her face. They will miss great-grandma very much.

Maudie is survived by her daughter, Carolyn Carpenter; granddaughter Carrie (Tidd) Siffler, three great-granddaughters, Enola, Alexia and Asia Siffler, all of Gooding; sister Vera Wilson of Twin Falls; brother Clifford (Phyllis) Bissell of Meridian; and many nieces and nephews.

Maudie was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Boyer; son, Durrell Boyer; two grandsons, Larry L. Jr. and Roy Alan Carpenter; sisters Mary Harvey and Edna Miller and her parents, Clyde and Lizzie Bissell.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 2, at Demary Funeral Service, Gooding. Chapel, burial will follow at Elmwood Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 1 at the chapel.

Mary W. Priebe

Mary was born in Twin Falls, Idaho on Sept. 15, 1915. Her parents were Walter R. Priebe and Marie L. Priebe. Mary died June 1, 2008 in Seattle, Wash. at the age of 92.



Mary graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1933. She attended the Union Normal School from 1933 to 1935, and received her teaching degree. She then attended the University of Wyoming and received a bachelor's degree.

During World War II Mary was in the Red Cross and worked in the United States and Europe. After the war Mary taught school in Florence, Italy and traveled to various other parts of Europe.

After returning to the United States, Mary was a librarian in the public school system in Seattle, Wash. for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Melcher, and a brother, James "Tim" Priebe.

A graveside service will be held July 2, at 1:30 p.m. at the Twin Falls Cemetery with Father Brian Thom officiating.

DEATH NOTICES

Daniel J. Delaney
Daniel J. Delaney, 87, of Twin Falls passed away Friday, June 27, 2008 at Willowbrook Assisted Living in Twin Falls. Services will be held on Tuesday July 1, at 10 a.m. at the Filier Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary

"Chapel by the Park".

Wanda Cotes
FILER — Wanda Cotes, 74, died Sunday June 29, 2008 at her home in Filer. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Irene Artega Juarez, 36, of Tappeka, Kan., and formerly of Hazelton, funeral at 10 a.m. today at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; (Hansen Mortuary).

L.E. "Tiny" Klassen of Twin Falls, funeral, memorial service from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Josephine "Jo" Frances (Fenton) MacKenzie of Clackamas, Ore., and formerly of Rupert, memorial service will be today in Clackamas, Ore.

Dan E. Woodhouse of West Magic, memorial service at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church, 205 E. Fifth St. in Shoshone

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Hagerman

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Of those looking to break the old ties, some recommended emphasizing the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, the area's state parks, or highlighting Hagerman's famous melons with a harvest festival.

For at least some attendees, the greatest success of the meeting was fostering new volunteers. It was a lack of volunteerism, after all, that caused Fossil Days to decay in the first place and imposed the onus of organizing on a tired few.

An events committee

made up of nine fresh volunteers will summarize the results of the meeting and begin generating recommendations for next year's event.

"Everybody who had been involved just kind of sat there sheepishly with their mouths shut, knowing their tendency would be to jump forward and be the committee," Scott said. If nothing else, the meeting "accomplished the objective of involving the community."

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Highway 75 road project begins July 8 in Blaine Co.

Staff report

HAILEY — Temperatures have been enough for long-awaited construction project to begin on Idaho Highway 75 between Bellevue and Hailey, the Idaho Transportation Department announced.

The resurfacing project, which will be completed during the evening and night hours, is scheduled to begin July 8. Milling of the roadway and paving with two and a half inches of new asphalt will follow over the coming weeks.

The project will begin at Spruce Street in Bellevue (mile post 112) and run to approximately the Fox Acres signal in Hailey (mile post 116).

One lane will be closed and a pilot car will be used to guide traffic through the

construction zone during work hours, 7 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.

"We knew the road surface needed rehabilitation. Contending with traffic on the main artery of the Wood River Valley was something we had concerns with," ITD Resident Engineer Thomas Brown said. "By working at night, the commerce and commuter traffic that keeps the highway busy throughout the day shouldn't be affected as much and in the end we'll have the best result."

The early onset of cool temperatures last fall delayed the rehabilitation project after the contract was awarded. Minimum air and surface temperatures must be met when laying new asphalt, which is difficult to achieve during nighttime work.

Valley Paving of Bellevue was awarded the \$1.25 million project.

"We knew the road surface needed rehabilitation."

— ITD Resident Engineer Thomas Brown

Drivers are urged to be cautious when driving through the construction zone and to watch for construction crews and equipment when present. Speeding violations in construction zones carry enhanced penalties. ITD appreciates the patience and cooperation of those driving through the work zone.

For more information about construction projects on the state highway system, contact the 511 Traveler Services Web site, <http://511.idaho.gov> or dial 5-1-1.

Bees

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on patrol I encountered them on the west five points intersection (Addison and Washington). There was enough that the sidewalk was several feet across and high. It was a pretty dense cloud — probably thousands."

At about 5 p.m. Wednesday, L. Craig Stotts, driving through the same intersection, had a very nearly identical image.

"It though, is there a beehive on the ground somewhere?" Stotts said. "Who knows if their nest cracked open? Wonder if there was a truck hauling a bunch of bees that wrecked or lost its (freight)."

At least 500 bees swarmed harmlessly, he said. Because of the heat, the cars ahead and behind Stotts had their air conditioning blasting and their windows rolled up.

"I looked to see if people started swatting," Stotts said. "Maybe the bees made it through the vents. But there was nobody swatting. They didn't seem aggressive at all."

Questions needed answering. Adams, who received the call from police last week, has built a couple of theories that may explain some of what drivers and cops are seeing.

• A full house trumps two queens

In the natural course of bee reproduction, a hive will hatch two queens, Adams said.

"You can't have two queens in a hive," Adams said. So one queen will leave the hive and take one-third of the colony with her. Now you've got one-third of the kingdom with no home, which may explain why it's hard to trace these nomadic bees to a nearby hive. The good news is bees are less likely to sting when they are far away from their hive, Adams said. The bad news

is that confined inside your car, they might.

• Sound attracts? Just last week, Adams discovered first-hand that bees can be attracted to loud noise.

He learned that while using his Weed Eater at his home. The sound called the bees over. These heavily trafficked intersections produce a loud decibel buzz of engines revving, which may explain why the intersections are so popular with the bees, he said.

Adams said bees typically swarm when they are in search of a new home.

Council

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"community event," according to a city staff report. The report said the air show was not a product of a commercial event like the Twin Falls County Fair.

- Appointing Cindy Bond, Kent Cramer and Tony Prater to three-year terms on the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency board.
- Discussion on the upcoming project to widen Washington Street North.
- Discussion on the city's Capital Improvement Plan, which includes long-term street projects.

construction of a restroom at Northern Ridge Park. The lowest bid, at \$79,775, was made by Stanley & Associates, Inc.

• Presentation on the upcoming project to widen Washington Street North.

• Discussion on the city's Capital Improvement Plan, which includes long-term street projects.

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Shelters

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On average, the Twin Falls Animal Shelter sends out 500 adopted pets per year. Last year at this time, the adoption rate was 68 percent; this year, it's dropped to 57 percent. Along with the decrease in adoptions, the shelter is also cautiously seeing an increase in animals coming in.

"We get an average of 47 additional animals each month," Blackwood said. "It's directly proportional to the numbers of animals coming in."

At the end of May, according to Blackwood, the shelter had 376 more animals than it did at the same time in 2007.

With an increase in animals and a concurrent decrease in adoptions, Blackwood fears the worst. "It's a scary endeavor and we fear there's more to come."

Cities less populous than Twin Falls are also feeling the pressure. The Jerome Animal Shelter has roughly 10 percent more animals than it did this time last year — not as many as the Twin Falls shelter, but enough to make a difference. Jerome has an average number of between seven and 10 animals, said Gordon Leininger, animal control officer for the Jerome Police Department. Currently, the shelter houses a total of 19 animals in only 14 kennels. "We're not overly full," Leininger said. "But it's over."

Leininger isn't shy to show his compassion for the overall well-being of the animals. "It's just sad. The animals have no clue what's happening or where they are. People have a choice, animals don't."

While the Twin Falls shelter's primary concern is pets being dropped off, the Jerome shelter is more con-

cerned with loose animals. When asked what can be done to keep animals out of shelters, Leininger simply asked that people be responsible owners.

"Spay and neuter, look out for the well-being of the animals, make sure they don't get lost," he said. "And if they do, make the effort to find them. If people did that, they wouldn't need people like me."

Whether due to higher living expenses or the responsibility of negligent pet owners, the fact that animal populations at the area shelters are increasing is as evident as Blackwood's concern for the issue.

"I hope that people will remember that animal shelters have an inventory of living things," she said. "Not of the latest fashion trends or electronics, but of living, breathing things."

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EDITORIAL

Stakes are high for Gannon's successor

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's legislative appointments haven't always been on target — two of the five lawmakers he's named to the Legislature lost in last month's primary. But his choice to succeed the late Sen. Tom Gannon of Buhl had better be a good one because it's critical to the Magic Valley.

Gannon's Legislative District 23 covers the western two-thirds of Twin Falls County and all of Owyhee County.

The eastern end of the district is rapidly transitioning to suburban life, yet it's still the hub of row crop, seed and feed production in the Magic Valley, as well as an important dairy center. In fact, it's possible the dairy research center Gannon championed will be located in the district.

As its chairman, Gannon was the only Republican member of the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee from south-central Idaho and the sole Magic Valley representative on the Senate Education Committee. The former is important to our economy; the latter is significant to the prospects of the College of Southern Idaho.

The next senator must be knowledgeable and experienced enough to serve on those committees.

Gannon was one of only five senators representing south-central Idaho; after reappointment in the May primary, state Rep. Jim Patrick, a 66-year-old farmer from Twin Falls; Rep. Bert Brackett, a 63-year-old rancher from Three Creek; Stephen Hargen, a 63-year-old business consultant from Twin Falls; Jerry Hoagland, a 60-year-old Melba rancher and Owyhee County commissioner, and even Terry Kramer, a 53-year-old Castleford farmer serving his first term on the Twin Falls County Commission.

There's a tradition of strong Republicans from District 23, which over three decades was represented in the Senate by John Barker, Darrel McRoberts and Joyce McRoberts. Like Tom Gannon, they were respected for their intelligence, legislative skills, fiscal conservatism, support for public education and willingness to buck the GOP party line when needed.

That's a perfect description for the next senator.

Our view:
Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's choice to replace Tom Gannon is important because reappointment will cut the number of state senators from south-central Idaho.
What do you think?
We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Big Oil and the war in Iraq

It took five years, the deaths of 4,100 U.S. soldiers, and the wounding of 30,000 more to make Iraq safe for Exxon. It is the inescapable open question since the reasons given by President Bush for the invasion and occupation did not exist, neither the weapons of mass destruction nor Saddam Hussein's ties to al-Qaida and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The *New York Times* reported last week that several Western oil companies, including ExxonMobil, Shell, Total, BP and Chevron, are about to sign no-bid contracts with the Iraqi government.

Western oil had a significant stake in Iraqi oil for much of the century until the government nationalized the industry in 1972. The Associated Press quoted Oppenheimer & Co. analyst Fadel Ghelti as saying he believed the contracts were a first step toward production-sharing agreements. "These companies are in it for the money, not to make friends," Ghelti said.

One of course blows a hole in another ancient Bush fallacy, the one in which former Defense secretary Donald Rumsfeld said "the oil wells belong to the Iraqi people" and former secretary of State Colin Powell seconded it by saying Iraqi oil "will be held in trust for the Iraqi people." Former Deputy Defense secretary Paul Wolfowitz once claimed there was so much oil in Iraq that "When it comes to reconstruction, before we turn to the American taxpayer, we will turn first to the resources of the Iraqi government."

No, all that is really happening is that while the American taxpayer is being turned inside out by the war, and while families bury the brave, the corporate colonialists get all the resources.

Halliburton, the oil services company which Vice President Dick Cheney once led, last year reported a 49 percent rise in profits, to \$3.5 billion.

KBR, the former Halliburton subsidiary that provides food, shelter, and laundry services to soldiers, last year



reported record profits and is about to share in a new 10-year, \$150 billion contract. The controversial North Carolina-based private security firm Blackwater, whose guards shot and killed 17 Iraqis in one incident last year, has crossed the billion-dollar mark in government contracts, according to the *Haleigh News and Observer*, \$1,221 a day for security guards who are actually paid \$500 a day.

This is despite repeated charges of war, overcharging and recklessness, and a degree of patriotism that verges on betrayal. As many veterans were being treated amid appalling conditions at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Halliburton CEO Dave Lesar last year moved from Texas to Dubai. The *Boston Globe* last March reported on how KBR has avoided paying perhaps half a billion dollars in Social Security and Medicare taxes since the start of the invasion by hiring employees through shell companies in the Cayman Islands.

Now comes Big Oil itself, which is already banking on record profits. Its interest in Iraq, which has the world's third-largest oil reserves according to the federal government, is utterly transparent. A decade ago, then-Chief

CEO Kenneth Derr said "I'd love Chevron to have access to" the Iraqi oil reserves. A *Los Angeles Times* news account just before the invasion said, "Maybe it's a coincidence, but American and British oil companies would be long-term beneficiaries of a successful military offensive..." Industry officials say Hussein's ouster would help level the playing field... a bonanza for the U.S.-dominated oil-services industry."

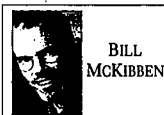
Who will step the bonanza or at least ensure that it is not an utter windfall for CEOs as US soldiers risk their lives keeping the peace and as Iraqis continue to struggle out of the rubble of the invasion? That is unclear. Of the two presumptive nominees for president, Democrat Barack Obama makes the most noise against oil producing and indeed, Republican John McCain has received more money overall from Big Oil. But Obama has received enough campaign contributions to leave it an open question as to how much leadership he would exert. We know Big Oil is in this for the money. Nothing says it is returning to Iraq in the name of the people.

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In America, the end of the open road

In July 1893, 115 years ago, the historian Frederick Jackson Turner told an academic symposium that the American frontier was closed — a shocking notion for a people who'd defined themselves by their steady expansion across the continent. This spring, something just as profound and defining has happened: Pulled back by the inescapable gravity of higher prices and the growing scarcity of fossil fuels, we're starting a slow recoil into more dense and compact regions and localities. The frontier of endless mobility that we've known our entire lives is closing.

Consider: For the first time in decades, the average number of vehicle miles driven by Americans is falling, down 1 percent for the year and more than 6 percent in May alone. The percentage of Americans planning a driving vacation in the next six months is at an all-time low. The airlines are fighting hard to contract, slashing the number of planes they fly and the number of routes they serve. United was supposed to begin service this month to Beijing, San Francisco and Guangzhou, China, but just announced it would take a pass, at least for now. This summer's flights to Hawaii will carry 13



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percent fewer passengers. As the rising price of fuel makes it harder to truck and fly food around the globe, and as the search for more energy from sources such as ethanol contributes to higher food prices, new gardeners are sprouting up. Burpee Seeds, the nation's largest seed company, reported that its sales doubled this spring compared with last year; Seed Savers Exchange sold more packets in the first third of this year than in all of 2007. One grower reported buyers asking questions such as "Tomatoes are a plant?" Indeed they are, and in the future we will grow more of them. Less than 1 percent of America now farms, but local farmers markets are the fastest growing part of the food economy; and in many areas the number of small farms is on the rise for the first time in a century.

One might argue that this is a momentary blip — that, soon the price of oil will fall or we'll discover some easy substitute and resume our steady expansion. But even if

we're living through a temporary super-spike in petroleum prices, the trend is clearly toward scarcity. And replacement fuels, such as those from the sun and the wind, are by their nature better suited for dispersed, local use. Think about the kind of long-term investments people are making: You can't find buyers for the big pile with the three-car garage at the outer fringe of suburbia, but small and close-in homes are holding their value. One recent Texas study found that a house is worth \$17,700 more for each minute it saves in commuting.

For the moment, watching gas prices roll relentlessly higher, we're transfixed by the slightly terrifying novelty of it all. But it won't take long for these changes to become permanent realities. This shift will change our sense of identity and expectation more than anything that's happened in decades.

We could debate whether these changes will be good or bad. I think, on balance, that they're positive — that in the United States sprawl has eroded our sense of community, with grievous results. (Almost every index shows that the loss of fuel options is a net happier.) Overseas, more and more experts argue that export-driven hyperdevelopment is turning into a recipe

for ecological disaster and social dislocation.

Still, there's no question this change comes at a cost: there was something lovely about the dream of a seamless world. Which is why it's good that there's one major countervailing trend: the rise of the Internet and, with it, the ease of vital communication. This month, for instance, a few of us launched an international grass-roots campaign to address the most stubborn of planetary problems, global warming. We're calling it 350.org — the number, measured in parts per million, that scientists say is the most carbon dioxide we can safely harbor in the atmosphere. It may be the most important number on Earth, and the Internet was invented, in some sense, to spread it around the globe. Already we've heard from artists, musicians and activists dramatizing those digits in Congo, Sweden, Nepal, each of them trying to put pressure on international negotiators to forge a powerful global treaty.

We can still share the Earth, in other words. But recipes, not ingredients. Ideas, not cargo containers. From the keyboard, not the driver's seat.

Bill McKibben wrote this commentary for *The Washington Post*.

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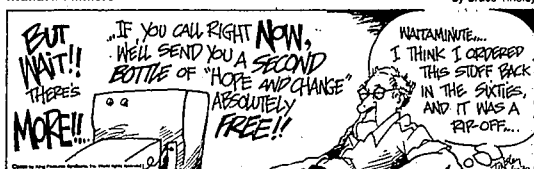
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Delegates failed to represent all of T.F. County

As a Republican in Twin Falls County I am concerned. Recently, at the Idaho Republican State Convention where Idaho's Republican candidate for presidency was chosen, only nine of 16 delegates attended, representing 56 percent of us.

At the recent county meeting, while the 16 delegates and 16 alternate delegates were being elected, the incumbent members elected their own husbands, wives and even children to be delegates. The committee chair and secretary verified that all 16 delegate spots would be filled in Sandpoint, either by the elected delegates, or the 16 alternate delegates. The new committee members wanted to attend the convention or nominate people who could attend, trying repeatedly to nominate individuals who had previously made the commitment to attend, but were shut out by incumbent members. Apparently, for many of the incumbents, participating in the election process themselves was not important, but preventing others from doing so was.

Twin Falls County could have had the power of 16 votes, but only had nine. The people of our county should be represented by 100 percent. If the incumbent members are not willing or able, they should allow the new members to help represent the people. The incumbent members have mentioned the amount of hard work it takes to serve on the committee; perhaps they should consider trading their "meat and potatoes" work of planning picnics and parades, to the more important representing the people of the Magic Valley.

If you are concerned with the lack of representation at Sandpoint, contact a member of the Republican County Party Leadership: Gretchen Clark, Kim Edgerly, or Marilyn Hempelman, or attend next month's meeting, which is always open to the public, Wednesday, July 9, at 7 p.m., Marvin Hempelman Hall, 415 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls.

LANI B. WHITNEY
Kimberly
(Editor's note: Lani B. Whitney is a Republican precinct committee member from Kimberly Precinct No. 3)

North Side Inn replica is wonderful

I am among the many persons who are very pleased that someone has finally decided to replicate one of the most beautiful structures in Magic Valley.

(By the way, it was not demolished in June 1966 as the response for the Times-News mentioned, but June 1967). Growing up on a ranch just outside of Jerome, I had occasion to visit the North Side Inn. I went to school with Larry and Louise Hernandez's daughter, Jackie. I had a frightful experience at the North Side Inn when I was 15. My cousin had stayed a few days with us, and after she got on the bus and the bus pulled out of the parking spot on North Lincoln, I started to pull out into traffic as well, being parked right behind the bus. I looked into the left side mirror and, seeing no cars, pulled to the street. A car had just turned from West First onto North Lincoln and we occupied the same space at the same time. Not much damage to either vehicle and no occupants. A warning ticket was presented to me. The bad part was I did have to go to the Jerome City Police department where my mother was working as a police dispatcher at the time.

I have asked for the past 10 years if there were someone to build a model of the North Side Inn for the Jerome County Historical Society Museum. I guess I have not asked the right person yet. The museum has many items and pictures and other memorabilia from the North Side Inn at the in-town museum and some items from the inn displayed in the Lickley house at the Idaho Farm and Ranch museum at the crossroads of Highway 93 and Interstate 84. Maybe Mr. Hoobler and

the Dragt Construction firm would be willing to build a scale model for the Jerome County Historical Society. LINDA HELMS Jerome

Both political parties hurt America with greed

Mr. Cranny, Democrats and Republicans have both sold out our nation with pork barrel government spending. Trillions of dollars have been squandered just like the \$5.1 million they gave to you and yours. No environmentalist had his name on your subsidy check! EWG simply published the painful facts. Not being party affiliated, I can see right through rhetorical dissonance and abuse of the taxpayers. Have your hand in shame and gratitude or at least admit you farm the taxpayers. As for the water, it belongs to the people and you have been greedy with massive taxpayer investment in storage, delivery systems, public lands and maintenance expenditures so you can have the privilege of using it. "First in time first in right" has been ignored and manipulated by county pumpers as they connive to appropriate prior water rights with political suasion. You can't wash the stripes off of a tiger anymore than you can rationalize the money you take from the taxpayers. I don't take subsidies and I am thankful for the investment the taxpayers have made in water delivery and storage systems along with the privilege of using their water for free. Spare me that tired old Farm Bureau jingle about feedings the people because you farm for money just like nurses work the night shift. Illegal aliens do not liberate themselves, they farm water, taxpayers build your infrastructure, truck drivers haul your products, teachers teach the children, the gas man delivers you fuel, bank clerks account for your subsidy check consider this quote from Shakespeare, "The lady doth protest too much, methinks," William Shakespeare, "Hamlet ..." MAX D. HATFIELD Dallas, Texas

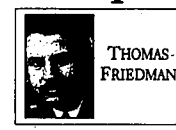
At long last, Iraqis liberating themselves

Having recently returned from Egypt, I have the Suez Canal on my mind. And looking at Iraq, too, the thought occurred to me that maybe the Iraqis have just crossed the Suez Canal. If so, what's new news.

What am I talking about? There is no way that Egypt's President Anwar Sadat could have ever made peace with Israel had he not first launched his lightning strike across the Suez Canal on Yom Kippur, 1973. "The crossing" as that surprise attack became known in Egyptian lore, was as psychologically important as it was militarily important. It wiped away Egypt's humiliation in the 1967 war and gave Egyptians the dignity and self-confidence to make peace with Israel as military equals. While the military reality was more complex, Egyptians nevertheless felt they had liberated the Sinai themselves.

One of the first things I realized when visiting Iraq after the U.S. invasion was that the very fact that Iraqis did not liberate themselves, but had to be liberated by Americans, was a source of humiliation to them. It's one reason they never threw flowers. When someone else has to liberate you in your own home, that is humiliating — and humiliation, I believe, is the single-most underestimated force in international relations, especially in the Middle East.

That also helps explain why Iraqis initially never took ownership of their government institutions, like the Coalition Provisional Authority, or CPA. They never fought for it. It was handed to them. People have to fight and win their own freedom, and that's what gives their institutions legitimacy. What seems to have happened in Iraq in the last few months is that the Iraqi mainstream has finally done some liberating of itself. With the help of the troop surge ordered by President Bush, the mainstream Sunni tribes have liberated themselves from the grip of al-Qaida in their provinces. And the Shiite mainstream — represented by Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and the Iraqi



THOMAS-FRIEDMAN

Remember the famous letter dated July 9, 2005, that Zawahiri sent to the leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi? Zawahiri warned Zarqawi to stop murdering so many Shiites, and even Sunnis, with his campaign of suicide bombing and kidnapping. "Many of your Muslim admirers amongst the common folk are wondering about your attacks on the Shia," Zawahiri said in his letter. "The sharpness of this questioning increases when the attacks are on one of their mosques. ... My opinion is that this matter won't be acceptable to the Muslim populace, however much you have tried to explain it, and aversion to this will continue. ... Among the things which the feelings of the Muslim populace who love and support you will never find palatable — also — are the scenes of slaughtering themselves and had that self-confidence.

It helped that al-Qaida and Iran both went too far. I've always believed that there is only one good thing about extremists: They don't know when to stop. Al-Qaida in Iraq went on murderous rampages against any Sunnis who opposed them, severing heads, forcing marriages, moving down tribal leaders and slaughtering Shiites by the hundreds. Meanwhile, pro-Iranian Shiite extremists tried to impose a Taliban-like order in Basra and Baghdad — from head scarves to bans on liquor — on what is still a mostly secular-oriented Shiite majority.

Eventually, this Muslim-on-Muslim oppression seemed to spark the "we're-not-going-to-take-this-anymore" rage, which prompted both the Sunni and Shiite mainstreams to liberate themselves from their own extremists and, in so doing, actually take ownership of their own country.

Oddly enough, the person who best saw this backlash coming and warned how it could backfire on al-Qaida was Osama bin Laden's sidekick Ayman al-Zawahiri.

the hostages." Zarqawi didn't take the advice. But be advised: These parallel wars of self-liberation still don't amount to a single national unity movement. Civil war could still be in Iraq's future. Not all Sunnis and Shiites have had their "crossings." Iraq is miles away from being healthy. And now that Iraq's Shiite and Sunni communities are taking more responsibility for their own country, you are also going to see an intense power struggle over who dominates within each community. With oil dollars piling up, there is a lot more to fight for.

But if we're lucky, this struggle will play out primarily in the political arena. If we're not lucky? Well, let's just hope we're lucky. ...

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FIREWORKS AND KID SAFETY

With warm weather and family events, the Fourth of July can be a fun time with great memories. But before your family celebrates this year, make sure everyone knows about fireworks safety.

If not handled properly, fireworks can cause burn and eye injuries in children and adults. There were 9,300 fireworks injuries treated in hospital emergency departments in 2003, and 6 deaths linked to fireworks.

The best thing you can do to protect your child is not to use any fireworks at home - period. Attend public fireworks displays, and leave the lighting to the professionals.

Lighting fireworks at home isn't even legal in many areas, so if you still want to use them, be sure to check with your local police department first. If they're legal where you live, keep these safety tips in mind: Children should never play with fireworks. Things like firecrackers, rockets, and sparklers are just too dangerous. If you give your child a sparkler, make sure your child keeps it outside and away from the face, clothing, and hair. Sparklers can reach 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit (982 degrees Celsius) - hot enough to melt gold. Buy only legal fireworks (legal fireworks have a label with the manufacturer's name and directions; illegal ones are unlabeled), and store them in a cool, dry place. Illegal fireworks usually go by the names M-80, M100, blockbuster, or quarterpounder. These explosives were banned in 1966, but still account for many fireworks injuries.

- Never try to make your own fireworks.
 - Always use fireworks outside and have a bucket of water and a hose nearby in case of accidents.
 - Steer clear of others - fireworks have been known to backfire or shoot off in the wrong direction. Never throw or point fireworks at someone, even in jest.
 - Don't hold fireworks in your hand or have any part of your body over them while lighting. Wear some sort of eye protection, and avoid carrying fireworks in your pocket - the friction could set them off.
 - Point fireworks away from homes, and keep away from brush and leaves and flammable substances. The National Fire Protection Association estimates that local fire departments respond to more 50,000 fires caused by fireworks each year.
 - Light one firework at a time (not in glass or metal containers), and never relight a dud.
 - Don't allow your child to pick up pieces of fireworks after an event. Some may still be ignited and can explode at any time.
 - Soak all fireworks in a bucket of water before throwing them in the trash can.
- Think about your pet. Animals have sensitive ears and can be extremely frightened or stressed on the Fourth of July. Keep your pet indoors to reduce the risk that the pet will run loose or get injured.
- If your child is injured by fireworks, immediately go to a doctor or hospital. If an eye injury occurs, don't allow your child to touch or rub it, as this may cause even more damage. Also, don't flush the eye out with water or attempt to put any ointment on it. Instead, cut out the bottom of a paper cup, place it around the eye, and immediately seek medical attention - your child's eyesight may depend on it. If it's a burn, remove clothing from the burned area and run cool, not cold, water over the burn (do not use ice). Call your child's doctor immediately.

Fireworks are meant to be enjoyed, but you'll enjoy them much more knowing your family is safe. Take extra precautions this Fourth of July and your holiday will be a blast!



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Quale captures main event at Magic Valley Speedway

By Linda Brittan
Correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Driving the No. 19 car, Bruce Quale captured his second main event win of the season Saturday night in the Pepsi Premier division at Magic Valley Speedway.

Quale took over the lead at lap 27 after Dustin Ackerman, Kris McKean and Dan Pehrson had their turns in the front of the field for the 50-lap race. Quale maintained his lead even though two cautions late in the race bunched up the drivers forcing Quale to try and hold off the competition. Rick Fowble in the No. 98 modified kept Quale on his toes the final few laps as he made every effort to get around the leader, but Quale held on and crossed the finish line .421 seconds ahead of runner-up Fowble.

The "cone" forced the drivers to choose either the inside or outside groove on a restart was reintroduced Saturday night and Quale took advantage of the situation on the final restart choosing the high side.

"That was a hard decision," Quale said. "I thought it was running so good outside, if they were going to beat me, let them beat me on the inside. I just wanted to stay where I knew it would work."

Rob Vest, who is on top of the point standings in the division, climbed his way up from deep in the field to finish third and remains on top in the feature series.

Henslee captures NAPA Auto Parts Pony Stocks

After a devastating wreck in the heat race which eliminated the cars of points leaders Josh Pitiz and

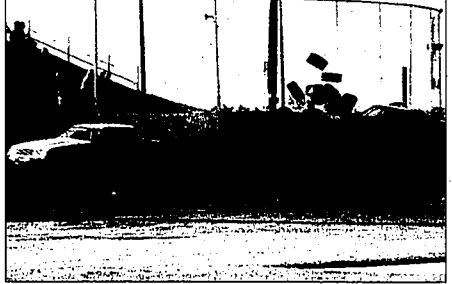
Jeff Couch, Wade Henslee, who came into the night third in the rankings, was able to capture his first main event win of the season.

Henslee took the lead just two laps into the race, but Jason Abbott kept the pressure on the driver of the No. 67 car throughout the event in pursuit of the victory. Couch and Pitiz were generously offered the cars of Michael Shoemaker and Michael Stuart for the 20-lap main event to retain as many points as possible in the standings and finished sixth and seventh respectively.

Edens wins MV Pipe Thunder Stocks

Luke Fuller struggled to stay in the lead of the main event race but Steve Edens, hungry for his first

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NAPA Pony Stocks driver Jeff Couch takes a hard hit into the turn four wall in the heat race Saturday night at Magic Valley Speedway. Points leader Josh Pitiz was also involved and the two cars were sidelined for the main event race.

Phoenix man sets fastest time at Regatta

By Kathryn Morozov
Correspondent

BURLEY — The smell of boat exhaust, oil and gas, and the sound of the water crashing against the docks, and the roar of the jet boats thundering down the Snake River meant it was time for the Pepsi Idaho Regatta.

Friday, during Coast to Coast Carports Pro Stocks first heat, PS-70 driver Ty Newton finished with the fastest recorded time ever in Burley at 44.18 seconds.

"Ty said the reason he goes so fast is because of the HPC coating on the headers," said sponsor Marlene Faulkner. The addition to the headers was done this year, and the result was clear. On Saturday, Newton, from Phoenix, Ariz., took first in both Coast to Coast Carports Pro Stock heats.

A big winner on Saturday was K-Boat and Super Stock driver Tony Scarlata, 40, of Fairfield, Calif. Scarlata, who began his career 18 years ago racing drag boats, ran 10 races this weekend due to competing in two classes.

"All I want to do is sleep," he said, exhausted after his final race on Saturday. Scarlata took first place in both the Pepsi K-Boat heat and the Smith's Food and Drug Super Stocks.

The first heats for this year's Regatta began with the 2.5-liter Hydroplanes sponsored by BJ's Tavern. They made a great comeback on Friday night as No. 47 Justin "J.P." Squires won both heats.

"This is a tough course," said Squires. "Lots of tight turns." He is used to racing on lakes with wider courses, so the tight course on the Snake River with a current is a big adjustment, he said. Squires and his father, No. 83 Dutch Squires, from Denver, Colo., both race Hydros. They raced at Morgan City, La., before arriving in Burley, so they had to make many changes because of the high altitude.

"We had to jet down, put different jets in our carburetors, because the oxygen is thinner here," Squires said. Although Dutch's boat was unable to get running in the first heat, he finished second place in the second heat, 40 seconds after Justin.

Full results will be published in Tuesday's Times-News.

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Justin 'J.P.' Squires took first in Friday night's BJ's Tavern 2.5 Liter Hydroplane heats.

U.S. men nowhere in sight at Wimbledon

By Steven Wise
Associated Press writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Rafael Nadal has helped his nation cure its longtime aversion to lawn tennis, and he'll be one of three Spanish men playing Monday in the fourth round at Wimbledon.

Switzerland, France, Russia and Croatia have two players apiece among the final 16. Britain, which last won the men's singles title in 1936, advanced one man to the second week, as did Australia, Germany, Serbia and even the island of Cyprus.

And the United States? None.

The nation that produced Andre Agassi, Don Budge, Jimmy Connors, John McEnroe, Pete Sampras and Bill Tilden finds itself in a collective slump. And there's no sign of a turnaround.

"We've been struggling for a long time, and it has just gotten worse," said Gene Mayer, a former top-five player who coaches privately in New York. "We just are producing no players."

For the first time since 1926, only one U.S. male — No. 102-ranked Bobby Reynolds — reached the third round at

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U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN



Inbee Park, of South Korea, tees off on the fourth hole Sunday, during the final round of the U.S. Women's Open golf championship at the Interlachen Country Club in Edina, Minn.

Park, youngest winner of U.S. Women's Open

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

EDINA, Minn. — Two weeks away from her 20th birthday, Inbee Park became the youngest winner of the U.S. Women's Open on Sunday by closing with a 2-under 71 as everyone around her faded away at Interlachen.

Park didn't make a bogey over the final 10 holes, pulling away with three clutch putts early on the back nine and building a four-shot lead going to the final

hole. She finished with a tap-in birdie, and a few of her fellow South Koreans doubted her with beer.

The victory came 10 years after Park took up the game. Inspired by watching Se Ri Pak win the Women's Open at Blackwolf Run to become the youngest champion at age 20.

"It's really an honor and very special for me that I won the event 10 years after

I start playing," Park said. "Everything happened so fast. It's scary. I really tried to stay calm, but it was so exciting, I couldn't do it. This is my day."

Park finished at 9-under 283 and earned \$585,000 from the richest purse in women's golf. Her four-shot victory over Helen Alfredsson of Sweden, who shot 75, was the largest in the Women's Open since Karrie Webb won by eight shots at Pine Needles in 2001.

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Kurt Busch gets rain-shortened victory

By Mike Harris
Associated Press writer

LOUDON, N.H. — Former series champion Kurt Busch stayed on track when the leaders pitted late in Sunday's NASCAR Sprint Cup race at New Hampshire and the strategy paid off with a win when the race was cut 17 laps short by rain.

It is the first victory for the Penske Racing driver since September at California Speedway and it came on a day when two-time Cup champion Tony Stewart dominated, only to see his hard luck continue and his wheelless string increase to 31 races.

"These guys made an awesome call," Busch said. "Sometimes you just don't win 'em the right way. I think we can honestly say that, but we had a lot of work and a lot of effort put in today and we'll

take it." Stewart, who led a race-high 132 laps on the 1.058-mile oval, had off a challenge from two-time reigning Cup champion Jimmie Johnson late in the 301-lap race and appeared on the way to his first victory since August at Watkins Glen, N.Y. But Stewart and most of the other drivers who had been racing at the front of the pack did not have enough gas to get to the end.

On lap 271, Dale Earnhardt Jr., who had been in the top 10 all day, started toward pit road and was hit from behind by Jamie McMurray, who then spun into Dale Ragan, bringing out a caution.

Stewart and the rest of the front-runners pitted under the yellow flag, while Busch and seven other drivers who



NASCAR driver Kurt Busch, left, is congratulated Sunday, after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Lenox Industrial Tools 301 mile race at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway in Loudon, N.H.

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Lackey, Angels hang on and beat Dodgers 1-0

LOS ANGELES — John Lackey held the Dodgers to three hits for 2-3 innings, Francisco Rodriguez retired James Loney with the bases loaded for the final out and the Angels avoided a sweep with a 1-0 win over the Dodgers on Sunday.

On Saturday night, Jered Weaver and reliever Jose Arredondo did not allow a hit but the Angels lost to the Dodgers 1-0 on an unearned run. Weaver took the loss in the unofficial no-hitter.

TIGERS 4, ROCKIES 3
DETROIT — Dane Sardinha hit a two-run triple for his first major league hit to rally the Tigers to a win over woeful Colorado, giving Detroit a three-game sweep.

TWINS 5, BREWERS 0
MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Slowey breezed through his fourth straight dominant start, beating Ben Sheets and Milwaukee with a three-hit shutout.

METS 3, YANKEES 1
NEW YORK — Oliver Perez pitched another gem against the Yankees. Carlos Delgado homered again and the Mets won this year's

Subway Series.

ASTROS 3, RED SOX 2
HOUSTON — Mark Loretta had a pinch-hit, RBI single in the eighth inning off Hideki Okajima as the Astros took two of three from the Red Sox.

CARDINALS 9, ROYALS 6
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jason LaRue drove in four runs with a home run and a triple and Albert Pujols also homered, leading the Cardinals over Kansas City.

MARINERS 9, PADRES 2
SAN DIEGO — Ichiro Suzuki went 5-for-5, Adrian Beltré and Jeff Clement homered and the Mariners beat Jake Peavy and the pumppunch Padres for a three-game sweep.

REDS 9, INDIANS 5
CLEVELAND — Bronson Arroyo bounced back from the worst start of his career and Adam Dunn hit a three-run homer to help Cincinnati beat Cleveland for the fifth time in six games this season.

RAVS 4, PIRATES 3
PITTSBURGH — Backup catcher

Shawn Higgins homered and drove in two runs and Tampa Bay completed a remarkable first-half turnaround, beating Pittsburgh behind Andy Sonnanstine's seven effective innings.

BLUE JAYS 1, BRAVES 0
TORONTO — A.J. Burnett pitched seven shutout innings, Alex Rios drove in the only run of the game and Toronto beat Atlanta.

NATIONALS 3, ORIOLES 2, 12 INNINGS
WASHINGTON — Ronnie Belliard hit a two-run homer in the 12th inning to give the Nationals a 3-2 win over the Orioles in front of 39,824 fans — the largest crowd in the three-month history of Nationals Park.

GIANTS 11, ATHLETICS 1
OAKLAND, Calif. — Rich Aurilia homered and matched his career-high with five RBIs to help San Francisco get its first series win in the Bay Area rivalry in two years.

RANGERS 5, PHILLIES 1
ARLINGTON — Texas' Eric Hurley pitched into the sixth inning to earn his first major league win



Los Angeles Angels catcher Mike Napoli, left, and relief pitcher Francisco Rodriguez celebrate their 1-0 baseball victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers, Sunday, in Los Angeles.

and Chris Davis homered to lead the Rangers past the Phillies.

WHITE SOX 5, CUBS 1
CHICAGO — Carlos Quentin, Brian Anderson and Jim Thome homered to back Mark Buehrle's seven strong innings as the White Sox completed a three-game sweep

at U.S. Cellular Field.

NATIONAL LEAGUE MARLINS 4, DIAMONDBACKS 3
MIAMI — Jorge Cantu hit a game-ending RBI single. Hanley Ramirez hit a tying home run and the Marlins came back to beat Arizona. —The Associated Press

Spain wins first major in 44 years

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press writer

VIENNA, Austria — Big-game flops no more, Spain won the European Championship 1-0 over Germany on Sunday for its first major title in 44 years.

Fernando Torres scored in the 33rd minute and the Spaniards never backed down against such a formidable opponent. Their last significant title came in the 1964 Euros at home.

In beating a team that makes a habit of appearing in championship finals, the Spaniards put to rest a reputation for underachieving. Always loaded with talented players, Spain has spent four decades falling short of expectations.

That all changed at these Euros, where the Spaniards swept their first-round games, eliminated World Cup champion Italy in a penalty-kicks shootout in the quarterfinals, then routed Russia 3-0 in the semifinals.

Against the highly accomplished Germans, they were not intimidated. They got the one goal they needed — from a slumping striker, no less — and set off chants of "ES-PANA," and "Ole, Ole Ole" at the final whistle.

The entire Spanish squad ran over to the huge roaring section of red and gold, exchanging hugs, while many of the spent Germans collapsed to the turf.

When Spain's goalkeeper and captain Iker Casillas accepted the trophy on a stage, the Spanish fans began chanting the melody to their national anthem.



Spain's Iker Casillas holds up the trophy at the end of the Euro 2008 final between Germany and Spain in the Ernst-Happel stadium in Vienna, Austria, Sunday, the last day of the European Soccer Championships in Austria and Switzerland. Spain won 1-0.

which has no words. Thousands of camera flashes went off as the players jumped in place, then headed onto the field to show off their prize.

Germany has won three Euros and three World Cups, but was no match in this final. Captain Michael Ballack, a questionable before the game with a calf injury, started, but hardly was noticeable — except when he left for several minutes to have a bloody

right eye treated. Torres, who had 33 goals for Liverpool this season but has been invisible in Euros, came through off a brilliant feed from Xavi Hernandez.

Germany goalkeeper Jens Lehmann, at 38 the oldest player in the competition, charged from his net when he saw that defender Philipp Lahm was beaten on the right side. But Torres clipped the ball over the sliding Lehmann and into the gaping net.

Ottingar, Monroe inspire female races as duo takes second in Cracker Box heat

By Kathryn Montoya
Correspondent

BURLEY — There's something a little different about the drivers of Cracker Box Boat P-96.

Pony tails. Two pony tails were seen flying in the wind as Amy Ottingar and Missy Monroe placed second in the Budweiser Cracker Box heat on Saturday. The P-96 team is the only female team racing in this year's Pepsi Idaho Regatta.

Ottingar, 30, from Parker, Ariz., began racing with her dad, Jerry Ross, as a rider in 1998, then "jumped ship on my dad" a year later to run with another team.

"John Fay, the grandfather of Cracker Box racing, took me under his wing and taught me how to drive" said Ottingar. Then in 2001, Ross bought her a boat, and she joined his team as a driver.

Monroe, 29, from Ontario, Calif., joined Ottingar's team as her rider last year at the Regatta. "We won the whole event," said Monroe. "We have a connection, and we win a lot."

Because very few females race on the cir-



Baile and Kohl Schaeferbauer and their cousins Garrett and Austin Bransola get autographs from Amy Ottingar and Missy Monroe at the Pepsi Idaho Regatta on Saturday in Burley.

cuit, this team has opened the door for many others. Ottingar added that there are now several 9 and 10-year-old girls racing P-Stock hydrocs because of their example. "We help bring girls into the sport. They see girls racing, and they look up to us," said Monroe.

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win of the season took over at lap 10. While the pack maneuvered for positions behind the leaders, Edens was able to stay out in front through the checkered/yellow flag finish, earning his way to Victory Lane.

Gilligan takes Quale's Electronics Hornets

Bob Gilligan fearlessly drove to his second main event win of the season by just nipping Lane

Buddenhagen at the line by 0.21 seconds. Buddenhagen assumed the lead after the car of Jerod Bosh spun in turn four 10 laps into the race. Gilligan steadily worked his way through the field however and made his car stick in the outside lane to capture back-to-back wins in the series.

Price drives school bus to victory

After filling two buses full of kids for a ride-along dur-

ing intermission, Travis Price and Alan Larson battled it out in the main event. Spins and a last-lap roll over by Kris McKean highlighted the event, but it was Price who was able to make the final stop with the win.

RESULTS
Pepsi Premier 1. Bruce Gandy, 2. Rick Fowles, 3. Rob West, 4. Scott Hoyle, 5. Tom Lopez, 6. Sam Harris, 7. Mike Miller, 8. Wade Rouse, 9. Matt Smith, 10. Woodruff, 11. Tony Koberstein, 12. Jeff Gault, 13. Jeff Gault, 14. Wade Rouse, 15. Scott Hoyle, 16. Scott Hoyle, 17. Scott Hoyle, 18. Scott Hoyle, 19. Scott Hoyle, 20. Scott Hoyle, 21. Scott Hoyle, 22. Scott Hoyle, 23. Scott Hoyle, 24. Scott Hoyle, 25. Scott Hoyle, 26. Scott Hoyle, 27. Scott Hoyle, 28. Scott Hoyle, 29. Scott Hoyle, 30. Scott Hoyle.

Wimbledon

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Wimbledon. He lost Friday. The problem isn't grass. At last year's French Open, American men went 0-9, their worst showing on the Roland Garros clay in at least 40 years. The last U.S. male to win a major title was Andy Roddick at the U.S. Open in 2003.

The drought is less noticeable on the women's side only because of the Williams sisters, who have combined for 14 major titles. They and Bethanie Mattek were the lone Americans to survive the first week at Wimbledon. American men went 5-12. Eight lost in the first round.

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including Olympians Sam Querrey and Robby Ginepri. Andy Roddick and James Blake lost in the second round.

Poor Reynolds, delighted to equal his best Grand Slam result at age 25, was left to explain why U.S. fortunes continue to decline.

"Around the world tennis is a huge sport, and maybe it's not No. 1 over in the States," he said. "In the States you have basketball, baseball, football, golf. You have so many avenues that people can try out. I think that might have something to do with it."

But tennis has always been well down the list of the most popular sports in the United States. What has changed is the way kids learn the game, with the most precocious youngsters often being steered at an early age toward a tennis academy. Mayer said the grass-roots tutoring of earlier eras produced better results.

NASCAR

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had pitted more recently than the leaders, stayed on track.

The race restarted on lap 279, but there was another crash on lap 280, with Clint Bowyer and rookie Sam Hornish Jr. crashing, then Juan Pablo Montoya slamming into series points leader Kyle Busch under the ensuing caution flag. Montoya was later assessed a two-lap penalty by NASCAR for rough driving and finished 32nd.

The rain that had been threatening for much of the afternoon began falling moments later and, moments after the cars were red-flagged onto pit lane just before completing lap 285, NASCAR called the race, leaving Busch on top, ahead of Michael Waltrip, J.J. Yeley, Martin Truex Jr., Elliott Sadler, Reed Sorenson and Casey Mears, all of whom had stayed on track during the previous caution.

Within minutes after the race was official, the sky opened up and lightning began flashing and driving speedways emptying the stands in a hurry and forcing Busch to hold his victory celebration in the shelter of the garage area.

Stewart took a while getting out of his car and could hardly believe his fate.

"It's just been the oddest year I've ever seen for this race team," he said. "It's just frustrating. There isn't anybody that's going to tell you any different than that. There's nothing you can do. If there was something we could do about it we'd change it. It's not because of lack of effort," added Stewart, who took two tires on his final pit stop and finished 13th. "I've got some of the best guys in the garage area and I've had 'em for 10 years. It's the worst string of bad luck we've ever seen, but there's nothing we can do about it."

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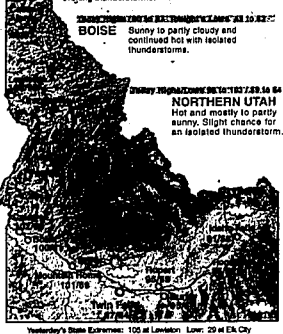
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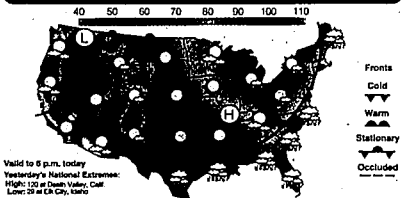
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Kenny Perry hits out of the sand on the third hole during the final round of the Buick Open at Warwick Hills in Grand Blanc, Mich., Sunday.

Perry wins Buick Open at 19 under

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — Kenny Perry joined a short list of multiple champions at the 50th Buick Open. Perry shot a 6-under 66 on Sunday to finish at 19-under 265, one shot better than Woody Austin, who blew the tournament and \$900,000 by bogeying the last two holes, and Bubba Watson, who missed a 12-footer on the final green.

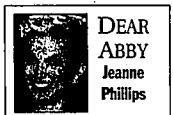
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No one imagined the only drama on the back nine would come from Annika Sorenstam, who was never in contention competing in her final Women's Open before retirement at the end of the season. Her final shot was a 6-iron from 159 yards that tumbled into the cup for eagle.

Words to the wise help job hunters get positive reviews

DEAR ABBY: I am a small-business owner who does the hiring for my company. I hope you will share some suggestions for young people who are now applying for postgraduate jobs.

- (1) Every contact with a prospective employer is a mini-interview. Present yourself appropriately. I have received many inappropriate e-mails. Example: "Hey, when would this gig start?" Please remember to use a salutation and communicate politely and clearly.



DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl. I don't get angry often, but when I do my parents disregard it by calling me a "hormonal teenager."

They say things like, "She's such a CHARMING 14-year-old" and "There are hormones raging." I find their comments hurtful and degrading. Please don't misunderstand. My parents are usually nice, but when something bothers me they automatically resort to the above comments. I personally believe I am pretty good at handling and expressing my emotions calmly. It just seems that my parents don't consider the credibility of my emotions and blame them on my being a teen.

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Zimbabwe's Mugabe sworn in

Runoff victory widely discredited

By Angus Shaw
Associated Press writer

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Zimbabwe's longtime ruler Robert Mugabe was sworn in as president for a sixth term Sunday after a widely discredited runoff in which he was the only candidate. His

main rival dismissed the inauguration as "an exercise in self-delusion." Just hours after electoral officials said Mugabe won Friday's presidential runoff, which observers said was marred by violence and intimidation, the 84-year-old leader sounded a conciliatory note. "Sooner or later, as diverse political parties, we shall start serious talks," he said in a speech following his swear-

ing-in. He also had promised talks on the eve of the vote. Mugabe, Zimbabwe's leader since independence from Britain in 1980, was expected at an African Union summit that opens Monday in Egypt, where he was to face fellow African leaders who want him to share power with his main rival, Morgan Tsvangirai. Tsvangirai, leader of the opposition Movement for Democratic Change, told

Associated Press Television "News that Sunday's inauguration was 'meaningless.'" "I think that he has said so, Zimbabwe has said so. So it's an exercise in self-delusion," he said. Tsvangirai said he believed members of Mugabe's ZANU-PF party were ready for talks. "I think that the reality has dawned on all the elites in ZANU-PF," Tsvangirai said. "Without negotiating with the MDC this is a dead-end."



Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe, right, is seen at his inauguration ceremony at State house in Harare, Sunday. Mugabe was sworn in following a run off election in which he was the sole candidate following the withdrawal of Morgan Tsvangirai, the main opposition leader in Zimbabwe.

FEWER BOOMS

Shipping woes cut Chinese fireworks exports

By William Foreman
Associated Press writer

LIUYANG, China — Chen Tiezong will likely spend the Fourth of July worrying about the future of his sprawling fireworks factory. China, where fireworks were invented, is running short of ports from which to ship the dangerous cargoes abroad.

China's fireworks industry provides 98 percent of America's overall needs, and 80 percent of the pyrotechnics needed for professional displays. But the U.S. fireworks business stands to lose \$25 million to \$30 million this year because of lost orders, says Julie Heckman, executive director for the American Pyrotechnics Association.

A Missouri firm says it backed out of some shows because of the shortage. Meanwhile, some Chinese factories are being pushed close to bankruptcy.

"Our factory will be forced to close, whether we want it or not," said Chen Tiezong at his sprawling 500-employee operation in Liuyang in central Hunan province.

His factory is one of 900 around this small city that is known as China's fireworks capital. A traffic circle features a massive metal sculpture of rockets soaring and bursting into flower-like shapes. The Chinese word for fireworks is "yanhua" or "smoke flowers."

Most of the factories are far from town, tucked safely away among the farms in surrounding hills and valleys. Chen rattles off a litany of woes: micro-thin profit margins, rising labor costs and soaring prices for raw materials.

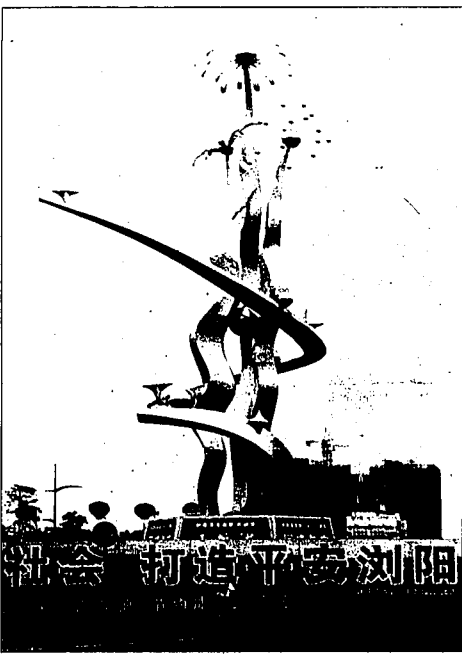
Now, the closure of some Chinese ports to fireworks may be the final straw.

In February, a blast at a fireworks warehouse led to a ban on fireworks shipments at the southern port of Shanshi, Guangdong province, which previously handled 20 percent of China's pyrotechnic exports.

Then, in late March, officials stopped fireworks shipments at Nanshan, another Guangdong port, after inspectors found explosives that had been declared as something else.

Guangdong may not allow fireworks shipments to resume because the province is trying to shift its economy to more sophisticated goods.

Adding to the industry's woes, China has ordered major ports such as Shanghai and Hong Kong to suspend shipments of explosives as part of tightened security ahead of August's Beijing Olympics.



A statue depicting fireworks stands in Liuyang in Hunan province, China, June 19. As Americans celebrate their Independence Day, the Chinese industry that provides more than 80 percent of America's fireworks is in crisis. Chinese ports and most ships are increasingly unwilling to handle their dangerous cargo. The result: a fall of at least 30 percent in overseas shipments this year.



A worker assembles parts of fireworks at Southern Fireworks Manufacturer's factory in Liuyang in Hunan province, China, June 19.

Pakistan presses on with offensive vs. militants

By Riz Khan
Associated Press writer

PESHAWAR, Pakistan — Pakistani paramilitary forces destroyed a handful of militant centers and uncovered alleged torture cells as they pressed ahead Sunday with an offensive against extremists near the Afghan border, officials said. A spokesman for Pakistan's top Taliban commander promised Sunday that militants would retaliate against the government, and were suspending efforts to reach and implement peace deals.

The operation in the Khyber tribal area is a shift for Pakistan's new government, which has sought to reduce violence through the peace deals. But with extremists increasingly threatening Peshawar, a major northwest city, and ambushing supply convoys bound for U.S.-led coalition troops in Afghanistan, the government

turned to its troops. The paramilitary Frontier Corps killed one attacker but encountered relatively little resistance since launching the operation Saturday, officials said.

Troops, backed by tanks and armored personnel carriers, quickly cleared militants out of Khyber's Bara region, said Muhammad Siddiq Khan, a local official. They then moved into areas outside Bara.

The troops destroyed at least four militant centers and uncovered a privately run jail, said Hushbullah Khan, additional chief secretary for the Federally Administered Tribal Areas.

"The criminals were running a parallel administration in the area," Khan said. "They were kidnapping the people, trying them and punishing them and the government is fully determined not to allow anyone to run a parallel administration."

Giant Saudi field is key to boosting oil output

By Sebastian Abbot
Associated Press writer

KHURAI'S OIL FIELD, Saudi Arabia — This massive oil field surrounded by the desolate sands of Saudi Arabia's vast eastern desert feels like the middle of nowhere.

But what happens over the next year at Khurai, one of Saudi Arabia's last undeveloped giant oil fields, could hold the key to what drivers will pay at the pump for years to come.

Under way at Khurai and two other smaller fields nearby is what Saudi Arabia calls the single largest expansion of oil production capacity in history.

With consumers howling over record fuel prices and the United States pushing Saudi Arabia to produce more oil, this patch of sand 100 miles west of the Saudi capital of Riyadh has become one of the most important places in the world economy.

Saudi Arabia's state-owned oil company, Aramco, is spending \$10 billion to build the infrastructure to pump

1.2 million barrels of oil per day by next June from the Khurai's field and its two smaller neighbors. That alone would be more than the total individual production of OPEC members Qatar, Indonesia and Ecuador.

The project forms the centerpiece of the Saudi plan to increase the total amount of oil it can produce to 12.5 million barrels per day by the end of 2009 — up from a little more than 11 million barrels per day now.

Consuming nations have pushed Saudi Arabia to boost production capacity even further and also want the world's top oil exporter to begin pumping more crude immediately to bring down record oil prices hovering near \$140 a barrel. They say oil production has not kept up with increased demand, especially from China, India and the Middle East.

Saudi Arabia plans to produce 9.7 million barrels of oil per day, or 11 percent of the world's total, in July. It is the only nation with significant excess capacity that it could put on the market quickly.



Oil workers are seen at the Khurai oil facility in an area where operations are being expanded, about 60 miles southeast of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, June 23. Consuming nations have pushed Saudi Arabia to boost production capacity even further and also want the world's top oil exporter to begin pumping more crude immediately to bring down record oil prices.

Iran a harder sell on giving up nukes

By Anne Gearan
Associated Press writer

Analysis

WASHINGTON — Iran and North Korea may be two points on President Bush's old "axis of evil," but the authoritarian governments are polar opposites when it comes to defusing their nuclear programs.

North Korea revealed secrets about its arsenal of bomb fuel and destroyed part of its atomic factory on television this past week in exchange for economic and political concessions from the United States. It was an encouraging sign the secretive communist country may give up its bombs alto-

gether and an incremental victory for the kind of old-fashioned, talk-to-your-enemies diplomacy trusted by Bush administration hard-liners.

But it's not a sign Iran also can be bought off, regardless of whether Bush or his successor talks to Tehran. Weak, poor and inward-looking, North Korea needs and wants the help the world is offering. Although it remains, with Iran, one of the most heavily penalized countries, North Korea now

has won at least the possibility of greater inclusion in the global financial system, and at relatively little cost.

In the end, nuclear know-how may be more valuable to North Korea as a commodity than it is in weapon-making.

Iran, however, is not such a willing customer. Strong, rich on \$140-a-barrel oil and widely engaged in the world, Tehran has stiffed European courtiers and a late, heavily conditioned offer of U.S. diplomacy. It has greeted an offer of economic incentives by speeding up its nuclear development work.

North Korea craved direct U.S. attention and got it, albeit only alongside a creaky multination negotiation. The leeway given to the State Department to cut a deal was a departure for Bush, who is unlikely to pursue the same strategy with Iran.

"I think that President Bush correctly, as we've seen on North Korea, as we're seeing on Iran, recognizes that there are issues you simply can't let drift," said Jon Wolfsthal, a nuclear proliferation expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies who has visited nuclear facilities in both countries.

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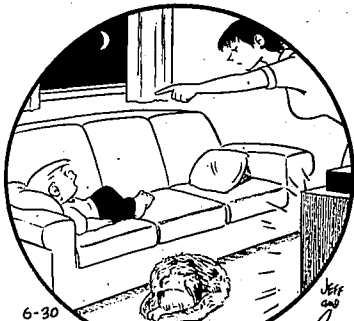
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	5	9	4	3
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V. EASY # 55

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for todays puzzle on page C10.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"The mind demands rules; the facts demand exceptions."
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One piece of advice that experts often give to beginners is that ruffing the long hand does not generate extra tricks, while ruffing in the short trump hand does.

What makes bridge so fascinating and challenging is that this advice is nothing like the full story. One should not always ruff in the short hand if the trumps can be put to better use or are needed for entries. And ruffing in the long hand may be the best way to score your low trumps. That is the case in today's deal.

The 10 tricks you intend to take in four hearts are your six trump tricks and your four plain winners. To try to ensure you get all your six trump tricks, you should play to score your small trumps by ruffing trumps, rather than ruffing on the hearts to break. Given the auction, a 4-1 trump break is a real danger.

The defenders lead the spade king. You should win, immediately ruff a spade, then cross back to the high trumps and check if trumps break. If they do, you may pass to your club suit, draw the last trump, then play on diamonds to make 10 or 11 tricks.

If trumps do not break, you ruff another spade, take your three plain winners, then exit with a diamond. You have taken eight tricks, and your Q-10 of hearts must collect two more in the ending, whatever the defenders do.

NORTH 00-30-A
♠ A 10 7 3
♥ A K
♦ 8 6 3
♣ J 7 5 2

EAST
♠ J 9 5 3
♥ J 9 5 4
♦ K Q 8 6
♣ A

SOUTH
♠ 5
♥ Q 10 8 7 4 2
♦ A K 7 2
♣ A 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

The bidding:
South West North East
3♥ Pass Pass Pass
4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Spade king

LEAD WITH THE ACES

South holds:
♠ Q J 8 6 4
♥ Q 9 5 3
♦ 8 7 2

South West North East
Pass 1♥ Pass 2NT
1♠ 2♣ Pass 3NT All pass

ANSWER: Partner's failure to raise spades should not dissuade you from leading the suit. (He might have passed with three spades to an honor and a weak hand, knowing you were a passed hand.) To avoid blocking spades, and in case dummy has a singleton spade honor, I would lead my fourth-highest spade, not an honor.

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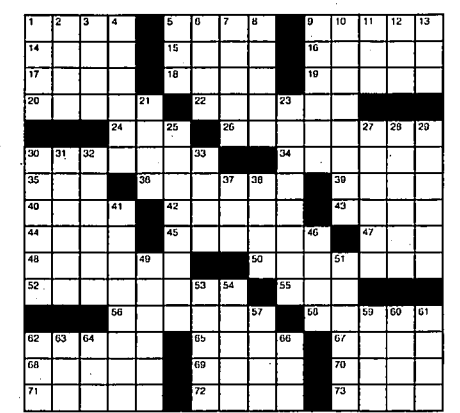
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 - 72 Part of a dance
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- 4 Tilted
- 5 Writer Rand
- 6 Gold of Israel
- 7 Comic Smirnoff
- 8 Biblical land
- 9 Amen to that
- 10 Shade of gray
- 11 Snitch
- 12 Gallery work
- 13 Has permission to
- 21 Corn bin
- 23 European capital
- 25 Superlatively squalid
- 27 Narcotic
- 28 Cook just below boiling
- 29 Art stands
- 30 Boston cager
- 31 For each
- 32 Woman in distress
- 33 British knights
- 37 Gloomy fellow?
- 38 Grounded birds
- 41 Loser to Hippomenes
- 46 " of Wine and Roses"
- 49 Type of snap
- 51 Minute amounts
- 53 Pinball miscues
- 54 Scoury
- 57 Offense or defense
- 59 Security device
- 60 Singer Amos
- 61 Urban problem
- 62 Brain, spinal cord, etc.
- 63 Prune
- 64 Caps ending?
- 66 Facilitating concession

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Doctors renew heart advice

Russert's death prompts calls; experts focus on preventive steps

By Britney Johnson
The Washington Post

The high-profile heart attack death of NBC newsman Tim Russert has triggered a flood of questions from patients, internists and cardiologists say.

"They don't want to be the person that stayed at home with minor symptoms when it could have been a heart attack," said Greg Kulkarnian, medical director of the coronary care unit at the National Institutes of Health Heart Center at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Md.

Experts say they welcome the interest — and the opportunity to educate the public about heart disease prevention.

Basically the message is still this: Eat a low-calorie, high-fiber diet; exercise; get regular checkups; take medication if you need it; learn the early warning signs; and seek help early if you experience any symptoms. Although experts concede some heart attack deaths occur without warning, they say it pays for people to know their risks and reduce those they can control, such as high cholesterol and high blood pressure.

Heart disease is the country's leading cause of death for men and women, killing more than 700,000 people a year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Although it's often considered a disease that affects mostly men, women account for more than half of heart disease deaths.

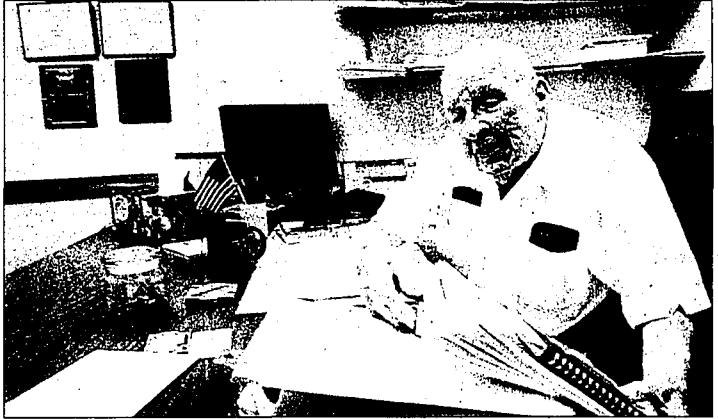
The most common form of heart disease, coronary artery disease, develops when the arteries that nourish the heart become narrowed by the buildup of a fatty substance known as plaque. A continued buildup, called atherosclerosis, can limit blood flow and create clots that can block narrowed arteries, causing a heart attack, the blockage of flow to a section of heart muscle.

Because plaque buildup can start early, Phillip Corcoran, a cardiothoracic surgeon at Suburban Hospital, advises starting heart disease prevention in your 20s. Knowing your family medical history, he says, is crucial. Other factors that can promote plaque buildup include high blood pressure, high cholesterol, obesity and diabetes. Age also increases the risk of heart disease.

Another common concern is stress. Douglas Zipes, emeritus director of the cardiology division at Indiana University School of Medicine, said traumatic events such as terrorist attacks, natural disasters or a spouse's death can prompt a rise in sudden cardiac death, the abrupt stoppage of the heart. But he said there was no way to characterize the "humble and humble" lifestyles as good or bad. "One man's stress," he said, "is another

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Medicare-induced meltdown?



George Schwideman, a 90-year-old veteran, looks through papers while working in his office at the Rupert senior center on Friday morning. Schwideman — one of the people ready to help you understand your Medicare benefits — has volunteered at the center since 1984.

Organization can help you understand insurance benefits

By Melissa Davlin
Staff writer

The help you need

Understanding Medicare benefits can be frustrating. If not impossible.

When can I sign up? Which plan is right for me? What does it cover?

But the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors Program aims to make the government insurance more accessible for seniors. And this summer, SHIBA volunteers are reaching out to eligible citizens who have fallen through the cracks.

Medicare, which provides insurance benefits to citizens age 65 and up and to people with certain disabilities, has several plans that cover doctor visits, long-term health care and prescriptions.

Because people can purchase

any combination of these plans and can combine them with other insurance benefits, knowing how to get the best deal can be tough, said Nora Wells, volunteer coordi-

ator and long-term care coordinator for SHIBA's Twin Falls office. "To reach potential Medicare beneficiaries, SHIBA has a small army of volunteers who sacrifice their time to explain benefits to seniors. The volunteers frequent senior centers, churches and other older folks' haunts to catch up with people who may not understand their coverage — or that they're eligible for coverage at all."

One of them is 90-year-old George Schwideman of Rupert, who spends at least a couple of hours a day at the Mindoka County senior center, ready to help his confused peers. Without pausing, Schwideman can rattle off specifics about Medicare plans and who can benefit from what.

Still, the volunteer of 20 years plays it off like it's no big deal.

"People need help and I believe in helping people," he said. Schwideman and Wells see many people in their offices: senior citizens getting ready to apply for Medicare, Medicare beneficiaries who don't understand their benefits, relatives who want to help their parents.

Personalized face-to-face advice is exactly what people need, Wells said. When people call Medicare's toll-free number for help, they have to make their way through computerized touch-tone menus before getting general information.

"(SHIBA is) a phone call away, and there's no automated menu," Wells said.

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Should you trust that body fat test?

By Howard Schneider
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Depending on which Japanese conglomerate you believe, either I have the body of a 25-year-old or I'm pusting 70. Which is disconcerting either way, because I was 25, and I'd prefer to let 70 wait its turn.

But according to the statisticians at such companies as Omron and Tanita, my "metabolic age" lies at one of those extremes. "What's 'metabolic age'?" It is a statistical construct that, along with a growing number of other bells and whistles, is being built into the "body composition" monitors proliferating on store shelves.

There are a good half-dozen



Into the tank: Howard Schneider goes underwater for a quality estimate of his body fat.

or so of these machines on the market now, with prices from about 20 bucks to nearly 300. Typically similar in shape and use to bathroom scales, their main purpose is to measure body fat.

"They use a technology called bioelectrical impedance, which passes a small current through conductive foot pads or handheld electrodes (and,

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

ABOUT THE NEW SIGN YOU PUT OUT...
WHAT ABOUT IT?
I THINK IT MAY BE SENDING THE WRONG MESSAGE.

BLACK IS OUT

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

CAN WE START A NEIGHBORHOOD STORE?
PLEASE!
A STORE?
YEAH! WE COULD SET UP A STORE IN THE PARK AND SELL THINGS THAT WE FIND!
WELL, OKAY.
THAT SOUNDS LIKE...
HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK WE COULD GET FOR THE POWER?
...FUN...

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

WHY IS OTTO STICKING HIS TONGUE OUT AT ME?
JUST DOING HIS PART.
ADDING INSULT TO INJURY.
GEEK! NOT WALKER!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE FOR LUNCH?
A HOT-PRESSED CORN SANDWICH, BLACK BEAN SOUP, AND A GLASS OF ICED TEA.
NOW YOU'RE TALKING!
IN THE MEANTIME, DOES ANYTHING ON THE MENU STRIKE YOUR FANCY?
NOT A THING.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

WHAT'S GOING ON THERE?
IT'S A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR.
I'M LOOKING FOR EVIDENCE OF THE ANTIWORLD THAT PHYSICIST PAUL DIRAC PREDICTED IN 1930.
HELLO, HANDSOME!

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

Morning, Miss Overdone!
Good morning, Mr. Bone.
Excited for the upcoming Endpaperless Day?
Fireworks are illegal in this state, Mr. Winters.
That woman knows you too well.
So much for Dusty's Bing Bing Boom! I'll be back with the B-B-B-Cue.
And I was so looking forward to seeing that file on the invitations.
Ah wonder how difficult it is to conduct your own fireworks?

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LOOK AT MY MOM AND SHE GETS MAD!
HONEST, MIKE? YOU WERE JUST LOOKIN' AT HER?
YEAH, SHE WAS IN THE BATH AT THE TIME.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

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Garfield By Jim Davis

ISN'T THIS GREAT, GARFIELD?
WONDERFUL.
HERE WE ARE, BACK ON THE FARM!
YEE-HA.
I'M GONNA GO HUG A COW!
LONG TIME NO DATE.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

WHY DID YOU WANT ME TO MAKE AN "X" ON THE WALL?
SO THE NEXT TIME WE COME THROUGH, WE'LL KNOW TO SKIP THIS ONE!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

I KNOW IT'S YOUR SUMMER VACATION, CHIP...
...BUT DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE BEGINNING TO OVERDO THIS "DOING NOTHING"?

Luann By Greg Evans

HEY, THE KITCHEN SIDE OF THE HOUSE BURDED, BUT THE PLACE IS A MESS.
I'M JUST HAPPY THESE WERE NO INJURIES.
WE'RE BROOD AND TONI HERE?
YES, TONI OFFERED TO LET BROOD STAY WITH HER. MOM SAID NO.
WE DISCUSSED THIS, WHY ARE YOU BRINGING IT UP?
BECAUSE BROOD IS AN ADULT!
THAT'S EXACTLY THE POINT!
I'M SEEING SEVERAL INJURIES HERE.

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

I THOUGHT A SANDBOX WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE A SHOVEL AND A PAIL, AND A HOE AND A RAKE, AND A TRACTOR AND A DUMP TRUCK...
WHERE'S THE SHOVEL AND THE PAIL, AND THE HOE AND THE RAKE, AND THE TRACTOR AND THE DUMP TRUCK?!

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

HEY RAT, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE OF MY FRIENDS WHO DIDN'T RESPOND TO MY E-MAIL ABOUT HELPING ME MOVE SOME STUFF OUT OF STORAGE.
OH, I RESPONDED AND I SAID YES, YOU PROBABLY DELETED IT.
WHY WOULD I DELETE YOUR EMAIL?
PROBABLY BECAUSE I TITLED IT "DISCOUNT PHARMACEUTICALS."
I'M NOT VERY GOOD WITH SUBJECT LINES.

Pickles By Brian Crane

DID YOU READ THIS STUDY THAT SAID 55% OF OLD PEOPLE ARE GENERALLY HAPPIER THAN YOUNG PEOPLE?
YEAH, IT'S KIND OF SURPRISING.
I KNOW, WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT?
WELL, JUST LOOK AT MY DAD. HE'S ALWAYS SMILING.
I ALWAYS ASSUMED THAT WAS BECAUSE HE COULDN'T HEAR A WORD WE WERE SAYING.

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

WHAT ARE WE WATCHING TONIGHT?
CAMPAIGN??
GOTTA GO!
HE GETS A LITTLE SCRATCHY IN A CHARGED POLITICAL CLIMATE.
...BRUSH...
...BRUSH...

Non Sequiter By Wiley

YOU'RE STILL DELIVERING NEWSPAPERS TO THAT BAD GUY?
YEAH, BUT IT'S NOT ALL THAT BAD. JUST BOB.
WHEN WERE YOU THERE, APART FROM GIVING IT TO HIM BEFORE HE LEFT? IT GIVES YOU TIME TO TAKE CARE OF THE BUSINESS OF THE UNIVERSE.
LIVE WIRENING WHEN THE REGION WILL TURN AROUND SO YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORK ON A SECOND JOB AT 5AM?
PRETTY NUKA.
"I'M SORRY ABOUT YOUR ARM, MRS. WILSON. CAN YOU STILL BAKE COOKIES WITH ONE ARM?"

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

THAT TWO-TIMING JERK I'VE BEEN PATING IS MARKIE!
WHO TOLD YOU?
MY HUSBAND.

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

EXCUSE ME, COULD I...
...OH! YOU'RE CUTE!
I'M REBECCA - BECKER - IF YOU LIKE - AND YOU'RE UN-JEREMY DUNCAN!
I HAD AN ORTHODONTIST NAMED DR. DUNCAN! ANY RELATION? PROBABLY NOT. UH, I GOTTA GO. I ADDED MY CELL NUMBER TO YOUR CONTACTS. TALK ME! CLUCK!

TO DO FOR YOU

Alzheimer's support

Alzheimer's Support Group meeting, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, at Rosetta Hilland, 1919 Hilland Ave. in Burley.
Open to Mini-Cassia residents who have family members with Alzheimer's. Information: Maquel Wrigley, 677-5451.

Learn CPR for babies

Infant safety and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class, 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, in the lobby at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center's downtown campus, 660 Shoshone St. E.

in Twin Falls.
New parents and grandparents can learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and injury prevention.
Free. Preregistration not required; 732-3148.

About back injuries

"Back School," a course on preventing and treating back injuries, 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, at St. Luke's Magic Valley's Rehabilitation Services, 560 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls.
Topics: basic spine anatomy, common injuries and diseases that lead to back pain, as well as instructions in posture

and body mechanics to protect the spine.
Cost is \$25. Preregistration required; 732-2126.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center's "Baby and Me" classes, 11 a.m.-noon Tuesdays, at Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E.
The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years. Free; 324-6133.

Childbirth refresher

The refresher class of St.

Benedict's prepared childbirth series, 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, at Jerome Ambulance Building, 240 E. Main.
Topics: labor rehearsal, postpartum care and infant care. Bring two pillows, a blanket and, if possible, a support person.
Fee is \$5. Register: 324-6133.

"To do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Submit information by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Image section. E-mail notices to ramona@magvalley.com.

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Fat

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In some cases, both. The current can pass easily through water-rich muscle fiber, but it bogs down in fat. Based on a measure of impedance (how much of the current gets through from one electrode to the other), the machines use mathematical formulas to estimate the amount of fat that got in the way en route.
Why is this a good idea? It is pretty widely acknowledged that people should be less concerned with whether they weigh than on whether that weight comes from fat or muscle.

The Mayo Clinic uses the (frightening) term "normal-weight obesity" to capture the issue. The scales may treat you kindly, in other words, but if too much of your weight comes from fat, you run some of the same health risks as those who are obese.

For men, the aim is to keep body fat under about 20 percent of total weight; for women, under about a third, though the numbers vary with age.

Not content with that statistic, however, competing companies have begun loading their machines with lots of other stuff: estimates of how much muscle you have, how many pounds of bone, hydration levels, the amount of "visceral fat" larded around your vital organs, how many calories you need to eat in a day, and based on all of the above, how "old" you are.

Which prompts the question: If the age estimate given by two monitors can be so divergent, what about the rest of the stuff the machines are supposed to measure?

To get a sense of the accuracy of retail-grade monitors, at least when it comes to basic measures of body fat, I gathered five models from three companies and matched them against two clinical methods for taking the same measurements: a hydrostatic "dunk tank" test often used in research and the hand-callipers pinch test often performed in health clinics and gyms.

The two clinical measures, taken by doctoral student Andy Ludlow at the University of Maryland, raised a point that represent-

How Some Products Compare

Here is how five "body composition" monitors compared in Howard's case. Dunk tank and calliper tests were used for purposes of comparison.

	PRICE	STATISTICS	MEASUREMENT POINTS	MEMORY	BODY FAT*
Homedics 540	\$60	weight, body fat, percent water, percent muscle, bone mass, daily calorie estimate	feet	12 people	29%
Omron Body Logic	\$60	body fat, body mass index	hands	9 people	20.1%
Omron Full Body Sensor	\$120	weight, body fat, muscle, daily calorie estimate, visceral fat, "metabolic age," body mass index	feet and hands	4 people	20.7%
Tanita Inscance	\$300	weight, body fat, percent water, muscle, daily calorie estimate, bone mass, visceral fat, "lifestyle rating," "moderate age"	feet and hands	4 people	18%
Tanita DM61	\$32	weight, body fat, percent water	feet	none	20.9%

* Compared with readings of 18% and 21% from dunk tank and calliper tests.

The body-fat measuring devices will give you a rough sense of where you stand but are better used to see whether your body fat percentage is going up, down or staying steady over time.

higher than it should be, while the pinch test registered 18 percent, comfortably within the recommended range.

So should I panic, or have a beer? That's the kind of anxiety this test can prompt. Company representatives seem to understand as much and are generally careful to say that their machines should be used more to establish trends than for precise measurements.

The devices, in other words, will give you a rough sense of where you stand but are better used to see whether your body fat percentage is going up, down or staying steady over time. If you're losing weight, for example, and your body fat is creeping higher, that's a sign of unhealthy dieting — weight loss through dehydration or the destruction of muscle tissue. By contrast, if your body fat readings are going down but the scales are not budging, that's a sign that you're building muscle and getting stronger.

"What we try to tell everybody is: Don't get hung up on 'Am I really 20 percent?'" said Keith Erickson, director of North and South American sales for Tanita.

From that perspective, the monitors — two from Omron, two from Tanita and one from Homedics — came reasonably close to Ludlow's estimates. They ranged from

a low of 18 percent (Tanita's higher-end Ironman Inscance model, which also gave me credit for a heck of a lot of muscle, and a 25-year-old metabolism), to a high of 20.9 percent (Tanita's less expensive model UM061). The two Omron models came up with similar numbers: 20.7 percent from the more-expensive Full Body Sensor (which, alas, also put me near the end of my life expectancy, based on estimates of muscle content and metabolism) and 20.1 percent from the company's hand-held HBF306 Body Logic, a model popular among personal trainers and health clubs because of its low cost and small size.

The Homedics 540 Health Station was the outlier, putting me at a whopping 29 percent fat. Switched to "athlete mode," a feature on many monitors that uses different assumptions about muscle tissue. It registered a lean 12 percent.

Anyone considering a purchase should keep an important point in mind: They are twitches, especially when it comes to hydration levels. Given all the caveats, I wonder how much value the machines really add, if you're attracted to technology and like to quantify things, this is a reasonable purchase, used correctly. But here's an alternative: Contract your abs and grab your belly. Anything in your hands doesn't need to be there.

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General Surgery	14	15	16	17
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OLDER IS BETTER?

Demand for older models explodes

By Monica Corcoran
Los Angeles Times

Until recently, a fashion model and a carton of skim milk had a lot in common — not enough fat and a short shelf life. The average model's career typically expired at the age of 25. And, really, did anyone cry over such gorgeous spoiled milk?

But a funny thing happened on the way to the model retirement home. Laugh lines became commodities.

"The market for older models has exploded," says Ginni Conquest, co-director of the sophisticated women's division at Wilhelmina Models in New York. (Models who are 25 and older are often referred to as "classic" or "sophisticated.") "It's our fastest-growing area, and it's a first for the industry."

Companies didn't suddenly become smitten with stretch marks. The trend is driven by the \$2 trillion spending power of baby boomers born between 1946 and 1964 — who make up 26 percent of the population. After all, what middle-aged woman wants to buy moisturizer from a model who's too young to order a martini?

Or a cashmere cardigan from a coed? In September, J.Crew will introduce an online section within its Web catalog that features 58-year-old Los Angeles model Pia Gronning. The sundresses will be the same, but the styling will be more age-appropriate and sophisticated.

"We kept hearing women say, 'I'm not 25. I can't wear your clothes,'" says the preppy retailer's creative director, Jenna Lyons. "We did it for the women who wanted to see someone they relate to."

J.Crew's mature model, a Danish stunner with a 27-inch waist, returned to modeling full time four years ago with L.A. Models as her booking agency.

She had been working as a successful interior designer, collaborating with Julia Louis-Dreyfus and other notables.

"I was seeing girls that I used to work with, and so I got back into it," says Gronning, who was discovered by Eileen Ford in 1974. "I am much more relaxed about it now."



Carmen Dell'Orefice, who's in her 70s, appears in a Rolex ad in the July issue of Vanity Fair.

and I am doing amazingly well."

Using models with some existential mileage makes sense for a few reasons. Baby boomers and thirtysomething Gen Xers see the best physical examples of their peers and glean hope that they, too, can age as well. They also covet the good life experiences that often come with good looks.

"The aspiration in these ads has shifted to having a full, rich life. Open up any Vogue and you'll see models over 35," says John Caplan, president of Ford Models. "In the Rolex ad, you have Carmen Dell'Orefice, and she's in her 70s."

Of course, it helps to have a fulfilled life and exquisite bone structure too. This fall, you won't be able to flip a

dozen ad pages in a fashion magazine without glimpsing a 35-plus supermodel. Linda Evangelista, 42, pouts for Prada, while 38-year-old Claudia Schiffer smirks for Chanel and Ferragamo. Christy Turlington, 39, models for Escada. Naomi Campbell, 38, just replaced the 34-year-old Kate Moss as the face of Yves Saint

Laurent's fall print ads. Could America's next top model be addicted to multivitamins? TV Land sure hopes so. The cable network — along with Wilhelmina Models as a partner — debuted "She's Got the Look," a search for a 35-plus supermodel. Host Kim Alexis, 47, who graced 500 magazine covers in the '80s, plays the ax model with the not-so-catchy dismissal: "You're off the board."

"The expression 'well-preserved' has become a compliment," Alexis says. "And unlike the 20-year-old girls on 'America's Next Top Model,' these women are more well-rounded and confident."

Perhaps. But that doesn't mean that they don't bicker like hungry chinchillas and bemoan their thighs and midriffs. Still, Keith Cox, TV Land exec and the show's creator, thinks the winner will have a better shot at landing campaigns than a dewy twentysomething model: "It's a different market, and it's less competitive," he says.

Still, this trend that appears to be one giant leap for modeling doesn't apply to the runway — which is still strictly for kittens.

"If I submitted a 45-year-old model for a runway show, the designer would laugh at me," says Crista Klayman, director of runway at L.A. Models. "They still want the 18-year-old."

In other words, got milk?

Smoking-ban benefit

By Shari Ron
Los Angeles Times

Regulations banning smoking in restaurants were designed to protect the health of nonsmokers. But the laws appear to have an unintended bonus: They deter kids from becoming smokers.

A study published in the Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine found that teens in towns with complete smoking bans were 49 percent less likely to become established smokers compared with their peers in areas with weak restrictions.

The study followed 3,834 Massachusetts youths, ages 12 to 17, for up to four years. In towns where smoking wasn't restricted or was only partially restricted, 9.6 percent and 9.8 percent of the youths, respectively, became

established smokers over the study period. But in towns where smoking was banned in restaurants, 7.9 percent became smokers.

"These regulations are basically sending a message that smoking in public places is no longer socially acceptable," says Dr. Michael Siegel, a professor of social and behavioral sciences at Boston University's School of Public Health. "I think that decreases the appeal of smoking to adolescents. Kids' perceptions of how many people are smoking is a major factor in whether they decide to smoke."

About half of all states have banned smoking in public restaurants. The regulations' effect on youth smoking surpasses that of tobacco taxes and media campaigns, Siegel says.

Heart

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man's pleasure."

However, there are things that people can do to alleviate stress they find discomfiting, said Corcoran. He suggested that people schedule leisure time into their BlackBerrys and day planners the same way they would an important meeting.

Lack of sleep or overeating could exacerbate heart risk from emotional stress, he said.

To assess heart attack risk, doctors sometimes monitor the heart's rhythms and electrical activity as it responds to physical stress. Some stress tests also use

imaging to show blood flow through the heart.

But because tests cannot prevent sudden cardiac death and people cannot control such risk factors as age, sex and genetic make-up, Corcoran recommends everyone take these steps for a healthier heart:

- Eat a diet low in calories, saturated fat and cholesterol.
- Exercise three to five times per week for at least 30 minutes.
- Avoid smoking.
- Lose weight if you're overweight.
- See your doctor regularly to measure blood pressure and cholesterol.

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